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## Students top MEAP averages

BY TONY BRUSCATO  
STAFF WRITER

The latest MEAP scores indicate - once again - Plymouth-Canton elementary and middle school students are generally outpacing students in Wayne County and throughout the state in reading, writing, English language arts, math and science scores.

In only one case - third-grade writing - did Plymouth-Canton elementary students rank below the state average with 49 percent proficient, compared to 51 percent statewide.

In middle school, where social studies was thrown into the mix in sixth grade, Plymouth-Canton students far and away outdistanced other Wayne County schools, as well as districts statewide.

However, because the testing period for the current results was in October, compared to the winter last year, the scores can't be analogized to last year's test results to give administrators and teachers cumulative information on how students are performing.

The state has been clear, this is a baseline period," said Mike Bender, director of secondary education for Plymouth-Canton Schools. "The test had moved from later in the school year to the fall, which certainly changes the experiences kids had at that grade level."

Students are being tested on information taught in their previous grade, which means this year's fifth-graders were tested in October on information they learned in the fourth grade.

"A significant amount of time was spent in review, as well as balancing an approach where we began new instruction for kids in that grade level," added Bender. "There is discussion going on right now as to when the best time is for testing. The challenge for the state is that if the test is moved to winter or spring, will they have the outcome in time to meet the federal regulations which mandate we have our report card and grades (Adequate Yearly Progress) at the beginning of the next school year."

It took approximately five months to get this year's results. If the tests were administered later, there's a chance scores wouldn't be available in time to make changes to meet the federal mandates.

Also complicating the issue of comparing results. Last year's test was the first time Michigan used the MEAP to test third through eighth-graders in math and reading, increasing the number of students taking the test.

"We're in the process of analyzing the results and drawing conclusions," said Bender. "We're very pleased and very proud of students and teachers, and the great job they've done."

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Paige Sambrone sets her cow down for a nap

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## Giant lessons for tiny tots

### Preschool program focuses on academic balance

BY TONY BRUSCATO  
STAFF WRITER



Wearing a tiara, Julia Carpenter is a princess on stilts at the preschool at the Plymouth Salvation Army

"It's circle time," Joan Campbell announced Friday morning to the students attending the Tiny Tots preschool program housed at the Salvation Army's Plymouth Corps.

As the 4- and 5-year-olds gathered to sit on the oval-shaped rug with the letters of the alphabet, it was 4-year-old Madilyn Choate's turn to be the leader. Madilyn got to pick a number - between one and 40 - she and her classmates would count to, pop a balloon at the end and bring the snack.

"I brought (graham) crackers. I like them because they have sugar," Madilyn said, while reaching into a basket to pick a number between one and 10. "That's to see what your fair share is. That's (five) is enough for every single kid."

This week was dedicated to the letter 'P'. 'P is for purple, P is for paper clips, P is for pear,' said Campbell, while pointing to the objects on a giant 'P' poster.

Campbell is in her 40th year of teaching, 38 in the public school system - 32 for Plymouth-Canton Schools - and is right at home interacting with the kids in the Tiny Tots program. Campbell doubles as the program's director, as well as its teacher.

"We have manipulative toys and developmentally

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## Locals react to SBT, wage

BY TONY BRUSCATO  
STAFF WRITER

Michigan business owners had a good news/bad news kind of day Thursday.

The state House Tax Policy Committee voted along party lines in a 10-8 vote to repeal Michigan's 30-year-old Single Business Tax.

On the other end of the spectrum, lawmakers began efforts to increase the state's minimum wage.

The SBT measure now goes to the Republican-controlled House and Senate, where some form of the legislation is expected to gain approval by both chambers.

"I'm burning deeply to do something to cut business taxes and create jobs," said Rep. John Stewart, R-Plymouth Township, who says he's the only legislator who for 24 years has been self-employed (as a lawyer) and paid the SBT. "We are at such a turning point to attract high-tech jobs, cerebral-type research and develop jobs in engineering. It will provide an incentive for employers to hire more employees."

Patrick Reddy, who owns First Security Title Insurance Agency on Main Street in Plymouth, has been a small business owner for 20 years. Reddy has already put in a telephone call to Stewart, telling him to vote in favor of repealing the SBT.

"We're a service industry, and the small business tax is unfair," said Reddy. "It's based on gross receipts, and you can actually lose money in a given year and still owe the tax."

Reddy, who last year paid \$6,800 in single business taxes, has paid as much as \$10,000.

"I'd like to see it replaced, but with something that's fair to everybody," said Reddy.

That's Gov. Jennifer Granholm's same thought. She vows to veto the bill unless there's something to replace the estimated \$1.9 billion in lost revenue.

Meanwhile, the state Senate approved a hike in the minimum wage from its current \$5.15 an hour to \$6.95 on Oct. 1. The wage would jump to \$7.40 in July 2008. Granholm said she'll put her signature to it.

Many business owners don't necessarily like the mandate, but the reality is many are already paying more.

"I've always started out employees more than the (current) minimum wage in my 13 years in business," said Bob Splan, who owns five Subway sandwich shops in Plymouth, Canton, Livonia and Westland. "You can't get good help for that amount."

Splan said depending on experience, the number of hours and responsibility his employees are making between \$6.50 to nearly \$14 an hour.

"The bottom line," said Splan, "is that most will pass the increase on to customers."

For Jason Olmstead, the proposed increase is much to do about nothing, considering he - like many other workers - already makes \$7.30 an hour as a cashier at the Speedway gas station in Plymouth's Old Village.

"I've always had jobs that paid more than minimum wage, so it's not a big deal," Olmstead said.

Olmstead, who quit school in the 11th grade, said minimum wage shouldn't be an issue.

"If you go to high school, get an education and your diploma, then you won't have to worry about it," he said.

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## Arts council seeks replacement for Greene

BY TONY BRUSCATO  
STAFF WRITER

The Plymouth Community Arts Council is looking for a new executive director.

Stella Greene stepped down from the position Feb. 28 to establish her own fund-raising and grant writing company.

"I just decided since the Arts Council is in good financial shape, it was time for me to make a change and look at new creative opportunities," said Greene. The organization has made tremendous inroads creating programming in response to



Greene

the community, and that's been a real source of pride for me.

"I decided to leave so I could have the latitude to work on those projects I wanted to, and the flexibility of hours to have more time with my family and enjoy life," she said.

Greene had been director for nearly three years, taking over when Jennifer Tobin left to

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A great day to be Irish  
Check out what the pubs and bars have planned for St. Patrick's Day



**Grace & Glorie**

Arbor Hospice & Home Care partners with Duo Damas Productions for *Grace & Glorie*, a humorous and heart warming play by renowned playwright Tom Ziegler.

The opening gala will be held 6:30 p.m. Friday, March 24, at The Village Theater at Cherry Hill in Canton. Set in a tiny cabin in the Blue Ridge Mountains, *Grace & Glorie* is a modern day comedy which features Grace, a feisty octogenarian with incurable cancer, who has returned to her beloved homestead cottage to die. She is cared for by a volunteer hospice worker named Glorie, a Harvard M.B.A. graduate and sophisticated urbanite who is a recent transplant to the rural area and is the volunteer hospice worker assigned to assist Grace.

Producers Joanne W. Hulce and Glorja Logan will be at the helm of the production. Glorja Logan will also star as Glorie, while Donna Adams Schulte plays Grace. Proceeds from the production will benefit The Arbor Hospice Foundation, which supports the programs and services of Arbor Hospice & Home Care.

Tickets to the Opening Night Gala Friday, March 24, are \$75 each, and include an opening reception with a chance to speak with the cast at 6:30 p.m. and the production beginning at 8 p.m. Other show times are 8 p.m. Saturday, March 25, and a matinee performance 2 p.m. Sunday, March 26. Tickets for these productions are \$40 apiece. For more information or to purchase tickets, contact Glenda Gordon Kime at Arbor Hospice & Home Care at (734) 662-5999, Ext. 152, [specialevents@arborhospice.org](mailto:specialevents@arborhospice.org) or visit Arbor Hospice & Home Care online at [www.arborhospice.org](http://www.arborhospice.org).

**Kindergarten registration**

The Plymouth-Canton Community Schools will soon begin enrolling kindergarten students for the 2006-07 school year.

All P-CCS elementary schools will accept applications, but each school will offer different hours for registration. Parents are advised to contact their neighborhood school in advance for hours. Parents also should bring their child's birth certificate (children should be 5 on or before Dec. 1, 2006), immunization records, the child's social security number and two pieces of identification as proof of residency.

For more information, residents should call their neighborhood P-CCS elementary school, or call the Board of Education office at (734) 416-2701.

**Showcase Plymouth**

The Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce hosts the 14th annual Showcase Plymouth 5-7:30 p.m. Monday, May 1 at the Inn at St. John's.

Hines Park Lincoln Mercury is the major sponsor of the event, which features products and services from companies from all over the community. In conjunction with the mini-business expo, Showcase also features Taste of Plymouth, which allows patrons to sample cuisine from more than a dozen local eateries.

Businesses wishing to participate can rent a six foot covered table for \$100 for members, \$200 for potential members.

To join the expo, or for more information, call the chamber, (734) 453-1540.

**Scholarship applications**

Plymouth-Canton Community Schools and the Plymouth Chamber of Commerce are accepting applications for the Student Citizenship Award scholarship.

Nominations from all employees, parents and friends of high school seniors from the Plymouth and Canton area will be accepted before 4 p.m. April 4. The \$1,000 scholarship is based on community service only. Grade point average does not play a role in the committee's decision.

The selection committee will pick one student each from

Canton, Plymouth, Salem Starkweather and a non-P-CCS high school for the award. The scholarship application, which is available at the Board of Education office, requires the student to give a one paragraph description of what community service means to them, a one page, bulleted list of the student's community service and a one page testimonial by the person nominating the student for the award. Inquiries should be directed to the P-CCS Community Relations office at (734) 416-2757.

**Career networking**

A panel of human resources professionals share their expertise on a variety of topics of interest to job seekers at the next meeting of Our Lady of Good Counsel's Career Networking Group 7 p.m. Monday, March 20, at a new location — NorthRidge Church.

Panelists are members of the Workforce Readiness Committee of the Human Resources Association of Greater Detroit. They will speak on topics from behavioral interviewing in the recruiting process to networking and effective follow-up strategies. They also plan to discuss best practices in terms of matching interview candidates with job openings.

A question-and-answer period will follow the panel's presentation. Admission to the panel is free.

For information about the presentation, call Ed Walton, (734) 634-2245. NorthRidge Church is located at N. Territorial and Ridge.

**Artful Affair**

The Plymouth Community Arts Council hosts its 16th annual dinner auction, An Artful Affair, at the new Inn at St. John's Grand Ballroom April 1.

Participants will enjoy an evening of dinner and dancing along with silent and live auctions. The proceeds from the evening will benefit the programs the PCAC offers to the community year after year.

Impacting some 8,000 people of all ages every month, the PCAC offers ongoing activities such as the Art Volunteer Program which provides enriching supplemental art presentations to students in the Plymouth Canton educational district. This program, recognized statewide, involves over 250 volunteers using 175 art portfolios, sculpture and culture boxes.

The Artist Mentorship program is another activity which pairs young, enthusiastic students with professional artists. The ArtReach Program helps to send all fifth-graders in the Plymouth-

Canton schools to the Detroit Institute of Art each year. Finally, Music in the Park, a summer concert series geared toward families, is held in Kellogg Park every Wednesday at noon.

Artists and merchants are encouraged to participate in the event by donating to the auction. One-of-a-kind items or services are the hallmark of the event and provide a great opportunity for promotion to approximately 400 people who will be in attendance.

Volunteers who would like to help with the event are more than welcome to participate on committees such as item solicitation, decorations and publicity.

This event will be the Arts Council's only major fund-raiser of the year. Tickets are \$85 and are available at the Plymouth Community Arts Council, 774 N. Sheldon in Plymouth, or by calling (734) 416-4278.

**Irish luck**

All 16 Bennigan's restaurants in Michigan are feeling the Luck of the Irish while helping fight neuromuscular disease.

Diners who visit local Bennigan's restaurants will notice that every day is St. Patrick's Day lately with the addition of hundreds of green and gold shamrocks.

Bennigan's officials said the Shamrocks Against Dystrophy promotion is "an easy and fun way for everyone to help in the fight against the 43 neuromuscular diseases covered under the MDA umbrella," including ALS, more commonly referred to as Lou Gehrig's disease.

For \$1, guests of Bennigan's restaurants can purchase a green shamrock or for \$5, guests can purchase a gold shamrock. The paper shamrocks are displayed in the restaurant and the money stays in the local community and goes to provide help and hope for those served by MDA.

**Blood drive**

The Plymouth Post Office hosts a blood drive for the American Red Cross 11 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Wednesday, March 22.

The post office is located on Beck Road in Plymouth Township. Appointments can be scheduled but walk-ins are also welcome.

To make an appointment or for more information, call Barb Mitchell, (734) 453-6111.

**Civil War roundtable**

On March 16 the Abraham Lincoln Civil War Round Table hosts noted author Samuel Martin for an 8 p.m. lecture concerning Confederate General Matthew Calbraith Butler. March 16 at the Plymouth Historical Museum. General Butler was a mem-

ber of a distinguished South Carolina family. His father served with Andrew Jackson during the Battle of New Orleans and his mother's brother was Comdr. Oliver Hazard Perry. Matthew Calbraith Butler eagerly left his law practice to join Wade Hampton's 'Legion' when his state seceded from the Union. Few individuals have led such an interesting and accomplished life having done so while securing both the love and respect of their fellow men.

Samuel Martin has published numerous articles in Civil War Times Illustrated, The Kept and America's Civil War. He is the author of two previous Civil War biographies, The Road to Glory and The Life of Union General Hugh Judson Kilpatrick.

The museum is located at 155 S. Main in downtown Plymouth. The public is invited. Admission is free. For more information call 734-459-7324.

**Mom-2-Mom sale**

Plymouth Canton Mothers of Multiples sponsor a 'Mom-2-Mom Sale' 9:30 a.m. - 1 p.m. Saturday, April 8 at the Monaghan Knights of Columbus, 19801 Farmington Road in Livonia, between Seven Mile and Eight Mile.

Admission is \$1, and parents are asked to hold off on strollers until after 11 a.m. The department-style event features more than 30 sellers featuring baby and children's clothes, equipment, toys, strollers, car seats, maternity wear, etc.

For more information, contact Fiona via e-mail at [surfaceinnovations@wowway.com](mailto:surfaceinnovations@wowway.com).

**Teacher speaks**

Dan Colligan, Canton High School history and political science teacher, will address Peace Making: The League of Nations Experiment, 6:30 p.m. Monday, March 13, at the Plymouth District Library.

This six-part program, The World War I Years: America becomes a world Power, is sponsored by the Friends of the Plymouth District Library.

Registration is requested. To register or for more information call (734) 453-0750 Ext. 4.

**Hole-istic approach**

Minds-N-Motion, LLP sponsors 'Switched-on Golf,' a "hole-istic approach to mental fitness in golf education," 8:30 a.m. - 4 p.m. Saturday, March 25 at Fox Hills Golf Course.

The course will be taught by Pamela Curlee, author of Switched-On Golf, a member of the international faculty of the Educational Kinesiology Foundation since 1990. She will share new information from the European Neurokinesiology Institute on how to integrate reflexes connected with golf.

Cost is \$110 per person (\$100 per person if you're registering two or more), and includes continental breakfast, buffet luncheon and course manual. Registration and payment are due by March 17.

For more information, e-mail [minds-n-motion@hotmail.com](mailto:minds-n-motion@hotmail.com) or call Lucy French, (734) 459-3997, or Nancy Kelly, (734) 459-5258.

**Flag series**

The Plymouth Historical Museum is set to host the last few parts of the series, 'Flags - History and Heroes.'

On Thursday, April 13, the speaker will be Lincoln interpreter Fred Priebe on "The Tragedy of Elmer Ellsworth." Priebe, as Abraham Lincoln, will explain who Elmer Ellsworth was and why his tragic end was so important and meaningful to Lincoln.

On Thursday, May 11, the speaker will be Kerry Chartkoff, Director of Capital Services in Lansing.

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All programs start at 7:30 p.m. and are free and open to the public. For more information, visit the museum's Web site at [www.plymouthhistory.org](http://www.plymouthhistory.org) or call (734) 455-8940.

**DAR meets**

The Daughters of the American Revolution meet at noon Monday, March 20, at the Plymouth Historical Museum for a sandwich luncheon which serves as the club's annual meeting.

The program will include a tour of the museum.

For more information, call (734) 459-4764.

**Rummage sale**

The Plymouth Salvation Army hosts its annual rummage sale and bake sale 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Friday, March 31.

This year, the Army is offering tables for rent for any crafters or vendors who would like to showcase their wares. The cost of the tables is \$25, with all proceeds going to support The Salvation Army's World Services, a program that places missionaries in 110 countries worldwide, usually under very difficult circumstances.

The Plymouth Salvation Army is located at 9451 S. Main St. in Plymouth. For more information call (734) 453-5464.

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## Store owner remembered for putting others ahead of himself

BY BRAD KADRICH  
STAFF WRITER

When Don Wurm was a young man, his most-prized possession was a '58 Chevy he used to race.

When it came time to propose to the love of his life, though, Wurm didn't hesitate to sell that car — into which he'd poured so much love — in order to pay for the ring he used to become engaged.

That story came as no surprise to those who knew Wurm, who for 37 years ran Laurel Furniture on Ann Arbor Trail in Plymouth. Wurm lost an 18-month battle with colon cancer and died Tuesday at the age of 61.

It was one of several stories Rabbi David Caspiplione told the large throng attending Wurm's memorial service Wednesday at Vermeulen Funeral Home.

It's the most romantic thing I've ever heard, and I'm not surprised a bit, said Noreen Desilets, who worked for Wurm at Laurel for five years. "He was the most unselfish man I've ever known. He put everyone else ahead of himself."

Born Aug. 11, 1944, Wurm grew up with his older brother, Larry, in Allen Park. Wurm joined the National Guard and actually served in Detroit during the 1967 riots.

Wurm's father owned furniture stores in Allen Park and Dearborn. When the elder Wurm opened the Plymouth store in the late 1960s, his son — who had been working at Western Electric on Sheldon Road — was there to help run it.

It was at Western Electric where Wurm met Kay, the woman for whom he sold his '58 Chevy. The couple had one daughter, Christine. But though Wurm's immediate family might have been small, his extended family was much larger.



Don Wurm sold his prized '58 Chevy in order to buy a ring for the love of his life, Kay.

Bob Sigmon met Wurm 18 years ago, when he tried to sell Wurm some computer software. Wurm offered Sigmon a job, Sigmon accepted, and he's worked at Laurel ever since.

He was a nice guy who was loved by everybody," Sigmon said. His delivery guys were like sons to him. He cared about people, and people cared about him.

For nearly 40 years, Wurm dedicated himself not only to family, but to his business. In fact, he was at the store on Monday, just a day before the colon cancer finally claimed him.

That also came as no surprise to those who knew him.

He made every effort to keep coming into the store, Sigmon said. He was a business owner who actually owned and ran his business. If the doors were open, Don was there.

Wurm is survived by his wife, Kay, his daughter, Christine (Mark Skinner) Wurm, his brother, Larry, and several nieces and nephews. Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society.

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## Magazine taps spa as state's best

BY BRAD KADRICH  
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Julie Van Ameyde has always believed her Spa Julianna, located in the Mayflower Centre in downtown Plymouth, is one of the best facilities of its kind around.

In its January edition, readers and editors of the national magazine *Allure* agreed.

Spa Julianna, which Van Ameyde and her partner, Stephen Jones, founded in 2001, was named Michigan's best spa in the magazine. According to Van Ameyde, the award is based on input from both readers and editors.

Van Ameyde was obviously pleased with the honor, one she said she hadn't even been aware the spa was up for.

"We didn't even know they were running it until we got the call," Van Ameyde said. "It's always nice and exciting to be recognized for quality services."

It's the latest in a line of honors for the spa, which employs some two dozen people. Spa Julianna has also been recognized by *Hour Detroit* and *Lucky* magazines.

*American Baby* honored it for "best prenatal massage," while *New Beauty* called it a "five-star beauty destination." The spa even drew raves in one Oakland County publication for "Best Spa in Oakland County, even though it's not actually in Oakland County."

Van Ameyde, who before opening the spa sold high-tech software to automotive companies, said the success of Spa Julianna comes from the environment of unmatched ease, warmth, and luxury the spa offers.

"I think (Spa Julianna) is different than what the traditional spa experience is," said Van Ameyde, who has more than a dozen years experience developing and executing business and marketing plans. "We're all spa. That's our heritage."

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### NEWS BRIEFS

#### Fifth birthday

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The bank will also host a sweepstakes drawing for a family getaway to Frankenmuth's Bavarian Inn, four tickets to opening day at Comerica Park, a \$50 savings bond, and more.

"We are very proud to be celebrating five years of community banking," said President and CEO Michael Weaver. "Our customer base continues to grow as a result of the dedication of our entire staff and we continue to expand our products and services to better meet the needs of the community."

The bank's fifth year of operation is also marked by the grand opening of the bank's Investment & Insurance Center. Through a partnership with C. Curtis & Associates, the center will offer financial planning advice, annuities, insur-

ance, stocks, bonds and mutual funds.

The bank will also have complimentary lunch and birthday cake all week from 11 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Locally owned and operated in Plymouth, New Liberty Bank provides a full range of personalized services for business and retail customers, including free on-line bill pay and 32,000 surcharge-free ATMs. New Liberty Bank reported total assets of \$79 million in December 2005. Products offered through the Investment & Insurance Center are not FDIC insured, not bank guaranteed, and may lose value.

#### Published author

Kristine Marie Yanke of Plymouth is one of the authors to have an original short story included in the newly released *Chicken Soup for the Mother of Preschoolers' Soul, Stories to Rekindle the Spirit of Moms of Little Ones*, a recent book in the New York Times best-selling *Chicken Soup for the Soul* series. Yanke's story, *Preschool*

*Pangs*, tells of how a mom struggles with the first day of preschool.

Publishers said each story was selected from thousands of other potential stories to be included in *Chicken Soup for the Mother of Preschooler's Soul* "because of its special ability to touch the hearts of preschool moms everywhere."

Each story gives mothers of preschoolers a place to release the day's stress, connect with other moms and evoke much-needed laughter. As moms read these stories, they will rekindle a sense of self and spirit, and be reminded of how to enjoy this precious period of time in their life," publishers said.

The *Chicken Soup for the Soul* books were first published in 1993 and quickly rose to number one on the New York Times bestseller list. With over 100 million copies sold and 101 titles in 37 languages, *Chicken Soup for the Soul* has made international publishing history and garnered numerous prestigious awards for creators, Jack Canfield and Mark Victor Hansen.

### Legislature approves water bill; Granholm will veto

The Michigan House Thursday approved a bill that would take control of the Detroit Water Department away from the city and give power to a suburban majority board.

The House action followed approval by the Senate of a bill whose primary sponsor is state Sen. Laura Toy, R-Livonia. Gov. Jennifer Granholm vetoed a similar bill in 2004 and is expected to veto this version.

The House vote followed a vote by Detroit City Council Wednesday that raised rates for suburban communities only by an average of 5.7 percent. The council delayed raising rates for Detroit residents until Mayor Kwame Kilpatrick creates a plan to help low-income residents cut their water bills.

The water department has two rate systems - one for city residents called retail customers and one to suburban communities called wholesale customers. Suburban communities then set retail rates, often adding on surcharges for the maintenance of water and sewer infrastructure

within the community.

The bill as approved by the House would replace the Detroit Board of Water Commissioners, appointed by the mayor of Detroit, with a new seven member advisory board that would consist of a representative from Wayne, Oakland, Macomb and Genesee counties appointed by the county boards and three representatives from the city of Detroit appointed by the mayor with the approval of the city council. The representative from Wayne County can not be a Detroit resident. The arrangement would give the suburbs a 4-3 majority in management of the Detroit Water and Sewer Department.

Toy was the primary sponsor of a similar bill in 2004 that Granholm vetoed and called "divisive."

"Call, write, fax, or e-mail the governor and tell her that you want your voice to be heard," Toy, R-6th District, urged of residents in a press release Thursday. If the governor is serious about helping all the

residents of Michigan she will sign this bill to bring accountability to a system that supplies nearly half the state's population with life sustaining water.

Toy said that her bill does not take day-to-day operations away from the city of Detroit but allows for a "more accurate" accounting of how rates are set.

"During the past three years instead of seeing the reform that was promised, we have seen more of the same," Toy said. "Although slight progress has been made, the air of uncertainty and suspicion remains, exacerbated by the department's unwillingness to share requested information and continued media reports of questionable contracting practices."

"When the Detroit City Council rejected proposed water rate increases it raised red flags about the true level of transparency within the department and from the current administration in the city of Detroit. We need some checks and balances here

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**Frederick C. Booth**  
 Booth 80 of Bloomfield Hills died Feb. 21

**Joan Terese (Mader) Bowe**  
 Bowe 79 died

**Frank W. Brochert**  
 Brochert 63 died March 8

**C**

**Mary Ellen Crow**  
 Crow 85 died

**E**

**Franklin D. Ellis**  
 Ellis 71 of Westland died March 8

**G**

**George Griffin Jr.**  
 Griffin 86 of Boyne City died March 3

**K**

**Lawrence King**

King 76 died March 8

**Rosemarie Kostecke**  
 Kostecke 59 died Jan. 19

**M**

**Matthew Eric Matzinger**  
 Matzinger 37 of Wauwatosa, Wis., formerly of Oxford, died March 7

**T**

**William Vernon Thomas**  
 Thomas 81 died March 7

**W**

**Marion L. Watson**  
 Watson 91 of Birmingham and Bloomfield Hills died March 7

**Y**

**Mildred Yates**  
 Yates 82 of Hudson, Fla., formerly of Livonia, died Feb. 24

Complete paid obituaries can be found inside today's newspaper in Passages on page C4.

**GREENE**

FROM PAGE A1

become director of the Village Theater at Chery Hill in Canton Township.

Cynthia Vercruyse of Plymouth Township, president of the PCAC Board of Directors, said the search for a new executive director has already begun.

"We don't want to limit the type of person who might want to apply, but we are looking for somebody who has a passion for the business," said Vercruyse. "The PCAC is important to the community and we want somebody who is going to be dedicated to helping the organization grow and deliver the kinds of program-

ming the community will embrace.

Vercruyse said the Board of Directors has not set a timeline for hiring an executive director, however the classified ad indicates the review of candidates will begin March 20.

The 36-year nonprofit organization has an on-site education and art gallery, a long-standing children's theater program and an established art volunteer program that provides arts and cultural education to children in the Plymouth-Canton school district.

Each summer, for more than 20 years, the PCAC has sponsored Music in the Park music and entertainment at noon every Wednesday in Kellogg Park.

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**PRESCHOOL**

FROM PAGE A1

appropriate programs, said Campbell. "We try to encourage literacy a lot. When they read 10 books, they get to choose a book to keep."

Campbell and the program are the main reasons Sheila Johnson of Canton Township enrolled 5-year-old Christian in the Salvation Army program.

"I knew it would be a good program because two of my other kids had her for kindergarten at Allen Elementary," said Johnson. "There's a good balance between academic-based and play-based activities. He's now interested in writing his name, and has learned not only his ABCs, but also letter recognition. However, he's still allowed to make choices."

Squeezing and shaping Play-Doh, painting on the big easel, filling containers with macaroni and caring for the two guinea pigs are only part of many activities students get to choose from in the kid-friendly classroom.

"I like to play with the Legos and blocks," said 5-year-old Henry Spielman, who is the train aficionado of the class. "I like to go on the slide and read books."

Henry's mother, Lisa, is Campbell's classroom assistant. Lisa Spielman was pleased when Campbell took over the program last year, remembering the positive experience she had as a child in Campbell's kindergarten



Teacher Joan Campbell helps Ben Walton put away the toys he played with at the preschool she runs at the Plymouth Salvation Army.

class at Miller Elementary.

Henry's happy here, said Spielman. "These kids get to do everything. It's wonderful."

Campbell said the Tiny Tots program still has openings. The 4- and 5-year-olds attend class three days a week for \$110 a month, and 3- and 4-year-olds two days, for \$90. Information can be obtained by calling Campbell at (734) 453-5464.

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# Magic moments

Teacher catches students' attention with his 'tricky' hand work

BY SUE MASON  
STAFF WRITER

The first day David Mitchell sat in amazement and watched his teacher set a wallet on fire Mitchell was very impressed

He said he was going to do some tricks and when the wallet caught on fire he said it was a hot trick," Mitchell said "Actually, it was pretty cool

Little did Mitchell know that his teacher, William Heine, not only knows his way around a computer, but also is a professional magician

"I'm creating wonder," said Heine "Now days kids have so many distractions, so I take a little time to have them wonder With magic, they see things that they don't understand and appreciate that they don't understand

Heine, a former sales consultant and trainer for graphics products, has been teaching desktop publishing at the William D Ford Career Technical Center in Westland for three years, using his magic to capture his students attention and as an incentive

"Before I get the message across I need to get their focus, the Plymouth resident said My students enjoy being entertained"

Get a project done on time and Heine brings in a few tricks At Halloween, he puts on a half-hour show for his students That's when he brings in the big stuff - the birds, the sound system, the whole shebang

"It works very well, they push each other along so they get to see more magic tricks," he said

Magic is a way to introduce students to the idea of looking at things from different perspectives in desktop publishing

In magic, you try to capture people's attention by showing them something they don't always see, they're not use to



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William Heine, desktop publishing teacher at the William D Ford Career Technical Center, shows his students one of 127 tricks he knows with cards as an incentive for finishing projects on time

seeing things done that way, he said "Magic is the same way You want to fool the senses"

## SLEIGHT OF HAND

Heine has been doing magic for 35 years He was introduced to the sleight of hand at age 10 and did his first show at age 11 He made \$5 That first gig was three doors down his street at a birthday party

At the peak of his career, he was opening at the Fisher Theater for comedian Robert Townsend and for fellow magician Harry Blackstone Jr

"It was pretty exciting being in a theater like that," he said "Now, I do it on weekends and a lot more in the summer

And it was his magic that got Heine into desktop publishing He delved into it to produce his own magic brochure

With 14 years of experience in graphic design, he decided to shelve his sales job and turned to teaching Now he's only one class away from getting his vocational certification

I wanted to do something that meant more to me than selling things," he said This

job you can have a positive impact on kids'

Heine not only entertains his students with his magic, he also teaches them a trick at the end of the school year

I teach them something so they can see how it looks before and how it looks after," he said They learn so they can see the difference


## TEACHING OTHERS

Heine also plans to take his teaching beyond desktop publishing He plans to open a magic summer camp 2007 for kids ages 7-12, teaching beginning and intermediate magic


So many parents would come up to me and say if I would teach their kid or tell me I should have magic lessons, he said It's a way of getting kids away from video games and teach them coordination, presentation skills and self-confidence

People interested in William Heine's magic camp can call him at (734) 454-9392 or e-mail him at magicguy\_10@yahoo.com

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## Set your kids a good example, start them on the reading habit

He probably doesn't know it's Reading Month. But he was certainly into the spirit of the annual celebration Sunday when he said matter of factly, 'Let's read Papa.'

My grandson, Aidan, 2 1/2, went off to the bookcase and grabbed two books. He's particularly into a book about a snowman building contest with a clear message that working together will allow you to build a bigger, better snowman. It was such a good story he had me read it twice.

Of course, he's a multi-media kind of guy. He sits with Mom or Dad and navigates to his favorite kid-friendly Web sites. He knows how to pop in a DVD. He just attended his first big screen movie to watch one of his favorite book characters — Curious George — bigger than life.

But the reading is an important part of the mix and the most interactive. He sits on my lap or next to me, listens to the story, asks questions and then talks about the story after we read it. He's getting the habit and it's a good habit to have.

March is Reading Month is designed to encourage children to read. It's become a challenge to get children to read anything beyond the bare minimum to get by in the classroom. Reading Month promoters want kids to know that reading is fun, challenging, informative. It's a conversation starter, a project promoter, an escape to exotic lands and wild adventures.

But the competition is steep. Met a young man last week. He was a middle schooler, talkative and obviously bright. It was a Tuesday, DVD release day, and he was reminded that the latest Harry Potter was being released that day. He'd seen the movie a couple of times and was anxious to see it, and all the extras, on DVD.

We asked if he'd read the latest Harry Potter book (No. 6 in the series). He said he wasn't much of a reader, but had read the first five but not the latest.

The Potter books seem to grow in size and complexity to keep the target audience somewhere around Harry's age. That could turn many middle school readers away. But the fact that the movies are now appearing about three years behind the books might also explain it. Movies are easier.

Ironically, it was the success of Harry Potter in the 1990s that gave educators and parents hope that a reading renaissance was taking place. After stagnant juvenile book sales and a seeming abandonment of the printed word for

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television and video games, children were closing themselves away in their rooms to read about the adventures of a bespectacled British schoolboy wizard and his friends. (And many adults also found the adventures appealing.)

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Educators know the distractions. It seems every few years a new distraction comes along — sports, movies, phonographs, television, video games, DVDs, iPods, MySpace and other online services (temptations?).

The important thing is starting good habits early, discouraging bad habits and managing distractions that have good and bad elements (movies, computers, popular music). Easier said than done unless you're with a child 24/7 and keep him or her on a tight leash that doesn't allow for any bad decisions (or good ones, either).

But you can read. You can turn off the television and the computer and take the iPod out of your ears. The sight of an adult reading a book or a magazine or even (please) a newspaper can be a great inspiration. Just as getting out on a bicycle or Rollerblades or taking a hike in the woods can inspire a child to exercise.

And that's what it's all about, exercising the body and the mind. You can distract children into following some good habits.

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## War on terror climate promotes increased anti-Arab rhetoric

I don't know whether to be angry or amused with the current rhetoric about the Dubai deal. It seems that hidden hatred against Arabs has become a competitive sport, especially among politicians who are vying for our support. Even enlightened people like Sens. Hillary Clinton and Charles Schumer are going out of their way to discredit companies simply because they have an Arab name.

In the name of security, it has become fashionable to spout hate rhetoric against Arabs in America. Even in cities with large Arab populations, hate speech is promoted and supported by politicians from both sides of the political spectrum and the media. Bellicose rhetoric streams out of Washington and the national media on a daily basis, proclaiming that "we are engaged in a war on terror" and that "our safety as Americans is in danger." We have stopped distinguishing between good and bad Arabs, or between our allies who are helping us with our "war on terror" and those individuals who are attacking us.

The "war on terror" has become a motto not only for hate groups who dislike anyone who is different, but also for mainstream Americans who now believe that the Arabs and Muslims are a homogeneous group of fanatics who are bent on destroying America.

The "war on terror" climate has created skewed political and civic spaces. The space for dissent and opposition is shrinking, while the space to hate Arabs and Muslims is expanding. It has become our patriotic duty to proclaim our opposition to anything Arab or Muslim.

Radio and TV talk shows are now joined by mainstream media who question anything Arab or Muslim. Radio talk and TV shows are replete with comments such as "We should bomb the Middle East and then America will be safe" or "These Arabs should just go back to where they came from." Arab Americans and Muslims are under siege in the United States. We live in a prison, the prison of being the "other" targets of hate. This prison has reduced the space within which we are able to freely exercise our constitutional rights to be different, to voice dissent and to have an identity that is rooted in our ethnic, linguistic and religious histories.

With the exception of civil rights organizations such as the ACLU, political, civic, corporate, religious, media and other ethnic organizations have either supported or promoted the suppression of Arab and Muslim rights in this country. Tolerance and bigotry give way to loathing and anxiety. People are now advocating the violation of both civil rights and civil liberties of Arab and Muslims. This has a chilling effect on the Arab and Muslim communities in our country. According to

the American-Arab Anti-Discrimination organization, since Sept. 11, 2001, there have been:

- More than 700 violent incidents targeting Arab Americans.

- More than 80 cases of illegal and discriminatory removal of innocent passengers from aircraft after boarding based on the passenger's perceived ethnicity.

- More than 800 cases of employment discrimination against Arabs and Arab Americans.

- Defamation against Arabs and Muslims, particularly attacks on Islam as a faith.

Adding insult to injury, our government with the majority of Americans cheering their efforts has created secret detentions, hearing and deportations of Muslims and Arabs. An alien registration has been created based on national origin and ethnicity, which monitors and spies on innocent Arabs and Muslims. Through our fear, loathing and anxiety, we have allowed our government to prematurely invade and occupy Iraq, killing more than 2,100 of our young soldiers and injuring thousands of others.

As horrific as the damage to the Arabic and Muslim communities is, it pales next to the damage we are creating for ourselves. Our country, the bastion of openness, constitutional freedom and human rights, is creating a cultural apartheid and polarization. We now divide our society into "us vs. them."

We decided to lump all Arabs together after the actions of a few who perpetrated terror on our society. If a society is to be defined by the actions of a few, why wasn't our community defined by its upstanding citizens? Mohamed ElBaradei, the head of the International Atomic Energy Agency and winner of the 2005 Nobel Peace Prize, Gen. John Abizaid, the commander of the U.S. Central Command in Iraq, Dr. Elias Zerhouni, the director of the National Institutes of Health, Sen. John Sununu, or Sheriff Michael Bouchard of Oakland County. The list goes on, yet we hear little of these upstanding Arabs and Muslims who work to stem terror on a daily basis.

The cry of ostracization against Arabs and Muslims may win elections and make us feel safe in the short run, but if it continues we will all pay the price for this bigotry.

During this difficult time, I am always reminded of the eloquent words of Pastor Martin Niemöller: "First they came for the Jews and I did not speak out because I was not a Jew. Then they came for the communists and I did not speak out because I was not a communist. Then they came for the trade unionists and I did not speak out because I was not a trade unionist. Then they came for me and there was no one left to speak out for me."

None of us are exempt from bigotry. History has shown that bigotry is expensive. We need to stop it before we all pay the price.

Terry Ahwal lives in Canton.

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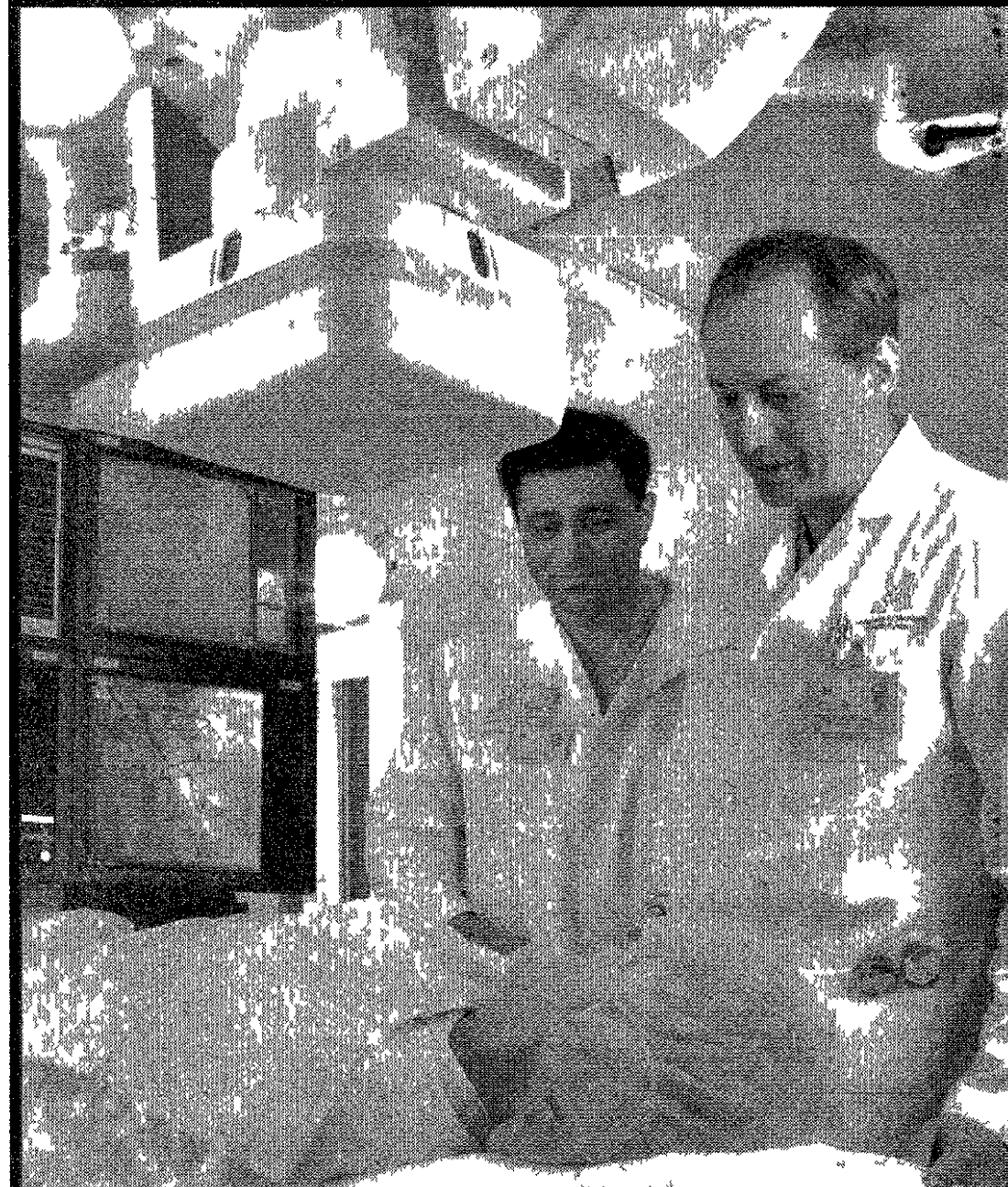
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- **LIBRARY GARDEN GROUP**, Thursday, March 16, 7 p m — Join local gardeners in this informal monthly gathering. This month discussion will center around spring clean up and early planting. No registration is required

**IKEA looking for more than a few good hands**

BY CAROL MARSHALL  
STAFF WRITER

If you're looking for something to do this summer — or looking to change what you do for a living — then IKEA is looking for you.

The Swedish furniture retail store will open this summer in Canton and the company is hiring some 400 workers between now and then. To find workers, the company last week began accepting online job applications.

We haven't yet announced the exact date we're opening this summer because we're still in construction mode, at the corner of Haggerty and Ford, said IKEA spokesman Joseph Roth. But we are ready to start looking for co-workers now.

Job seekers may apply on the company's Web site at <http://www.IKEA-usa.com>. Those with limited access to computers are encouraged to visit the following local libraries where staff members

navigate the IKEA application process on the Internet: Canton Public Library, Plymouth District Library, Livonia Civic Center Library, William P. Faust Library of Westland, and the Detroit Public Library.

The company has been named three years in a row by *Working Mother* magazine as one of the 100 Best Companies for Working Mothers, and was one of FORTUNE's 100 Best Companies to Work For list for two consecutive years.

The reason for those honors, according to Roth, is that IKEA places value and emphasis on the importance of a work and life balance. We are thrilled to offer interested job seekers in the

area diverse positions with limitless opportunity at a global company, said Mark McCaslin, store manager. At IKEA, we realize that the opportunity to be able to do the things in life that bring success and happiness is extremely valuable to our co-workers.

Although the future IKEA Canton is still progressing through construction and outfitting phases, prospective co-workers are welcome to apply for available positions in home furnishings sales, interior decoration, customer service, safety and security, cashiers, maintenance, goods flow, receiving, warehouse and stock replenishment. Also, setting itself apart from other retailers in the area, IKEA

Canton will offer approximately 75 food service opportunities in its restaurant, Swedish Foodmarket, Cafe Bistro and co-worker cafeteria.

IKEA offers full medical and dental insurance to co-workers working 20 hours or more per week with eligibility for domestic partners and children.

Other benefits include vacation, paid maternity/paternity leave and paid time off for child adoption, tuition assistance, 401(k) match, professional development, training and mentoring programs and a discount on IKEA purchases.

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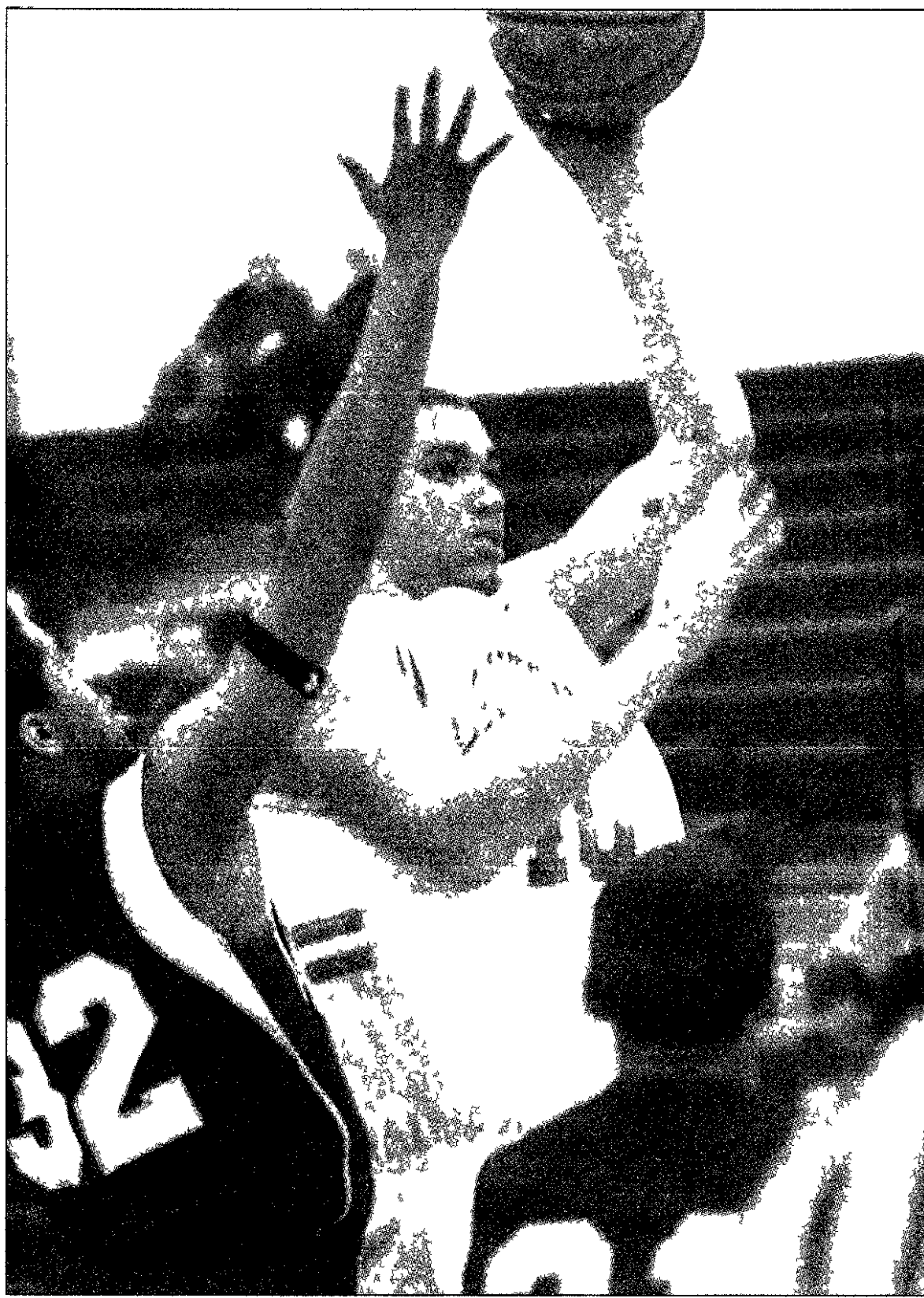
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## 2006 Class A District Basketball Final



BY LL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Canton senior guard Andre Bridges, pictured above in Wednesday's semifinal win over Plymouth, poured in a team-high 23 points to lead the Chiefs to a 69-53 triumph over Novi-Detroit Catholic Central in Friday night's Class A District championship game at Novi High School

# Hail to the Chiefs

## Canton outshoots Shamrocks to earn first title since 1996

BY ED WRIGHT  
STAFF WRITER

Canton's basketball team saved its best performance of the season for its biggest game in a decade.

The Chiefs captured the school's first Class A District basketball title since 1996 Friday night with a rousing 69-53 victory over Novi-Detroit Catholic Central.

Using the pinpoint shooting they relied on in their first two District victories, the Chiefs surged to a 7-0 lead during the game's first two minutes and never looked back. Canton led 41-32 at the half and 52-37 after three quarters.

The Chiefs will take a 17-6 record and a ton of momentum into Tuesday night's 6 p.m. Class A Regional semifinal game against Rochester Adams (11-11) at Troy Athens High School.

If they could, they'd probably also take the Novi High School runs to Troy after shooting over 50 percent in all three tournament games this week.

"This feels great," said Canton senior forward Andy Larsen, as his teammates celebrated their achievement a few feet away with members of the school's cheering section. "We knew they were a

### REGIONAL WRAP

■ **What:** Class A regional basketball game between Canton (17-6) and Rochester Adams (11-11).

■ **When:** Tuesday at 6 p.m.

■ **Where:** Troy Athens High School, 4333 John R., Troy, MI 48098.

■ **How the two teams advanced:** Canton defeated Novi-Detroit Catholic Central, 69-53, in Friday night's semifinal contest. Adams downed Troy Athens, 62-56, in its semifinal contest.

■ **Who to watch:** Canton's go-to player in the post-season has been 6-foot-3 senior guard Andre Bridges, who scored 23 points in the Chiefs' District semifinal and final victories. Jake Heinrich scored 24 points in the Highlanders' title-clinching victory.

■ **Prediction:** Canton 62, Rochester Adams 50.

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# Sidelines

## GCYBSA news

Today marks the final mass registration opportunity for youths interested in participating in the 2006 Greater Canton Youth Baseball & Softball Association season. To register, show up at the Summit on the Park ballroom between 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. There will also be a mandatory GCYBSA coaches clinic this afternoon from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. at the Summit. Coaches are encouraged to check in at 3:45 p.m. The clinic will include skill-and-drill stations, guest speakers and raffles.

League director positions are still available. Call (734) 394-5489.

## Salem tennis

Students interested in playing for the 2006 Salem boys tennis team should meet at the school's tennis courts after school on Monday. If the weather is poor, the site will be moved to the school's upper-commons area.

Also, a parent/player meeting will be held Monday at 7 p.m. in the Salem cafeteria. For more information, visit the team's Web site [www.salemrocks.com](http://www.salemrocks.com).

## TMD 88's 1st

The Team Mission Detroit 88's, an inline hockey team, captured their second straight tournament on consecutive weekends in the AAU National Qualifier played at the US Blades facility in Rochester.

Tournament MVP Jason Yokubison (West Bloomfield) scored three minutes into sudden death overtime to lead the TMD 88's past the Hyper Devils, 4-3, in the 18-and-under division rematch from the previous weekend at the In Line Hockey Center in West Bloomfield.

The TMD 88's lost their first two tournament games to the Hyper Devils, 4-3, and Dragonmeade, 5-4, but rebounded to post wins over the TMD 87's, 3-2, and Dragonmeade, 8-4.

Robbie Kowalski (Plymouth) was named MVP goalie for the second straight weekend.

Other team members include: Mario Giangrande, Westland; Nick Pesant, Canton; Josh Ruzinsky, Warren; Justin Ascenzo and Tim Staley, Novi; Kevin Etzel, Northville; Kyle Stammersky, Dearborn; Jason Westfall, West Bloomfield.

Craig Cromie is the head coach, assisted by Dave Westfall.

## Baseball clinic

The annual Salem Varsity Baseball Skills Clinic for players between the ages of 7 and 14 will be held March 25 and April 1 at Salem High School.

The clinic, which costs \$25 and has four sessions to choose from, includes three hours of instruction, snacks and a T-shirt. For more information, contact Ron or Pat Myers at (734) 459-4026, or at [pcmyers@hotmail.com](mailto:pcmyers@hotmail.com).

## Penguins in finals after 3-OT win

BY ED WRIGHT  
STAFF WRITER

Last season, the Plymouth-Canton-Salem girls hockey team knocked on the door of a state championship, losing in the semifinal round to Cranbrook-Kingswood.

This season, the Penguins are on the verge of knocking the door down.

On Friday night at the Arctic Edge, PCS earned a berth in Saturday night's Michigan Metro Girls High School Hockey League's championship game against Grosse Pointe South thanks to a suspense-filled 4-3 triple-overtime victory over Grosse Pointe North. (Due to deadline restrictions, the results of Saturday night's championship game will appear in Thursday's *Observer*.)

The semifinal game-winner came 3:02 into the third overtime when Katie Zimmerman found the back of the net with an off-speed shot she fired from near the corner.

"Katie shot it from between the hash and the goal," said PCS coach Lori Callahan. "It was a slow-moving shot and I think the speed of the puck may have thrown their goalie off a little bit."

The victory improved the Penguins' record to 18-2. Grosse Pointe South took a 19-1 mark into Saturday's final.

"We played in two overtime games in last year's playoffs, so we know what they're about," said Callahan. "While they were re-surfacing the ice following the second overtime, we told the girls to enjoy the game and have fun. We told

PLEASE SEE PENGUINS, B6

## Henderson leads wrestling title chase

One P-CEP prep wrestler was still in the hunt for a state title and three others had All-State aspirations late Friday night in the Division 1 individual wrestling tournament held at the Palace of Auburn Hills.

Salem senior Jeremy Henderson advanced to the 189-pound championship match against Davison freshman Richard Kirksey thanks to victories over East Lansing's Anthony Banks (4-2), Birmingham Brother Rice's Matt Shango (8-4) and Lake Orion's Evan Gros (13-5). Henderson, who is making his second trip to the state meet, took a 38-2 mark into Saturday's final. Kirksey was 44-8.



Henderson

A pair of Canton wrestlers — 145-pound Konrad Konsitzke and 130-pound Corey Phillips — both won their first two matches before getting knocked down to the consolation bracket. Phillips (55-4), who could still place as high as third, pinned Utica's Anthony Saltarelli and Lake Orion's Jake Varlek before falling to No. 1-ranked Vinnie Colonna.

Konsitzke (49-5), who was also in a position to finish as high as third, ousted New

Baltimore-Anchorage Bay's Kyle Moore, 11-3, and Waterford Kettering's Richard Brackins, 6-3, before getting upended by Chippewa Valley's Anthony Biondo, 16-1.

The fourth local grappler with All-State hopes was Salem's Cory Mervyn (32-10), who lost his opener, 19-3, to Bay City Western's Mike Kessler before bouncing back to pin Milford's Kyle Laddell and Walled Lake Northern's Josh Giesey.

The top eight placers in each weight class achieve All-State status.

Canton heavyweight Donnie Laramie and Salem 140-pounder Jake Bennett both won their opening matches

before getting eliminated with second- and third-round losses. Laramie, who pinned Port Huron's Aaron Robinson in 39 seconds, finished 47-10, while Bennett, who downed Clarkston's Colton Tweed in his opener, finished 44-10.

Plymouth's Ali Youssef (145) and Steve Korpus (130) both lost their first two matches. Youssef's first loss came on an injury default after he suffered a serious cut above his eye. Korpus, who finished 36-17, dropped a pair of close decisions: 8-2 to Colonna and 12-5 to Battle Creek Central's Brent Hair.

Complete results of Saturday's action will appear in Thursday's *Observer*.

## Carey's experience invaluable to Rocks

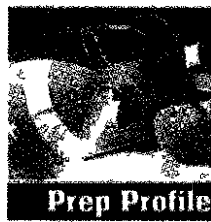
BY ED WRIGHT  
STAFF WRITER

As Canton hockey player Brett Giacomo pulled his stick back a split-second before unleashing a sizzling slapshot during the Chiefs' Feb. 3 game against Salem, Rock defenseman Dave Carey had a decision to make.

The senior captain could either:  
1. Do the safe thing (get the heck out of the way), or  
2. Do the right thing (hit the ice in an effort to block the shot).

Those in attendance who knew Carey weren't surprised when he chose option No. 2.

"As I went down to block the puck, it hit me in the back of the neck, just below the bottom of my helmet," Carey recalled. "I remember how much it hurt and I remember skating over to the bench. After that, I don't remember much."



Prep Profile

"They kept me in the hospital until about 2 a.m. that night," Carey said. "I was limited in how much I could play our next game, but I was fine after that."

Although painful, the team-first play was typical for Carey, who served as a role model for Salem's young and inexperienced hockey team with his unselfish, hustling play. As one of only three seniors on the roster, the former AAA junior hockey player knew his leadership skills would be in high

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BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Dave Carey has been a force on the ice and in the classroom during his four years at Salem. The defenseman/forward was fourth on the team in scoring this season and has compiled a 4.06 grade-point average.

# Shooting woes costly to Agape

BY ED WRIGHT  
STAFF WRITER

On many nights this past season, the gym seemed as wide as the ocean for members of the Canton Agape Christian basketball team.

On other nights, it felt like they were shooting into a Dixie Cup.

Thursday night was a Dixie Cup kind of night for the Wolvernes.

In a Class D District semifinal game played at Westland Huron Valley Lutheran, the cold-shooting Wolves were sidelined by Lutheran Westland, 70-44, when they managed to knock down just 29 percent of their shots (17-for-58). On the flip side, the Warriors were on fire, draining 57 percent of their field-goal attempts.

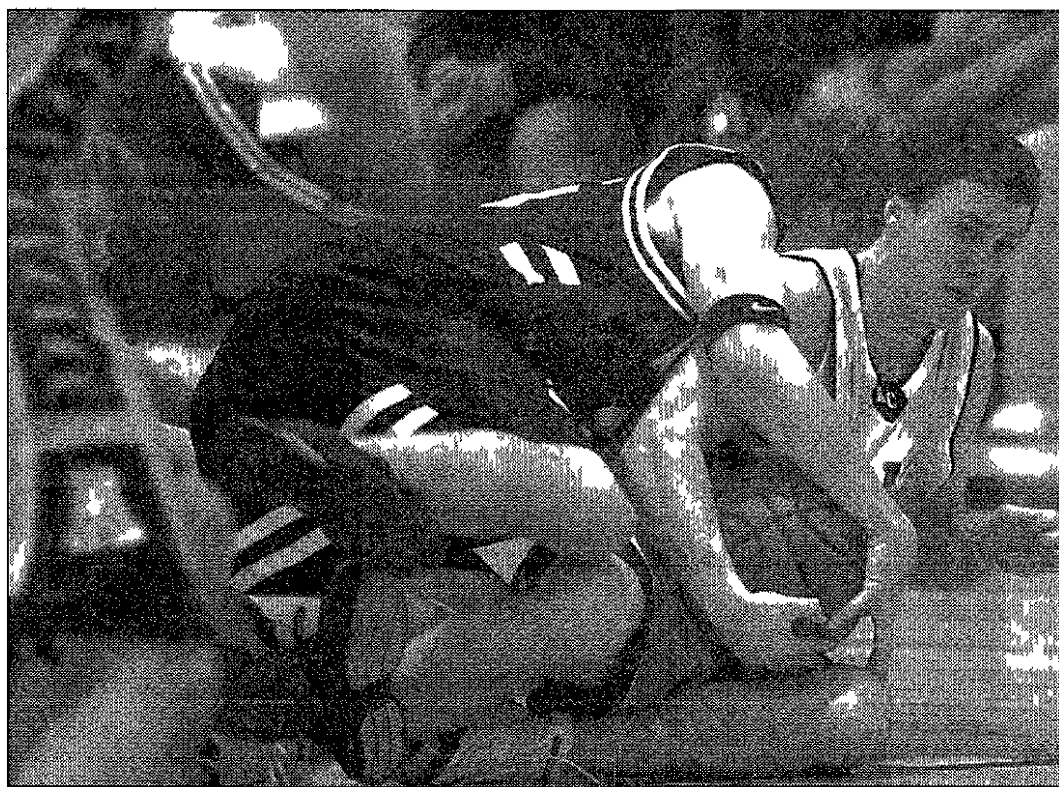
The victory advanced Lutheran Westland (12-10) into Friday night's District title game against Redford Covenant Christian.

"We're a jump-shooting team, so when we're on, we're on. But when we're off, we're off," lamented Agape coach Keith Anleitner, whose team finished with a stellar 14-6 record. "We may have settled for too many outside shots tonight. With three officials working the game, maybe we could have drawn more fouls by taking it to the basket. But we've lived by the outside shots all season. Tonight, we couldn't make the shots."

The Warriors raced to an 18-8 first-quarter lead and a 28-18 halftime advantage thanks to the perimeter play of Kyle Ramthun, who nailed three first-quarter triples. Ramthun finished with a game-high 19 points. Paul Rosin also turned in a strong effort for the winners, netting 15 points and 11 rebounds.

Three players netted seven points for the balanced Warriors: Sean Vanden Brink, Kevin Greening and Kyle Wilson.

"Our defensive intensity was good tonight," said Lutheran Westland coach Dan



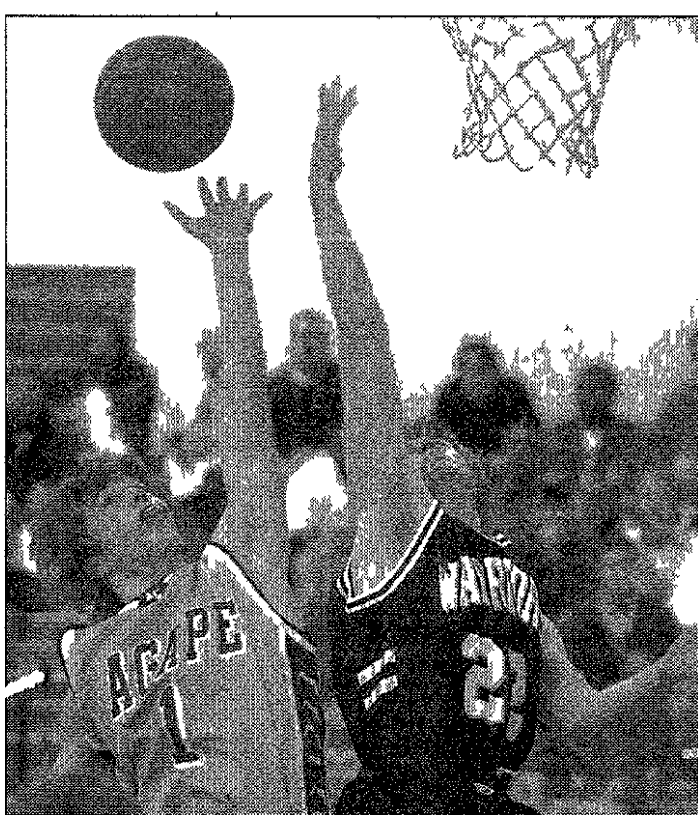
Canton Agape Christian's Matthew Holmes wrestles Lutheran Westland's Paul Rosin for control of the ball during Thursday night's Class D District semifinal game won by the Warriors 70-44.

Ramthun. They looked a little tired at the half, so I told our guys to keep going after them. We only won three games last season, so it's a nice accomplishment for the boys."

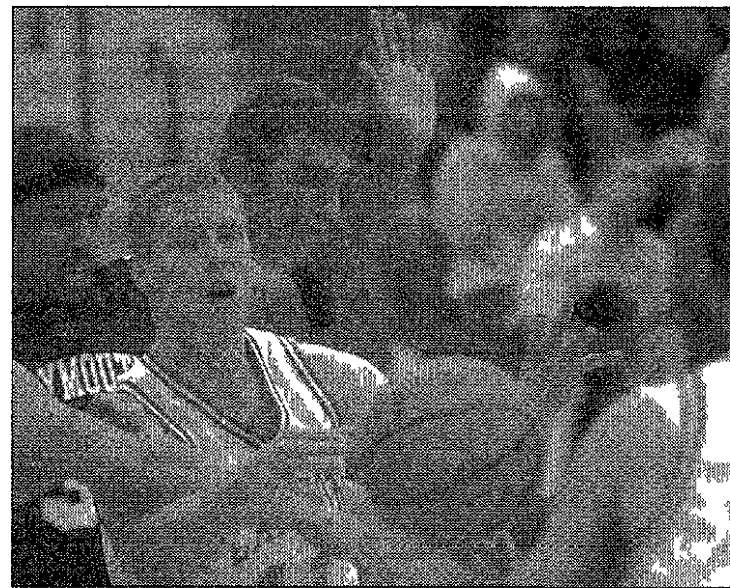
Senior forward Derek Leathers paced the Wolvernes with 17 points. Junior point guard Jack Anleitner tallied seven points and five rebounds, and sophomore guard Terrell Pierce added six. Lutheran Westland shot the lights out, hitting 28-of-49 shots (57 percent). Agape connected on just 29 percent of their field goals (17-of-58). The Warriors drained 8-of-10 free throws.

A fade-away jumper at the first-half buzzer by Rosin gave the Warriors a 10-point cushion and momentum heading into the final 16 minutes. Lutheran Westland stormed out of the intermission with a 6-0 run to secure a commanding lead.

"We only lose two seniors, so next year looks promising," said Anleitner.



Canton Agape Christian's Deven Bottiaux (left) battles for a rebound with Lutheran Westland's Kevin Greening.



B. L. BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Canton's Steve Paye (11) scored seven points and grabbed seven rebounds in the Chiefs' 69-53 victory over Novi-Detroit Catholic Central Friday night.

## CHIEFS

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good three-point shooting team, so we couldn't give them a lot of open shots. We knew exactly what they were going to do on offense.

"Offensively, we've been making shots all week. We all loved shooting on these rims."

The game was played in front of a large, charged-up crowd that included both schools' student cheering sections.

Bridges followed up Wednesday night's 23-point performance against Plymouth with another 23-point effort against the Shamrocks. The 6-foot-3 guard nailed four three-pointers and also yanked down seven rebounds.

After Bridges, the Chiefs' scoring ledger was super-balanced. Junior guard Josh Butler swished a career-high 10 points followed by Ryan Wadmann (nine), Rob Eppler (eight), Steve Paye (seven), Larsen (six) and Neal Sharma (six).

CC's lone offensive bright spot was senior guard Rob Forte, who made all six of his shots and scored a team-high 17 points. Senior forward Aras Butkunas, the Shamrocks' leading scorer coming into the game, connected on just 3-of-20 shots and finished with 11 points.

"Tonight was the best game we've played all year," said Canton coach Charlie Paye. The key for us is that we didn't have any droughts on offense. At the end of the game we got a little rattled by their press, but it was pretty much over by then.

Rob and Dre hit some out side shots early on that opened

up the inside for us. And Josh Butler had his best game of the year, both offensively and defensively. On defense, we stuck him on No. 4 (Antyrio Raimer), and he did a nice job of shutting him down."

Canton set the tone early when it found the target on nine of its first 12 shots. The Chiefs' largest lead of the first quarter — 26-12 — came with 40 seconds left on Larsen's 10-foot banker.

A Bridges triple with 4:10 left in the first half expanded Canton's advantage to 37-20, but CC followed with a 7-0 run to get back into the game.

The third quarter proved to be decisive as Canton's defense clamped down on the CC shooters, who converted just 2-of-17 shots. Five different Chiefs accounted for their 11 third-quarter points.

Back-to-back threes from Forte closed CC's deficit to 57-45 with 5:10 left, but Sharma sealed the deal with a jumper at the 2:50 mark followed by a steal and layup 15 seconds later to give Canton an insurmountable 61-45 cushion.

Canton won the rebounding battle, 39-31, as four players — Wadmann (eight), Paye (seven), Bridges (seven) and Larsen (six) — pulled down at least six boards a piece.

The Chiefs committed 16 turnovers, four of which came during the final two minutes when the game's fate had already been decided. CC only turned the ball over nine times. Canton shot 53 percent from the floor (28-for-53) and 47 percent from the free-throw line (8-of-17). CC made 30 percent of its field goals (21-for-68) and half its free throws (5-for-10).

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# Canton 4th, Salem 10th at state meet

BY DAN O MEARA  
STAFF WRITER

Canton had hoped to be in contention for the championship Friday night in the gymnastics state team finals at Troy Athens, but the Chiefs settled for a fourth place tie with Holt

Tri-Farmington won the team title for the third consecutive year with a 146.2 score Livonia Unified had 144.6 Forest Hills Unified 142.725, Canton and Holt 142.075 Salem finished 10th with a 138.225 total

"We didn't have a bad day but certainly not a day where we were going to challenge for first or second and we came in with the potential to do that Canton coach John Cunningham said

The Chiefs were the first team up on vault and had some misfortune in that event with minor injuries to Jessie Murray and Kara Ahern, both of whom landed short

They did the rest of the meet on sore ankles Cunningham said That made it difficult for them on other events particularly floor exercise

Canton, which was ranked third in the state and had the third-best regional score, could have done much better Cunningham added

The Chiefs scored 147.1 in the Western Lakes Activities Association meet and had been averaging 145

"We were coming off a meet in which we had a 36 in every event, and tonight we had 36 in one event he said

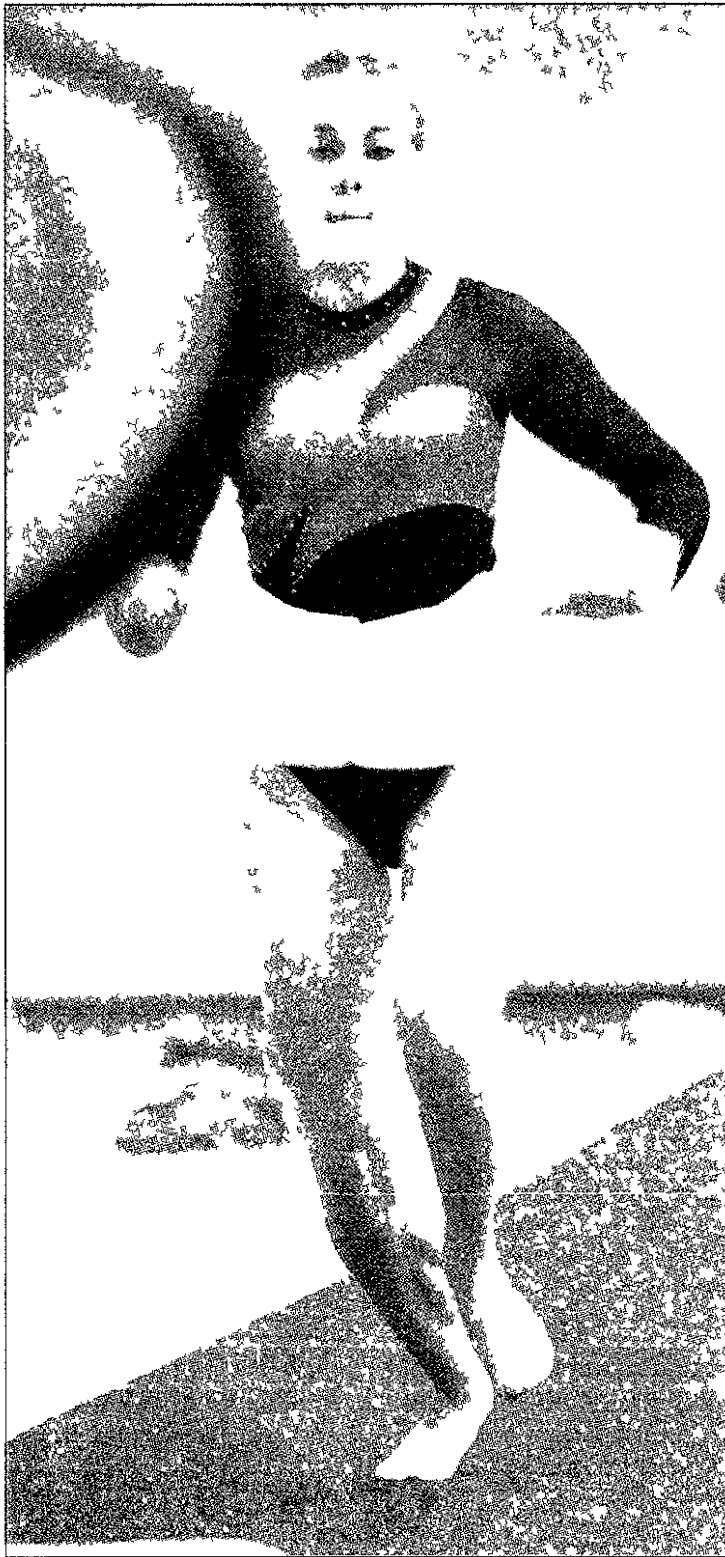
"Part of it is the state meet scoring You're not going to see any 150s, I'll guarantee it They're being fair but low

Alyssa Kelley had the two best events for Canton, and Kate Staley probably had the best overall meet, according to Cunningham

Kelley had the highest scores among the five Canton girls who competed with 9.4 on



Salem's Autumn Collins jumps high above the balance beam during the MHSAA Gymnastics Finals at Troy Athens Friday evening



PHOTOS BY LAWRENCE MCKEE | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Canton's Alyssa Kelley approaches the vault during the MHSAA Gymnastics Finals at Troy Athens Friday evening. Kelley led the Chiefs to a fourth place finish

vault and floor Staley scored 8.85 on vault bars and beam, and she had a 9.1 on floor

Katlyn Burns and Murray had 8.75 each on vault, Murray had 8.65 on bars, Kelley 8.45 and Ahern 8.325

Ahern scored 9.225 on beam and floor Murray had 8.7 and Kelley 8.5 on beam Burns added a 9.05 on floor

This year's team was the best Canton has had in the 27 years Cunningham has coached the Chiefs The team's 147 bettered the school record by two points

Staley improved her all-around score from 34 plus to a high 36 and, Cunningham said, made up for the graduation loss of Meghan Chappo With four of the five state meet competitors returning (Ahern is the only senior), the Chiefs look to do as well next year

"You can plan on it," Cunningham said If (the MHSAA) splits Farmington and Livonia we're looking at one of the (team) trophies over there

Katie Koetting had the top performances for Salem with 9.65 on floor and 9.0 on vault Sarah Bugosh scored 8.85 on floor and 8.8 on beam

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### FIELD OF DREAMS

There will be a "Soccer Field of Dreams" update meeting at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, March 22, in the Plymouth High School distance learning lab.

The agenda will include a summary of the program's funding and facilities successes to date and an informational presentation by Plymouth-Canton Schools Superintendent Dr. Jim Ryan regarding the May 2 bond election that includes funding for the "Soccer Field of Dreams" project.

Members of the P-CEP soccer booster clubs are encouraged to attend along with their friends and any other interested citizens.

For more information, call Bob Harris at (734) 416-1360.

### OLGC FOOTBALL

The Our Lady of Good Counsel (OLGC) football program will hold its parents meeting for the 2006 season at 7 p.m. on Thursday, March 30, in the school's gymnasium. OLGC is located at 1151 William St. in Plymouth.

OLGC offers teams for boys in third through eighth grades (as of the fall of 2006). Families that belong to one of the following parishes are eligible: OLGC, St. Kenneth, Our Lady of Victory, St. Mary's of Wayne, St. Richard, St. Thomas a'Becket, Divine Savior, Resurrection, St. James (third and fourth-graders only) and St. John Neumann.

Parents of interested players should attend the meeting. Program information and registration materials will be distributed.

For more information, contact Mike Nelson at [mikenelson@ameritech.net](mailto:mikenelson@ameritech.net), or (734) 737-9935.

Also, information about the program can be found at [www.olgcfootball.net](http://www.olgcfootball.net).

### ANN ARBOR RUN

Online registration is open for the 33rd annual Dexter-Ann Arbor Run, presented by Comerica Sunday, June 4.

The featured race is the RRCA Michigan Half-Marathon Championship. Other runs include 10K and 5K run and walks. All races follow picturesque Huron River Drive to the finish on Main Street in downtown Ann Arbor.

Runners can run the river, enjoy the post-race carnival atmosphere, then take the family a block down Main Street to sample the offerings of the Taste of Ann Arbor Festival. Proceeds benefit the Champions for Children Campaign, spearheading fund raising for the new C.S. Mott Children's Hospital.

Honorary chair Tyrone Wheatley will walk the 5K in support of the fund. Complete information is available at [www.dexterannarborryun.com](http://www.dexterannarborryun.com).

# Whalers still in first after edging Otters

Chris Terry's goal at 8:45 of the third period snapped a 3-3 tie and the Plymouth Whalers came from behind to defeat the Erie Otters, 5-3, in an Ontario Hockey League game played Friday night before 3,927 at the Tulio Arena in Erie.

Terry's goal — his ninth of the season — gave Plymouth its first lead of the evening. The Whalers came from behind three different times, tying the game at 1:12, 2:22 and 3:33 before taking the lead for good.

Besides Terry, Joe Gaynor (4th), Evan Brophrey (17th), Jared Boll (17th) and Andrew Fournier (21st) scored single goals for the Whalers. John Armstrong and James Neal notched two assists each for the Whalers.

Michael Blunden scored twice for Erie, giving him 45 goals.

The win keeps Plymouth in first place in the tight OHL's West Division with a record of 32-27-14, good for 69 points. Saginaw remains in second place with 67 points.

Plymouth's victory Friday night eliminated Erie from the OHL's Western Conference playoff race.

Blunden gave Erie a 1-0 lead on a power-play goal at 8:21 of the first period.

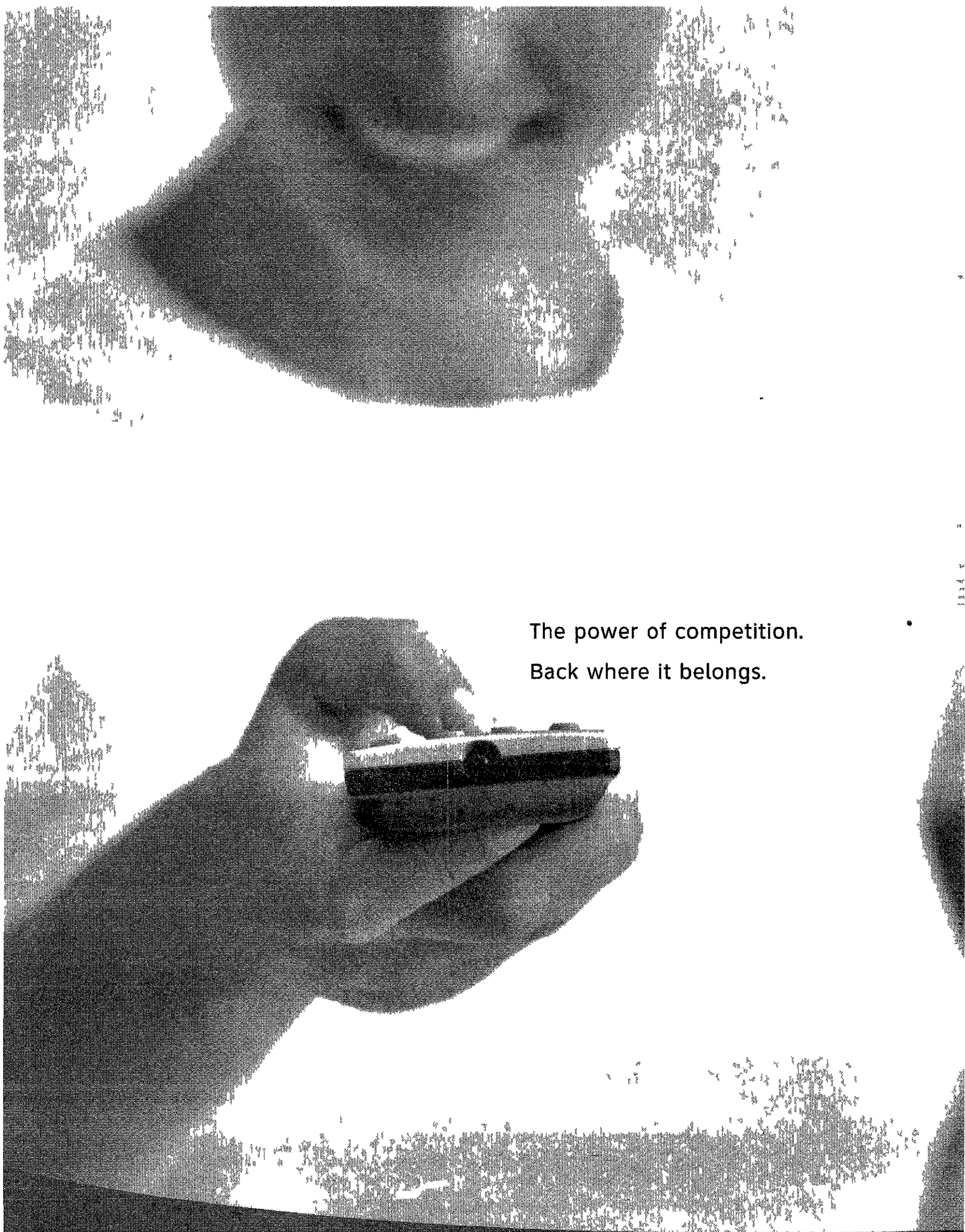
Gaynor tied the game for Plymouth at 16:48 of the period when he deflected Boll's shot from the right hash mark and by Erie goalie Ryan Ludzik.

Hodgman gave Erie a 2-1 lead at 12:20 of the second period when he picked up the puck at the lower rim of

the left circle in the Plymouth zone, cut across in front of the Plymouth goal and roofed a shot by Whalers' goalie Justin Peters.

Brophrey tied the game for Plymouth at 2-2 with 22 seconds left in the second period when he scored on a backhand shot through traffic. Blunden gave Erie a 3-2 lead at 0:19 of the third on a power play goal.

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# Eurostars excel at Interactivity

Boys from the Plymouth-based Eurostars gymnastics program excelled Feb. 25-26 at the Interactivity gymnastics meet held in Zionsville, Ind.

The meet was attended by over 200 gymnasts from twenty-two gyms in Indiana, Ohio and Michigan.

Eurostars had two gymnasts performing at Level 4. Andrew Lytle placed fourth all-around in the 6-7 age group while Daisuke Jimenez finished first all-around in the 8-9 age group.

The Level 5 boys team placed first overall with a team score of 170.9 (out of a possible 180). Members of the team competing included Logan Pierce (second all-around in the 12-and-over division), David Norin, Lucas Schmidt, Charlie Dillon (first all-around in 8-9), Anthony Guerguiev (fifth all-around in 8-9), Taylor Burris (third all-around in 8-9) and Justin Baker (second all-around in 8-9).

The Boys Level 5 team won many individual awards, but the day was highlighted by Dillon, who earned a rare 10 on the pommel horse.

"Charlie had an excellent routine," said gym owner Peter Guerguiev. "We are very proud of him as this is the first 10 ever scored on our boys program."

Eurostars had two gymnasts performing at Level 6. Jack Lytle placed first in the all-around in the 8-9 age group and Hanzo Jimenez placed first in the 10-11 age group.



Pictured are members of the Eurostars Level 5 boys gymnastics team, which finished first at the Interactivity meet held in Zionsville Feb. 25-26. Members of the team are Logan Pierce, David Norin, Lucas Schmidt, Charlie Dillon, Anthony Guerguiev, Taylor Burris and Justin Baker.

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them no matter how the game turned out, we were still proud of them.

It turned out just fine, thanks in large part to sophomore goalie Kristie Kowalski, who turned back 31 shots.

She made some big saves, Callahan said. Kristie really kept us in it. But this win was a lot like our season has been —

a team effort. Every girl except one played and they all contributed.

PCS skated to a 1-0 lead on a Zimmerman goal from Kellie Bargowski with 29 seconds left in the opening period.

The Norsemen retaliated with three straight lamp lighters that spanned the first 10 minutes of the second period to grab a 3-1 advantage.

The Penguins' Kristen Schwan tallied a key goal with 4:07 left in the period to cut the deficit to 3-2. Schwan was assisted by

Lisa Ealy.

"That goal got us back in the game," Callahan said. "But even when we were down two goals, all the girls stayed very positive, which was important."

Schwan added the game-tying goal at the 5:57 mark of the third period off assists from Edra Burris and Ealy.

The rest of the game was a battle," Callahan said of the two eight-minute overtimes and the opening three minutes of the third extra session. [ewright@hometownlife.com](http://www.hometownlife.com) | (734) 953-2108

## CAREY

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demand. "We had a really young team, so, as a senior captain, I felt I had to help pass on to the younger guys what I knew about the sport," Carey said. "We only ended up with four wins (the Rocks finished 4-21), but you could really see improvement in our team as the year went on."

Salem coach Fred Feiler said Carey's contributions to the team went well beyond his four goals and 10 assists.

Dave was a good leadership guy, Feiler said. He'd help the younger guys whenever he could — both on and off the ice. He is a really sincere kid who cares about his teammates.

He's a very good hockey player, too. He played half the year at forward and half on defense, wherever we needed him at the time. No matter where he was, Dave was a force on the ice. He made things happen. He's a first-class kid all the way around.

Carey strapped on his first pair of skates at the age of 7 at

the urging of his dad, Eric.

"My dad and I kind of learned the sport together," Carey said.

He tried to give me lessons, even though he didn't have a lot of experience with the sport. We'd go over to the Plymouth Cultural Center and skate and I eventually played for a house team.

As Carey's skills were honed, he moved up to travel teams and eventually an Ann Arbor-based AAA team squad that he played with through his sophomore year at Salem.

Playing AAA was fun, but it was a huge time commitment, Carey said. Every other weekend we'd get on a bus and travel to Chicago, Wisconsin or Indiana. I played with and against a lot of very good players.

During his freshman year, he suffered an on-ice injury that rivaled the puck-to-the-neck incident.

"Just as I started a shift, I lost one of my gloves," Carey recalled. "A couple seconds later, one of the other team's players stepped on my (exposed) hand with his skate. I needed 24

stitches and I lost the feeling in the tips of my fingers for a little while."

Even though victories were scarce this season, Carey has never regretted his decision to give up AAA hockey to play for his high school team.

"Not at all," he said. "We didn't win a lot, but it was fun playing with guys I go to school with and hanging out with everybody at practices."

Carey, who was voted to the Western Lakes Activities Association's All-Lakes Division team, is a standout student, having earned a 4.06 grade-point average with just three months remaining in his high school career.

"My parents always pushed me in the right direction when it came to academics," said Carey, who has been accepted by the University of Michigan.

Salem's "Senior Night" game last month against Walled Lake Western couldn't have been more fitting for Carey, who recorded a hat trick in the Rocks' 7-5 victory.

"It was a nice ending to a rough season," he said.

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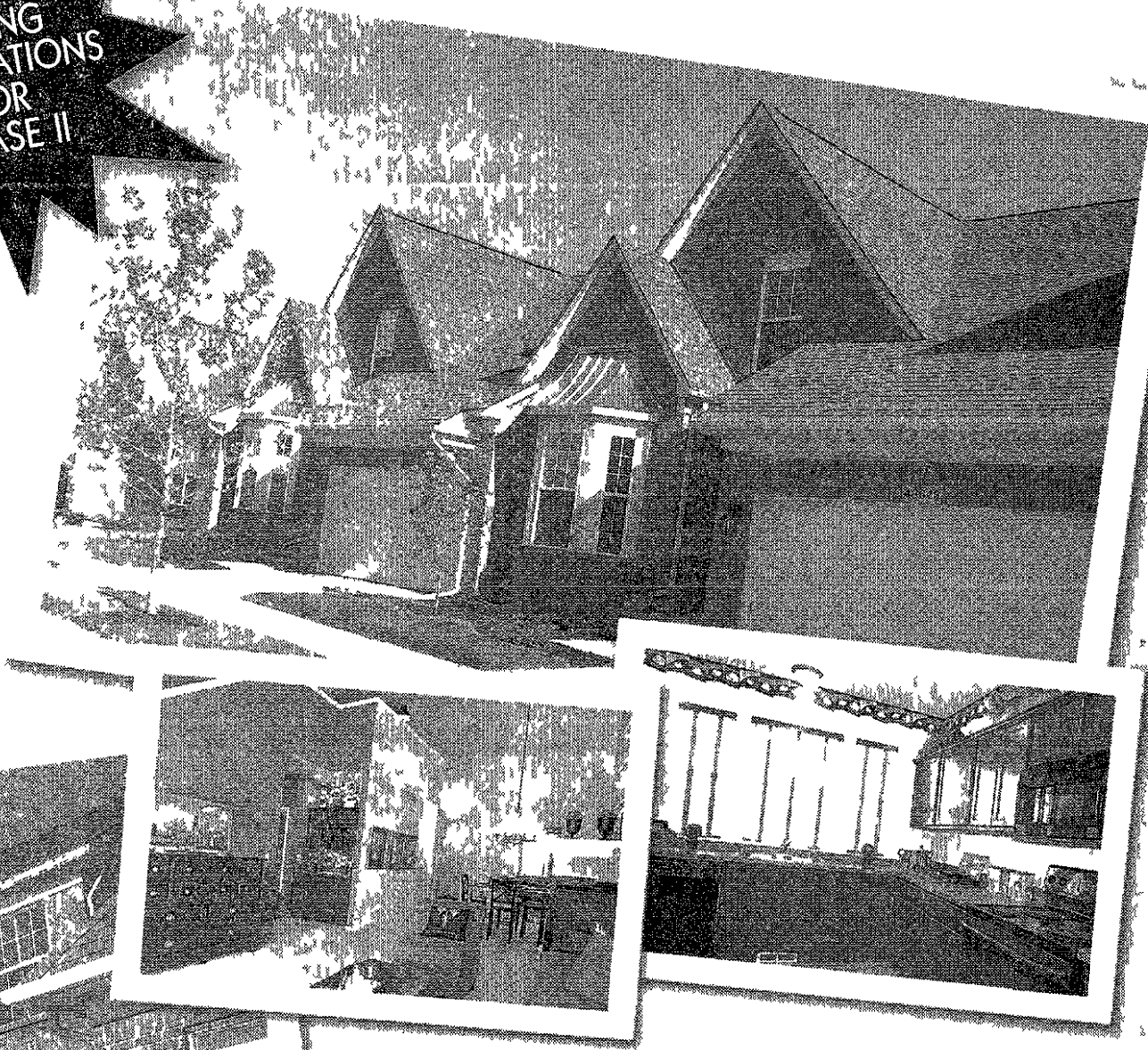
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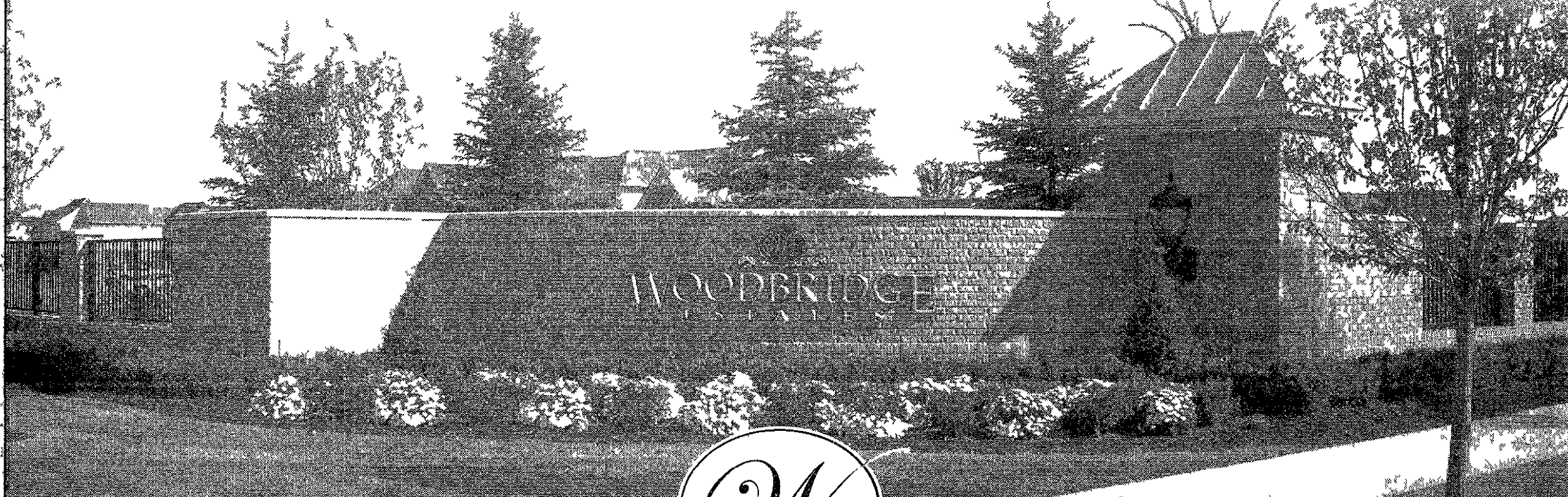


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# Longtime official Gibbons earns statewide honor

BY BRAD EMONS  
STAFF WRITER

Jim Gibbons knows how to go that extra mile when it comes to education and high school athletics. The Livonia Churchill High assistant principal was honored last month by the Association of Track Officials of Michigan (ATOM) with its 2006 Distinguished Service Award at statewide conference held at the Doherty Hotel in Clare.

Gibbons has been a part of ever Observerland Relays meet as either an official or coach since 1973. He has also been a registered MHSAA track and cross country official for 24 years where he has officiated many Michigan Interscholastic Track Coaches Association indoor and outdoor state team championship meets.

It's a pretty nice honor to be recognized by your peers," Gibbons said. "Basically you're a volunteer with an emphasis of helping people out and trying to make sure the kids get a good deal."

Gibbons has also been a meet manager for 10 MHSAA regionals and has officiated or managed numerous track and cross country meets and invitational.

The state meet, then the regional are the most difficult



Gibbons

to run, Gibbons said. The key is to get good people that can work together and can depend on each other. Gibbons also spent five years as a member of the MHSAA's Cross Country and Track and Field committees. He also

worked with former Eastern Michigan University coach Bob Parks and took over the Redford Township Junior Olympics.

Professionally Gibbons teaching background includes elementary, middle school and high school as well as one semester of instruction at Eastern Michigan University.

Gibbons coached football six seasons as an assistant at his high school alma mater

Detroit Catholic Central (1975-81), and also served as Redford Union's varsity coach (1988-88) before moving on to take over as athletic director (1988-2000).

He has also coached track and field, cross country and volleyball (MHSAA and AAU), as well as youth hockey and little league.

Gibbons also serves as an instructor during the fall for USA Hockey's Coaches

Education Program.

During his career, among his other honors include the Catholic Youth Organizations Ed Crowe Award, WDIV Newsweek Teacher of the Year, Wayne County RESAs Golden Apple Award, the Michigan Interscholastic Athletic Administrators Regional A D of the Year, and Observerland Track Coach of the Year.

Jim and his wife Gayle have two children.

Kelly is a red shirt freshman track and cross country runner for Grand Valley State University (which finished runner up in the NCAA Division II women's cross country meet) while son Michael is a sophomore at Livonia Stevenson High who runs track and cross country, along with being a member of the Spartans hockey team.

## DAC honors top athletes

Twelve of Michigan's most talented scholar-athletes will be introduced Tuesday when the Detroit Athletic Club announces the finalists for its Michigan High School Athlete of the Year Award.

The announcement will be at 9 a.m. during a press conference held at the Detroit Athletic Club. The nominees will be in attendance for photo opportunities and interviews.

Two of those athletes - one male and one female - will be named DAC High School Athlete of the Year at the National Athletic Awards. The awards will be held on Monday, May 15, at the Detroit Athletic Club.

The National Athletic Awards raise funds in support of March of Dimes efforts to save babies through programs of research, community service, advocacy and education. For more information, visit the Web site at marchofdimes.com or its Spanish Web site at nacersano.org.

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**Second team:** Mat Swars Sr. Bethesda Christian, Richard Zabrzanski Sr. Westland Huron Valley Lutheran, Caleb Thompson Soph. Baptist Park, Bernard Stephenson Sr. Franklin Road.

**Third team:** Tyler Majeski, Soph. Agape Christian, Jonathon Slevin Sr. Baptist Park, John Gentile Sr. Bethesda Christian, Erik Gruenewald Sr. Huron Valley Lutheran, Justin Kuhnle Sr. Warren Macomb Christian.

**Honorable mention:** Robbie Miller Jr. Baptist Park, Marcus Johnson Sr. Franklin Road, Isaac Jackson Sr. Macomb Christian, John Sharrow Sr. Huron Valley Lutheran, Josh Siersensen Jr. Bethesda Christian, Terrell Pierce Sr. Agape Christian.

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**THIRD TEAM:** Huron Valley Lutheran, Melissa Bergemann Jr., Agape, Caroline Jungquist Soph., Baptist Park, Katie Arent Soph., Alexis LaRosa eighth grade, Macomb Christian, Renee Seservy Sr., Abby Kronk Sr., Novi Franklin Road Christian, Megan Kish Sr.

**HONORABLE MENTION:** Huron Valley Lutheran, Staci Hatzung Fr., Agape, Denene Botiaux Soph., Baptist Park, Christina Downs Fr., Franklin Road, Jackie Vangemert Sr., Macomb Christian, Erin Vinson.

**COACH OF THE YEAR:** Jim Watkins, Agape Christian.



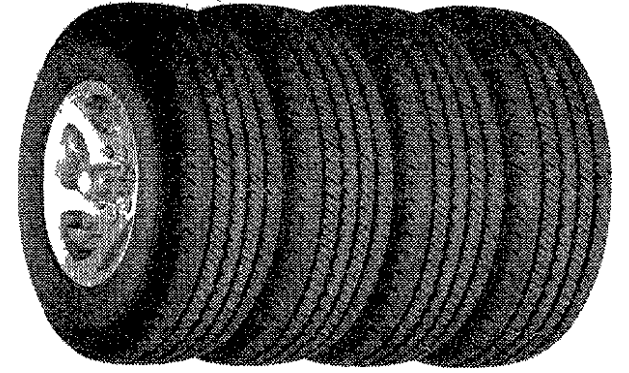
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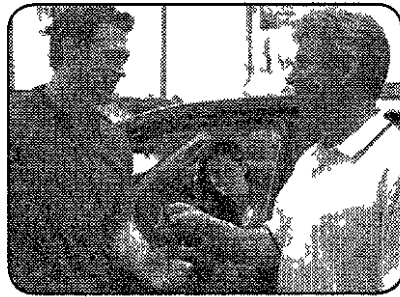
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## Stanton key in women's movement

Elizabeth Cady Stanton will be forever linked to the women's rights movement but her memory was almost lost and would have been if she had not formed a strong and enduring friendship with another feisty lady known to us as Susan B. Anthony.

Stanton was born Nov. 12, 1815, and already slated as a disappointment to her father because he was hoping for a boy. Stanton was the eighth of 11 children and this was a large family for the small town of Johnstown, N.Y., which was her birthplace.

But even as a young child Stanton was poised to change the world.

Stanton had an early introduction to the reform movement. As a young woman she was introduced to fugitive slaves at the home of her cousin, Gerritt Smith. She learned a lot in her cousin's home, especially when it came to making speeches on behalf of slavery.

In 1830 it was time for Stanton to further her education and during her search for an institution of higher learning she discovered that the colleges of her day were not admitting women. Eventually, she settled on an all-women's college and she graduated in 1833. With her degree in hand Stanton was determined to prove to her father that she could be just as successful as any man.

In the early 40's, Stanton met and married Henry Stanton. After her marriage in London, Stanton met and teamed up with Lucretia Mott, who was also opposed to slavery. Mott was in London to attend a world anti-slavery convention.

Once at the convention however, the women that were present were denied their seats. This sparked outrage among the women and Stanton and Mott decided then and there to develop, shape and organize the Women's Rights Organization and hold their own convention.

This organization would give women the power to discuss and tackle issues that were important to them.

In 1840, Stanton and her dedicated women recruits devised the first declaration of women's rights. Most of the responsibility fell upon the shoulders of Stanton to get its content onto paper. The key elements presented at the first convention were, temperance, abolition and equal pay for equal work.

Stanton met Susan B. Anthony in 1850 and the two women would remain virtually joined at the hip for the next 50 years, enjoying a rewarding friendship. The two of them fought for and got passed in the 1950s the Married Women's Property Act. This gave women the right to own their own property, a luxury women didn't have prior to this act. Women also secured the right to keep their own earnings instead of turning them over to their husbands and, finally, women gained the rights to sue in a court of law. However, the big prize — the right to vote — was many years away for women.

She passed her courage along to the women behind her and all of this laid the groundwork for all the rights we as women enjoy today.

Bobbie Jones is a Belleville resident and regular contributor to the *Observer*. In March she's profiling women in honor of National Women's History Month. She can be reached via e-mail at [workhard36@aol.com](mailto:workhard36@aol.com).

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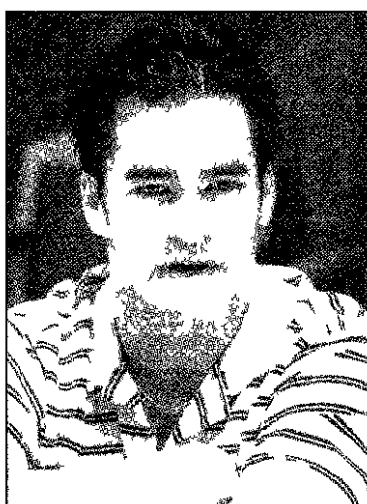
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Celia Devitis



Ken Boycott talks about spotting fake profiles on MySpace.com



Celia Devitis talks about how obsessed she can be with MySpace.com

# MySpace.com



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Sarah Brererton (left) and Brian Evola talk about their use of MySpace.com and how their parents monitor their use.

## Internet site is popular with teens, despite warnings

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN  
STAFF WRITER

Despite the concerns of law enforcement, parents and schools, the Web site [www.Myspace.com](http://www.Myspace.com) continues to grow in popularity with teens and pre-teens. It seems they don't worry about dangerous online predators.

MySpace.com describes their Web site as a service that allows members to set up profiles that can be linked together through net-

works of friends. MySpace members can view each others' profiles, communicate with old friends and meet new friends.

Those new friends could be predators. Students' enthusiasm and naivete about the Internet site was apparent during a Tuesday evening panel discussion on the subject.

"Some people love it. Some people hate it, but everybody at school has been on

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## Law enforcement warns parents about chatrooms

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN  
STAFF WRITER

The stories told by Oakland County Sheriff Michael Bouchard and Wayne County Sheriff Warren Evans are scary if you're the parent of a teen or pre-teen.

One of the last predators arrested in a cyber sting in Oakland County hit on an undercover detective twice. Within 2-1/2 hours of the profile being placed on the Internet, the predator had sent an instant message, set up a meeting, then rammed one of the patrol cars as he tried to

flee. Fortunately this predator was arrested as was one Bouchard calls the Traveler.

"They are sick people," said Bouchard. "One flew across the country with a suitcase full of presents at Christmas. His present to himself was going to be a vacation with an 11-year-old girl. He brought presents for her for every day of the week starting with a teddy bear and ending with negligees, sex toys and marijuana."

Over the last three years, the Wayne County sheriff has arrested 70

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## For parents, education key to Internet safety

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN  
STAFF WRITER

Jaime DeGrand is quick to offer concerns about the Internet sites her Plymouth Salem High school students use. Although many districts are restricting access on school grounds, teens go home to post private information on their favorite site, [www.Myspace.com](http://www.Myspace.com). That's why she feels it's necessary to teach a unit on Internet safety. At home, she recommends students and parents visit [www.wiredsafety.org](http://www.wiredsafety.org) for information.

"It used to be e-mail. Now it's MySpace," said DeGrand. "My major concern would be the safety of the students who use the site and putting their information out there. I always tell them to think twice, not to put anything too personal that people could find out where they live."

Judy Nichols is glad she visited her 15-year-old daughter's profile on MySpace.com. The Garden City mother allows her three children to use the site as long as she has their passwords to check for personal information or provocative photos.

Nichols daughter once posted the time and date she was visiting a local teen hang out. Nichols had her remove the information but fears for the children of parents who don't check.

"What scares me is parents who don't know how to go on there," said Nichols. "I told one of my friends her daughter was in a robe and making a kissing face. She went home and made her take it off (the site)."

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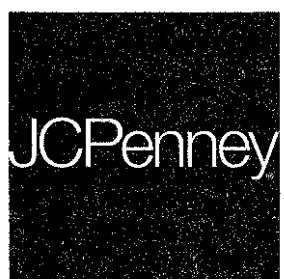
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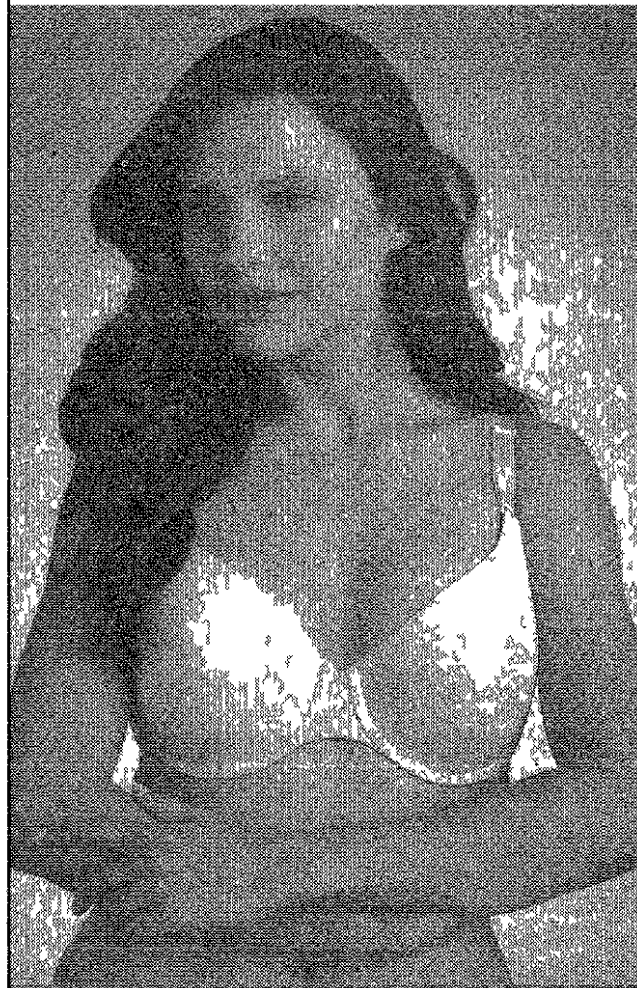


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## LAW

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predators as the result of stings. One-hundred percent were convicted, some of them twice after responding to Internet profiles created for boys and girls up to age 14.

"The predators are young, old. Some have had prior arrests, some not," said Evans. "It is a behavioral thing. Pedophiles have a tendency to continue that behavior. Our biggest initiative has always been cruising the Internet in an undercover capacity to identify pedophiles who try to solicit sex from minors."

Bouchard started the Oakland County Sheriff's computer crimes unit in 1999 with one investigator. Today, three full-time detectives try to prevent predators from sexually assaulting or murdering children.

"We could add two or three more detectives and not keep up," said Bouchard who regularly gives presentations to parents on the dangers of MySpace.com as well as other sites and chat rooms.

At one recent educational session only about one in 10 parents knew about the sites let alone if their child had a profile. Parents need to educate themselves in order to keep their children safe.

"When kids are home and doors locked they aren't necessarily safe. They could be talking to predators," said Bouchard who's visited the sites of his children's friends to make sure none of their personal information is listed.

It's a very scary situation.

Predators know where children are. They're on the Internet. Parents have to be involved with the activity of their children. Kids are spreading their wings. They have the feeling they're invincible. A little piece of information here and there and a predator can piece them together and begin stalking or hunting you."

Parents need to be involved with the schools as well. Bouchard recommends setting up computers along the outer wall and placing the teacher in the middle so he or she is able to look at the screen instantly. "Kids aren't bad. They're curious," said Bouchard. "One daughter realized she'd done wrong but was afraid to tell mom or dad. Kids need to feel comfortable to have that talk."

Wayne County Sheriff's Deputy Ray Johnson agrees that parents have to start talking to their children instead of using the computer as a baby sitter.

He's received quite a few calls from parents who found out their child was on MySpace and had been contacted by an older male. Unless the predator makes physical contact or tries to arrange a date or come to the house, there's nothing the Sheriff's department can do.

"Tell them to treat people on the computer just as you would a stranger on the street," said Johnson. "They wouldn't go up to them in the streets and shouldn't on the computer."

"We tell parents, predators don't go and snatch any kid. Predators watch their patterns, where they walk, when. It's not just a spur of the moment thing. They plot out their abduction."

once they get that personal information where you hang out, go to school, live."

That's why it's important for users not to list personally identifiable information. While predators are becoming smarter to avoid detection, teens are too.

"The kids are so smart. They'll set up a profile to show mom or dad and then set up one where they don't show them," said Johnson. "Parents need to say these people are strangers and can hurt you. Show them the sites where someone's been killed who were on MySpace, girls who were sexually assaulted. We don't want to see anybody hurt, sexually assaulted, or find a dead body."

Sgt. Joe Brian of the Oakland County Sheriff's computer crimes department usually receives a call a week from parents who say a predator has contacted their children. One tip Brian offers parents is to make sure their children don't have a password they don't know about.

"If I was a parent I would not allow them to have a profile set up," said Brian. "Online games are the same way. They also have an area to chat in. It's anywhere chatting can take place. X-box when it's hooked up to online it's the same thing. Cell phones, text messages or instant messaging - everything with Internet access is a possible threat."

To schedule an Internet safety presentation by the Wayne County Sheriff, call (313) 224-7103. For an Oakland County Sheriff presentation, call (248) 858-4942.

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- 2 Cell, Stephen King
- 3 Sea Change, Robert B. Parker
- 4 "Last Templar," Ray Khoury
- 5 "In the Company of the Courtesan," Sarah Dunant

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- 1 Marley and Me,' John Grogan
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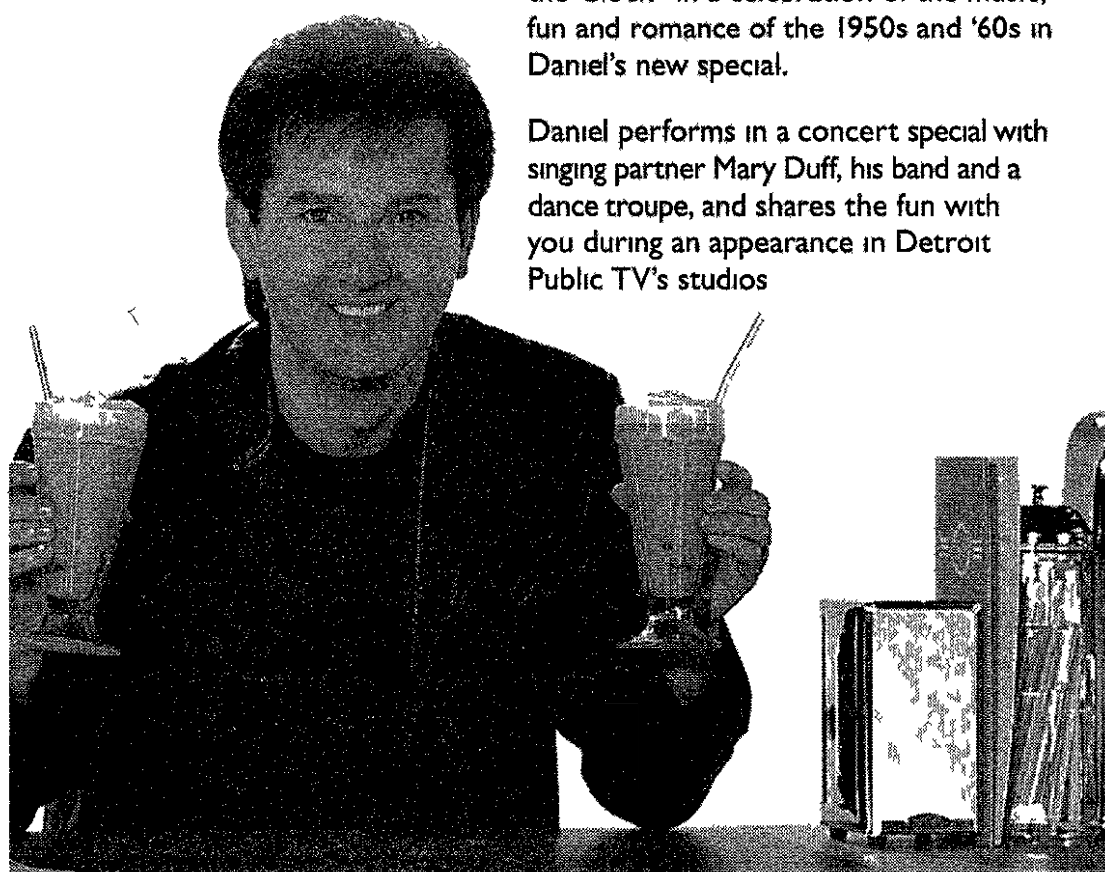
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## MYSPACE

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MySpace, said Ken Boycott, an 18-year-old senior at Franklin High School in Livonia.

Celia Devitis agrees the site is getting more and more popular. "In fact, she thinks some of the teens see it as a popularity contest to post photographs of as many friends as possible."

"They have to see how many they can get as friends," said Devitis, a 17-year-old Franklin High School senior who lives in Westland. "Girls I know have 3,000 friends and take provocative photos. Others just go on to talk."

The attraction isn't limited to high school students though. Sarah Brererton and Brian Evola, eighth grade students at Dunckel Middle School in Farmington Hills, say all of their friends have either created profiles or browsed the site. Brererton even knows of fifth

and sixth grade students who have been on MySpace.com. While the age limit for the site is 14, teens and pre-teens do lie about their age. A safety tips page on the site warns that if a user is under 14, their profile will be deleted. It also gives tips about not posting real names, addresses, phone numbers, or photographs that may reveal their residence or even a vehicle license plate which can be traced by a predator. Personally identifiable information allows predators to stalk their victims.

Although cautious about meeting online strangers in person, Brererton befriended a boy who now meets her at Dunckel games.

"It's a great way to learn about other kids," said Brererton, who uses MySpace as a way to meet students at the high school she will attend next fall.

Brererton's mother had her site deleted after the 14-year-old posted her last name and the city she lived in, and therein lies

the danger.

Ken Boycott first visited MySpace.com in December 2004 after a friend told him about the site. His mother doesn't know how to use a computer and his father doesn't live with them so Boycott is on his own when it comes to posting personal information like the name of his school. He says he can tell if the person who he meets online is a predator.

"I can tell if they're fake," said Boycott.

Still, he warns parents to take the time to teach their children about online predators.

Devitis' mother has the computer set up so she can check the history of her and her two sisters on the computer, which is located in the family room instead of a private area such as a bedroom.

The students said they mostly visit MySpace from a home computer but have gone to a friend's to access their favorite site.

At first it was a kick for Boycott to visit MySpace every day, the same for Devitis. Both say it takes time to check on any messages they receive and comment so they've cut back to every couple of days. Obsession with the site could be an underlying danger when it takes away from school work and other interests.

All of my friends had one so I got one, said Devitis. I put on a couple of pictures and then it got really addicting.

Brererton says although many teens were hooked on the site in the beginning, "It's not as popular as it was."

Evola agrees, saying he's not as hooked anymore.

Michelle Pagharom catches herself looking at person after person on the site even though the 18-year-old Plymouth Salem High School student is the first to speak of its dangers.

"I've gone to look at friends sites," said Pagharom, a Canton resident. "I won't have one. It's

easy for someone to act as if they're someone they're not."

A lot of people talk about it (MySpace) and try to get on it at school but can't. They don't think they put everything on there and don't think about the dangers. I have a few friends who met with people a guy met up with girls. It's not as bad for him but it is for girls.

The students said they do check the personal information that friends have posted on their sites. They offer a variety of tips for users including not letting anyone know your password. Boycott said for users to be wary of someone who adds them to their list of friends and they don't know them.

"Tell parents to check (their child's profile) every other day," said Devitis. "My mom used to and then stopped."

Evola's mother found his real name on his profile so now he uses a nickname.

It's on the news a lot, said Evola whose computer is in his

bedroom. My mom has started to check on me.

The teens warn that photographs should never reveal illegal activities such as under age drinking because it could come back to haunt them. Devitis' younger sister got into trouble at school for a photograph of her and another girl. In a separate incident a boy posted a photograph of Devitis' sister who was lying on her side. He added a pool of blood, a knife and left a message that he killed her.

Pagharom says if parents looked at MySpace they definitely would not approve of the photographs, language and mean comments made by some users who are cyber bullies. Although none of the students have been victims of bullying as yet, they said it does happen.

I think people should be more aware of the dangers, said Pagharom. If they really want to get to someone they could

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## SAFETY

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Cheryl Swams 12-year-old daughter went into a chat room and said "I'm a 12-year-old in Michigan" after the Farmington Hills mother had talked to her about Internet safety. Swam allows both of her children on MySpace.com, but is aware of the dangers. Recently she sent out an e-mail on the subject to parents of students at East Middle School.

"You can't monitor everything. We need to stress safe usage," said Swam. "AOL (America Online) has a parental control area where you can go and set up where they can go and can't."

"Parents need to become

more savvy about the technology. You can't keep your children from it but can help them understand how to do it safely."

Swam would like to see a class taught on Internet safety in the schools.

Kids are on there in elementary and middle school, said Swam. "They very innocently get on and start instant messaging or get into a chat room and they don't know who they're talking to."

Franklin High School principal Daniel Willenborg is well aware of problems arising from the site. Students at the Livonia school can't access MySpace because of a filter.

"The Internet creates new territory for us," said Willenborg. A recent newsletter talked to parents saying it's OK if they have them (profiles) but they better know what they

do on them. Kids will fake their age. It's important for parents and schools to watch over kids. They have been known to do some pretty dumb things on there, put photos on there that may come back and haunt them. If they're making threatening comments it could end up being a school issue."

North Farmington High School principal Rick Jones has many of the same concerns as Willenborg.

"Kids do things and put things on a Web site that seem to be cute or funny at 15 years old," said Jones, "but suggestive things or inappropriate stuff could have a negative impact on an employer or college admissions counselor."

The PTSA at Frost Middle School is offering a presentation for all parents to learn about Internet safety 7 p.m.

Tuesday, March 28, at 3041 Stark, Livonia. For more information, call (734) 744-2670, or send e-mail to PTSA president Lisa Hausman at lisa1959@aol.com.

We hear about the sites as parents. There have been e-mails from the school district about MySpace in particular, said Hausman, children's librarian at the Public Library of Westland.

My kids are 16, 14 and 10 and have Internet access at home. The 16-year-old has a MySpace account and I asked to see it. The 14-year-old does not. We have America Online and have good block controls, said Hausman. The Internet is a phenomenal tool when used properly. Learn to make it work for your household.

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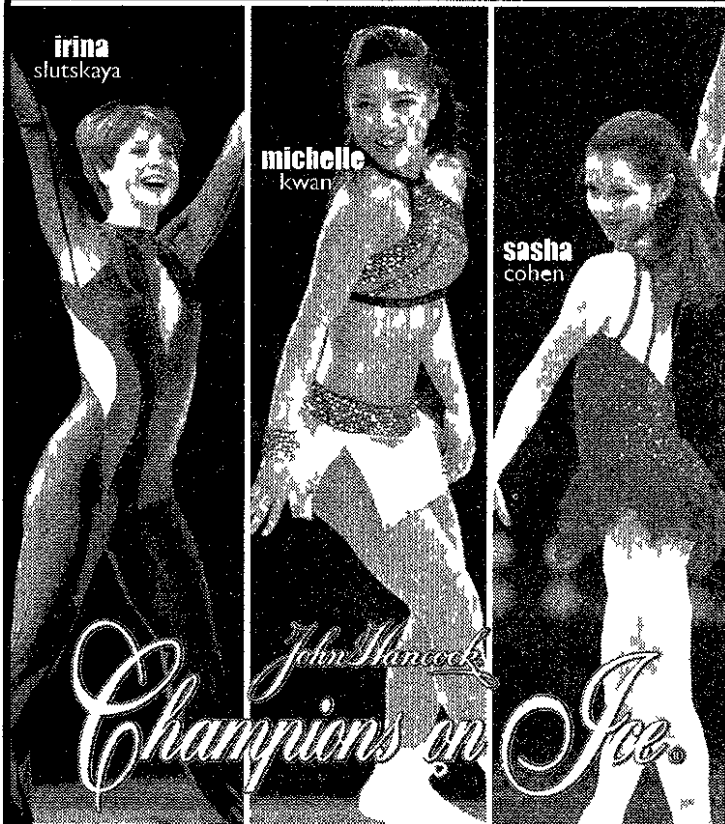
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**WEDDING**



**Washington-Odom**  
Joyce Ann Odom and Barry Graham Washington of Singapore were married on June 18, 2005, in a beachfront ceremony in Bali, Indonesia The Rev Widhyati Aryawijaya officiated at the ceremony She is the only Presbyterian minister in Bali

The bride, who was escorted by her father, is the daughter of Bill and Jo Ellen Odom of Lake City, S C Joyce was born and raised in Plymouth, Mich She is a graduate of the New School for Social Research in New York City and the London School of Economics She owns and operates The Hidden Host, an events planning business in Singapore

The groom is the son of Barry and Gladys Washington of Western Australia Barry was born and raised in Zimbabwe (then Rhodesia) and Swaziland, Southern Africa He is a graduate of the University of Durban in South Africa and Macquarie in Sydney, Australia He is employed by Deutschebank in Singapore

Joyce and Barry's attendants were from seven countries, The United States, the United Kingdom, Australia, France, Canada, Indonesia and New Zealand

Dawn Erling was chief bridesmaid The bridesmaids were Kristen English, Melissa Freeman, Sari Indah, Consuelo Jackman, Lisa Moyle, Susan Odom and Joanne Sansoterra

The best man was Lloyd Mansfield The groomsmen were Bal Bagary, Barney Burke, Justin Doll, Lionel Earle, Sam Haggag, Duncan Mitchell and Andy Wilson The readers were Marie-Laure Caille, Sam Haggag and Melissa Freeman

The wedding and reception were held at Ku De Ta a beachfront restaurant, in Bali

After a honeymoon to South Africa and Swaziland, the couple is living in Singapore

**ENGAGEMENTS**



**Rapin-Leich**  
Wilham and Janet Rapin of Melvindale announce the engagement of their daughter, Patrice Kalisz Rapin, to Jack Timothy Leich of Redford

The bride-to-be is currently a student at Wayne State University She will be graduating with three majors mathematics with honors, Asian studies and university honors She also will have a minor in computer science

Her fiancé, Jack, is the son of Jack and Catherine Leich of Redford He graduated from the University of Michigan

Dearborn in 2004 with a bachelor of science with high distinction with a concentration in computer science He is employed by The Observer & Eccentric Newspapers

Jack and Patrice are planning an October wedding

**Edwards-Marshbanks**  
Mrs Luella Edwards of Monroe announces the engagement of her daughter, Christine Anne, to Tracy Scott Marshbanks of Canton

Christine is a graduate of Monroe High School and received a bachelor's degree from The University of Toledo She is employed in the office at FedEx Ground

Her fiancé, Tracy, is the son of Mrs Rosetta Castile of Alma He is a graduate of Annapolis High School He is employed as a truck driver with FedEx

Tracy and Christine are planning a July wedding at St Paul's Methodist Church in Monroe After a honeymoon to the Bahamas, they will make their new home in Canton



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**Kress-Kammer**  
Jerry Kress of Commerce Township and Tammy Kress of Plymouth, announce the engagement of their daughter, Holly Kay Kress, to Luke Vincent Kammer of Novi

Holly is a 1998 graduate of Farmington High School and a 2005 graduate of Oakland Community College She is a tax processor at The Rehmann Group in Troy

Her fiancé, Luke, is the son of Tim and Leshe Kammer of Holly He is a 1997 graduate of North Farmington High School and a 2000 graduate of ITT Technical Institute He is manager at Car and Truck Boutique in Novi



Luke and Holly are planning an October wedding at First Presbyterian Church in Plymouth

**Bowers-Stankov**  
Jim and Lorraine Bowers of Livonia announce the engagement of their daughter, Tonya Yvette, to Richard David Stankov of Novi

Tonya is a 1999 graduate of Churchill High School and earned her bachelor's degree from Michigan State University College of Human Ecology She currently is a recruiter with R G I S in Auburn Hills

Her fiancé, Rich, is the son of Mike and Chris Stankov of Canton He is a 1999 graduate of Plymouth Salem High School and earned his bachelor's of business degree from Western Michigan University



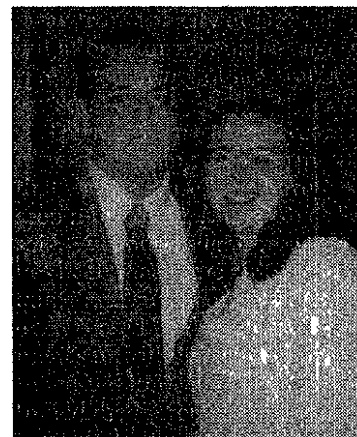
He currently is working as a logistics administration coordinator at Ryder Logistics

Rich and Tonya are planning a Caribbean destination wedding in March 2007

**Dubs-Likeric**  
David and Linda Dubs of Genoa City, Wis, announce the engagement of their daughter, Nicole Marie, to Jacob David Likeric of Madison, Wis

Nicole is a graduate of Badger High School, Lake Geneva, Wis, and a 2004 graduate of Valparaiso University, Valparaiso, Ind She is employed in the research field

Her fiancé, Jacob, is the son of J B and Debra Likeric of Garden City He is a graduate of Garden City High School and graduated cum laude in 2005 from Valparaiso University He is a technical services engineer at EPIC



Jacob and Nicole are planning an April wedding at Grace Lutheran Church in Richmond, Ill

**BIRTH**



**Joseph Peltier Allen**  
Jamie and Bob Allen of Westland announce the birth of their son, Joseph Peltier Allen, on Feb 10, 2006, at St Mary Mercy Hospital in Livonia He weighed 8 pounds, 6 ounces, and was 21 inches long

Joseph's grandparents are Deb and Jim Peltier of Livonia, Michele Allen of Reese, and Chuck and Debbie Allen of Saginaw

His great-grandparents are Flo and Tom Graham of Tampa, Fla, and Renee Hashley of Reese

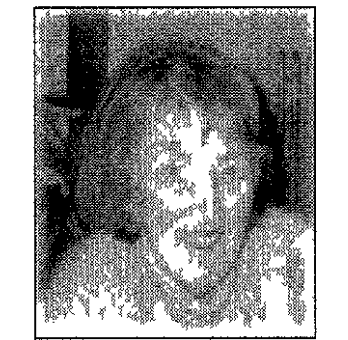
**MARY TYGHEM**  
Age 87 March 1 2006 Beloved wife of the late Maurice Loving mother of Marvin (Liz) Thomas (Margo) and step mother of Dorothy (Bud) Baillie Dear grandmother of five Dearest sister of Peg McLean Also survived by several loving nieces and nephews Visitation Sunday, 3-8pm Funeral Monday 10am, from McCabe Funeral Home 31950 W 12 Mile Rd www.mccabefuneralhome.com

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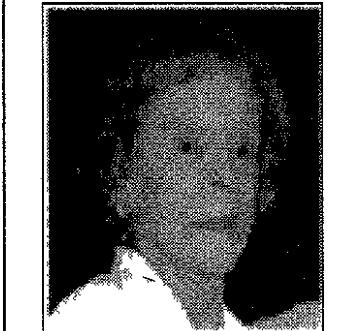


**HAROLD E. SMITH**  
Age 85 of Westland, March 2 2006 Beloved husband of Nora Hardin Smith and the late Lucile Smith Loving father of Terry (Patricia) Smith Amy (Sidney) Sovoda Scott Smith and the late Timothy Smith Also leaves eight grandchildren and six great grandchildren Harold was a proud CBI WWII Veteran Funeral service Mon 10am at Vermeulen Funeral Home 980 N Newburgh Rd Westland (Btwn Ford and Cherry Hill) Visitation Sun 1-9pm Interment Michigan Memorial Park Memorial Contributions to the Merriman Road Baptist Church Fund would be appreciated To leave a message of condolence for the family log on to www.vermeulenfuneralhome.com

**CHARLES LEE WORTHINGTON**  
Age 61 lifelong resident of Plymouth died March 2 2006 He is survived by his daughter Tracy (Tim) Roberts his grandchildren Travis and Jessica his mother, Elizabeth Shillito his brother, Robert (Patricia) Worthington, and his sister, Sue Ann Gunnison A Memorial Visitation will be held at Schrader-Howell Funeral Home, 280 S Main Plymouth, Monday 4 5pm Memorials may be made to the VA Hospital in Ann Arbor



**LILLIAN RUTH JACOBSEN**  
Mrs Jacobsen passed away peacefully at Sunrise of South Charlotte on Tuesday, February 28th, dressed in pearls and pink At age 87, she lived her life full of love and compassion for everyone Lee was never without her beautiful smile and bright blue eyes She is now at peace with her Lord Lillian was born May 28 1918 in Elmira NY She spent most of her life in Michigan and resided in Troy, Michigan until 2002 when she moved to Charlotte to be close to her daughter, Debbie McNealy Lee raised three wonderful children April Forman, Debbie McNealy and Paul Jacobsen (deceased at age 20) Her grandchildren were the light of her life and brought her joy and laughter Josh Forman of Chicago, Dan Forman of Gallup NM Beth Forman of Eugene, OR and Matt Drew and Molly McNealy of Charlotte They will miss their Grandma Lee who was the absolute best in their eyes She felt her sons in law Charley McNealy and Bruce Forman were the son she had lost Lee grew up in Detroit Michigan graduated from Commerce High and worked as an administrative assistant at J L Hudson's There she met her husband Hersh Jacobsen who was the love of her life She was active at First Presbyterian Church of Detroit and Westminster Presbyterian Church in Detroit Many thanks to her caregivers and staff at Sunrise of South Charlotte who treated her like a true friend and family She always felt she was on vacation the entire time she was in Charlotte In lieu of flowers donations can be sent to Hospice & Palliative Care, 1420 E 7th Street Charlotte NC 28204 or Westminster Presbyterian Church 1756 Hubbell Ave Detroit, MI 48235 Carolina Funeral Service & Cremation Center is entrusted with the arrangements



**B. ELIZABETH "BETTY" KNIGHT**  
Sunrise to Sunset  
Of Bloomfield Hills had her sunset on February 26, 2006 at Indian River Memorial Hospital in Vero Beach Her sun rose on August 23, 1916 in Detroit Michigan She was the daughter of Walter and Bertha Mary Klein both also born in Detroit She attended Wellesley College University of Michigan and Wayne State University She taught school after graduation Betty married her childhood sweetheart Robert B Knight also born in Detroit who graduated from the University of Michigan Law School Betty was blessed with beauty of person as well as strong intellect While raising her family on Wing Lake near Birmingham Michigan, she studied Far Eastern History and served on many charitable boards including the Red Cross and Planned Parenthood She was a member of the Village Woman's Club Orchard Lake Country Club, the Moorings Club and Riomar Country Club She was an enthusiastic golfer Betty is survived by her husband of 65 years Robert B Knight of Vero Beach, son, W Bruce Knight of Detroit Michigan, daughters, Nancy Croissant of San Diego and Virginia A Knight of Montana She also has eight grandchildren Betty's sunlit life was filled with her family and friends At her sunset there was a warm afterglow of love that will not fade A memorial service at Christ Church Cranbrook will be announced later The family has asked that in lieu of flowers, gifts may be made to the American Red Cross, Southeastern Michigan Chapter PO Box 44110, Detroit 48244

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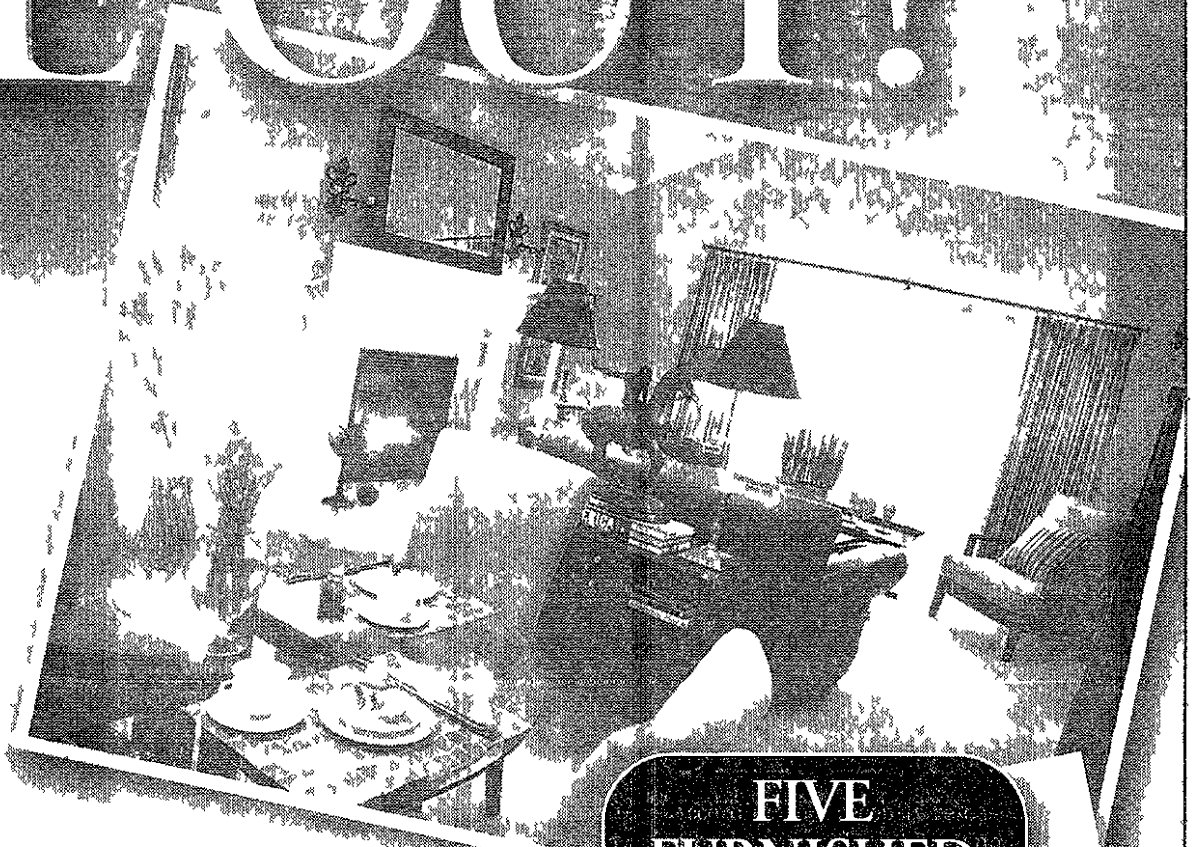
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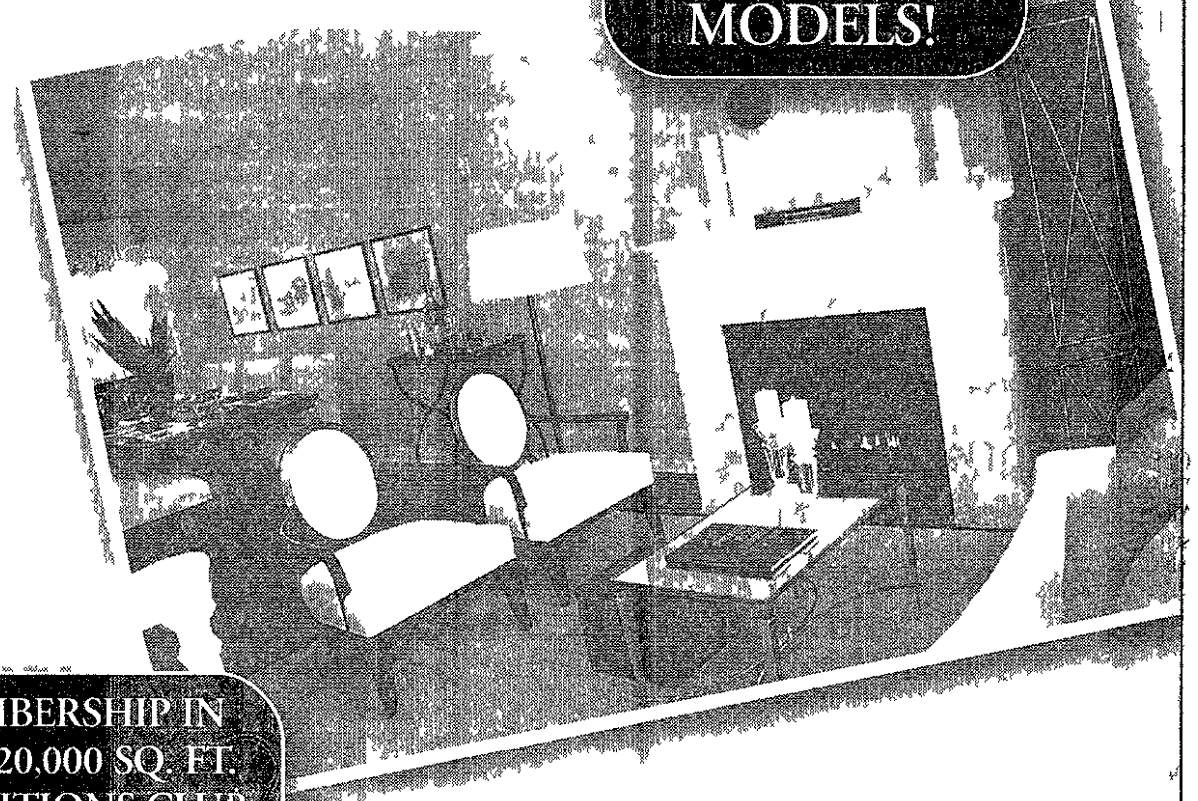
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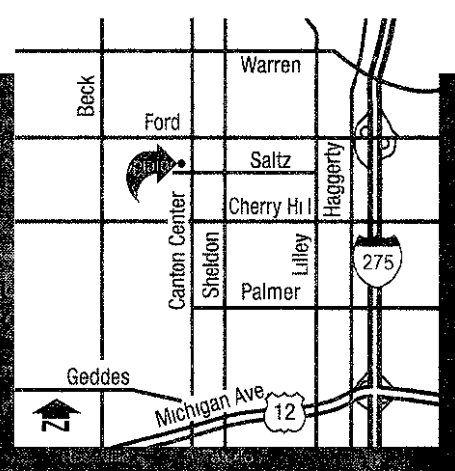
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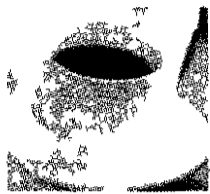
**Peter's Principles**

Peter Nielsen

## Moderate caffeine is no problem

Jill from Auburn Hills e-mails for the lowdown on caffeine consumption

Jill, the fact is that most of us can drink up to three cups of coffee a day with no problems! Caffeine is found in beverages like coffee, tea and many kinds of pop. It's a mild psychoactive substance that stimulates the nervous system. It can also boost the effects of some pain relievers and is even added to some drugs. Although caffeine has been linked to many health problems, these claims have been found to be mostly untrue. This is especially the case when habits such as alcohol consumption and smoking are factored in. Another interesting fact is that studies have shown that drinking five to eight cups of unfiltered European-style coffee a day can definitely raise a person's blood pressure. The good news is that most coffee sold in the U.S. is heavily filtered. However, if you experience nervousness or upset stomachs, cutting consumption should do the trick! Remember, everything in moderation!



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# HEALTH

## Health camp

Vacation leads to better life

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN  
STAFF WRITER

Richard Berry was a hard-core smoker until attending the Better Living Seminars Health Camp in Grayling 25 years ago. The Southfield man had previously tried to quit by attending two stop smoking sessions nearer to his Southfield home without much success.

Dr. Arthur Weaver, a retired cancer surgeon, says it's not unusual for smokers like Berry to have trouble quitting without 24-hour support and a change in environment. That's why in 1978, he began offering weeklong camps for smokers who told him they couldn't stop without a live-in program.

Weaver had given stop smoking seminars since 1966 and knew some smokers found quitting more difficult than others. He and his wife, Natalie, took it upon themselves to try to save as many smokers as possible before they developed lung cancer.

Since starting the camps, one of Weaver's surgeon friends quit after smoking four packs a day. An ear, nose and throat specialist quit and lost 35 pounds. Still another camper, a lawyer, stopped smoking but wouldn't eat the vegetarian food served during the weeklong retreat. He's been coming back for 10 years as a volunteer and now loves the meals.

### BOOSTING HEALTH

Weaver, 82, estimates that over the years he's helped more than 100,000 smokers to not only quit, but live a healthier lifestyle.

The camp, May 14-21, encourages smokers and nonsmokers to relax in an idyllic vacation setting by horseback riding and walking nature trails through the 800-wooded acres, or canoeing the Au Sable River and private Lake Shellenbarger in between attending sessions to improve their health. All of the staff volunteer their time at the camp to keep the cost down.

Over the years we added seminars on stress control, weight management, exercise and nutrition at the camp, said Weaver, who performed cancer surgery at Harper, Hutzler, the VA, and Grace hospitals for 40 years. Weaver was a professor of surgery at Wayne State University before retiring. "Once smokers quit their habit they wanted to continue moving toward a healthier lifestyle."

Today, about 1/3 of the campers are there to quit smoking, the rest want to add years to their lives. Weaver estimates 1/3 of cancers are caused by smoking and drinking, at least 50 percent of cancers are related to lack of exercise and poor diet. The Weavers buy cases of broccoli, tomatoes and a variety of vegetables, whole grains, nuts, and dairy

products to fix the three meals served daily at the camp. Arthur Weaver says fruits and vegetables are loaded with anti-cancer compounds.

"The campers take steps. They don't do it all at once," said Natalie Weaver, who teaches cooking at the camp and serves as head chef. "We let them come into the kitchen. When we make a burger or meat balls with oats they can't imagine it could taste good and they're surprised when it does."

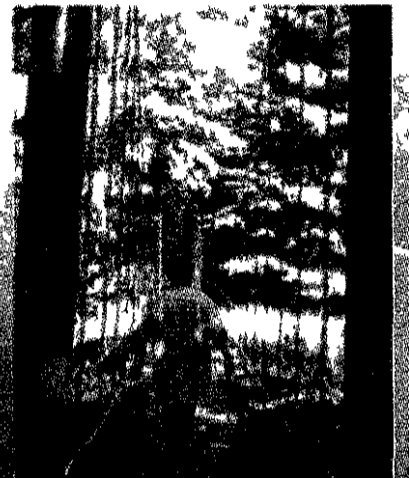
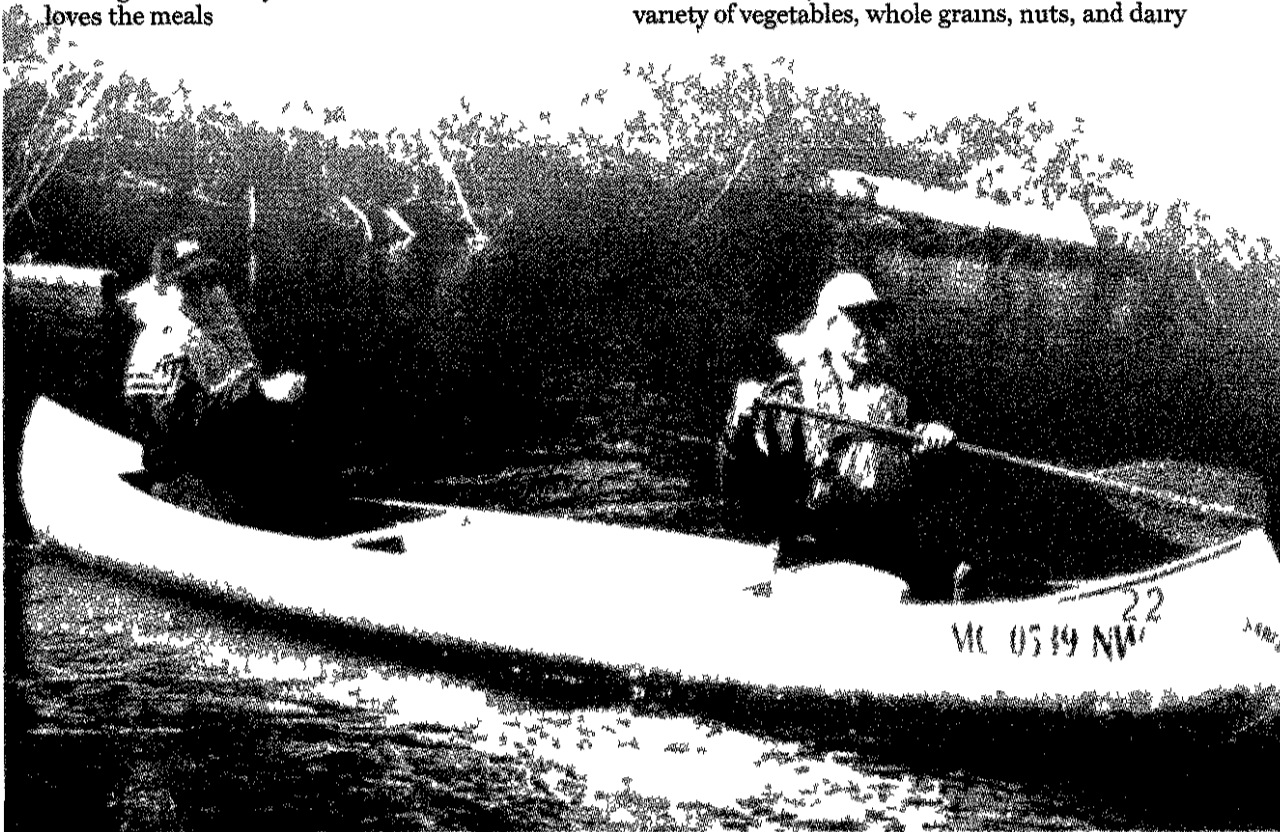
### FAMILY HELP

The Weavers have been practicing a healthy lifestyle for all of their 60 married years. Natalie, 82, spends one hour a day on the treadmill before eating a breakfast of whole grains then goes for a walk with her husband.

Arthur Weaver makes the breakfast from whole wheat, oats, rye, and flax, then sprinkles blueberries, strawberries, bananas, and soy milk over the top. On the side, he serves his special scrambled tofu made with onions, garlic, a rainbow of peppers, turmeric, curry, vegetable seasoning, liquid aminos, and a brick of tofu.

The Weavers raised six children on a vegetarian diet. Their son Robert, an oral surgeon in Livonia, gives the session on stress control at the camp. His wife, Jeanne, leads the low-impact exercise classes. Campers' days are filled with not only better liv-

PLEASE SEE CAMP, C7



Above: This suspension bridge links the walking trails that wander through the camp's 800-wooded acres in Grayling.

Canoeing is just one of the activities guests can enjoy while attending the Better Living Health Camp along the Au Sable River.

## Colon cancer screenings at age 50 save lives

Are you or a loved one celebrating a 50th birthday this year? One of the best gifts you can give yourself is the peace of mind knowing you are safe from colon cancer. During Colorectal Cancer Awareness Month this March, the American Cancer Society urges all men and women age 50 and older to ask their doctors about

colon cancer screening. Colon cancer is the second leading cause of cancer in both men and women in the United States.

Last year, an estimated 104,950 people were diagnosed with colorectal cancer and close to 56,000 people died of the disease. Most of those deaths could have been

prevented if detected early when colon cancer has a 90 percent survival rate. If all those eligible for the screenings took action, colon cancer deaths could be reduced by half.

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**CAMP**

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ing seminars, but birding walks in the morning and social activities in the evening

His first year, Berry kept his hands busy so he wouldn't want a cigarette. The camp provides three kilns for firing ceramics

"I did everything in ceramics you could think of. It was stacked up," said Berry, who's been back to the camp every year but one since the early 1980s because he enjoys the get-away. At camp, they have horseback riding. I fell in love with the horses. You go on trail rides and you're breathing the fresh air which is a lot fresher than down here, and the food is great."

Berry smoked for 50 years, first as a kid then later in the service where he received free cigarettes with rations

**'FINALLY DAWNED'**

"I was smoking too much with a cup of coffee right alongside at the desk," said Berry, a retired insurance adjuster. "When I went to two seminars and then the camp that's where it finally dawned on me. If you're really hard core you can't get along without that nicotine fix. After attending the camp and quitting, I was breathing easier. I was able to exercise harder."

One of the oldest campers, a woman in her 80s, could hard-

ly walk when she arrived. Staff walked with her every day and by the end of the week she was walking one mile.

One female camper proved it's never too late to quit smoking. She was 83 when she stopped.

Jennifer Adkins started smoking as a teen and continued for the next 30 years. Half of the time, she wouldn't use matches or a lighter she just lit one cigarette off of another. Adkins quit smoking a few months before the 1998 camp at one of Weaver's Better Living Seminars at the Livonia Civic Center Library. She's continued to change her lifestyle by attending the camp every May since then. This year, she'll return with her daughter, Sue, 36 and her 1 1/2-year-old

It was the most difficult thing I've ever done in my life and the best thing I've done," said Adkins of Livonia. "Since then I have found that the health camp is the best place to go if you're struggling with tobacco. You're away from everybody and there are no smokers there, and Doc Weaver can spend time with you if you're having a particularly hard time."

The cost for the camp is \$475 per person, \$875 with an accompanying spouse, and includes lodging. For more information, call (248) 349-5683 or (313) 531-2179

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**MARCH**

**Buddhist meditation**

6:30-8 p.m. Tuesday, March 14 to April 4 at Center for Lifelong Learning, 22586 Ann Arbor Trail, Dearborn Heights. Cost: \$29. To register, call (313) 317-1500 or go to www.hfcc.edu/CL2. Under the guidance of Bhanta Sanki, a Buddhist monk from Sri Lanka, learn gentle guided meditation as an ancient tool to relieve stress and anxiety, enjoy inner peace, clear your mind and heal your body. Bring a 6 to 8 inch pillow or cushion to class. Chairs are also available.

**Stress reduction workshop**

Educational event with Dr. Michael Brackney, D.C. 6:15 p.m. Tuesday, March 14 and 28 at 8524 Canton Center Road, Canton. No charge. For reservation, call (734) 455-4444.

**Teens using drugs workshops**

Presented in two parts. Second part is 7:30-9 p.m. Tuesday, March 14, in the St. Joseph Mercy Hospital Education Center, classroom EC4, 5305 Elliott Drive, Ypsilanti. No charge and open to public. Parents, teens and people who work with teens are all welcome. Part one is repeated every first Tuesday of the month, October to June. Part two repeats the second Tuesday of the month, October to June. For information, call (734) 973-7892, send email to jessa@med.umich.edu or visit www.teensusingdrugs.org.

**Divorce support**

7:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 14, group discussion. Attorney Patricia Kasody Coyle will also be available to answer questions in a private setting on a first-come, first-served basis. An attorney from the firm Woll & Wolf will be available 5-7 p.m. the third Monday of each month to discuss divorce and family issues (anyone interested may sign in beginning at 4:30 p.m. that day). A certified financial planner from Center for Financial Planning is available 5-7 p.m. (sign in begins 4:30 p.m.) on the first Monday of each month at the Women's Resource Center, Room 225 of the McDowell Center at Schoolcraft College, 18600 Haggerty, between Six Mile and Seven Mile, Livonia. Call (734) 462-4443.

**MEDICAL DATEBOOK**

**Strengthen your bones naturally**

6:30-9:10 p.m. Wednesday, March 15, 22 at the Center for Lifelong Learning, 22586 Ann Arbor Trail, Dearborn Heights. Osteoporosis affects both men and women and produces 1.5 million fractures annually. Protect your bones by joining biochemist Sandy Baumann to discover which common beverages, drugs and medical conditions are bone robbers. Cost: \$54 plus \$12 materials fee. Feel free to bring your bone density report. To register, call (313) 317-1500 or go to www.hfcc.edu/CL2. RNs and LPNs can earn 5 nursing contact hours by enrolling in section for nurses.

**Fit fore golf**

Seminar for golfers interested in learning about posture, flexibility and strength exercises and prevention of common injuries, especially low back pain. 7 p.m. Wednesday, March 15, at Oakland Physical Therapy, Providence Park Medical Center, 47601 Grand River, Suite B124, Novi (use northeast entrance). No charge. Reservations required. Call (248) 380-3550. Participants should dress comfortably and bring a club.

**Internet health information**

Internet pro Anita Denard will use various Web sites to check out reliable health information. 9 a.m. to noon, Thursday, March 16, at Center for Lifelong Learning, 22586 Ann Arbor Trail, Dearborn Heights. Cost: \$37. To register, call (313) 317-1500 or go to www.hfcc.edu/CL2. Designed for beginners and seniors with basic Internet and computer skills. Bring your health or prescription questions.

**Basic First Aid**

6:45-8 p.m. Thursday, March 16, at the Center for Lifelong Learning, 22586 Ann Arbor Trail, Dearborn Heights. Cost: \$39. To register, call 313-317-1500 or go to www.hfcc.edu/CL2.

**Sharing & Caring**

Arimidex, an Aromatase Inhibitor with a representative from AstraZeneca Oncology. 7:30 p.m. Thursday, March 16, first floor conference room at Beaumont Cancer Center, 3577 W. 13 Mile, Royal Oak. Sharing & Caring offers educational and support programs for

breast cancer survivors, their family and friends on Thursday evenings. Call (248) 551-8585.

**Infant care classes**

St. Mary Mercy Hospital is offering an Infant Care Class, 6:30-9:30 p.m. Thursday, March 16, in Classroom 1 in the hospital, is at 36475 Five Mile at Levan, Livonia. This class is open to anyone who cares for an infant. There is a fee. To register, call (734) 655-1162. For more information about the hospital or programs, visit www.stmarymercy.org.

**Health screenings**

Oakwood Community Health in cooperation with Life Line Screening is offering to test for a blocked carotid artery, abdominal aortic aneurysm, peripheral arterial disease and osteoporosis for a nominal fee. Registration required. The dates and locations follow: 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Thursday, March 21, at Newburg United Methodist Church, 36500 Ann Arbor Trail, Livonia. Cost is \$8. 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Wednesday, April 12, at the Wayne Senior Activity Center, 35000 Sims (\$4) and 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday, May 9, at First Baptist Church of Canton, 44500 Cherry Hill (\$8). Call (800) 543-WELL or visit www.oakwood.org. Oakwood Community Health is also offering a series of health screenings, including blood pressure, glucose and cholesterol tests. Registration not required, prices range from \$4 to \$8. The dates and locations are: 4-8 p.m. Monday, March 20, at Pierce Middle School, 25605 Orangelawn, Redford. Free. Participants not required to fast. For more information, call (800) 543-WELL or visit www.oakwood.org.

**Half hour to health**

Educational event with Dr. Michael Brackney, D.C. 6:15 p.m. Tuesday, March 21, at 8524 Canton Center Road, Canton. No charge. For reservation, call (734) 455-4444.

**Thyroid cancer support**

Free and open to all thyroid cancer patients and survivors as well as their family members and friends. Meets 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, March 22, at Costello Elementary Media Center, 1333 Hamman, Troy. For more information, call Gwynne at (248) 740-9759.

**COLON**

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colon cancer, lack of exercise, obesity, improper diet, smoking and alcohol intake. Regular preventive screening can be lifesaving because early colorectal cancer often has no symptoms. Over time, symptoms can include rectal bleeding, stomach cramps, changes in bowel habits, weight loss or fatigue.

The American Cancer Society recommends one of the following screening options, a yearly fecal occult blood test (FOBT), a flexible sigmoidoscopy every five years, both a

flexible sigmoidoscopy and FOBT every five years (preferred over either test alone), or a colonoscopy every 10 years, or a double contrast barium enema every five years. A consultation with your doctor will help you determine which testing option is right for you.

The power of prevention is immeasurable. To lower the risk of colon cancer, adults age 50 and over should ask their relatives about family cancer history, then ask their doctor for a colonoscopy test. Eat five or more servings of fruits and vegetables each day, and work to stay at or near your ideal body weight.



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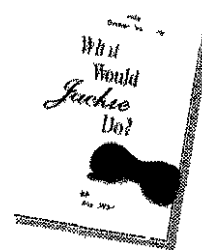
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## Champagne & Chanel

By Wendy White



Photos by Treas Charow Chanel clothing available at Saks Fifth Avenue



Ladies who lunch wore their favorite tweed skirt suits and took a seat alongside the runway for Champagne & Chanel, held Jan. 31 at Saks Fifth Avenue. The event included free bubbly, a light meal and a runway show featuring the latest Chanel clothing and accessories. Chanel's signature fitted blazer with piping is reinterpreted for Spring/Summer 2006 in black and white summer brights and nautical inspired crochet. It is paired with Bermuda shorts for both casual and career. After the show, each guest received a surprise \$50 gift certificate so they could take home a piece of the Chanel lifestyle - even if only in the form of a lipstick.

Sunglasses, handbags, shoes - the world of Chanel is alive at Saks, said Cheryl Hall Lindsay, fashion director for the store.

Proceeds from Champagne & Chanel benefited the Hermelin Brain Tumor Center at Henry Ford Hospital.

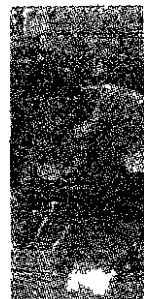


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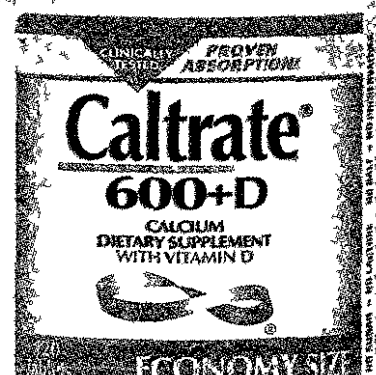
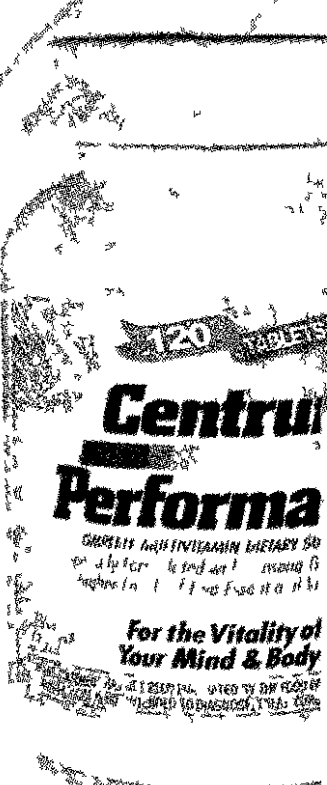
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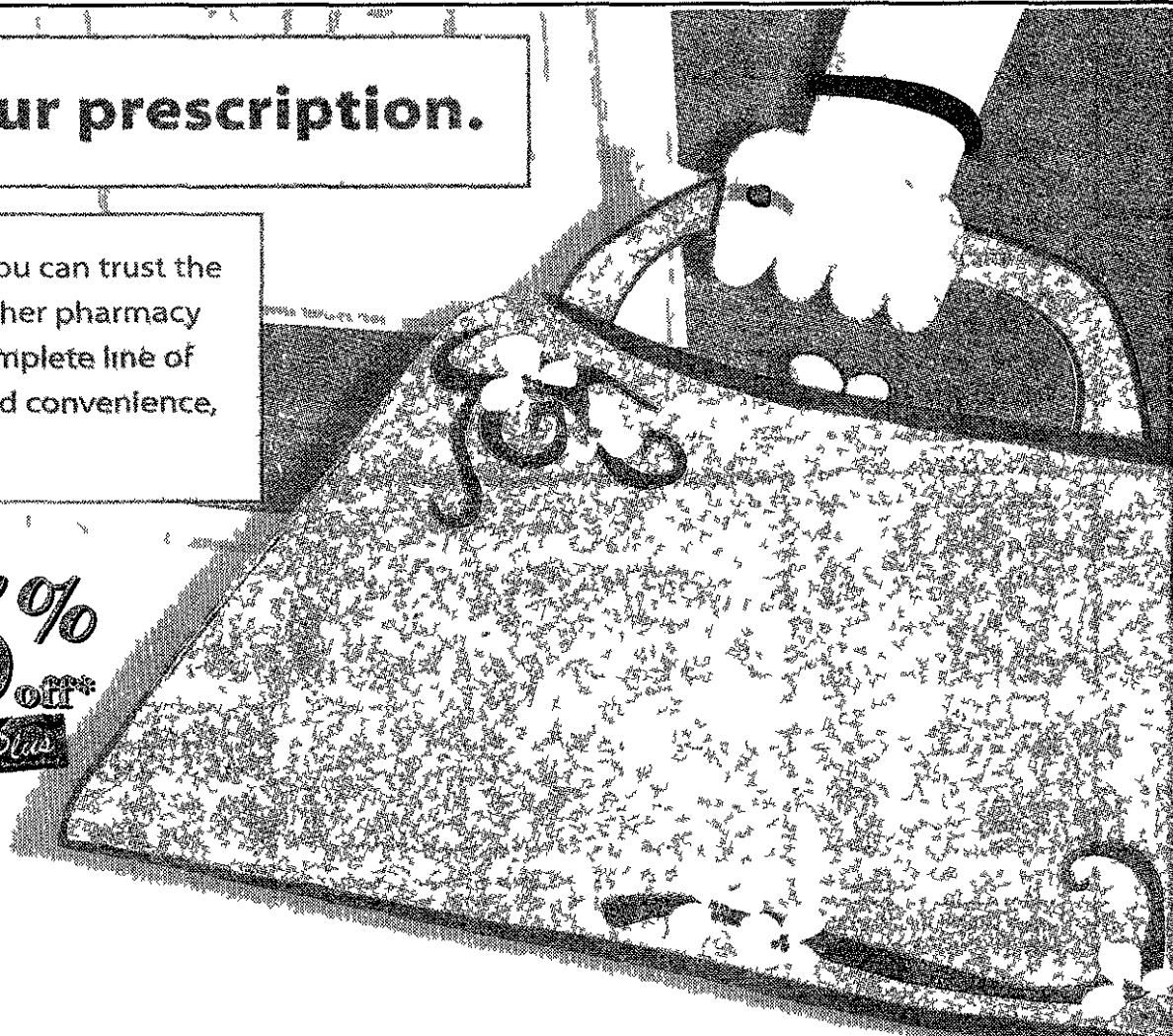
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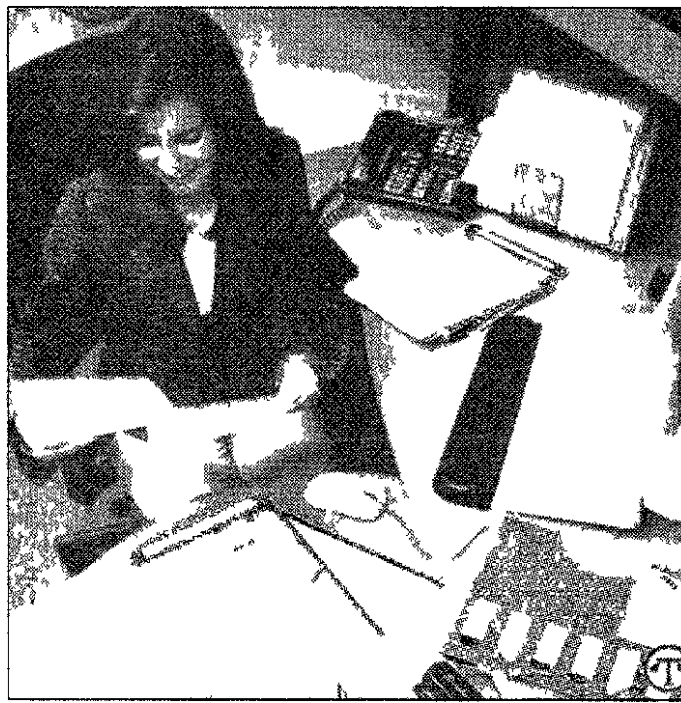
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# The psychology of stacking

(NAPSI) — Your desk may reveal more to your co-workers and boss than you may think. In fact, a recent survey conducted on behalf of a desktop solutions line suggests there are three distinct organizational types in the typical office — pilers, filers and tossers. Chances are, the person who has heaps of piles on the desk sits next to you, the obsessive filer sits across from you and the person who throws everything away is down the hall.

"The fact that you can never find anything on a co-worker's desk when you need it seems to suggest that everyone has their own system of organization," said Sharon Mann, organizational expert and president of the 100,000 member I Hate Filing Club. "This recent study supports this belief as it divides workers into three organizational types: pilers, filers and tossers. With pilers comprising the largest segment of the workforce, developing PileSmart — a line catering directly to pilers needs — was simply the right solution."

According to Mann, your organizational style may actually reveal intimate details about your character



A recent survey conducted on behalf of a desktop solutions line suggests there are three distinct organizational types in the typical office — pilers, filers and tossers.

So how do you stack up?

■ **Popular Pilers**, the most common workplace personality (48 percent) may seem disorganized but have the ability to locate items quickly amongst their mountainous stacks. They are also more likely to own a dog and belong to the Democratic Party. Contrary to popular belief, professionals (including

lawyers, doctors and accountants) are more than three times more likely to pile important papers on their desk than to file them away.

■ **Faithful Filers**, at the opposite end of the spectrum, comprise more than one third of the workforce and are known for appearing ultraorganized. Although

they seem calm and collected, filers can sometimes act fussy and anxious. Filers are more likely to be uptight and most likely to identify with the Republican Party. For companionship, filers tend to flock toward birds.

■ **Tart Tossers**, the risk takers of the bunch, making up 14 percent of the work world, throw away anything that adds clutter to their work area — even the important stuff. Free-spirited tossers are frequently unregistered voters. Additionally, they are more likely to own a cat, possibly because of their low-maintenance attitude.

"Whether a piler, filer or tosser, everyone can benefit from proper organization," Mann said. "The key to boosting organization in the long run is to set realistic goals, such as keeping 50 percent of your desk clear at all times. Also, choose smarter organizational solutions, such as those in the PileSmart product family, which allow users to 'pile smarter' without altering their organizational style."

Take the Piler/Filer/Tosser Quiz yourself at [www.pendaflex.com](http://www.pendaflex.com). And for further organizational tips, log on to [www.iheartfilingclub.com](http://www.iheartfilingclub.com).

## Jumpstarting your job search

(NAPSI) — Finding the right job is not just what you know or even who you know, but increasingly who your contacts know. Fortunately, the Internet makes it easier to leverage the relationships you already have. Here are five tips to help you land the job you want.

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2. Help your contacts with introductions and chances are they will return the favor.

3. Find out which of your colleagues knows people who are currently hiring. New networking sites with integrated job boards make it easy.

4. When you get an interview, use people search engines to research the backgrounds of the professionals who will interview you.

5. Join a professional network such as LinkedIn ([www.linkedin.com/jobs](http://www.linkedin.com/jobs)), which is the largest with five million users. You can access over four million job listings, and for any job, you can see which of your contacts can refer you to the hiring manager.

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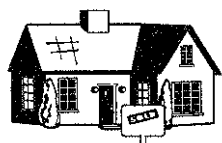
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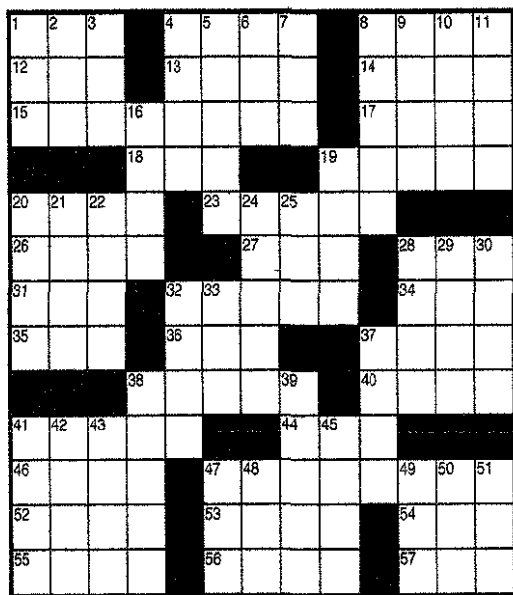
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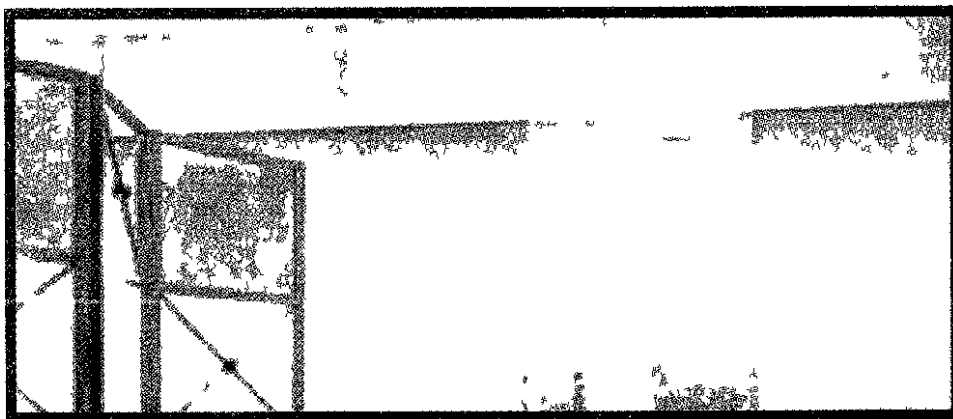
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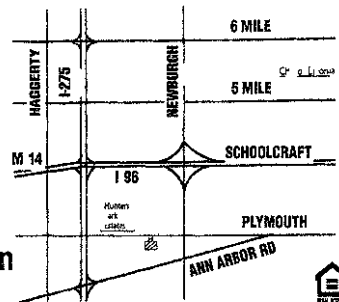
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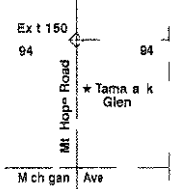
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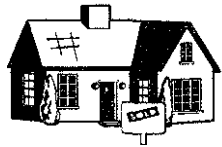


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# Be careful using online home value services

How do you feel about the new program where you can find the value of a home online?

I am skeptical of online services that claim to give an accurate value of a house. Most of these services claim to use the information in public records to create a formula to accurately give the value of your house. They say that they use information about houses in the neighborhood that recently sold to come up with their guestimate.

The online home value services don't have enough information to make a reliable estimate of home value. Some of the reasons for this are:

- It's very hard to know sometimes what houses to use in order to compare to the subject property. Different subdivisions in a certain area can vary greatly in value. In fact, even different streets within a sub can show a big difference in value.

- I am familiar with several subs where what street you are on makes a big difference in value. That said, even what area of a street may make a difference.

- You need someone to eyeball the information and make decisions based on the information that is available and common sense.

- An Internet site cannot know what the inside of your house looks like. Whether your house is updated or not can make a big difference in its value. Since the people at the site can't see the inside of your



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house — at least not yet — there is no way they can add those variables into the equation.

- Market values change based on time. From my own research regarding the sites there seems to be a lag between the value based on past data and the current available information.

I did a non-scientific test. I picked four houses that I know the market value of and I plugged them into one of the house value Internet sites that has been in the news lately.

Using the first house, the site estimate was \$43,495, while the actual market value is closer to \$118,000. When I plugged in the second house, the site estimated the value at \$79,045, and the market value is around \$160,000.

Entering the third property, which was a condo the site stated that the value was \$165,750, and the actual value is around \$154,000. Finally, the fourth test, which was also a condo, the site estimated that it was worth \$150,000, where as the market value is about \$122,000.

These sites have more of a chance of being accurate if all the properties are similar such

as in condos. However, when the houses are not similar there is much more room for error.

Unfortunately, it's hard to create a Kelly's Blue Book, which is used for cars, to determine market value for homes. There are too many variables involved.

My concern is that sellers and buyers will use these sites to set asking prices and make

offers rather than gaining information from a reliable source. Perhaps in the future their accuracy will improve but for now I don't believe they accurately reflect home value.

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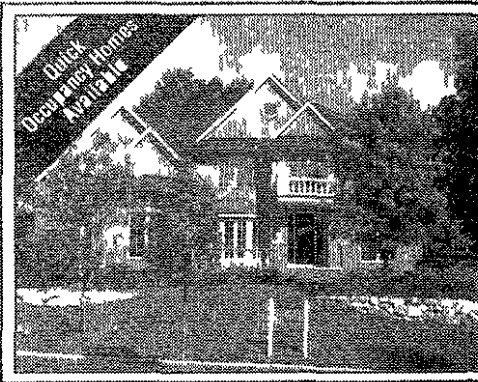
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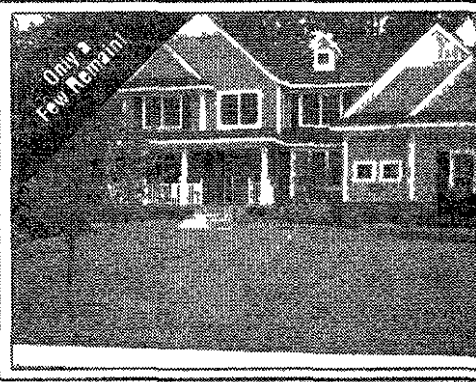
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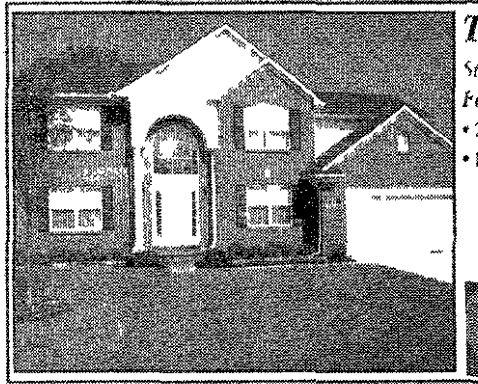
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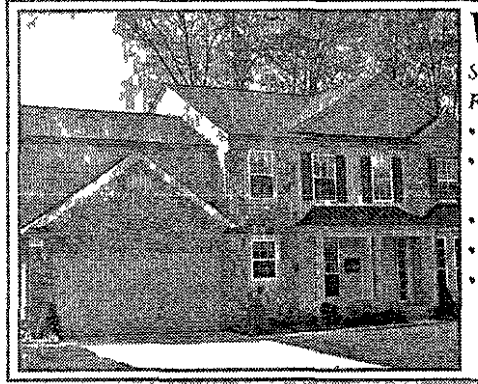
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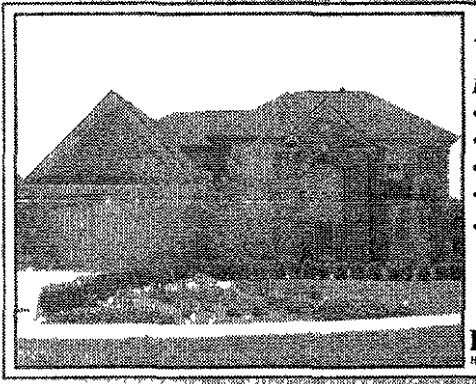
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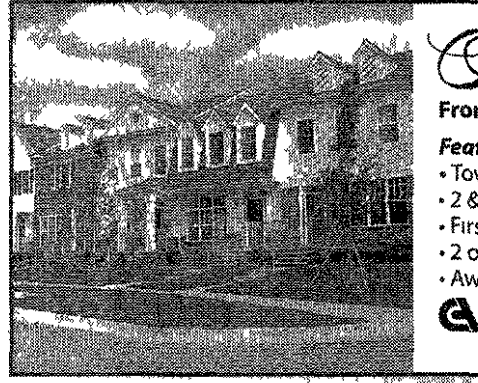
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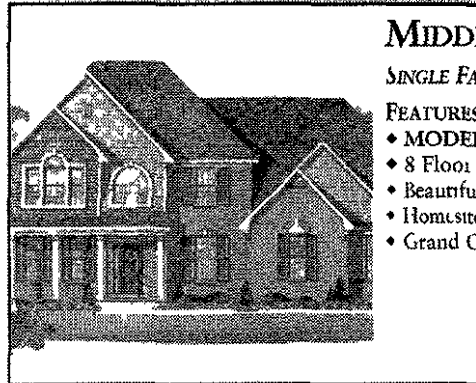
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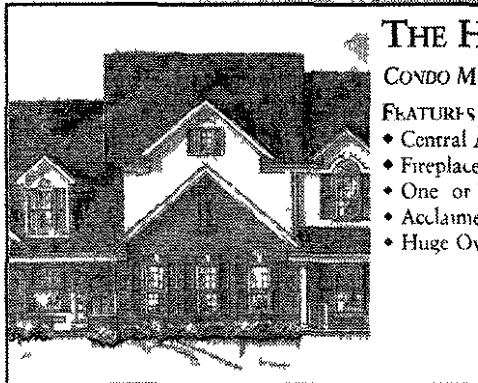
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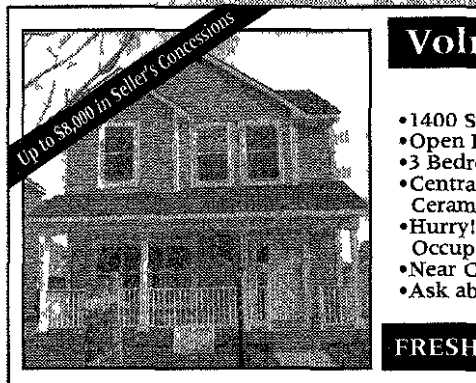
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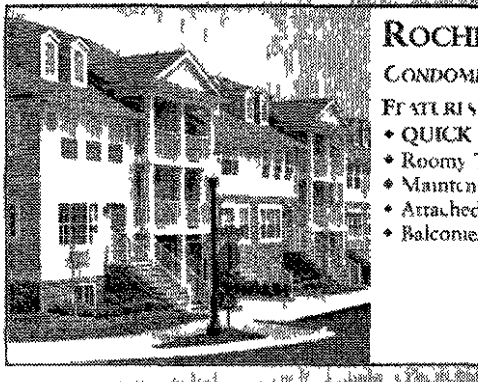
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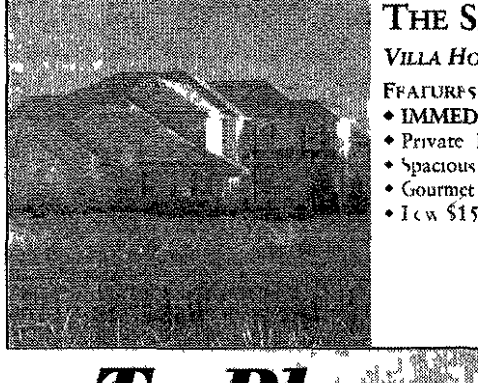
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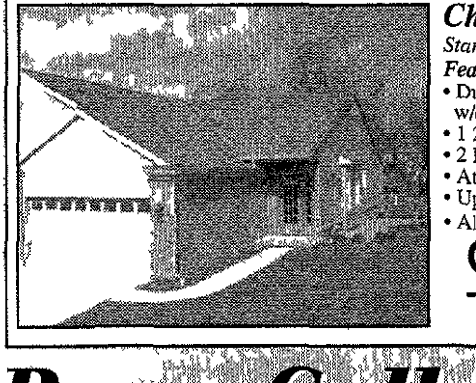
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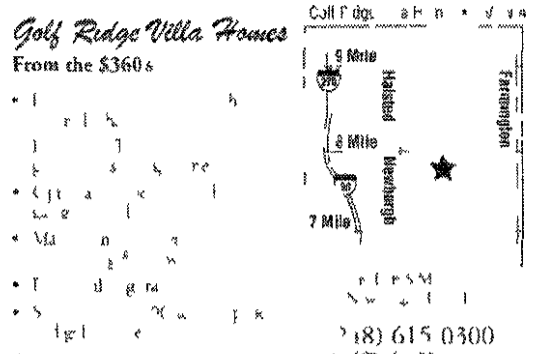
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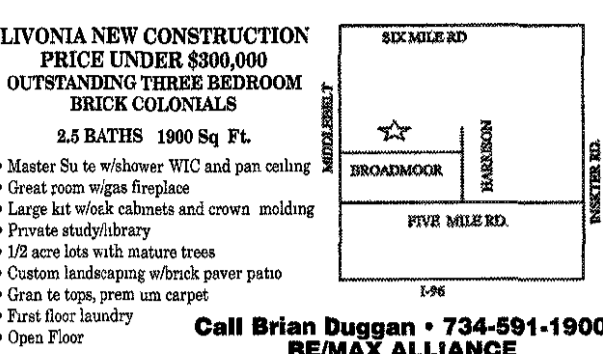
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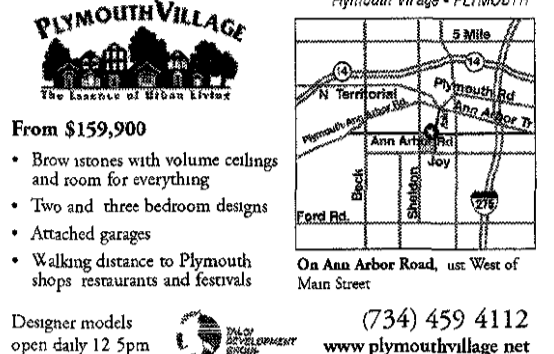
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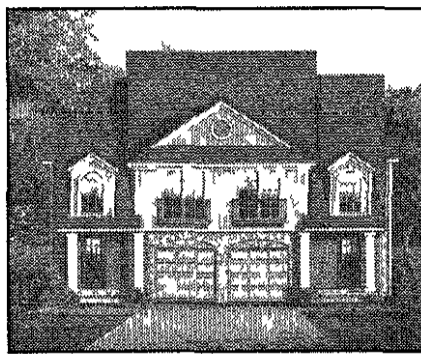
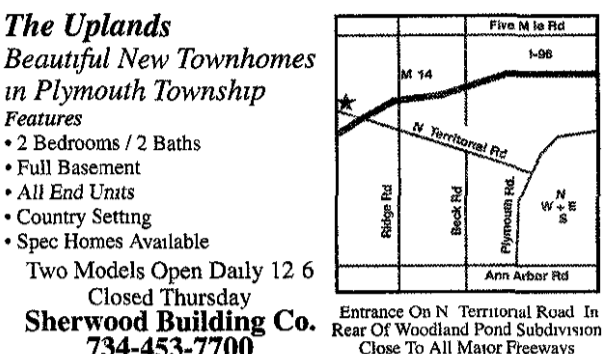



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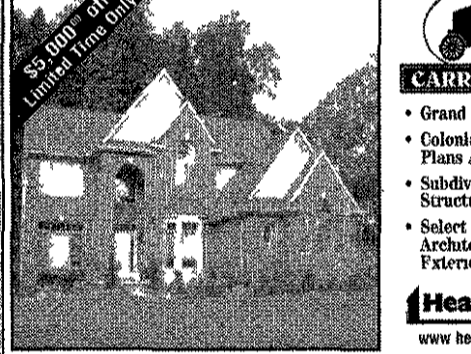

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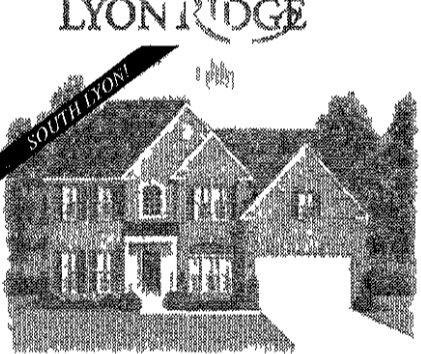
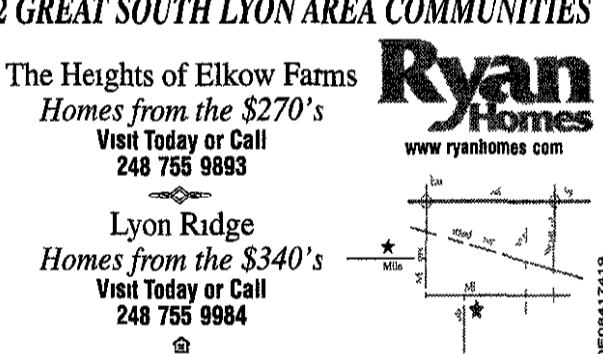
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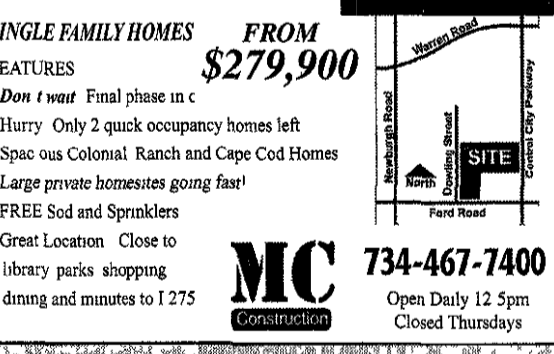
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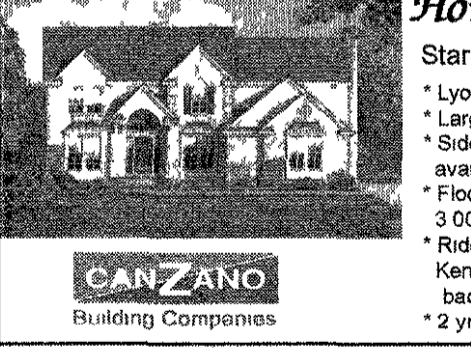
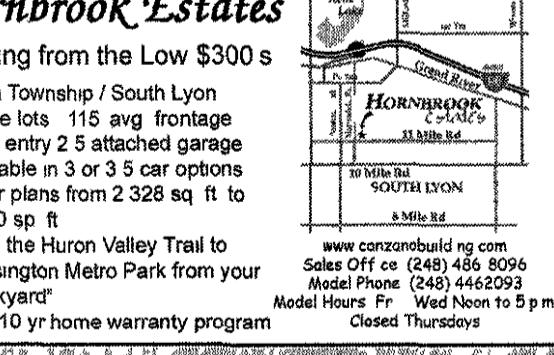

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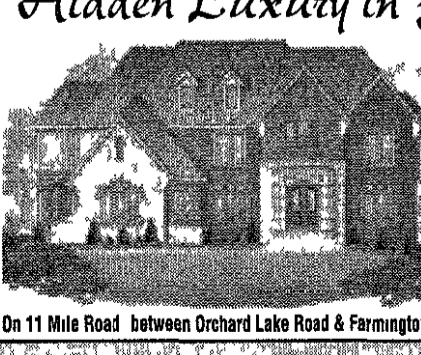


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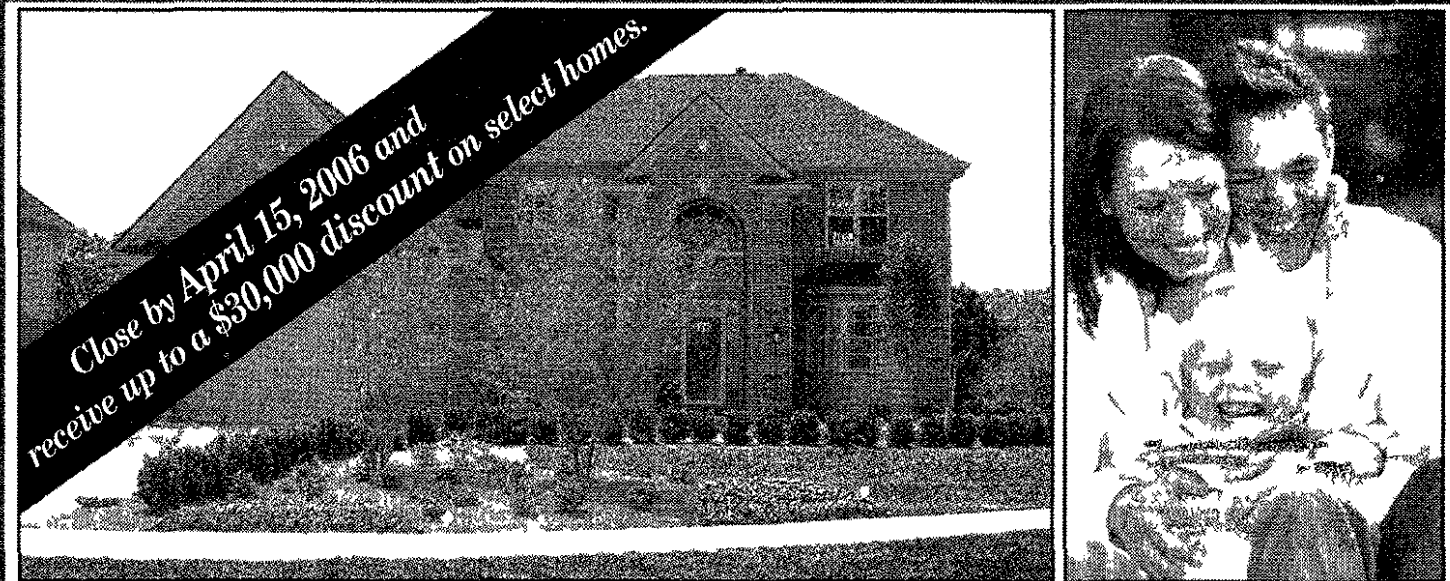
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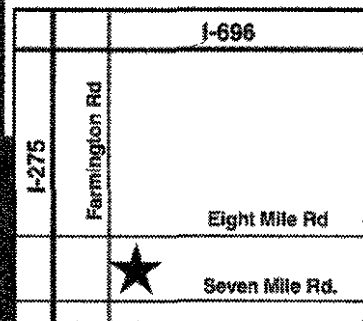
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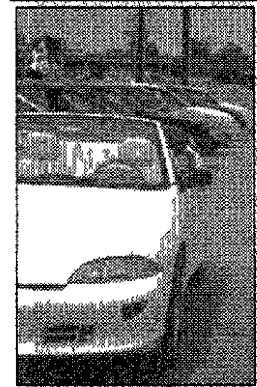
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## 2006 Mercedes-Benz ML350 has panache

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When I first saw a Mercedes-Benz SUV a few years ago, I thought I heard the voice of Jimmy Durante in my head. "Everybody's gotta get into the act," he used to say, and Mercedes-Benz wanted a piece of the SUV act. I was impressed with the first Mercedes SUVs in the late-90's, and the all-new 2006 ML350 does nothing to change my feelings - it's an SUV with style and performance.

Let's start with the exterior. One look and you know it's a Benz. The classic grille with the symbol known around the world as Mercedes-Benz is front and center. This new version of the ML350 is bigger than its predecessor, it's almost 6 inches longer, almost 3 inches wider and 0.2 inches lower on the road, with a wheelbase that's almost four inches longer, at 114 inches. The ML350 features an aggressive wedge shape complemented by sweeping front fenders with projector beam headlights, dramatic shoulder lines and a sharply angled windshield, 17" seven-spoke wheels, roof rack, and power outside mirrors with turn indicators built in. It's a sharp-looking package that doesn't overwhelm you.

Inside, the feel is comfortable, with plenty of room. The standard power seats provide good support and a good view of the road. Instrumentation includes a tachometer and coolant temperature gauge. What's different about the cockpit in the ML350, and its more expensive ML500 sibling, is that the transmission gear lever is mounted on the steering column instead of in the center console (more on the transmission in a bit).

The ML350 comes with a host of standard features. Dual zone air-conditioning, cruise control, power windows, doors and locks, heated rearview mirrors, and tilt steering column. The standard audio system on the ML350 is a four-speaker, 80-watt system with AM/FM/Weatherband/CD



2006 Mercedes-Benz ML350. Vehicle class: Special purpose. Where built: Tuscaloosa, AL. Mileage: 16/20. Base price: \$39,750. Price as tested: \$52,725

stereo and integrated controls for CD changer. You can control its functions from the steering wheel. The CD changer is optional, and you can connect an iPod or other mp3 player directly into the system using an input located in the glove box. An integrated GPS navigation system and Sirius satellite radio are also available.

There's plenty of room and storage in the ML350. The 60/40 rear seats fold down to give you up 72.4 cubic feet of cargo room, and there are plenty of large cupholders, map pockets and auxiliary power outlets.

The ML350 is a full-time four-wheel drive SUV. It's powered by a 3.5-liter, four-valve-per-cylinder V6, that's rated at 268 hp and 258 lb.-ft. of torque. It's mated with a seven-speed automatic touch-shift transmission. As mentioned earlier, the lever is located on the steering column, and it's a bit different than what you might be used to. Lift the stalk up for reverse, push down for drive, and push a button on the end for park. Once underway, pushing either one of the shift buttons on the "back" of the steering wheel provides manual gear changes. It's not really necessary to do the gear changes yourself - the transmission shifts smoothly and effortlessly, even when suddenly downshifting. The engine-transmission combination provides plenty of power and acceleration.

The ML350 gives a great ride, too, with inde-

pendent front and rear suspension. The front suspension features upper and lower control arms in a double-wishbone configuration and uses spring struts with coil springs, gas shocks and large head bearings, and a stabilizer bar attaches to the lower control arms. The rear suspension is mounted to a subframe that is isolated from the body by two solid rubber bushings and two hydro-mounts that are filled with a liquid that helps to dampen vibration. Separate shock absorbers are positioned behind the coil springs, and a stabilizer bar is included.

If you get the urge to take your \$40,000-plus Mercedes off-road, you can. Another standard feature of the ML350 is an "Off-Road" button on the center console. Pushing this gets you ABS at speeds under 20 mph, traction control, higher shift points, and a slower throttle valve for better speed control.

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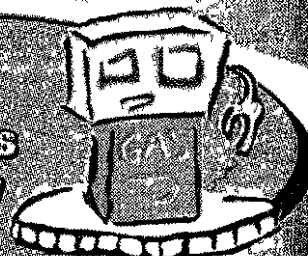
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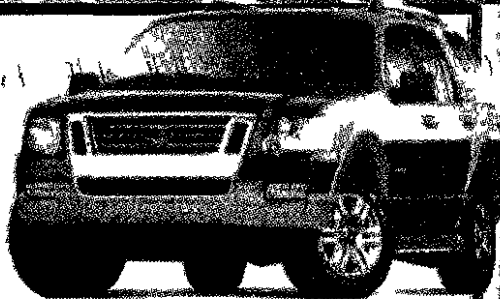
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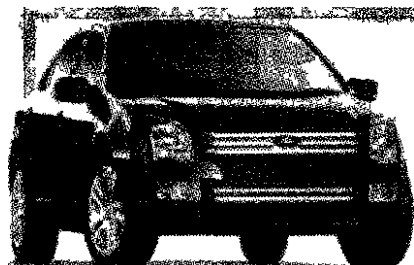


LH/RH mirror with approach, air conditioning - CFC free, floor mats, C/K carpet, 4.0L SOHC V6 engine, 5-speed automatic O/C transmission, P235/70R16 A/S OWL tires, 3.73 ratio regular axle, trailer tow package, roof rail cross bars, convenience group, electrochromatic mirror, auto lamp headlights, key pad

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**2006 FUSION SE**

Stock #62030

2.3L I4 engine, 5-speed automatic transmission, P205/60R16 all season tires, SE sport package, AM/FM/MP3 6 CDX player w/clock, aluminum wheels 16x6 5, fog lamps, anti-lock brakes

Was \$20,395 **NOW \$16,273<sup>60\*</sup>**

<b>24 MONTH LEASE RENEWAL</b>	<b>SIGN &amp; DRIVE</b> \$232 <sup>73**</sup> per mo \$0 DUE AT SIGNING	<b>ZERO DOWN</b> \$213 <sup>00**</sup> per mo \$429.73 DUE AT SIGNING	<b>\$1000 DOWN</b> \$169 <sup>49**</sup> per mo \$1442.66 DUE AT SIGNING
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**2006 FOCUS 4DR ZX4 SES**

Stock #61775

Rear spoiler, power side window, convenience group, integrated fog lamps CFC-free air conditioning, 16" alloy wheels, 2.0L DOHC engine, automatic transaxle, P205/50R16 BSW tire, safety package, anti-lock brakes, side impact air bags

Was \$17,885 **NOW \$13,322<sup>60\*</sup>**

<b>24 MONTH LEASE RENEWAL</b>	<b>SIGN &amp; DRIVE</b> \$177 <sup>12**</sup> per mo \$0 DUE AT SIGNING	<b>ZERO DOWN</b> \$162 <sup>75**</sup> per mo \$345.52 DUE AT SIGNING	<b>\$500 DOWN</b> \$141 <sup>01**</sup> per mo \$853.11 DUE AT SIGNING
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**2006 ESCAPE XLT FWD**

Stock #62018

Power 6-way driver seat, floor mats-front and rear, speed control, A/C, perimeter alarm, privacy glass, Duratec 2.3L I4 engine, 4 speed auto O/D trans, P235/70R16 A/S BSW tires, power moonroof w/shade, mini-oh console w/sunglass bin, cargo conv group, rear cargo storage bin, retractable cargo cover, audiophile/6-CD in dash/sat cap

Was \$24,480 **NOW \$18,623<sup>36\*</sup>**

<b>24 MONTH LEASE RENEWAL</b>	<b>SIGN &amp; DRIVE</b> \$264 <sup>50**</sup> per mo \$0 DUE AT SIGNING	<b>ZERO DOWN</b> \$244 <sup>85**</sup> per mo \$462.54 DUE AT SIGNING	<b>\$1000 DOWN</b> \$201 <sup>57**</sup> per mo \$1476.66 DUE AT SIGNING
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**2006 MUSTANG COUPE**

Stock #61320

Driver & pass air bags, AM/FM stereo/6-CD in dash/MP3, power driver's seat, manual A/C, rear wndw defrost, 4.0L SOHC V6 engine, 5-speed auto trans V6 pony pkg, P235/55R17 A/S tire, frt floor mats Mustang logo, rear deck lid spoiler tape strip delete 17" alum mini spare whl/tire, anti-lock brakes, trac cntrl, 17" pntd cast alum, pony center cap, int upgrade pkg, satin alum panel, wheel locking kit

Was \$23,660 **NOW \$19,146<sup>20\*</sup>**

<b>24 MONTH LEASE RENEWAL</b>	<b>SIGN &amp; DRIVE</b> \$276 <sup>57**</sup> per mo \$0 DUE AT SIGNING	<b>ZERO DOWN</b> \$258 <sup>78**</sup> per mo \$417.31 DUE AT SIGNING	<b>\$500 DOWN</b> \$237 <sup>14**</sup> per mo \$1431.43 DUE AT SIGNING
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**2006 FIVE HUNDRED FWD SEL**

Stock #62075

Dual auto air conditioning, 17 x 7.7-spk alum w/lug nuts, fog lamps, message center, steering wheel audio controls, 3.0L 4V V6 Duratec engine, auto 6-speed transmission, P215/60R17 BSW tires, storage compartment in arm rest, leather seating, adjustable pedals

Was \$25,980 **NOW \$19,495<sup>00\*</sup>**

<b>24 MONTH LEASE RENEWAL</b>	<b>SIGN &amp; DRIVE</b> \$243 <sup>82**</sup> per mo \$0 DUE AT SIGNING	<b>ZERO DOWN</b> \$225 <sup>12**</sup> per mo \$441.63 DUE AT SIGNING	<b>\$500 DOWN</b> \$203 <sup>84**</sup> per mo \$948.86 DUE AT SIGNING
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**2006 FREESTYLE SEL FWD**

Stock #60715

AM/FM/CDX6 MP3 radio, anti-lock brakes, msge cntr, 17x7.5-spk bright alum whl, string whl audio cntrls, fog lamps, 3.0L 4V V6 Duratec engine, cont var trans, P215/65R17 BSW tires, 5.19 ratio reg axle, 50/50 3rd row split seat, frt row cmfrt pkg, pwr drvtr seat recliner, pass man lumbar & pwr st recliner, dual auto A/C, 60/40 split 3-pass 2nd row

Was \$28,710 **NOW \$21,926<sup>35\*</sup>**

<b>24 MONTH LEASE RENEWAL</b>	<b>SIGN &amp; DRIVE</b> \$245 <sup>40**</sup> per mo \$0 DUE AT SIGNING	<b>ZERO DOWN</b> \$226 <sup>79**</sup> per mo \$443.40 DUE AT SIGNING	<b>\$500 DOWN</b> \$205 <sup>46**</sup> per mo \$950.79 DUE AT SIGNING
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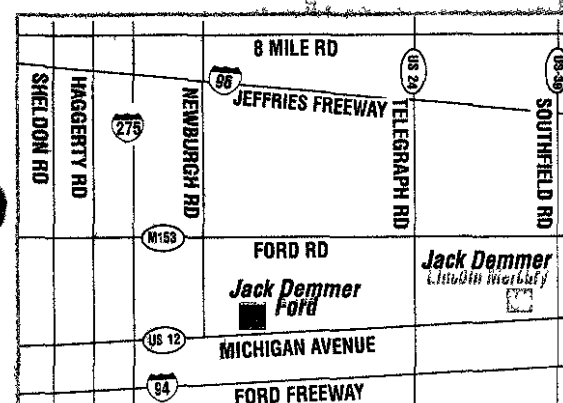
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