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## Lenawee cops pop students for drinking

BY CAROL MARSHALL  
STAFF WRITER

More than 40 graduates from Plymouth and Canton got more than their diplomas last week. They also got tickets from the police.

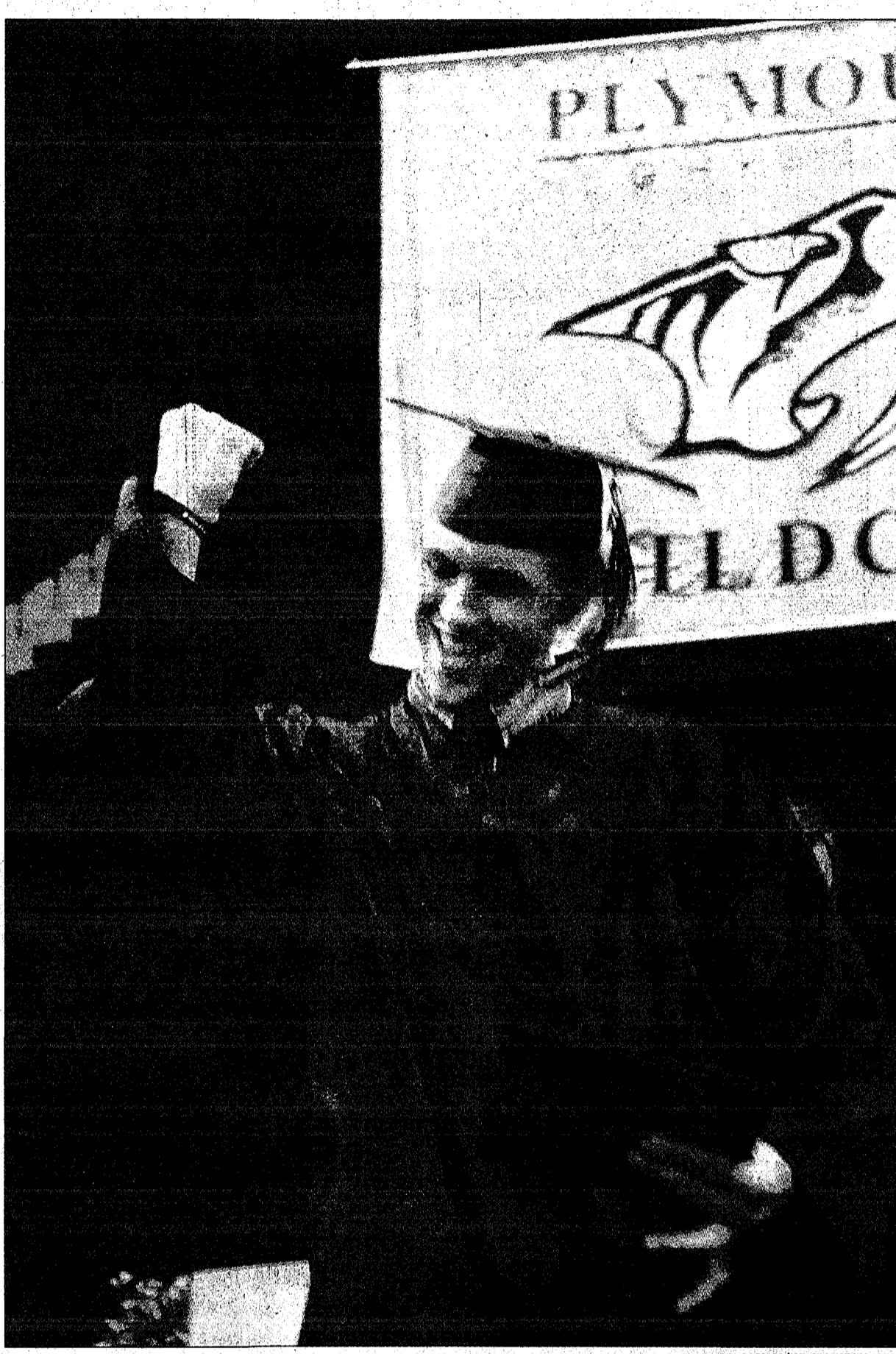
Police from Clinton Village, Cambridge Township, the Michigan State Police and Lenawee County Sheriff Department issued 47 tickets for minor in possession after they were called to a lakefront home in Tipton, Mich., a small Lenawee County town located some 50 miles southwest of the Plymouth-Canton area and not far from Tecumseh. Charges are pending for two Plymouth residents, a 20-year-old man and an 18-year-old woman, who police said hosted the party at the Tipton vacation home.

"We got a call that there was an MIP (minor in possession party) on Evans Trail, and went to investigate," Lenawee County Sheriff Lt. Cletus Smith said. Seven police officers responded to the call. "When we got there, there was a massive amount of vehicles near the property — cars parked at least 100 yards in each direction of the house."

Police found the young people drinking alcohol, and wrote out tickets on the spot. Because the underage drinkers were 18 years old, police did not call their parents, Smith said. None were excessively intoxicated, so police didn't take any of them into custody. They confiscated the alcohol and left the party-goers at the property.

The incident did not affect graduation, Plymouth-

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## No more books

Edward Austin Skotzke celebrates receiving his diploma as more than 400 Plymouth High School seniors became the first graduates of the 4-year-old school. For the list of graduates and more photos, please turn to page A7.

## District sets levy for debt

Next up: Battling next year's budget deficit

BY BRAD KADRICH  
STAFF WRITER

When school superintendent Jim Ryan was making his presentations in an effort to sell the public on the Plymouth-Canton school district's bond issues in the May election, the question often came up about millage rates.

The two questions added up to 1.08 mills, though the district always said they'd only levy .82 mills. Added to the current rate levied for debt of 3.43, the total came up to 4.25 mills.

But Ryan, and the district's financial advisers, told anyone who would listen that current debt millage (the amount required to fund principal and interest payments on the district's existing debt) would drop, and that even with the new bond proposals, total debt millage would be just under 4 mills.

But opponents and critics accused the district of manipulating the numbers, a charge at which Ryan bristled.

On Tuesday, the district's Board of Education approved setting the district's debt levy at 3.15 mills, meaning the total had the bonds passed would be 3.97.

"In the 2006 bond presentations, we promised the debt levy would be decreased," Ryan told board members Tuesday. "Promise made, promise kept."

The board set the debt millage rate Tuesday to bring themselves a step closer to passing the beginning budget, scheduled to be approved at the district's June 27 meeting. To get there, and facing a potential deficit next year of \$4.2 million, the board had told the administration it wanted to see some \$2 million in cuts.

At its last budget session, the district was still some \$300,000 short of that, leaving Ryan and

PLEASE SEE BUDGET, A8

## Former Gov. Milliken brings out appreciative crowd

BY JULIE BROWN  
STAFF WRITER

Dorothy Grant of Plymouth Township was pleased to see former Michigan Gov. William Milliken on Monday.

"I've always admired Governor Milliken," said Grant, who teaches college reading and critical thinking at Schoolcraft College. "I just thought this was a great opportunity to see him."

She and some 200 others gathered Monday at the Plymouth Historical Museum for a book signing featuring Milliken and Dave Dempsey, the author who penned *William G. Milliken: Michigan's Passionate Moderate*. Grant noted her brother worked as an economist for the state of Michigan and spoke highly of his boss.

Also pleased to see Milliken was Stella Greene of Plymouth, city councilwoman and former



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Plymouth resident Pat Conzelman had former Michigan Governor Bill Milliken sign a book for her dad, Pat Milliken.

mayor. She's been in politics 14 years and is supporting Beth Stewart, who's running for state

Milliken hoping for clean governor campaign, A13.

representative in the seat husband John is term-limited in.

"I wanted to be here because I've admired him since my college days," said Greene, who noted that term limits are a factor in not allowing time for developing relationships and consensus building.

State Rep. John Stewart, R-Plymouth Township, agreed the political arena has taken a turn for the worse. "It's gotten much meaner," he said. "The spin-masters are in control," as are lobbyists.

John Stewart was pleased to have Milliken at the book signing. "I couldn't be happier," he said. "The best. Our last great statesman." He recalled meeting former Gov. George Romney as a young Boy Scout and later meeting Milliken.

From the Democratic camp came colleague state Rep. Glenn Anderson, D-Westland, who's running for state Senate against Sen. Laura Toy, R-Livonia. "I think out of respect and to have a chance to say hello to the governor, which I did," Anderson said. "I think he personifies what statesmanship and public service should be about."

Anderson noted that at least half a dozen Capitol tour guides drove down from Lansing for the event. Anderson's been in politics 15 years and agreed it took a turn for the nastier around 1992.

"It just seems like the tone of politics has gotten so much worse," Anderson said.

He recalled Milliken's interest in redistricting legislation when Anderson contacted him: "I was just really pleased that he took an interest and did call me."

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### Coming Sunday in Health



New equipment can make playgrounds safer

**Fountain fund-raiser**

Max & Erma's in Plymouth hosts a fund-raiser to benefit the Plymouth Community Youth Advisory Commission's Rebuild the Fountain campaign Monday, June 19. Diners must present a coupon, available at most Plymouth retailers or at Plymouth City Hall, to trigger a 20-percent donation of lunch and dinner sales to benefit the PCYAC and rebuilding the fountain.

Max & Erma's is located at 15257 Beck Road in Plymouth Township. For more information, call (734) 414-1557.

**Summer Reading kick-off**

"The Mystery of the Pharaoh's Curse", a murder mystery pizza party will take place at the Plymouth District Library on Monday, June 19 at 5:30 p.m.

Area teens are encouraged to bring a friend and enjoy the program, food, refreshments and Dance Dance Revolution.

Register at Reader's Advisory Desk at (734) 453-0750, Ext. 4.

**Camp openings**

The Plymouth Salvation Army still has openings for its summer day camp.

The camp is open to kids ages 6-12 and runs 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday through Friday, starting Monday, June 19. The cost is \$50 per week.

For more information, call (734) 453-5464.

**Costanza outing**

The third-annual Jerry

Costanza Golf Outing to perpetuate the Culinary Scholarship Fund takes place June 26 at Meadowbrook Country Club in Northville.

The fund was created in Costanza's memory by his family and friends to honor Costanza's love and dedication to the culinary industry. Contributions to the fund are managed by the Schoolcraft College Foundation, which will grant scholarships annually to students attending the Schoolcraft College Culinary Arts program.

The outing starts with registration at 10:30 a.m., lunch at 11 and tee time at 12:30 p.m. Dinner is at 6:30 p.m. Cost is \$250 for individual golfers (\$75 for dinner-only tickets) or \$1,000 for a foursome. Prizes include a hole-in-one car, airline voucher, dinner for four at the American Harvest, golf packages, dinner for four at La Bistecca and cash prizes.

For more information, call (734) 254-0400.

**Savings bonds**

Local experts will discuss the importance of U.S. Savings Bonds during a presentation at the Plymouth Historical Museum 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. Tuesday, June 20.

The program, entitled "Getting The Most Out Of Your Savings Bonds," will focus on the latest changes in the bond program as well as proper ways to title bonds, current interest rates, which bonds are the best to have, options when bonds mature, what to do now that HH Bonds are no longer available.

Sponsored and hosted by Senior Benefits LLC, the work-



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**Beautiful music**

Global Village played the tunes during Friday evening's Music in the Air concert, presented by the Downtown Development Authority and sponsored by Community Financial. Beautiful weather and the return of a popular band filled Kellogg Park with people. The weekly concerts take place Fridays at 7 p.m. in Kellogg Park.

shops will feature local savings bond experts D. Pauline Jowsey and Ralph W. Moore. They will show how to easily avoid costly mistakes that could save you or your heirs thousands of dollars. Listeners can hear more about this informative workshop on the radio show "Money Matters" every Saturday morning at 9 a.m. on 580-AM, CKWW Radio.

All attendees will be offered a free, personalized statement for their bonds. Refreshments will be served. The Plymouth Historical Museum is located at 155 S. Main (at Church) in downtown Plymouth. To make the required reservations, call (866) 251-5059 toll-free.

**Lincoln roundtable**

Famed historian and author Frank O'Reilly is the scheduled guest speaker when the Abraham Lincoln Civil War Round Table gets together 8 p.m. Thursday, June 22 at the Plymouth Historical Museum. O'Reilly is the author of *The Fredericksburg*

*Campaign: Winter War on the Rappahannock*, hailed as the definitive study on the Battle of Fredericksburg. In addition, he has served for several years as staff historian at the Fredericksburg/Spotsylvania National Military Park. O'Reilly is renowned as speaker, guide and authority on just about any Civil War subject. The Plymouth Historical Museum is located at 155 S. Main (at Church) in downtown Plymouth. The public is invited, admission is free. For more information call (734) 459-7324.

**DAR meets**

The Daughters of the American Revolution meet at noon Monday, June 19 at the Hill House at Greenmead in Livonia.

The meeting features the annual pot-luck picnic and auction. The program is plant and craft auction; bring white elephants.

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

**Crafters wanted**

Crafters needed for Delta Kappa Gamma's 20th annual juried show Saturday, Oct. 21 at West Middle School in Plymouth.

The show will run from 9 a.m.-4 p.m.; West Middle School is located at 44401 W. Ann Arbor Trail, Plymouth, MI.

Call Clara, (734) 254-0849 or e-mail to sweisz59@comcast.net for more information.

The Plymouth Fall Festival is accepting applications for its Craft Show that takes place during the Fall Festival Sept. 9-10. This year the craft show will be moving to the lawn of the historic Wilcox House located at Ann Arbor Trail and Union Street. Ten-by-ten foot spots will cost \$75 per day or \$150 for the weekend.

Applications are available to download at www.plymouth-fallfestival.com or for more info call Colleen Brown at (734) 455-1614.

**Child ID kits**

The Plymouth Community United Way will be providing Kinderprint Child Identification kits at their tent during Canton's Liberty Fest June 15-18.

The kits are being provided by the United Way free of charge to parents of young children. The easy-to-use child identification kit is designed to keep a photo, fingerprints, medical and dental records, DNA, and other information for emergencies. The kit also includes a United Way balloon as a thank you for the child.

For more information, call (734) 453-6879, Ext. 3.

**Chamber events**

The Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce hosts the following upcoming events:

Leadership Plymouth — A chance to for people from around the community to learn more about Plymouth, its government and its civic structure in a networking, team-building atmosphere.

The chamber is accepting applicants for its next class, which begins with a retreat in October and continues with monthly meetings through April. Cost is \$750 per person.

Sunrise Sale — 7-10 a.m. Saturday, June 17, participating stores will offer sales of 20-50 percent off. Plymouth's unique variety of shops and galleries will offer special discounts and bargains during the sale.

Shred day, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, June 24 — The event, open to the public, is designed to allow residents and businesses to get their documents shredded by the shred truck in the parking lot at New Liberty Bank, 1333 W. Ann Arbor Road, three blocks east of Sheldon. The event is sponsored by UBS Financial, Gem Financial and Maximum Financial, each located on Main in Plymouth.

Golf outing, 12:30 p.m. Monday, July 10 — Sponsored by major sponsor Victory Honda, the event is one of the chamber's largest fund-raisers. Cost is \$300 per golfer or \$1,000 for a VIP foursome (cost includes golf cart, lunch, refreshments on the course, dinner, cocktails and a tee sign).

For more information on any of these programs, call (734) 453-1540.

**Women's expo**

Participants can learn new, fun ways to stay fit and healthy at a women's expo event noon-3 p.m. Saturday, July 8 at Jazzercise Fitness Center of Plymouth, 250 N. Main in Plymouth.

Students will meet Donna Gambino, author of "On a Roll @ Home, Home Exercises for Core Strength and Massage on the Foam Roller," learn new fitness techniques and enter to win health prizes, get health and fitness information from local, women-owned business vendors, tour the Jazzercise Fitness Center and enjoy fitness demonstrations, enter the chance to win great prizes in multiple drawings for health and beauty items and experience body fat testing, blood pressure screenings, and other activities.

Gambino is a licensed physical therapist, Pilates Instructor, author, and owner of Infinity Health, LLC. Gambino will be signing her new book, "On a Roll @ Home, Home Exercises for Core Strength and Massage on the Foam Roller" at the event while her students offer demonstrations on the newest, most intriguing tool in core strengthening.

Admission and parking are free.

**Youngest Artist Camp**

Budding artists ages 5 to 8 have a chance to experience both performing and visual arts during a camp designed just for them at the Plymouth Community Arts Council June 20-23.

Campers will create artwork such as masks or puppets to use in a short play presented to family and friends at the end of the week. Camp time is 9:30 a.m. to noon, Tuesday through Thursday, and 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. on Friday. The cost is \$70 for PCAC members, \$85 for non-members.

To register or for more information, call (734) 416-4278 or come to the Arts Council at 774 N. Sheldon in Plymouth.

**Garden walk**

The 11th-annual "Flowers are Forever" garden walk takes place noon-8 p.m. Tuesday, June 27, rain or shine.

Tickets are \$7 pre-sale and \$8 on the day of the walk. The Trailwood Garden Club, a branch of the Woman's National Farm and Garden Association, is the sponsor. Tickets are available from Garden Club members as well as Backyard Birds and Saxton's Garden Center, both in Plymouth.

The gardens have a variety of water features as well as many ideas that you can adapt to your own garden. There will be complimentary refreshments, a raffle, and perennial sale.

Trailwood Garden Club's projects include plantings in downtown Plymouth and at the new Plymouth Community Veterans Memorial Park, plantings and bird-feeder at the Medilodge of Plymouth nursing facility, Plymouth Fall Festival Perennial Exchange, Christmas decorations at the Plymouth Historical Museum, Michigan 4-H, Detroit Agricultural Network and other related activities.

For additional information, contact Jeanne Hutko at (734) 459-5285.

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**PRONE TO HEEL PAIN?**

While runners often experience heel pain, it can happen to anyone. Persistent heel pain should prompt an assessment by a physical therapist to see if bad biomechanics is a contributing factor. Abnormalities in a person's walking/running gait stress the heel bone and attached tissues. Among these abnormalities may be excessive pronation, which means that the feet roll inward too much when a person walks or runs. The heel should be the first part of the foot to hit the ground when walking. Ideally, the arch distributes the weight first toward the outside of the foot and, then, toward the ball. If the feet roll inward or outward too much, the plantar fascia and the heel bear the excess stress.

Other causes of heel pain include a sedentary lifestyle during winter months. When people increase activity levels dramatically during the better weather, heel pain is often a result. When you require the care of a physical therapist, call the **HANDS ON CENTER FOR PHYSICAL THERAPY** now at 455-8370. We are located at 650 South Main Street in downtown Plymouth. New patients are welcome.

P.S. Being overweight or habitually carrying heavy loads may also lead to heel pain by putting added pressure on the heels.

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# Honoring their father

## Mom, kids enter YMCA run to remember Dad

BY BRAD KADRICH  
STAFF WRITER

Kathy Vitale of Canton knows one thing for sure: At least one of her children won't be joining her when the starting gun blasts off the start of the Plymouth YMCA Father's Day run Sunday.

Daughter Giovanna will "definitely be a cheerleader," for Vitale and whichever of her other two children — 14-year-old Gabrielle is definitely running, 11-year-old A.J. isn't so sure — joins her for the annual event her family will enter for the seventh straight year.

Vitale, and sometimes her children, run the event every year in memory of her husband, former Canton football player Tony Vitale, who died in January 1995 after an allergic reaction triggered an asthma attack.

"We figured on Father's Day it's kind of a cool thing to do in his memory," said Kathy Vitale. "We don't sit and be sad, it's something that's a cool thing to do on Father's Day. It's been a great thing over the years."

The Plymouth Family YMCA hosts its 27th-annual Father's Day Run Sunday in downtown Plymouth. All proceeds will be used to help support the Y's Strong Kids Scholarship Campaign. Awards go to the top three finishers in all age categories, overall male and female winner in each race and all kid participants. All registered runners get a T-shirt.

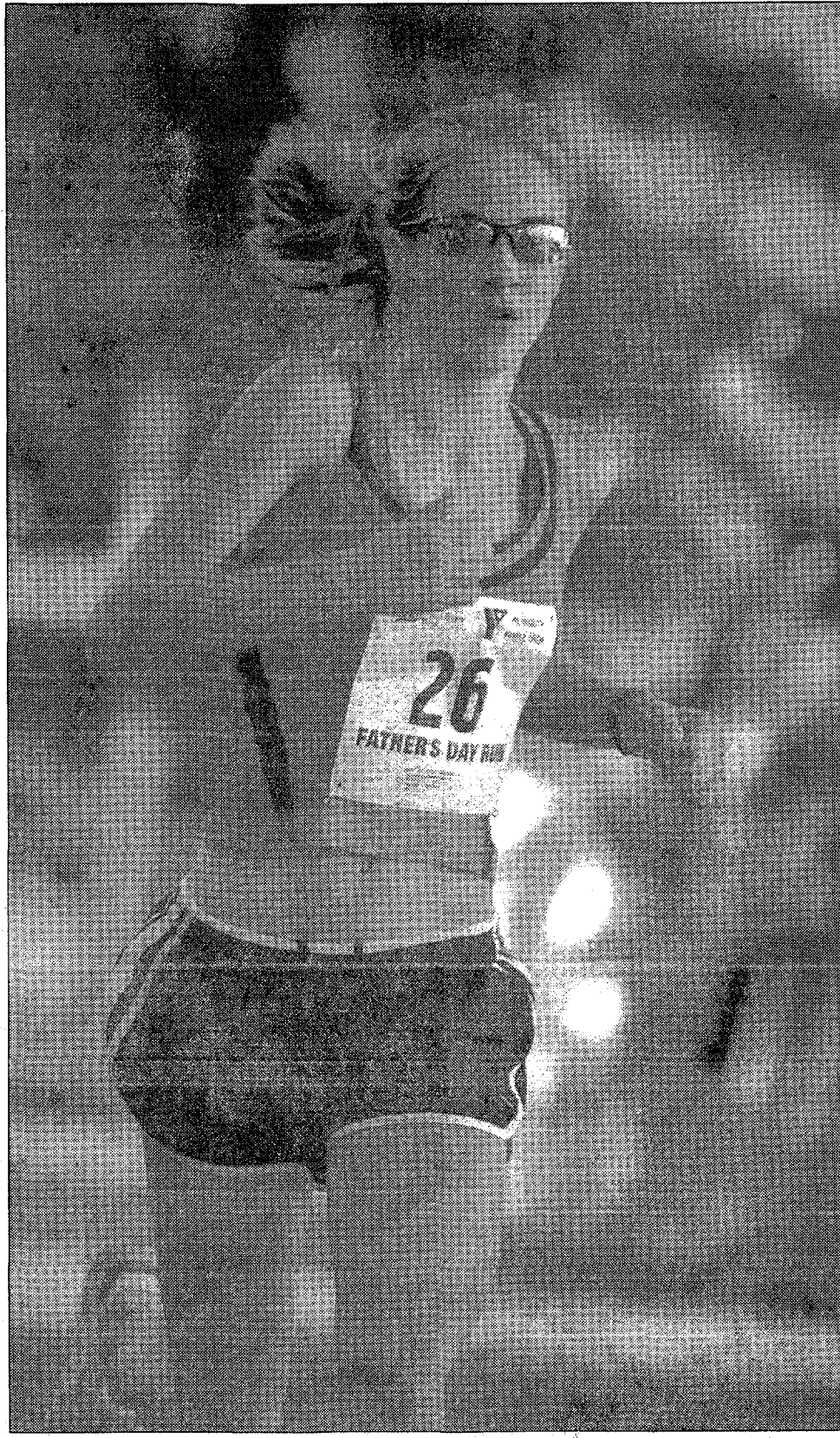
Age groups and start times include: Diaper Dash, 9 a.m. (0-12 months); Wee Walkers, 9 a.m. (12 months-2 years); Kid Trot, 7:30 a.m. (3-4 years); Kid Jog, 7:45 a.m. (5-8 years), 1M walk/run, 8 a.m.; 5k walk/run, 8:15 a.m.; 10k walk/run, 8:45 a.m.; and the unique 12th-annual Morse Dental Group MDG Triple (10.3 Miles).

Vitale will run in the 5k race, while her children will enter the one-mile walk. She said the family uses the event to celebrate and remember Tony Vitale.

"There's a lot of life there, a lot of energy," she said of the race. "You can be the last one across the finish line, and people are cheering like you won the Olympics. It's very good for your self-esteem."

Packet pick-up will be at the YMCA office, 248 Union, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, June 17 and at 6:30 a.m. on race day.

Register online at [www.gaultracemanagement.com](http://www.gaultracemanagement.com), or call the YMCA office at (734) 453-2904. Pictures by Dr. Andrew Rubenstein will be available at [www.plymouthpictures.com](http://www.plymouthpictures.com).



ANDREW RUBENSTEIN

Rebekah Smeltzer, a 16-year-old resident of Monroe, was the female open triple champion at last year's Plymouth YMCA Father's Day Run. This year's run is set for Sunday.

# City close to deal on Bathey site

BY TONY BRUSCATO  
STAFF WRITER

Plymouth city officials are reportedly close to signing a deal worth more than \$3 million with Connektiv Communities of Royal Oak to purchase and develop the 16-acre parcel off Mill Street commonly known as the Bathey site.

City Manager Paul Sincock said attorneys for both sides are hammering out a contract, which could be ready for the City Commission to approve at its June 19 meeting. A signed-and-sealed contract could lead to site cleanup sometime this summer at 100 S. Mill Street — between Main and Ann Arbor Trail — with construction for a mixture of retail and multi-family residential units most likely to begin next year.

"We chose Connektiv because of their willingness to work with the city and be flexible in design changes that may come about with the planning commission," Mayor Pro Tem Phil Pursell said. "They have a track record with us on a couple of other properties."

Connektiv currently has two other projects in Plymouth: Hamilton Gardens on Hamilton Street, a 27-unit condominium project; and Amelia Row on Amelia Street, an 84-unit condo complex with 10,000 square feet of commercial space.

Connektiv's bid was one of three received by the city in March after 21 Century Holdings of Southfield pulled out a deal that would have netted the city \$4.5 million, citing a change in market conditions and environmental costs associated with cleanup on the property. In the most recent request for proposals, 21 Century Holdings resubmitted its original plans for 180 homes sites, with an offer of \$2.75 million.

Trowbridge Cos. of Auburn Hills submitted plans for a

project it said could net the city between \$3-\$3.6 million, depending on the approval of zoning and site plan approval. Trowbridge proposed 150-180 housing units for the site.

Pursell, Commissioner Tom Workman and Plymouth Planning Commission Chairwoman Jennifer Frey composed a committee that made the decision to deal with Connektiv.

"Connektiv is better attuned to developing industrial property into residential, especially right up against the railroad tracks," Pursell said. "They have a good track record of turning urban sites into desirable mini-communities."

Dennis Griffin, principal of Connektiv, said "we're optimistic and excited" about closing the deal for Bathey.

"We'd like to demolish and clean up the site as soon as possible," Griffin said. "We'll have plenty of work with the Brownfield Authority ... for any types of soil work (cleanup)."

Griffin said the current plan is for 180 condo units starting at about \$200,000, with about 30,000 square feet of commercial space.

"Our current plan is mixed use, with some neighborhood retail, with a mixture of building styles and price points," Griffin said. "We have commercial office space planned, and space for a restaurant, if one chooses to come in."

"We want to take advantage of the Lilly Road-to-Northville Road connector, to give it some identity," Griffin added. "It can be a real boost to Old Village, which has its own quaint feel to it, about three or four blocks from us."

The city gained ownership of the Bathey property in January 2003 after a lengthy court battle with former owner William Flynn, who failed to pay \$3 million in back taxes, interest and penalties over a 20-year period.

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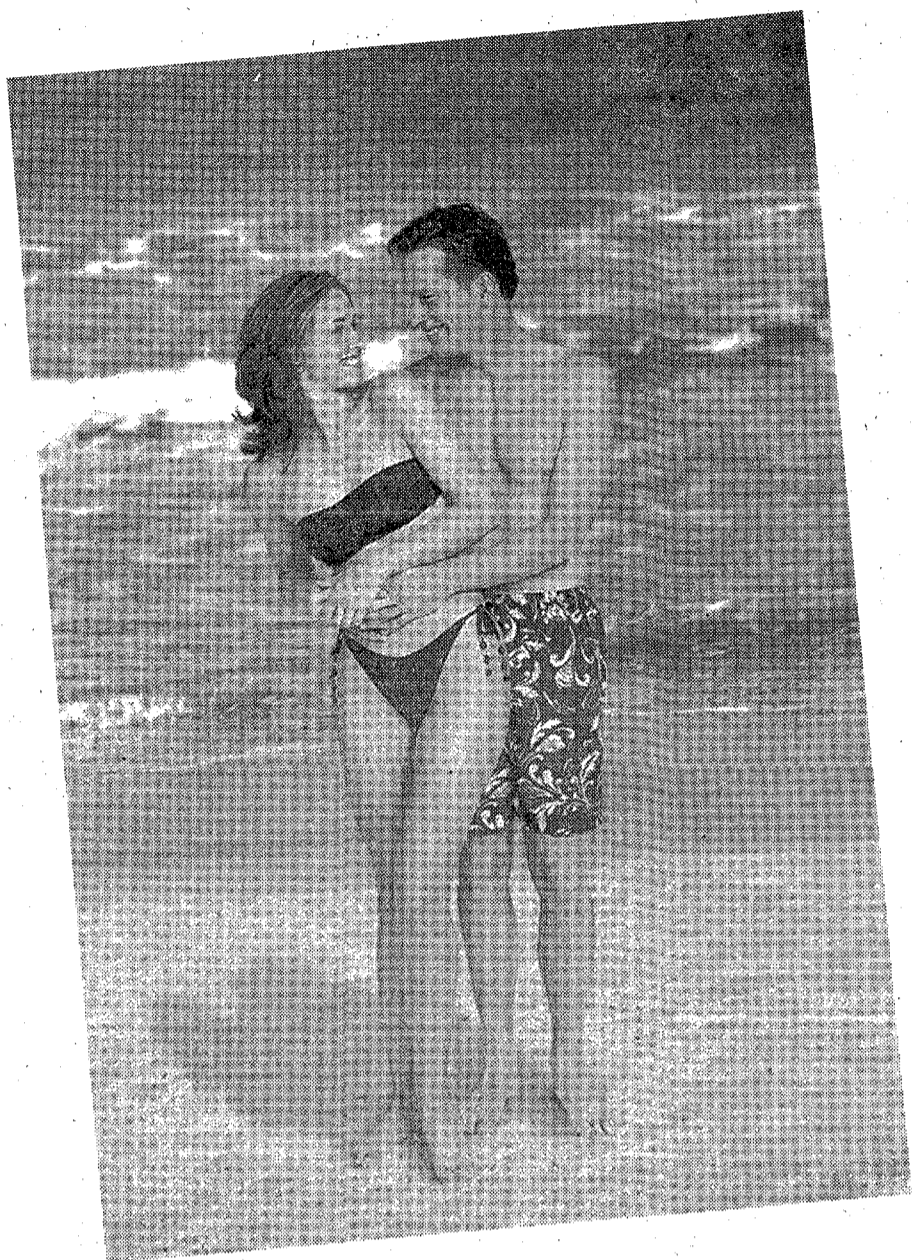
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Starkweather students Lauren Rowley (from left), Natalie Erickson, Jamal Buckner and principal Irene Ras helped prepare the food at the Starkweather cookout.

## Learning to give back

Social studies lesson teaches community service

BY BRAD KADRICH  
 STAFF WRITER

When Kim Delproposto's students at Starkweather found out they needed to do a community service project to learn how to give back to the community, it didn't take them long to come up with a plan: A cookout, bake sale and "Penny Wars" campaign to benefit the clothing bank housed at Salem High School.

What took a little longer was building the confidence they could pull it off. Once they realized it was going to happen, the 16 students helped raise some \$950 for their cause.

"They needed to learn about community service," said Delproposto, a teacher at Starkweather, Plymouth-Canton's alternative education center. "They had to figure out how to give back to the community."

The students — 11 of Delproposto's kids and five students of social studies teacher Wayne Eko — came up with a three-pronged plan: A cookout during lunch hour, a bake sale during the cookout, and "Penny Wars." For the last part, Starkweather teachers were given a jug, and students put coins in the jug of the teacher they'd most like to see take a pie in the face, all for charity.

"At first, we didn't think we could pull it off," student Natalie Erickson of Canton said. "There was so much to do and so little time."

Once they started pushing the pie-throwing aspect, the students agreed, their confidence soared.

"When we started 'Penny Wars' we saw how everyone was willing to pitch in," said student Lindsay Poteracki of Plymouth. "When I saw how excited they got over hitting a teacher with a pie, I knew we were going to make it work."

The staff members who took the pies in the face — principal Irene Ras, science/math teacher Ken Fistler and art teacher Nancy Blaylock — did so with pleasure.

"It was great fun," Blaylock said. "It was a great way to show sportsmanship and to show the kids we weren't afraid, and it raised money



Starkweather principal Irene Ras was one of three staffers "volunteered" by students to take a pie in the face for charity.

for a good cause."

The proceeds were enough to buy 42 backpacks for the clothing bank with enough left to buy some picnic tables for the school.

"I thought it was fun, because it was out of the ordinary," said student Jordan Coulter of Livonia. "Instead of sitting in a classroom, we were planning a barbecue. I actually talked to people I wouldn't normally talk to."

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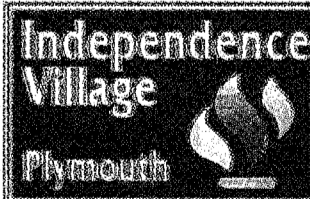
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# Family searching for lost cat

BY CAROL MARSHALL  
STAFF WRITER

When Diane and Joe Leslie left their Summerfield, Fla., home to attend a wedding in Canton, they had no idea their trip would take a devastating turn.

While visiting Michigan, the Leslies lost a family member—their pet cat, an Oriental shorthair named YumYum.

And ever since, Joe Leslie hasn't been able to eat or sleep, and they're both devastated, said his wife.

"When you have an Oriental shorthair, it's usually a one-person cat," Diane Leslie said. "My husband and YumYum are buddies. Wherever he is, she is."

The Leslies arrived in Canton on June 7, and stayed overnight in a local hotel. On June 8, they were leaving the hotel to stay with their daughter in Canton, and stopped at Marshall's department store to do a little shopping. The weather was comfortable enough that they left YumYum in the car.

"I inadvertently left the back window down," said Diane Leslie, her voice breaking just a bit. "When I got back to the car, she wasn't there."

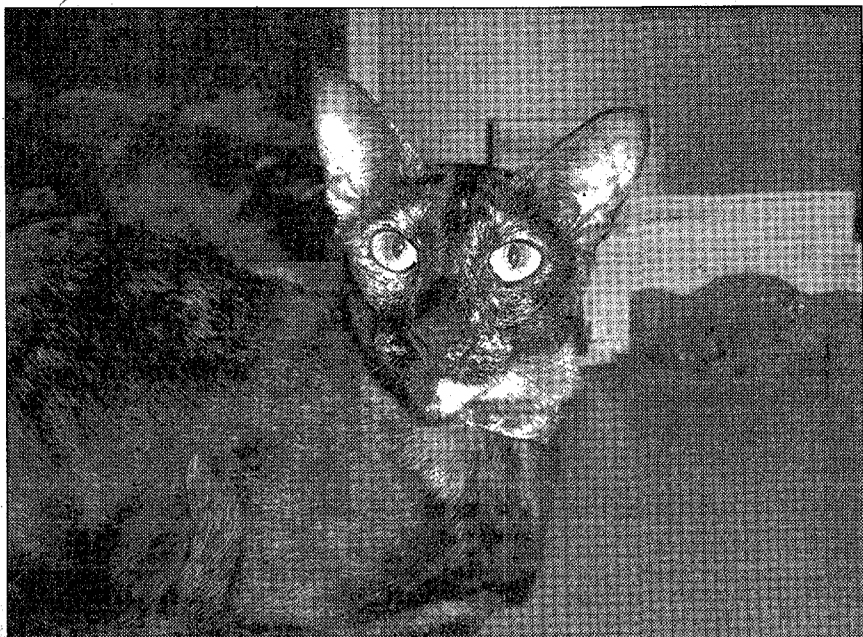
The Leslies have called the police every day, in hopes that someone reported finding a lost cat. They've visited local animal shelters. They called a psychic. They hired a pet-tracking service, but the tracking dog wasn't able to pick up YumYum's scent. The Leslies have canvassed the area on Ford Road daily and have distributed fliers, in hopes of finding YumYum.

Diane Leslie is not only missing YumYum, who she said is part of her family. She's also fearful for what the cat must be going through, she said.

"She's not an outdoor cat," she said. "I'm sure she's petrified and holed up somewhere and won't come out." Not only does YumYum not have her front claws, but the cat also has asthma and requires medication.

The Leslies are ordering a large cash reward to anyone who can find YumYum. They hope to find her before they leave for Florida at the end of the week. Anyone with information may call Diane Leslie at (352) 895-4125.

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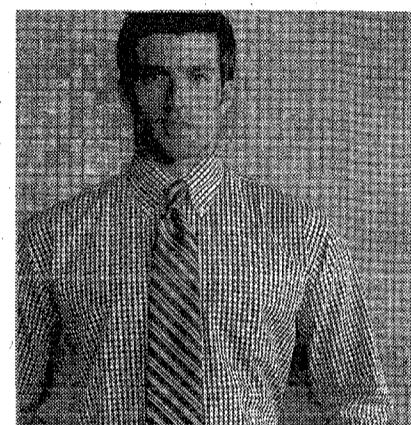
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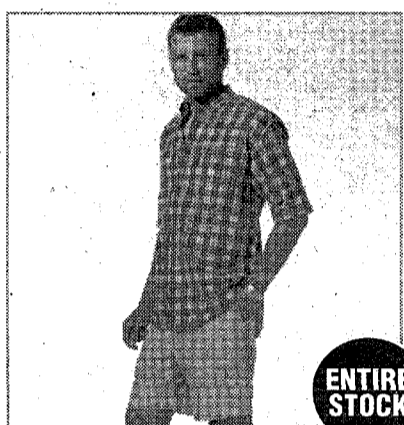
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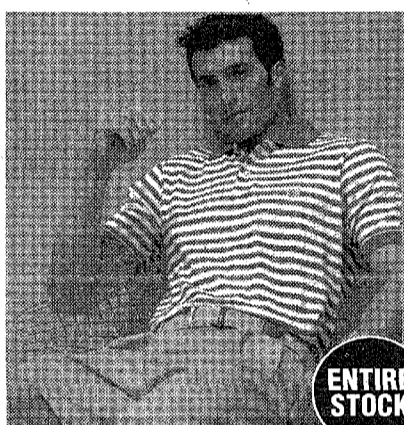
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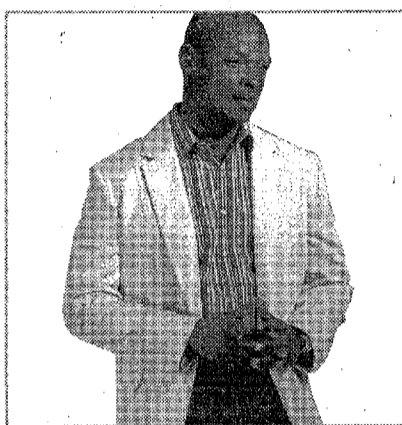
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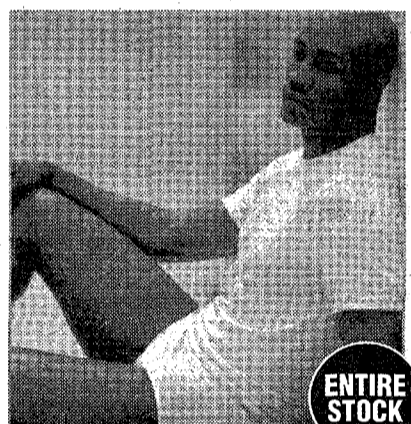
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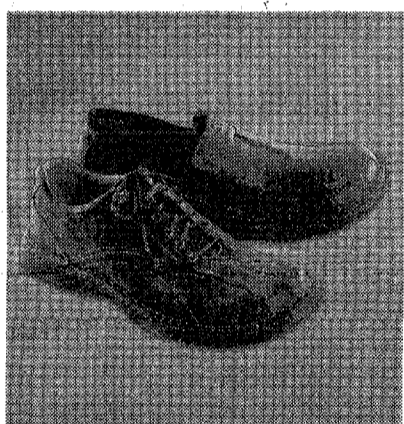
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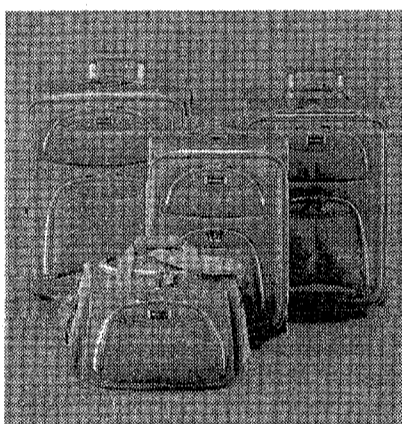
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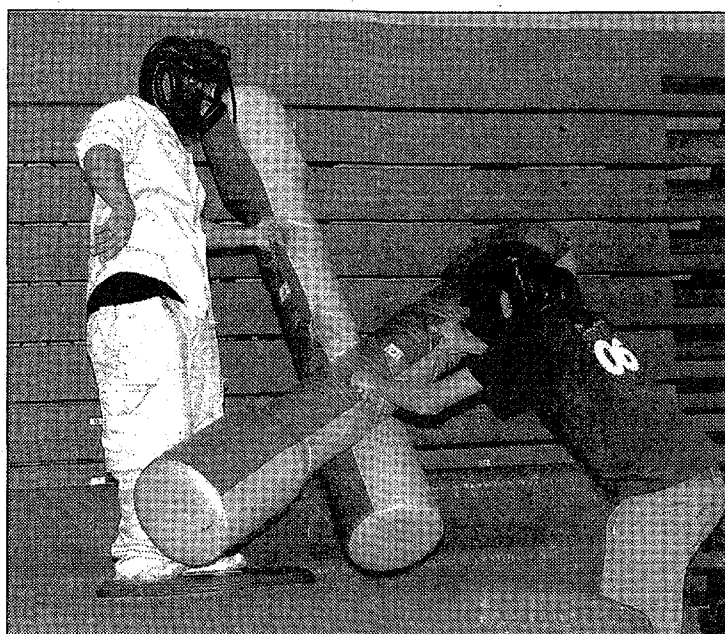
BY DIANE HANSON  
CORRESPONDENT

There is little doubt that the biggest bash for miles around took place Sunday night at Plymouth High School in Canton Township. But no peace was disturbed as some 900 teenagers partied until the wee hours of Monday morning at the annual senior celebration following graduations of all three high schools — Plymouth, Canton, and Salem — earlier in the day at the Eastern Michigan University Convocation Center.

The 2006 class was the first graduating class from Plymouth High School and this was the first time the senior party, traditionally held at Salem, was held at Plymouth.

This year's theme, "Space Odyssey," was an easy choice for the senior party committee.

"The outer space theme was decided on because this was the class that traveled to space camps as fifth graders due to the generosity of an anonymous benefactor," said Connie Poremba, chairperson of the senior party. "We don't know



Salem grads John Garrett (left) and Brett Dempsey battle in the jousting arena.

who that person was or even if they are in this area, but we thought if they are here and they found out we were doing 'Space Odyssey' because they had donated the money for space camp, it might be a nice way to honor that person." That theme, sporting elaborate

decorations from a space shuttle entry to flashing lights, dangling aliens and a multitude of spacey creations was appreciated by the grads, including Plymouth senior Lauren Blackley. "The best thing about the senior party is the space camp theme because all of us went



PHOTOS BY DIANE HANSON

Twins Jenny (left) and Natalie Sutherland and Leah Hanson (center), all Canton grads, make a dash for the space portals of the Laser Runner Battle Cruiser during the combined senior party for Plymouth, Canton and Salem High Schools.

through it and this is like bringing it back," said Blackley who is going into medicine at MSU in the fall. "I was really excited when I saw the big

rocket when we came in." More than two-thirds of the 1,269 students in the graduating classes of all three high schools combined attended the

gala and there's good reason for holding the mega-party on the night of graduations.

"It's a place to go and celebrate and be safe," said Poremba. "We know that they would be out partying and this is a great time with their friends."

And there was an abundance of activities to keep all 900 graduates occupied.

The gymnasium was filled with such enormous blow-up games as a Velcro obstacle course, a two-lane bungee run, gladiator jousting and an impressive "Galaxy Cruiser" for laser tag. Throughout the school there were areas for digital dancing, music video creations, caricature and tattoo artists, and a casino complete with roulette, Black Jack, even a Texas Hold'em tournament. And, of course, there were the endless refreshments.

"This is great," said Vernon Stewart, a Plymouth grad bound for WMU in the fall. "We get to see everybody again before we go off to college."

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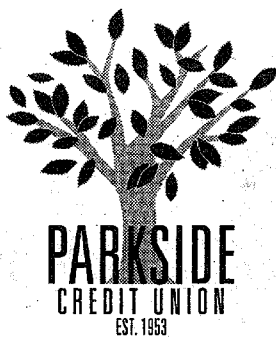
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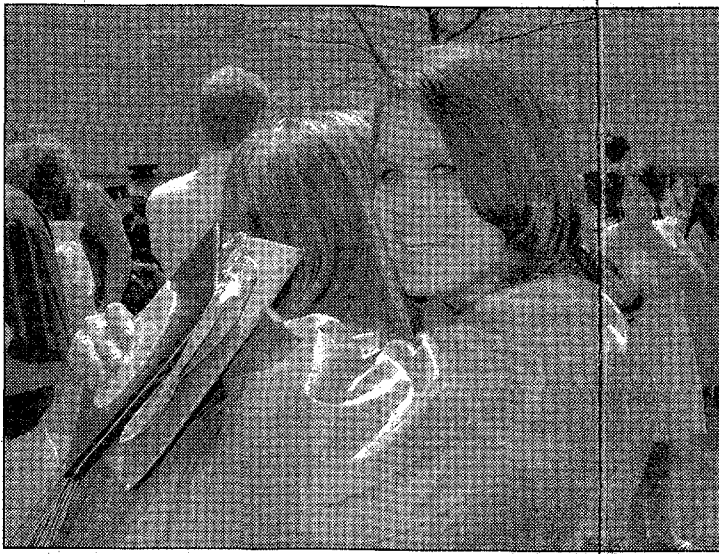
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Classmates Lindsay Vogelsberg and Jackie Dorre hug after Plymouth High School's graduation ceremony Sunday at Eastern Michigan University.



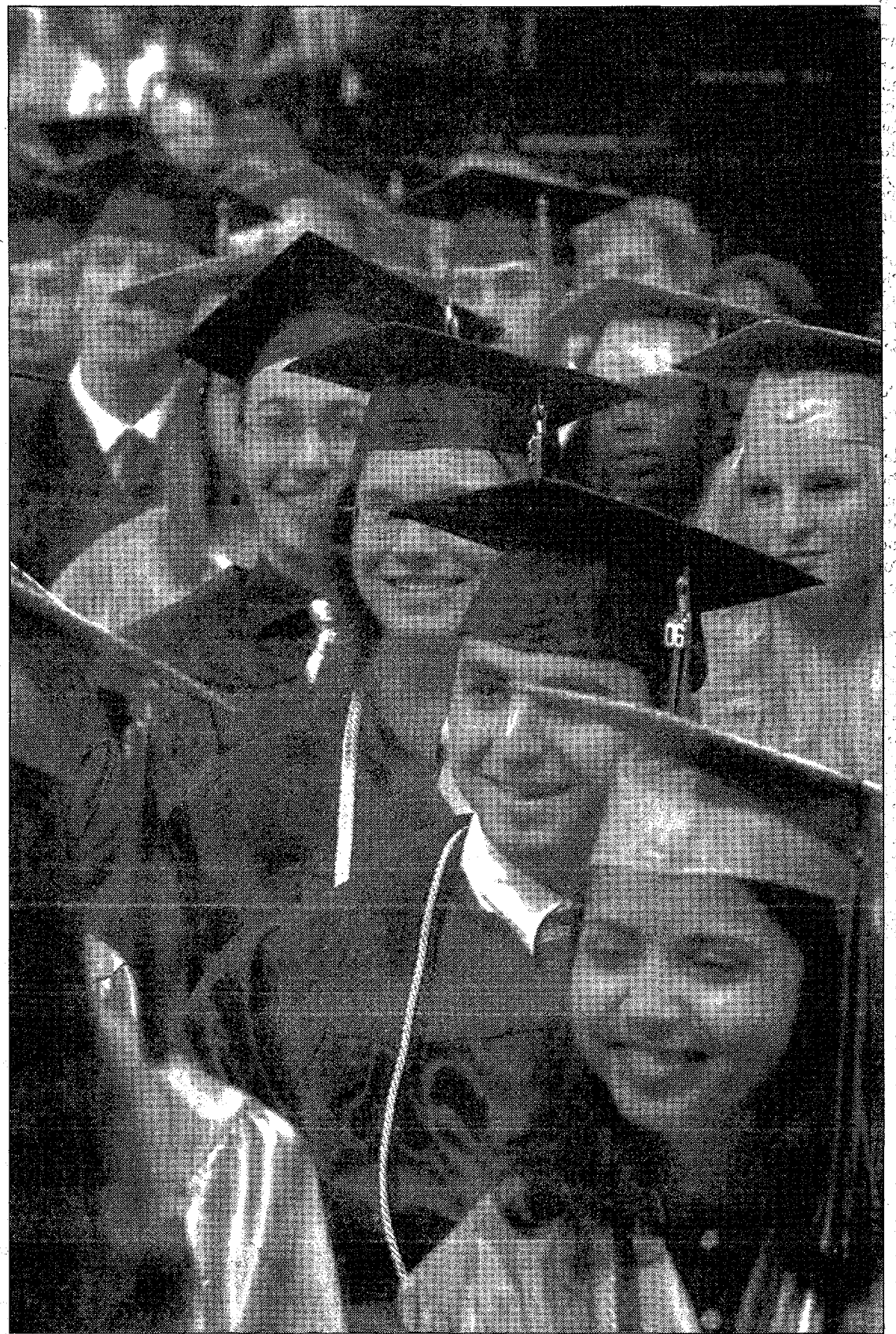
Senior Class President Yasaswi Paruchuri addresses her Plymouth High School classmates.

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Harpreet Kaur  
Tara L. Kay  
Anneliese Marie Kelch  
Chester Thomas Kelly  
Scott F. Kelly  
Shahana K. Khan  
Fredric Keith Kitchen  
Janet M. Kiuchi  
Ashley Marie Kline  
Kevin Kyle Kline  
Paul T. Kluka  
Andrew Guy Knisely  
John D. Knoerl  
Christopher A. Koitz  
Caitlyn Ashley Kolesar  
Erik John Korpalski  
Steven M. Korpus  
Nathan James Kostegian  
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Heather M. Kubacki  
Elaine Tracy Lafayette  
Brittney Alicia Landers  
Caitlin E. Langa  
Ashley Joy Lapenta  
Christine E. Laws  
Melissa Michelle Lazaro  
Joshua M. LeDuc  
Katarina L. Gregory  
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David Lee Lewandowski  
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Alexandria Linerode  
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An emotional Plymouth High School Principal Dr. Michael T. Bee tells the first graduating class, "What is it that I really want to celebrate? Your leadership." He described the last five years as the best of his life.

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Lindsay A. McParlane  
Manuela Medoro  
Ryan Arthur Menkin  
Justin Michael Michalek  
Kevin Michael Mifsud  
Alex Michael Mihelick  
Julie Kristine Miller  
Kevin J. Minor  
Angelina Maureen Moise  
Jeanine T. Moise  
Caila M. Moore  
Robert L. Morrow  
Tanika Morrow  
Jeffrey M. Movsesian  
Gaurav D. Mukhi  
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Sorin Oprican  
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Ramin Daniel Pakray  
John William Palgut  
Julie M. Palmer  
Jared P. Panyan  
Yasaswi Paruchuri  
Chintan M. Patel  
Kinnari Bhupendra Patel  
Erik Stanley Patterson



More than 400 seniors took part in Plymouth High School's first graduation ceremony Sunday at Eastern Michigan University.



Kathryn Cannon switches the tassel of her mortarboard from left to right signifying that she is now a graduate of Plymouth High School.

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Natoya LaDawn Penn  
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Michelle RoseAnn VanHaften  
Corey A. VanSpronsen  
Maxwell A. Vaughn  
Anuj Vermani  
Shelly Vermani  
Lindsay Catherine Vogelsberg  
Jenna Leigh Volstromer  
Megan Wakar  
Breana Maria Wallace  
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# Teachers, board approve new contract

BY BRAD KADRICH  
STAFF WRITER

The tentative contract agreement between Plymouth-Canton Schools and its 1,100-member teachers union isn't so tentative anymore.

The two-year deal, which includes a 2-percent raise the first year and a wage-reopener for the second, starts Aug. 31 and runs through Aug. 30, 2008.

The teachers ratified the contract Monday, and the Plymouth-Canton Board of Education approved it at its meeting Tuesday night.

In addition to the small pay hike, the deal includes an increase in co-pays for prescriptions and enhancements on many health issues, according to Chuck Portelli, Plymouth-Canton Education

Association president.

"We settled a lot of issues that were hanging out there," Portelli said. "We divided the salary and calendar from the non-economic issues, and we'll still continue to bargain on those."

The sides reportedly reached the settlement May 26, after only a handful of negotiating sessions. At Tuesday's board meeting, both sides were complimentary about the interest-based bargaining process the teams used to reach the deal.

"I appreciate the cooperation of both teams," board member Rich Ham-Kucharski said. "I hope we can continue to look at creative ways not to impact staffs."

Portelli said having a contract and calendar will make for a smooth start of the 2006-07 school year. Teachers report

in August, with students returning Sept. 5.

"It was important to get it resolved before teachers leave at the end of the school year," said Portelli.

While no one was revealing the exact vote, teachers said the contract passed "overwhelmingly."

"With this agreement, our students, their parents and the remainder of the community understand we're all on the same page and preparing to provide the best educational setting this fall," teacher Darrin Silvester told the board Tuesday. "They need to understand these are difficult times. That's why we as a group collectively, and overwhelmingly, accepted a cost of living decrease, knowing I might not buy as much milk next year as I

did this year, but we understand difficult times.

"This sets the tone for allowing us to meet the new state academic requirements, adjust to the new academic calendar, hopefully provide a setting for a positive vote on any and all school bonds we may propose again," Silvester said. "It is with this proactive approach by all of us that I know my school district is on the right track to provide all 18,000-plus students who come through our door a quality education."

It's only the first of nine contracts the school district needs to bargain with its unions.

Staff writer Tony Bruscatto contributed to this report.

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## BUDGET

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his staff scrambling to find them before Tuesday's meeting.

Among some \$123,000 in district-wide cuts the administration recommended were cuts by attrition of one retirement at the curriculum center; cutting some \$30,000 in printing and mailing costs related to publishing the district's "Celebrating Success" publication; and \$7,100 the district saved in restructuring the salaries of the district's three athletic directors.

Other cuts included some \$112,000 saved in food service, para-pro and transportation expenses due to two fewer calendar days, \$50,000 in telephone technology expenses and \$6,000 the district will save with the retiring of the

district's assistant director of transportation.

That brings the total cuts, Ryan said, to some \$8 million the last five years, without affecting programs.

"We've tried hard not to cut programs," Ryan said. "That's been my goal all along."

Ryan said the district faces a \$4.2 million deficit next year, but he said the possibility exists of the district actually breaking even next year. The board approved selling 26 acres of property the district owns at Joy and Beck for \$1.7 million, and Ryan hopes the district can pass a bond in February to recoup the \$2.3 million it spent on property for a new middle school in Canton.

"That would be a break-even budget," Ryan said. "The board did it by making smart cuts."

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Canton Public Schools Supt. Jim Ryan said.

"The kids were all free and done, and headed out of town after their last day of school," Ryan said.

Although there is a precedent from students who play sports being suspended from play if they are caught drinking or get in trouble with the law, there is no school policy regarding graduation, he added.

The man and woman who police said were hosting the party do not own the house where the party took place.

"We believe they are either family members of the owner, or are family friends of the registered property owner," Smith said.

The property owners were unaware that the party was taking place, and did not give permission for the teens and young adults to be at the house, according to Smith.

The Lenawee County Sheriff Department presented reports Wednesday to the Lenawee County prosecuting attorney, and the party hosts could be charged with one-year misdemeanors by the end of this week or early next week, according to Smith.

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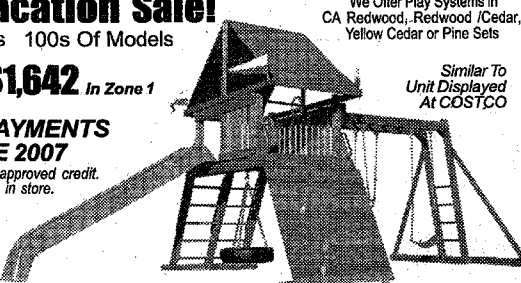
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# Future of Cobo studied

BY ALEX LUNDBERG  
STAFF WRITER

In the ongoing negotiations about what to do with the aging Cobo Center – rebuild, renovate, private or public partnership – policy makers at the annual Greater Detroit Regional Chamber conference on Mackinac Island have announced funding new research on the topic.

Rep. Joe Knollenberg, R-Bloomfield, announced that \$50,000 in federal funds would be used to come up with a feasibility study put forward by the Coalition for Fueling Michigan's Future.

"I feel that now is the time to make Cobo Center not only a great event venue but also an institution of research and development that will fuel Michigan's economy well into the future," he said.

The future of Cobo has been a bone of contention for officials in Lansing and both sides of Eight Mile Road. In the past, Detroit Mayor Kwame Kilpatrick has pushed for an expansion of the city/suburb taxation arrangement that has sustained the conference center since its initial construction.

Oakland County Executive L. Brooks Patterson has fought that idea on a number of fronts, chief among them being his adamant belief that any expansion, renovation or replacement of the aging structure be done on the private sector's dime.

Michigan House Speaker Craig DeRoche, R-Novi, agrees.

"For too long, plans to expand and improve Cobo Center have relied on endless taxpayer subsidies and have been short on any positive private sector solution," he said in a press release. "This proposal opens the door for that private sector participation."

One of the main concerns on both sides of the argument is the future of one of Cobo's premier events, the North American International Auto Show. As the event has grown over the years, Cobo Hall is increasingly being seen as too small for the participants and similar shows in Chicago and Tokyo are starting to eclipse the Detroit venue. Attendees at the most recent NAIAS event in January have said the show could disappear from the Motor City in a few years if a change isn't made.

# Ex-FEMA chief Brown: Expect to help yourself in a disaster

BY ALEX LUNDBERG  
STAFF WRITER

The man most identified with the federal government's failures in the wake of Hurricane Katrina last year told a conference of emergency and disaster specialists they have to get people prepared, mentally and physically, for the worst.

"You need to educate the community about what emergency management is," former Federal Emergency Management Agency Director Michael Brown said. "It's a fact, people don't think it will happen to them."

That idea is widespread even in areas where disasters are likely to strike. He told the story of a police official in the barrier islands off of Florida following a hurricane's landfall early in 2005 who said that despite their location, no one expected a natural disaster to affect them.

"There's a potential for terrorism, accidents and natural disasters," Brown said. "It happens all the time. People don't want to believe it can happen to them, but you have to make sure your homes and communities are safe. It can happen. It does happen. It will happen and it's your job to explain that to your communities."

While Michigan rarely gets an earthquake and no hurricane can do more than cause rain here, he said there are any number of trucks carrying chemical payloads that could crash on I-96 and cause a serious incident.

And FEMA isn't going to ride to the rescue when that



Former FEMA Director Michael Brown was the keynote speaker at the Oakland County Emergency Preparedness conference in Waterford June 7.

happens.

"During my tenure, there were 169 presidentially declared disasters at FEMA," he said. "There were thousands more where we were never called."

Of course, Brown touched on what happened in New Orleans when Katrina hit last fall. He said the relief effort had been hampered by a lack of coordination, bureaucratic confusion and media misrepresentation of what was actually the case on the ground.

"Our biggest mistake," he said, "was not leveling with the public like we should have."

He also said FEMA has to be its own organization again.

"I hope FEMA is taken out of (the Department of) Homeland Security and made a cabinet-level position again," Brown said.

In reference to natural disasters, West Bloomfield Township Supervisor David

Flaisher wondered about the wisdom of rebuilding in an area almost guaranteed to have another hurricane in the future.

"Because they're asking for federal funds to rebuild the levees," Brown said. "There should be a national discussion about it. Sometime we're going to have to examine how many times we rebuild the beach houses."

Rochester police Chief Ted Glynn said a lot of Brown's talk was outside the scope of his duties, but the message of self-reliance and preparation were not lost on him.

"A lot of us have a vision of FEMA riding in like the cavalry," Glynn said. "(The presentation) gave us a more realistic idea of what to expect. A lot of what he said was for police and fire officials, but it might be of more value for elected officials."

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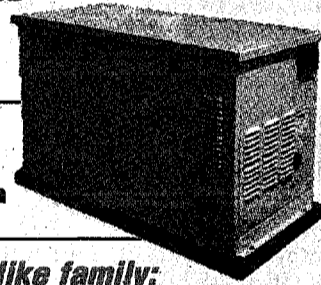
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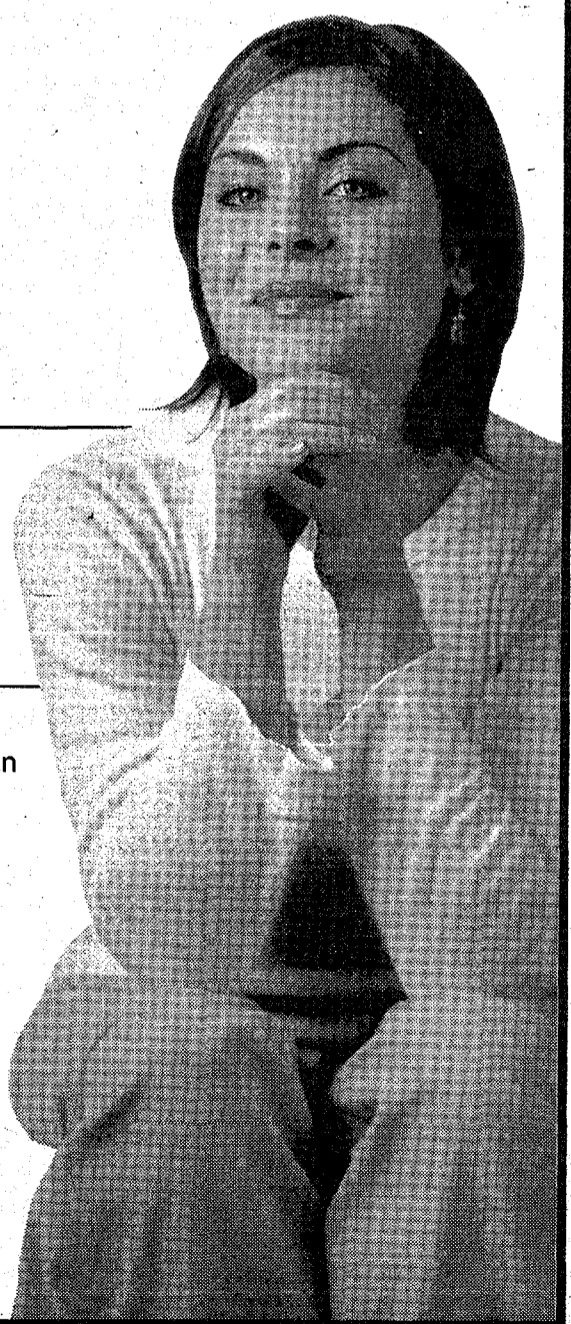
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OUR VIEWS

## Township should seek new bids

When township officials first discussed putting the current township complex and land up for sale to help pay for the new township hall, they added \$2.5 million to the budget and hoped they could get a little more than \$3 million.

So the enthusiasm which greeted the \$4.2 million bid from Tom Kato and Capital Acquisitions & Development of Bloomfield Hills was predictable and, at the time, warranted. But Kato has since complained to the board that he can't get the asking price he initially established from prospective tenants, and he has withdrawn his bid.

Since the wording of the agreement allowed Kato to withdraw within a certain time frame, the township was faced with making one of two decisions: Negotiate with the other bidders or go back out for new bids. The township has decided to negotiate with the initial bidders.

We think it's the wrong choice.

There were really only two of the three original bids that drew interest from the township: Capital Acquisitions' \$4.2 million offer and a \$3.2 million bid from Commercial Real Estate Services of Plymouth, representing the Original House of Pancakes. The board snapped up Kato's offer, and gave him permission to post signs and start looking for tenants.

His original asking price from potential tenants was reportedly \$29 per square foot, but there were no takers. Kato recently told board members he still couldn't find anyone, even after dropping the price to \$20. Township officials ultimately decided to talk to the other bidders to see if they would rework their bids.

But there is at least some sentiment among the seven board members to go back out for bids. Others figure a bird in the hand is worth two in the bush, but those bids are going to be there anyway. There'd be no harm, other than taking a little more time, to shopping around.

Sure, Kato reneged on his bid, but the fact he made it to begin with shows there might be more money available. If it's out there, the township owes it to their taxpayers to go get it.

## Separate school elections should be eliminated

The jury still is out on what impact Michigan's new consolidated elections law had on this year's local school elections.

Depending on who is asked, the May elections either were a waste of time and money, or helped maintain local control and an efficient transition of board members.

One thing for certain is if the spirit of the law was to reduce the number of times voters have to head to the ballot box in any given year, it failed.

**With budget dollars becoming ever so precious, it makes no sense for local school districts to finance elections when that responsibility has been shifted to the counties. Let's have schools focus on educating our next generation of leaders, and leave the when, where and how of school elections to those paid and trained to run them.**

And that is too bad.

Oakland County Clerk Ruth Johnson, who co-sponsored the bill while in the state Legislature, continues to argue the best dates to hold school elections are either in November with the general election, or with the August primary. Doing so would eliminate almost all cost to the state's financially strapped school districts, and bring savings to the county as well since it would have to staff one less election.

But many local superintendents argue there is good reason that nearly every single district in Wayne and Oakland counties voted to hold the election in May: It makes no sense to switch

board seats in the middle of a school year, and school races would get lost on a lengthy general election ballot.

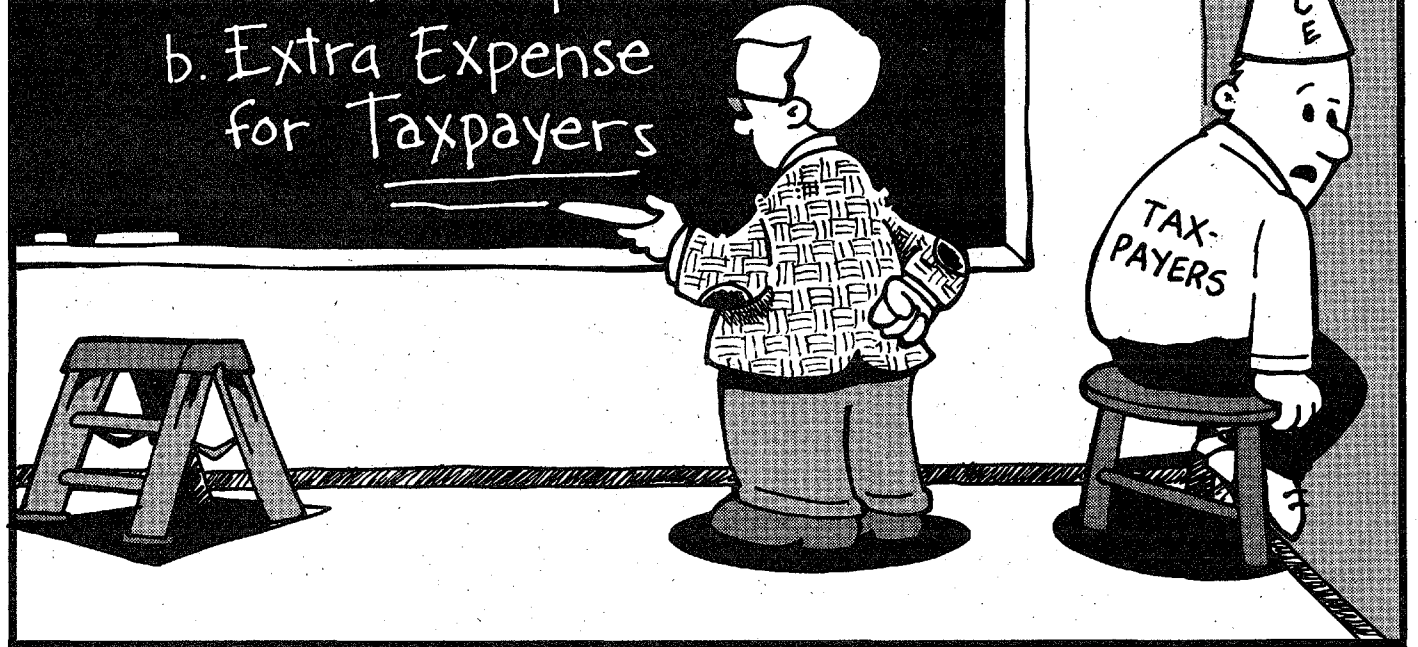
There are legitimate points in the local school officials' argument, but they can — and should — be resolved. A compromise should be found to address those concerns, while at the same time eliminating a school-specific election.

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## Inefficient Government 101

1. Hold School Elections in Spring instead of November
- a. Low Participation
- b. Extra Expense for Taxpayers



"I just don't get it."

## LETTERS

### Quotes tell story

I read with interest your recent article about the Handy Pro Handy Man Service in Plymouth.

Having high hopes that I had found a company that really would provide good work at a fair price, I asked them to give me a quote for painting the exterior trim on my three-year-old, three-bedroom ranch home in Plymouth.

Just to be on the safe side, I also had two other local companies quote the same job. Imagine my surprise when the "Handy Pro" estimate was 410 percent higher than the lowest quote I got and 300 percent higher than the second-lowest quote.

I'm sure I don't have to tell you which company I didn't choose, but I think you owe it to your readers to publish this information.

Jim Adams  
Plymouth

### Lacrosse thanks

On behalf of the athletes and their parents, I would like to thank Canton Township, its Leisure Services Department and, specifically, Ann Marie Carravallah and Abe Vintski, as well as their staff, for their support and hard work throughout the Lady Warriors 2006 lacrosse season. It appears as if these people in Canton Township know that by helping young high school students have healthy alternatives to consume their time, they are helping not only those individuals and their families but the community as a whole. At a time when 27 girls from the P-CEP were looking to start a lacrosse team, and no field could be found at the park for them, Canton Township and the above named individuals stepped up to not only provide a practice field, but also to set up a home field (after an almost two-week steady rain), so that these girls could have their first-ever home game cheered on by their family and classmates.

Additionally I would like to thank Dave Medley and his coaching staff for giving their valuable time to make this all possible.

Cameron A. Miller  
Plymouth

### Hurricane help needed

Hand of Light in Action is planning an eventful trip to New Orleans and Waveland, Miss. We will be assisting in the continuing renewal of this storm devastated area by offering free medical and dental healthcare at a semi-permanent clinic; participating in rebuilding efforts like tree removal, animal care, home removal and improvement; and providing needed services like preparing/serving food and child activities. Medical, skilled and unskilled volunteers are all in great need.

We will be staying with Operation Blessing/United Peace Relief, which strategically serves individuals in St. Tammany Parish, Orleans Parish, St. Bernard Parish and Jefferson Parish. Air-conditioned lodging and meals are

provided. The dates of the trip are July 8-23. You are welcome to come down for one or both weeks. HOLI Action will assist in planning your travel and/or caravanning you down to New Orleans with other volunteers. At present, our HOLI Action group has 20-25 volunteers from several states. We are college students, medical personnel and dedicated volunteers — skilled and unskilled hands.

In New Orleans, 150,000 residents have returned, but only a few of the doctors/professionals. Many of the people coming into the clinic are unemployed middle class who have no knowledge of the available charity systems as they have never needed them. We are helping people with blood pressures over 250/150, blood sugars over 657, diabetes, high cholesterol, depression and obesity. These are people whose medication costs are over \$600/month who may have pre-existing health conditions that make them medically uninsurable. Doctors, nurses, dentists and office support help are desperately needed.

Many of the families are still misplaced or living in depressive areas in FEMA trailers; often with several families living in the same trailer. Conditions are deplorable. Many children are diagnosed with post-traumatic stress syndrome and depression and, with the overloaded status of the medical psych community, are just placed on medications to control these conditions — not cure them. Animal Rescue New Orleans needs help to feed, love and water strays and rescued animals. Love Café requires help with food preparation and serving including chefs. They will accept ages 10 years and up with responsible adult. As you can see, there are many volunteer opportunities to choose from daily.

We need you. All volunteers must be at least 18 years old to stay onsite at Operation Blessings. We will lend our hands and hearts on our weekends to Waveland where the community center offers a positive uplifting community environment with dances, get-togethers, movie nights and much more. You will be a block from the beach as well.

If you are interested in further information, please contact me at (734) 788-9230. Volunteers please go to [www.handsoflightinaction.org](http://www.handsoflightinaction.org) and fill out a request form or call me at the above number. If you are not able to lend your hands, we are accepting donations ranging from cash, checks and CVS, Home Depot, Shell, Exxon, Albertsons, Sam's Club and Wal-Mart gift cards. All donations should be sent to Hands of Light in Action, P.O. Box 87513, Canton, MI 48187. We are also on paypal at [www.handsoflightinaction.org](http://www.handsoflightinaction.org). Hands of Light in Action is a 501(c)3 nonprofit corporation, so all donations fully tax deductible — 100 percent of all donations are used for the relief effort.

My challenge to all of you is, "Do you want to really make a difference?" Come join or support us. Please.

Nancy J. Malone  
president, Hand of Light in Action  
Canton

### Senator comes to aid

State Sen. Bruce Patterson goes out of his way to help his constituents; especially encouraging the aspirations of the youth within his district, and helping them achieve their endeavors. I know this because he did it for me.

I was involved with the Canton Youth Council leadership for some years, and even served as president for my junior and senior years in high school.

He took notice of my community involvement and congratulated me, two years ago, when I was awarded a Community Supporter Award from Canton Township.

From this time Sen. Patterson took active interest in my future plans and aspirations.

This fall, my heart was always set on attending the University of Michigan-Ann Arbor; but unfortunately I was wait-listed. (There are so many qualified applicants!)

I appealed for Sen. Patterson's help, and he put some urgent matters on hold to write a letter in my behalf. He went above and beyond his commitment by helping me and, in effect, helped to change the rest of my life for the better.

Through Sen. Patterson's kind words and several personal prayers, the key turned, and I was accepted for a special early summer entry. I am excited to say I begin summer classes at U-M at the end of this month. This was truly a dream come true.

I can hardly tell you how thrilled this makes me.

I am seeing a lifelong aspiration fulfilled, and it is because of Sen. Patterson, who listens and responds to our needs in every way he can.

He makes things move, not only in Lansing, but in Ann Arbor, too! He uses his influence sparingly, but always for the positive of those whom he is elected by and for.

I want to publicly extend my thanks to Sen. Patterson as a way to tell other people that they too can find help through him.

His intervention has changed my life, not only today, but for the rest of my life.

Katherine Naszradi  
University of Michigan, Class of 2010

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- Paul Sincock, Plymouth city manager, on problems caused by construction along North Mill and Wilcox roads

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# Michigan could use another governor such as Milliken

"The temper which does not press a partisan advantage to its bitter end, which can understand and respect the other side, which feels a unity between all citizens ... which recognizes their common fate and common aspirations; in a word, which has faith in the sacredness of the individual ... this is what we have striven for."

— Former Gov. William Milliken, quoting Judge Learned Hand

Over Memorial Day weekend, I had the sad pleasure of reading Dave Dempsey's new biography: *William G. Milliken: Michigan's Passionate Moderate* (University of Michigan Press, \$29.95).

Sad, because we don't seem to have leaders like that any more. Bill Milliken, who left office voluntarily in 1983 after 14 years, was the longest-ever serving governor of Michigan. Today, he is the living icon of political moderation. But his temple attracts few followers. The spirit of his career, quoted above in Milliken's final State of the State message in 1982, now seems a quaint, out-of-date anachronism.

We are all the poorer as a result. Milliken's career marked the height of a Michigan political culture that was distinctly sane, and which endured for nearly half a century, from Soapy Williams' 1950s to John Engler's election as governor in 1990.

Some would call it moderate, others bipartisan and others faintly elitist. And the glow of those days disguises the tough partisan conflict that always characterizes politics, then and now.

But Milliken's style was distinctive and effective. "Good government is good politics," he would say time after time. Above all, he was a gentleman, seldom harsh in his rhetoric, unflinchingly civil even to his opponents and rarely going for purely partisan advantage.

The governor consulted with everyone, worked tirelessly to forge bipartisan coalitions and almost always found ways to reconcile differing points of view. Those who he appointed to senior positions in state government were amazed that he never asked their partisan affiliation during job interviews, but concentrated instead on how they proposed to carry out their responsibilities.

Many of his highest concerns seemed unusual, even radical at the time. But as the years passed, they became important parts of the canon of good, sensible, broadly acceptable public policy.

His concern for the environment and the Great Lakes perhaps was the most notable. "The Great Lakes (are) the world's largest collection of fresh water, and water will be for the Midwest almost like oil is to the OPEC countries," he said.

Seeing the catastrophic effect of the swings in prosperity of the auto industry in his state, he predicted that Midwestern states would have to restructure themselves if they were to recover.

He urged schools to start emphasizing computers and what we would now call "high tech" to prepare young people for a globally competitive economy. He urged an end of the hostile relationship between business and labor. He was consistent in supporting a woman's right to choose an abor-

tion.

And he was preoccupied with the concerns of the poor and the poorly treated; he forged an unlikely partnership with Detroit Mayor Coleman A. Young, and later said that his support for harsh mandatory sentences for those involved in minor-level drug crimes was among his greatest mistakes.

In retrospect, it now seems clear that Milliken's decision not to run for re-election in 1982 marked the end of an era in Michigan politics. Author Dempsey quotes political scientist Peter Kibrak as saying that while Williams had campaigned for higher taxes and better services for the poor and Milliken had called for open housing and aid to Detroit, ("James) Blanchard and (Richard) Headlee, by contrast, stood for election."

What that meant was that both men largely had turned control over to "professional campaign consultants and pollsters who coin(ed) slogans and images to capture public sentiment rather than fashioning strong issue stands."

Dempsey thinks Blanchard governed in Milliken's guise, but also in his shadow. The Democrat won fairly narrowly in 1982 against an unbelievably clumsy Richard Headlee and in 1986 against a weak black opponent, William Lucas. As someone who had an occasional hand in the Blanchard administration, I agree that Blanchard took to heart the axiom that to win elections you need to occupy the middle.

He wanted to encourage "Blanchard Democrats" in the suburbs, where his predecessor had fostered "Milliken Republicans."

But the rise of Engler in 1990 marked the statewide comeback of what were once called "Neanderthal Republicans," conservatives who were anti-tax, anti-government, anti-choice, harsh and unsparing in their political tactics and self-assured in their condemnation of opponents. To this day, Michigan politics are enormously influenced (perhaps even dominated) by them.

No wonder Milliken from time to time after leaving office would come down from his Traverse City "mountain" to condemn extremism, self-righteousness and a political system so obviously out of touch with the everyday concerns of most people.

Sadly, as right as that is, he has been largely reduced to a voice crying in the wilderness.

In his entertaining memoir, *Off the Record* (U-M Press, \$29.95), Lansing correspondent Tim Skubick said he regretted not being there when Milliken and his wife "got in the Lincoln for the last time on Inauguration Day 1983. Guys who were there tell me there wasn't a dry eye despite the bitter cold and the even more chilling feeling that a civil era of Michigan politics was walking out the door ... never to return in the same way."

They were, sadly, all too correct. In these days when our politics seems captured by ideologues of both left and right and our political system seems so dysfunctional and out of touch with ordinary people, it's hard not to be nostalgic for the contributions of William Milliken, an admirable politician and truly civilized man.

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# Steroid tests shouldn't just be for pro athletes

Personally, I don't care whether Barry Bonds took steroids or not.

But we all should care whether our high school athletes are ingesting steroids, human growth hormones or other performance-enhancing drugs.

And, with few exceptions, that's a story which hasn't been told even in our steroid-soaked sports pages.

Do high school athletes in Michigan — in our local schools — take these illegal muscle-enhancing substances?

We don't know with any certainty. That's because we don't test. No state does.

But New Jersey, to its credit, recently announced plans to start.

The New Jersey plan would test athletes competing in next year's state championship contests. Our own high school athletic association, our scholastic sports conferences and our school boards would do well to take notice — especially as this year's crop of high school athletes complete their own tournament games.

It's a good first step, though it could go a lot further. Already there's been some griping about the program's potential cost.

The New Jersey plan was announced last week but almost immediately overshadowed by revelations that a supply of human growth hormones had been found in a raid at the home of Jason Grimsley, a heretofore obscure major league baseball player.

Reports that Bonds, baseball's record-setting home run hitter, and other big league stars may have also used such substances have also made ongoing headlines throughout the past year or so.

Yet, there's a difference. Those players are professionals, competing against other professionals. That's not to condone what they did, if they did it.

But the issue of steroid abuse among scholastic athletes is far more serious.

**The New Jersey plan would test athletes competing in next year's state championship contests. Our own high school athletic association, our scholastic sports conferences and our school boards would do well to take notice — especially, as this year's crop of high school athletes complete their own tournament games.**

For starters, those athletes are generally minors.

More importantly, their bodies are still developing, even as late as high school.

A steroid-enhanced high school athlete isn't just a danger to himself or herself — though steroid use is dangerous and can be deadly — they are also a danger to the athletes they compete against.

It's not just an issue of whether one athlete holds an unfair advantage over another athlete in terms of their ability to score touchdowns and gather scholarships, though that's important.

In contact sports especially, it's an issue of whether one athlete, artificially strong beyond their years, could seriously hurt a fellow athlete who plays by the rules.

Few of our local athletes will ever become professional, or even highly-placed amateur athletes, but thousands of kids play inter-scholastic sports in this state very year.

If you're a parent, chances are fairly good that your son or daughter either is, has been, or will be among them.

That's why Michigan should adopt its own testing standards.

Our kids need it and, as parents, we should demand it.

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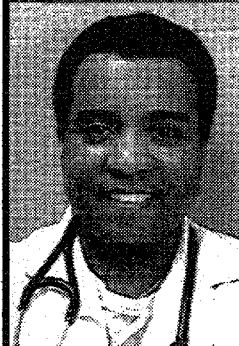
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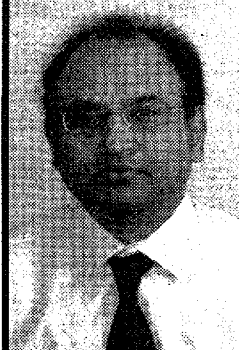
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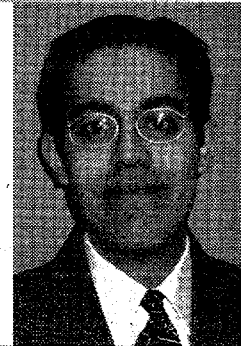
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# Milliken urges Granholm, DeVos to stick to the issues

BY BRAD KADRICH  
STAFF WRITER

Former Michigan Gov. William Milliken hasn't yet decided whom he will back in the 2006 gubernatorial campaign, but he has one wish for the two candidates: Keep it clean.

Milliken, in Plymouth Monday to sign copies of his biography at the Plymouth Historical Museum, said he hopes incumbent Democrat Jennifer Granholm and Republican hopeful Dick DeVos will keep the campaign about issues, not personalities.

"I'm hopeful the campaign will be a civilized and issue-based campaign," said Milliken, Michigan's longest-serving governor (1969-1982). "So far, I'm very encouraged. From what I've observed, (DeVos) is going to conduct that kind of campaign."

DeVos, who has grabbed the early lead in some polling, is obviously pointing to the economic struggles of the state in an effort to separate himself from Granholm. But Milliken said the state of Michigan's economy isn't Granholm's fault.

Milliken said the condition of the automobile industry is a large factor.

"The state is in severe stress because of the economy," Milliken said. "But it's not the fault of the governor. It just happens the auto industry



Pat Ganzberger, at right, talks with Milliken biographer Dave Dempsey while Bill Milliken inscribes her book. She's a longtime friend of the governor and served four times as a delegate to Republican National Conventions.

## THE BOOK ON MILLIKEN

■ Title: William G. Milliken: Michigan's Passionate Moderate  
■ Author: Dave Dempsey, policy adviser for the Michigan Environmental Council, a coalition of more than 65 environmental advocacy organizations

■ About the book: The story of one of the Great Lake State's most fascinating political figures, the "gentleman governor" of Michigan, who served 1969-82.

■ Publishers: University of Michigan-Press and Petoskey Publishing

■ Availability: \$29.95 at www.press.umich.edu; \$19.77 on amazon.com

is in great difficulty, and that is reflected throughout Michigan."

Granholm, he said, is "doing everything a governor can do. I don't envy her."

Though he doesn't blame Granholm for the state's struggles, Milliken also said he "doesn't agree" with her on everything. He's also not sure where he stands on DeVos, whom he's only met once. He has talked with DeVos' people several times, he said, and plans to meet with the Republican candidate "in a few weeks."

Until then, Milliken hopes the two will focus on issues. Two of the big ones, he said, are the environment and the state's relationship with Wayne County and, more specifically, the City of Detroit.

"I'm hoping the environment can be discussed by both candidates," Milliken said. "I hope both of them recognize Detroit is important to the whole state. If Detroit is in difficulty, and it is, it's going to need the support of the governor of our state."

According to state Rep. John Stewart, R-Plymouth, who arranged for Milliken's book signing appearance at the Plymouth museum, it was Milliken's attitude toward the city that helped him take a majority in Wayne County in



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State Rep. John Stewart and former Michigan Gov. William Milliken talk before the book signing event.

1978, Milliken's last term.

"It has been said Governor Milliken governed in the spirit of (Abraham) Lincoln," said Stewart, who invokes the memory of Milliken in describing himself as a moderate conservative. "There's nothing wrong with the phrase, 'We should be moderately conservative.'"

Whoever wins the 2006 race - Democrat incumbent Granholm or Republican challenger DeVos - the next governor faces stiff challenges, according to Milliken.

"He or she will have to bring the state back together again to deal constructively and forthrightly with our economic problems," Milliken

said. "It's always a challenge to recognize we are blessed with one of the most beautiful states on Earth, and what we do to protect our environment will be critically important."

Milliken said it might be awhile before he decides which candidate to back, because he still has to meet with DeVos and he wants to see how the campaign shakes out.

"I disagree with her on some things (but) under very difficult circumstances, (Granholm) is doing a good job," Milliken said. "I want to see how the campaign progresses and the positions the candidates take."

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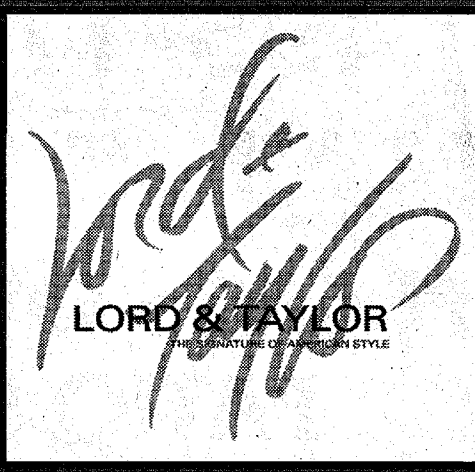
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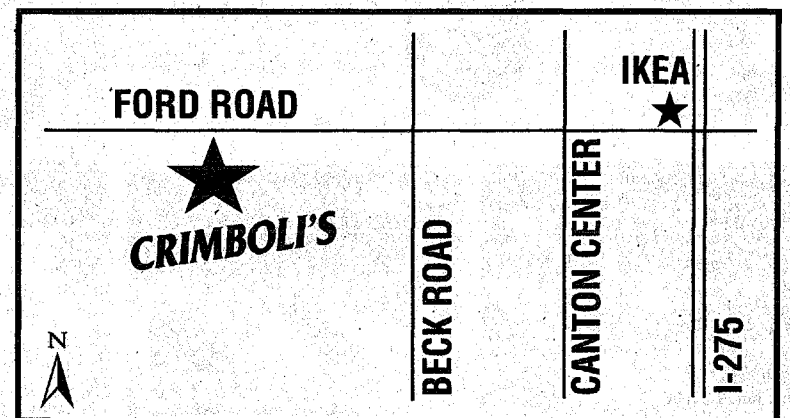
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# Fate of historic barn to be decided at special meeting

BY CAROL MARSHALL  
STAFF WRITER

The fate of a historic barn could be decided tonight. It will be saved if Canton can come up with \$37,500 to help move it from its current location on school-owned property at Joy and McClumpha, to a site near the township-owned Bartlett-Travis house in Cherry Hill Village.

The Canton Township Board of Trustees called a special meeting for 7 p.m. tonight to vote on the expenditure. If the resolution is passed, the Cady barn, which dates back nearly 100 years, will be saved. If not, the barn will be destroyed to make way for new tennis courts the school district plans to build.

The barn was all but gone, after fund-raising efforts to cover the cost of moving the barn fell flat. But Canton resident Bob Boyer, who owns Boyer's Meat Processing, stepped forward to save the barn. He offered to put up \$75,000 to pay a group of Amish skilled tradesmen to tear down, move and reconstruct the

barn in its new location.

The board will vote on spending \$37,500 to pay for preparing the site. Soil boring tests need to be taken, the staking and foundation needs to be completed and electricity for security lighting needs to be added, plus the township would be responsible for painting the barn.

"Last fall, the board put in the 2005 budget \$60,000 to spend on relocating the barn. The \$60,000 would be used to match outside funding," Township Clerk Terry Bennett said. "The \$37,000 is below that. What has to happen is that the board of trustees has to make a decision one way or another on whether or not we're going to commit to moving the barn."

If the township commits, Boyer will have the time to finish the contract and get the required insurance before July 4, when the tradesmen would be able to move the barn. The only thing Boyer has asked in return for funding the moving of the barn is that Canton's first fire truck, which he paid to restore,

would be stored in it.

"There are not many people left in this world like Bob," Bennett said.

The board could not wait to vote at its next regular meeting, which is June 27, because that would not allow Boyer enough time to make the necessary preparations to hire the workmen.

If the project moves forward, the tradesmen will take apart the barn, transport it, re-assemble it and put a roof on it, Bennett said.

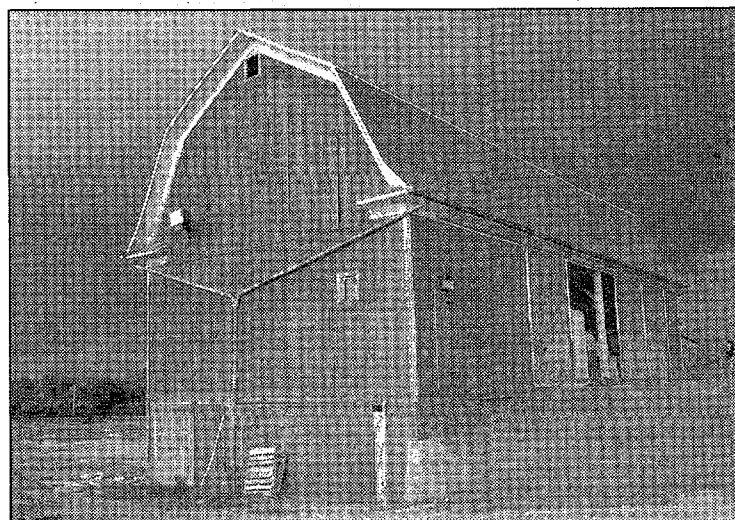
Under this proposal, the barn would be suitable for storage and display only. If the board were to adopt another plan — one in which the barn

could be used for events — the cost would be much higher, approximately \$157,000, Bennett said.

The additional cost would be due to site plan and design requirements, additional utilities such as water and sewer and the addition of hydrants.

In order to try to come up with additional funding for the barn, Bennett is preparing a grant proposal to the Canton Community Foundation, she said.

The board will meet tonight at 7 p.m. at the Township Administration Building at 1150 Canton Center South.



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The old barn had been scheduled for demolition this summer.

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## NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Board of Education of the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools invites all interested and qualified companies to submit an RFP for a **Long-Term Vending Contract** for the 2006-2007 school year and beyond. Specifications and bid forms will be available at the "pre-bid" meeting scheduled for 10:00 a.m., Tuesday, June 20th, 2006 at the Plymouth High School located at 8400 Beck Road, Canton, MI 48187. For further information, please phone Dan Phillips, Assistant Director of Finance & Purchasing at (734) 416-2746. Sealed bids are due on or before 2:00 p.m., Thursday, July 13th, 2006. The Board of Education reserves the right to accept and/or reject all bids, as they judge to be in the best interest of the school district.

Board of Education  
Plymouth-Canton Community Schools  
JOANNE LAMAR, Secretary

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Western township Utilities Authority is seeking proposals for rehabilitation of approximately 1,900 lineal feet of 24" diameter and 1,700 lineal feet of 30" diameter sanitary sewer pipe, as well as 65 lineal feet of 12" diameter and 315 lineal feet of 20" diameter sanitary sewer inverted siphon pipe located in Plymouth Township. Proposals are being requested for the installation of cured-in-place (CIPP) liners.

Companies or individuals who desire a copy of the bid documents should contact:

Ms. Sandy Forest  
Western Township Utilities Authority  
40905 Joy Road, Canton, MI 48187  
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All submittals must be received by July 13, 2006 at 1:00 p.m., at the above address. A public opening of the proposals will immediately follow the closing at the Middle Rouge offices located at 40905 Joy Road, Canton, Michigan.

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## NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Notice is hereby given that the City of Plymouth, Michigan will accept sealed bids up until 10:00 a.m., Monday, July 10, 2006. The bid opening will be at 10:15 a.m., Monday, July 10, 2006 for the following:

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Specifications and bid documents are available at the city hall during normal business hours. You may also download a copy of the documentation from the City's web site at <http://www.ci.plymouth.mi.us>.

The City of Plymouth reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids, in whole or in part, and to waive any irregularities.

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## NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Notice is hereby given that the City of Plymouth, Michigan will accept sealed bids up until 10:00 a.m., Thursday, June 22, 2006, for the sale of the following vehicles:

- 1994 Chevrolet Camaro
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The bid opening will be at 10:00 a.m., Thursday, June 22, 2006 at City Hall, 201 S. Main, Plymouth, MI. Vehicles and equipment are being sold "AS IS" with no warranty either expressed or implied. Vehicles and equipment may be inspected at the City Hall, Police Department, 201 S. Main, Plymouth, MI between the hours of 12:00 p.m. and 3:00 p.m. on Monday through Friday.

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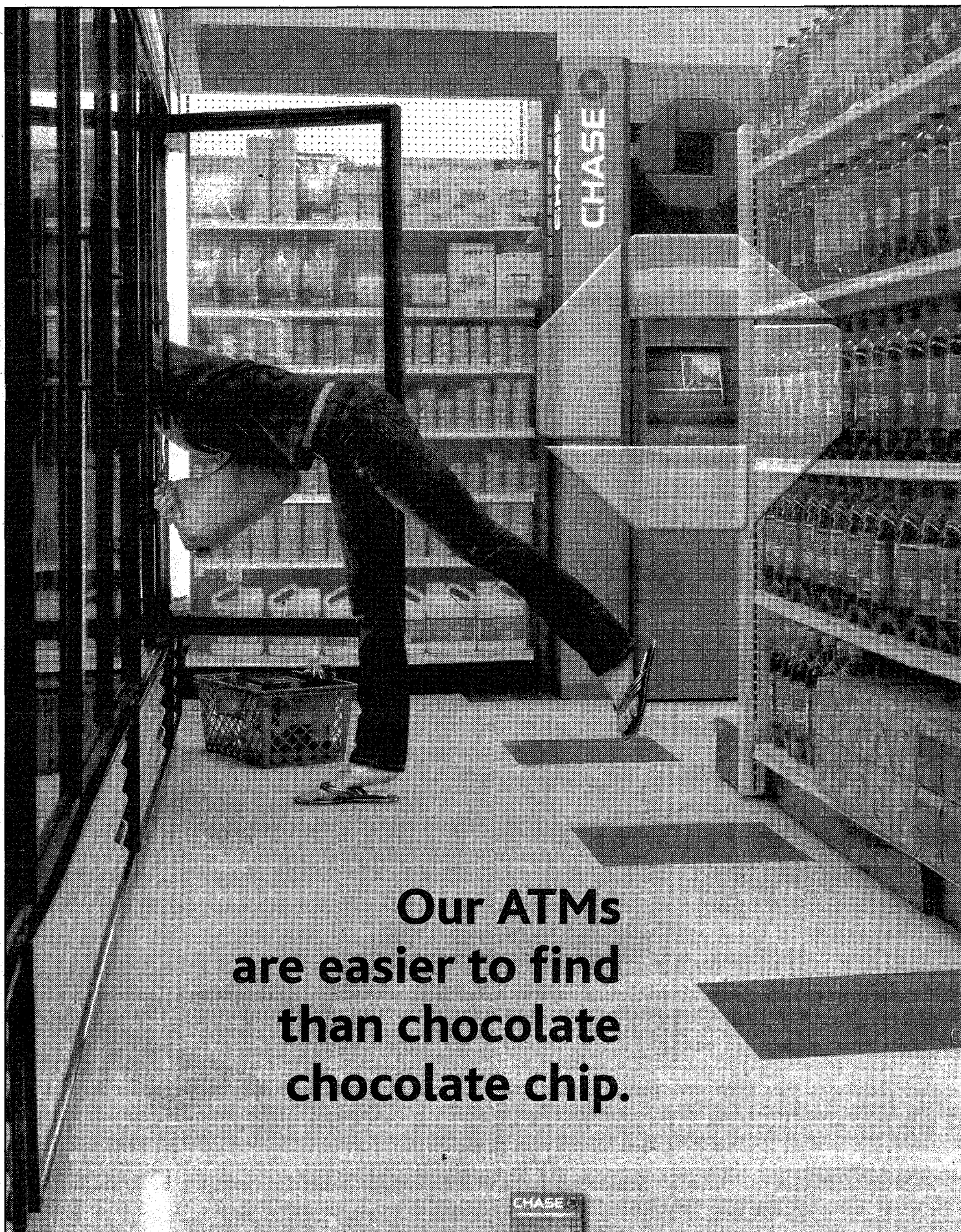
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# Gratz defends affirmative action ban as civil rights measure

BY HUGH GALLAGHER  
STAFF WRITER



Jennifer Gratz from the Michigan Civil Rights Initiative Committee.

to reverse an earlier decision declining to hear complaints about fraud in efforts to overturn the 2003 Grutter vs. Bollinger U.S. Supreme Court decision and called on Attorney General Mike Cox to investigate charges of criminal fraud in the gathering of petition signatures.

"It's ridiculous," Gratz said of the complaint. She said she had worked with the petitioners and helped with their training. She said there may have been some misunderstanding of the purpose of the initiative but no attempt was made to deceive anyone.

She said the commission's real problem was the name "Michigan Civil Rights

Initiative," because they define "civil rights" differently.

"It's important to note that the Michigan Civil Rights Commission have become completely political. They had no authority to do anything with the signatures," she said. "Gov. (Jennifer) Granholm appointed them to investigate even though she knew they had no authority."

David Waymire, a political consultant with Martin Waymire and spokesman for One United Michigan, which was organized three years ago to oppose the initiative, said in a telephone interview there is evidence of "excessive fraud in the collection of signatures."

"There was a disproportionate percentage of people who signed who were minority or from Democratic areas. They (MCRI) had handlers sent out to say this was a civil rights issue."

He said their intent was to "fool people."

## SUCCESSFUL SUIT

In 1997, Gratz sued the University of Michigan after being rejected for admission to the university, claiming she was discriminated against because of the university's use of a two-track admissions grid system. In 2003 the U.S. Supreme Court struck down the preference program used in U-M's undergraduate Literature, Science and Arts program. In the separate

Grutter case, however, involving the UM Law School's admission's program, the Court upheld the university's policy based on promoting diversity on campus.

The MCRI Web site and Gratz have linked all opposition to the initiative to a radical group called By Any Means Necessary. But the amendment has been opposed by both Granholm, her gubernatorial opponent Dick DeVos, both Michigan United States senators, several business, labor and civic organizations. One United Michigan's board of directors includes representatives from the AFL-CIO, UAW, the Michigan Catholic Conference, the ACLU, Detroit Renaissance, New Detroit, the AFT and the MEA and the NAACP. Waymire said the group also has the support of many chambers of commerce.

Gratz said the chair of the MCRI drive is state Rep. Leon Drolet. She said initiative supporters also include Michigan Speaker of the House Craig DeRoche and Attorney General Cox.

"BAMN is our most vocal opposition and who we deal with most often," Gratz said.

She called BAMN the "storm troopers" for One United Michigan. She also said the Michigan Civil Rights Commission has been "co-opted by BAMN" for political purposes. She also accused the commission of being part of

Granholm's re-election campaign.

Gratz questioned the sincerity of some Republican political leaders who oppose the ballot initiative.

"It's convenient for them to say that," she said. "It's politically convenient. They don't want it to be part of their campaign."

Waymire said he didn't see what political advantage a Republican candidate would gain by opposing the initiative.

"Our response is that it is vital to our state's economy to encourage diversity. The states that are doing the best are those that have incorporated diversity," Waymire said.

## AFFECT ON WOMEN

Gratz said opponents were being deceptive in saying that the amendment would be detrimental to women.

"It's important to note that the initiative only affects three specific areas — public contracting, public employment and public education," she said. "Our opponents often talk about things outside of this that the initiative would have no impact on. They talk about girls' sports. A constitutional amendment in the state of Michigan will have no effect on Title IX and you need only look at California, they've had 10 years of history with the initiative."

She said the amendment would not affect state supported domestic abuse centers or breast cancer screening programs.

Waymire said the amendment would affect women's programs including special programs to involve girls in science, proposals for all-girl schools and other measures

**'It's important to note that the initiative only affects three specific areas — public contracting, public employment and public education.'**

Jennifer Gratz  
Michigan Civil Rights Initiative

meant to help women.

He said it would return Michigan to the 1960s in terms of gender equality.

"I believe women should be judged on their character, their merit and their accomplishments, and not on their sex," Gratz said. "I want to know when I get called for a job opportunity that it's based on what I've done and not on my sex."

Gratz, who was living in San Diego, came back to Michigan this year to lead the campaign launched by California's Ward Connerly, who successfully led a similar campaign in California.

Gratz said she filed her original lawsuit because she saw the effects of the Michigan program on others who had sought admission to the school.

"You're taught all your life to work hard, do well in school, get good grades, be active in the community and good things will happen to you," she said. "You're taught all your life that race shouldn't be a factor."

She acknowledges that "we have had a horrible history when it comes to race, but I don't think you right that by discriminating against others."

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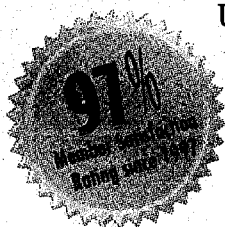
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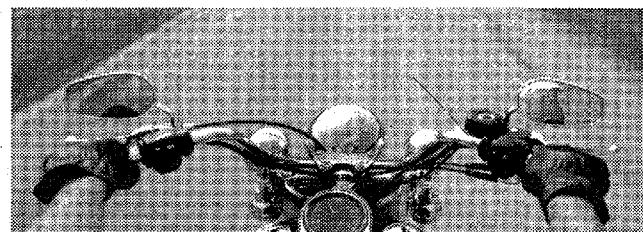
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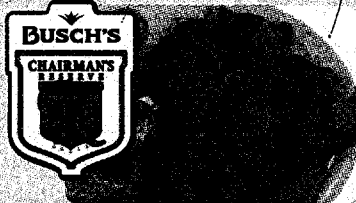
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**Ark concert**

Jan Krist, along with percussionist Alan Finkbeiner and guest guitarist Jim Bizer will be performing at The Ark, 316 N. Main in Ann Arbor, on Thursday, June 29. The show begins at 8 p.m. Doors open at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$12.

**Healthy skin**

"More Than Skin Deep," a program about healthy skin, will be presented 7-9 p.m. Tuesday, July 18, at the Holiday Inn on Plymouth Road at U.S. 23 in Ann Arbor. According to speaker Cindy Klement, "the health of the skin is a reflection of the health of our internal organs and overall nutrition. When you know the real secrets to natural beauty you can improve the health and appearance of your skin and improve your overall health in the process." Pre-registration is suggested, to ensure a seat and a handout. Cost is \$10. Contact the speaker, Cindy Klement, at (734) 975-2444 or go to www.cindyklement.com

**Reducing stress**

"Relax to the Max," a seminar on how to reduce stress, takes place 7-9 p.m. Tuesday, June 20, at the Holiday Inn on Plymouth Road at U.S. 23, in Ann Arbor. According to speaker Cindy Klement, participants will "discover how to implement seven keys that will reduce your stress level and help you learn to stay calm in the midst of a crisis. Learn how to control your mood through breathing, improve your nutrition to give you greater resilience and herbs to mediate the effects of stress in your life." Pre-registration is suggested, to ensure a seat and a handout. Cost is \$10. Contact the speaker, Cindy Klement, at (734) 975-2444 or go to www.cindyklement.com

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The Irish Genealogical Society of Michigan presents a program on "Beginning Genealogy" with Richard M. Doherty, president of the society, 12:30 p.m. Saturday, June 17 at the Gaelic League/Irish American Club, 2068 Michigan Avenue in Detroit. Fenced-in parking is available. The lecture will cover What is Genealogy, how to get started, basic forms, sources of genealogy information, key research tools and final hints. For more information, call (248) 879-9352.

The Livingston County Genealogical Society meets July 6, with speaker Guenter Loepertz discussing "Records to Trace Your Ancestors in Connecticut." The meeting takes place at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, 1041 Grand River in Howell, with a help session at 6 p.m. The public is invited. For more information, call Margaret Bowland, program chair, (810) 227-7745.

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**Northville garden walk**

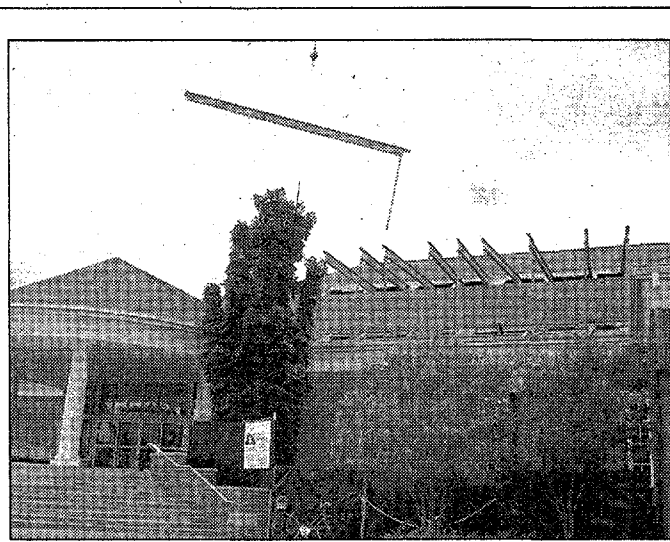
The Country Garden Club of Northville is inviting everyone to attend their annual garden walk, featuring five gardens in Northville 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Wednesday, July 12. After seeing the flowers, visitors are invited to stop by Mill Race Village, where Cady Inn will be transformed into "The Potting Shed" where complimentary homemade sweets and lemonade will be served. Tickets in advance (\$10) are available and may be purchased after June 12 from Gardenviews, 202 W. Main in Northville. For more information, call (734) 591-0360.

**Zoo shot party**

On Tuesday, June 20, the Visiting Nurse Association of Southeast Michigan and the Detroit Zoo team up to offer "One Zoo of a Shot Party," a convenient place to get children ages 15 and older immunized against bacterial meningitis and/or receive the new tetanus booster that offers increased protection against whooping cough, known medically as pertussis. The program is open to students age 15, high school seniors and college freshmen living in dorms. The meningitis shot costs \$105; the tetanus shot is \$50. The event takes place 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the main entrance to the Detroit Zoo; parking is free for those being immunized. For more information, visit www.vna.org or call (248) 967-8755.

**Summer school**

Summer courses are back in season at the Ann Arbor Art Center, offering



**Construction updates**

The Plymouth District Library continues with the building renovation. Library users should be advised that the public elevator will be closed for approximately four weeks. The public staircase will remain open. Patrons will be directed to the staff elevator during this phase of construction. Individuals needing to use the elevator should ask at the check-out desk. Initial construction efforts have taken place on the upper level, as dormer windows are added to three sides of the building. Library users can get current updates on the project by going to [plymouthlibrary.org](http://plymouthlibrary.org) and clicking on the Building Blog hardhat icon.

favorites such as Drawing Fundamentals, Foundations, Painting 101, Basic and Continuing Watercolor, Exploring Watermedia and three levels of Ceramics. Semester dates run through July 10-Aug. 31 and discounts will be given for early registration by June 26. This summer the Art Center adds five new offerings in the celebration of art appreciation, ceramics, knitting and wine. Not only are these creative journeys, they are adventures in enlightenment. Debbie Kawsy, will share her art historical knowledge in a new class entitled He Said/She Said: Great Artistic Couples, which explores famous artistic couples like Pablo Picasso and Dora Maar, Edgar Degas and Mary Cassatt, for the shocking behind-the-scenes stories, their relationships, and the production of their most iconic works. Session 1 is Wednesday, July 12 from 7-9 p.m. and Session 2 is Wednesday, July 19, from 7-9 p.m. Kawsy will also instruct two sessions of Art and Scandal. This lecture series will focus on the exciting, yet tumultuous lives of painters and sculptors including Edouard Manet, Vincent Van Gogh, and Camille Claudel whose passion in both their personal relationships and their works of art quickly led to obsession, hatred, and tragedy. Session 1 is Wednesday, July 26, from 7-9 p.m. and Session 2 is Wednesday, Aug. 2, from 7-9 p.m. Simone Jenkins of Morgan & York will offer Artful Tasting: Bubbles and Cheese, a four-week class pairing cheeses and sparkling wines from around the

world. The class runs Thursday nights at 6:30-8:30 p.m. from July 13-Aug. 3. Everyone has gone crazy for crocheting, and in the six-week Wearable Works of Art: Knit and Crochet for Pre-Teens and Adult, beginners can learn

the basic stitches, materials and construction techniques for creating small projects and then expand to make their own. Wearable Works is taught by Kristen Ham on Tuesday nights 6:30-8:30pm from July 11-Aug. 15 or Thursday mornings, 9:30-11:30 a.m. July 13-Aug. 17. The Ann Arbor Art Center is a non-profit organization dedicated to engaging the community in the education, exhibition, and exploration of the visual arts. For more information, explore [www.annarborartcenter.org](http://www.annarborartcenter.org), visit the Ann Arbor Art Center at 117 W. Liberty Street in downtown Ann Arbor or contact Janet Torno at (734) 994-8004, Ext. 114.

**Charity golf**

A summer days worth of fun never helped so many, which is just what golfers at the fourth-annual Michigan Tournament of Charities will do when they play at Fox Hills Golf and Country Club in Plymouth Aug. 28. Registration and breakfast begin at 9 a.m., with the 18-hole shotgun start at 10:30 a.m. Arbor Hospice & Home Care joins Open Door Ministry, Detroit Rescue Mission Ministries, For the Kids Foundation, Joy of Jesus, Band of Angels, Children's Therapy Fund and Promise Village: Home for Children in benefiting from the generosity of MTOC and participants of the golf tournament. This distinguished golf tournament concludes with a banquet and live and silent auctions. Everyone is encouraged to join the evening fes-

tivities, which kicks off at 4 p.m. To register for this event, please contact Arbor Hospice & Home Care at [www.arborhospice.org](http://www.arborhospice.org), email [laren@arborhospice.org](mailto:laren@arborhospice.org), or call 734-662-5999, extension 120. Registration can also be done through the Michigan Tournament of Charities website, [www.mtcogolf.org](http://www.mtcogolf.org) and indicate supporting Arbor Hospice & Home Care.

**Creative writing workshop**

The Michigan Horror Writers presents its Spring 2006 writing workshop, "Revealing Character or What's in Your (Hero's) Wallet?" 3:45-6:15 p.m. Saturday, June 24 in the community room of the Madison Heights Fire Department headquarters, 3131 Brush, Madison Heights. Author Diane Burton offers tips for developing memorable characters which the reader will either root for or hiss at. Admission is \$25 for Michigan Horror Writers members, \$30 for pre-registered attendees, \$35 for registration after June 3 and \$40 for walk-ins. Attendees should submit a sample of their writing with their registration. For more information or to register e-mail Shelby at [president@michiganhorror.com](mailto:president@michiganhorror.com)

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## YMCA, Wilcox join forces for youth program

The YMCA Youth Volunteer Corps Program will run an extensive summer program thanks to the Wilcox Foundation.

The YVC Summer in Service program will offer youth the opportunity to gain valuable job skills, help the community and have an unforgettable experience. The Summer in Service program is a two-week program that provides its participants with an extensive service-learning experience as well as having some fun.

"Our goal is to help every participant understand and believe in the difference their service can make in their community, the difference it can make within themselves," explained Plymouth YMCA Director of Branch Operations Josh Landefeld. "In addition to completing their required volunteer

hours, participants will learn how community service can help them earn money for college."

A variety of agencies have partnered with the YMCA, including Mayberry, Summer in the City, Spectrum Human Services, Plymouth Library, Ronald McDonald House as well as many others.

The program is for young people entering ninth through 12th grades. There will be three two-week sessions, July 10-21, July 24-Aug. 4 and Aug. 7-18. The program runs 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. every day. Participants must commit to the entire two-week session.

Agencies which would like to be involved with this program should contact Jenny Roszel at the YMCA. To enroll or for more information, contact the Plymouth Family YMCA at (734) 453-2904.

# PHS Class of '56 set for reunions

The Plymouth High School Class of 1956 is busy planning a pair of reunions to mark major milestones.

First up is the 50th reunion for the Class of 1956 itself, set for Saturday, Sept. 9, an event scheduled 1 p.m. to sundown and featuring 1950s music, a pig roast with "all the trimmings" and socializing with old friends.

Classmates are hoping for 100-percent participation, but organizers are looking for some help finding some classmates: Wilma Graham Adair, Joan Burnette Booth, Sharon Irvine Bowen, Elizabeth Gustin Crowe, Joe Davis, Dale

DePriest, Donald Dobson, Patricia Dorey, Roberta Paulson Drockie, Marilyn Paul Ehle, Gerald Foreman, Bonnie Woodard French, Donna Frizell, Donald Gillum, Anita Peterson Humphrey, Robert Humphrey, Jerry Jarvis, Dean Jenkins, Janet Wickens Lewis, Jean McCartney Waller, June Slaybough Minhennick, Verna Moore, Fred Reiman, Pat Carvey Rhinehard, Ronald Rowe, Marlene Steinkemper, Carol Crane Stewart, Donna Koehler Whaley, Ralph White and Charlotte Higgins Whitlock.

Anyone with information about any of these classmates

can contact Shirley Andrews Bell via e-mail at [ssbell8993@yahoo.com](mailto:ssbell8993@yahoo.com) or (248) 446-1266; or Sande Cutler at [alisande@umich.edu](mailto:alisande@umich.edu) or (734) 668-4073.

The Class of 1956 is also planning, as it has every five years for many years, an all-class reunion for all faculty, staff and students of Old Plymouth High School (1917-1970). Organizers are hoping to break attendance records this year.

The reunion takes place noon to 5 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 10 at the Plymouth Elks Lodge, 41700 Ann Arbor

Road.

No reservation is required. There will be a \$5 per-person admission at the door, and the entry tickets can be applied toward food. Drinks of all kinds - including soft drinks - will be available for purchase. If the weather is good, organizers are suggesting attendees bring lawn chairs, since there is a large back yard at the lodge.

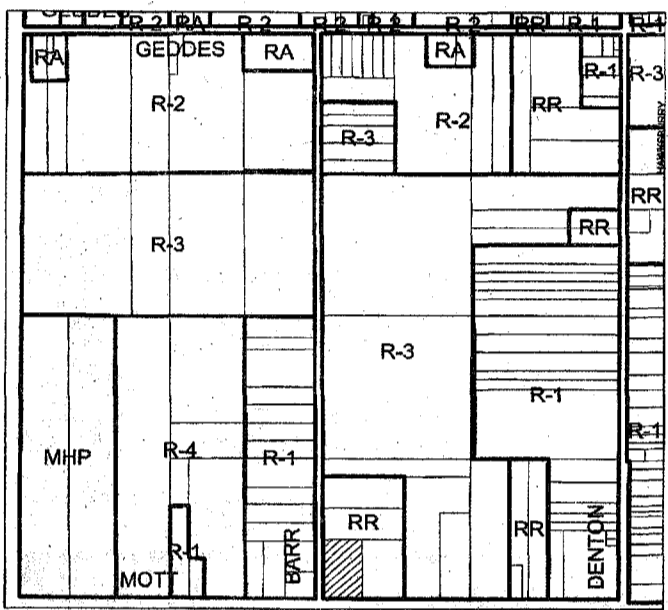
Sign-in lists and flags will make it easier for classmates to find each other. There will be prizes for oldest class represented, classmate traveling the farthest, largest group from one class, etc.

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**CHOPRA REZONING** - CONSIDER REQUEST TO REZONE PARCEL NO. 124 99 0003 003 (5701 BARR ROAD) FROM RR, RURAL RESIDENTIAL TO R-3, SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL. Property is located at the northeast corner of Barr and Mott Roads.



Written comments addressed to the Planning Commission should be received at the Canton Township Administration Building, 1150 Canton Center S. prior to Thursday, June 15, 2006 in order to be included in the materials submitted for review.

VIC GUSTAFSON,  
Chairman

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**ZONING ORDINANCE TEXT AMENDMENT (06-1)**

Consider Canton Township-initiated amendment to the following articles:

**Section 27.07 - Conditional Zoning**  
Create a new section which implements the provisions of Public Act No. 577 of 2004 relative to enabling the consideration of conditional zoning amendment applications.

**Section 27.04 - Planned Development District**  
Amend to add more specific guidelines for the "definite benefit" criteria. Amend the definitions and criteria for Planned Developments which results in a creation of a "minor" Planned Development.

**Section 5B - Forest Preservation and Tree Clearing**  
Create a new section which moves the existing forest preservation guidelines in Sections 94-31 through Section 94-36 from the Code to Appendix A - Zoning. The change also amends the criteria for review of tree removal permits.

**Article 5 - Stormwater Pond Landscaping**  
Amend Section 5.02, Subsection I, amending the landscaping requirements for storm water detention basins and incorporating detention basin planting guidelines by reference.  
Amend Section 5.04, Changing the method of measuring the size of shade trees.  
Amend Section 5.04A, Clarifying requirements for plant quality.

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Vic Gustafson, Chairman

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## Work of young authors to be featured on TV

Several young writers from Plymouth and Canton will have their stories showcased on Detroit Public Television, starting with broadcasts this weekend.

The authors - in grades kindergarten through the third grade - sent in their stories in record numbers to the 12th Annual Reading Rainbow Young Writers and Illustrators Awards.

The children and their stories will be showcased in a broadcast special, The 2006 Reading Rainbow Awards, premiering Sunday, June 18, at 9:30 a.m. on WTVS Channel 56. Rebroadcasts will be June 19 at 5 p.m., June 20 at 6:30 a.m., June 21 at 1 p.m. and June 23 at 7 a.m. The winning stories are on display at [detroitpublictv.org](http://detroitpublictv.org).

Detroit Public TV received 909 entries for the contest, which is designed to encourage children's creativity by inspiring them to write and illustrate their own stories. Local educators and librarians served as judges of the entries.

First place winners will have

their stories animated for the television special and have a \$1,000 grant awarded to their schools during the May 24 ceremony by Starbucks Coffee Company.

Local first place winners include:  
■ First grader Robert Florence of Canton for "Out of Order"  
■ Second grader Caroline Simko of Canton for "15 Going on 50"

Honorable mentions include: First grader Eleanor Lawton of Plymouth, third grader Catherine Lawton of Plymouth, and Benjamin Weaver also of Plymouth.

The Reading Rainbow Young Writers and Illustrators Awards are staged in conjunction with the PBS series seen weekdays at 1 p.m. on WTVS Channel 56.

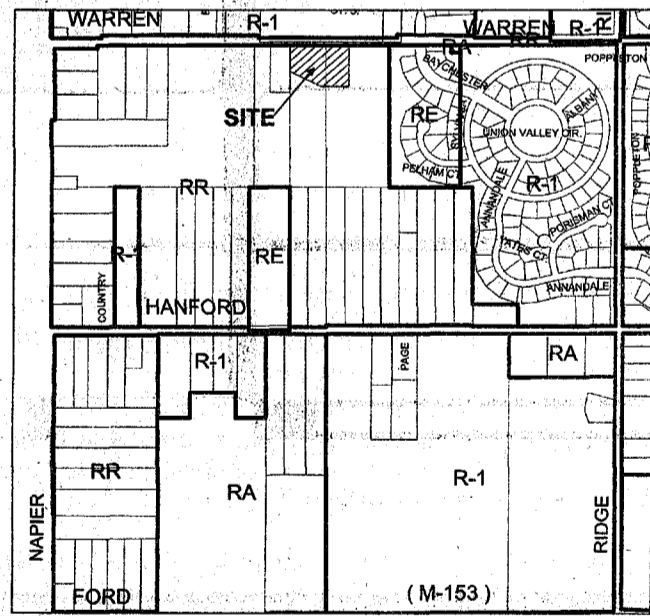
Funding for Detroit Public TV's Reading Rainbow awards is provided in part by Starbucks Coffee Company and the Ralph G. and Pauline M. Conger Endowment for Children's Programming.

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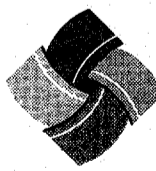


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# Keeping it safe on waterways: Sheriff warns boaters who drink

Memorial Day weekend marked the beginning of boating season in metro Detroit, and the Wayne County Sheriff's Office Marine Division has been preparing to make sure the season is a safe one.

Sheriff Warren C. Evans has ordered an increased crackdown on people who operate recreational watercrafts under the influence of alcohol. It is estimated that half of all boating accidents are alcohol related.

"We want people to have fun this boating season, but above all, we want them to do it safely," said Evans. "I have instructed our marine officers to be extra vigilant in enforcing alcohol laws on the water."

Under state law, boaters are allowed to drink alcohol, as long as their blood alcohol limit does not exceed 0.10 percent. The legal limit in Michigan for boaters did not go down to .08 in October 2004 as it did for motorists.

"The limits may be different, but the penalties are the same," Evans said.

The penalty for a first offense of Operating While Intoxicated is a maximum \$500 fine and up to 90 days in jail. A second offense could bring a \$1,000 fine and up to one year in jail or significant community service. A person caught for the third time could face felony charges and possible prison

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time, Evans said.

The Sheriff's Office has six patrol boats in its marine division, and deputies will spend much of their time focusing on the county's primary waterway - the Detroit River - including areas of Lake St. Clair at the north end and Lake Erie at the south.

The Marine Division is staffed with six officers, specially trained in marine law enforcement and search and rescue. The unit performs law enforcement duties as well as search and rescue operations, boat livery inspections, boat accident investigations, alcohol enforcement and regatta patrols. Marine officers make about 6,000 stops per year in order to check boat safety.

Something else that boaters need to keep in mind as they take to lakes and rivers is the

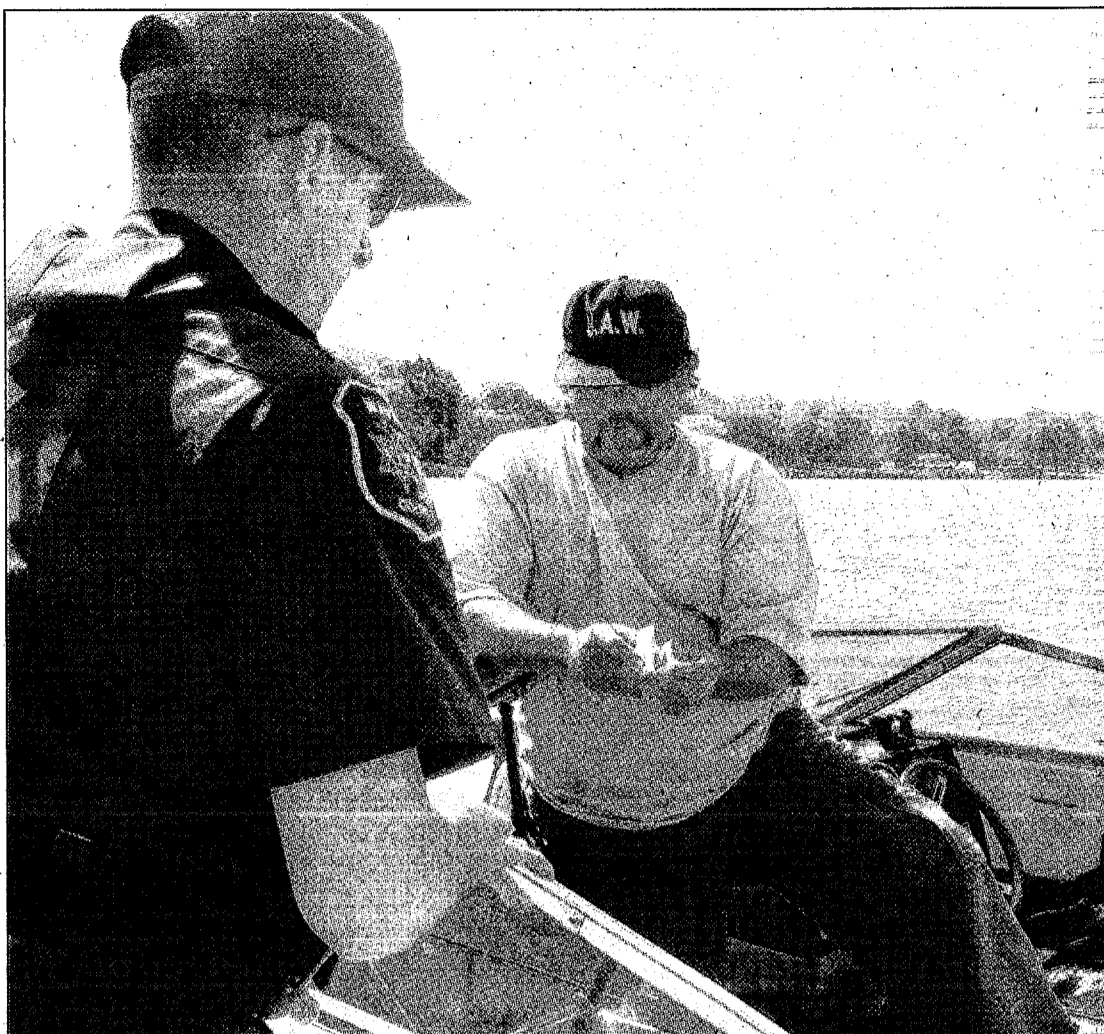
fact that water temperature is still dangerously cold.

Even though the air temperature is starting to get up into the 80's, today's water temperature is still only 54 degrees. At that temperature, hypothermia can set in very quickly and the risk of drowning increases. Evans said that boaters need to be extremely cautious to avoid falling in the water and to always wear a personal flotation device.

There are more than 280,000 registered boats in Wayne County. Evans said each of them represents a potential accident or tragedy if the operators aren't cautious. Each year sheriff's deputies provide basic boater safety classes to more than 2,500 residents and classes are still being held. Class information is available online at [www.waynecounty.com/sheriff](http://www.waynecounty.com/sheriff)

Additional safety tips:

- Though it is not illegal, all occupants of a watercraft should refrain from consuming alcohol while boating
- Have enough life jackets for everyone on board and wear them at all times
- Make sure life jackets fit properly
- Know your boat's capacity
- Boats should also be equipped with an adequate fire extinguisher, horn or whistle, lights or signal flares and a flotation device with a line attached.



Wayne County Sheriff's deputies will be out on the county's lakes enforcing water safety laws.

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**JUNE**

**Bible study groups**  
The Wednesday group meets 10 a.m. to noon on the first and third Wednesday of each month, the Thursday group 7-9 p.m. June 15, on the first and third Thursday of each month in the rectory at St. Michael's the Archangel Catholic Church, Plymouth and Hubbard, Livonia. The Wednesday group is studying Women of Courage in the Bible, the Thursday group The Letters of St. Paul from Prison. Classes are small and informal and based on the Little Rock Scripture Series. For information, call (734) 261-1455.

**Strawberry festival**  
5-9 p.m. Friday, June 16, on the grounds of Garden City Presbyterian Church on Middlebelt, one block south of Ford. Fresh strawberries, baked goods and beverages will be served. Bake sale, craft boutique, face painting for children. Square dancing troupe will dance and give lessons. In

case of inclement weather event will be held indoors in church fellowship hall. Everyone is welcome. Call (734) 421-7620.

**Benefit concert**  
7:30 p.m. Friday, June 16, to sponsor medical mission trip to Togo, West Africa, at Memorial Church of God, 35475 Five Mile, Livonia. Call (248) 348-5471 for more information. Concert features Cameron Warne (violin) and Rachael Kerr (piano).

**Sock hop**  
Presented by Bethany Suburban West, a Catholic organization to provide peer support to the divorced and separated of all Christian faiths 8 p.m. to midnight Saturday, June 16, at St. Robert Bellarmine, 27101 W. Chicago and Inkster roads, Redford. Cost is \$15, includes refreshments. Doors open at 7:30 p.m. For details, call (734) 261-5716.

**Choir concert**  
Sacred music by the High School Chancel Choir from Second Presbyterian Church, Bloomington, Illinois 7:30 p.m. Friday, June 16, at First Presbyterian Church, 1669 West Maple, Birmingham. A freewill offering will be collected to benefit Birmingham-First Music, a community music outreach organization which is sponsoring the event. Call (248) 644-2040, ext. 136.

**Breakfast meeting**

For Bethany Suburban West, a Catholic organization providing peer support to the divorced and separated of all Christian faiths, 9:30 a.m. Saturday, June 17, at Leon's, 30149 Ford, across from Kmart, Garden City. All separated, divorced and singles welcome. Call (734) 513-9479.

**Sunday message series**  
Inspired by The Da Vinci Code 9 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. Sunday, June 18, What about Mary Magdalene?, and June 25, Women, Jesus and Christianity, at Farmington Hills Church of God, 25717 Power, between 10 and 11 Mile roads. Call (248) 477-9144 or visit [www.fhchurchofgod.org](http://www.fhchurchofgod.org). Carillon series  
Begins 10 a.m. and noon Sunday, June 18 and continues July 9, 23 and 30; Aug. 6, 13 and 20, and Sept. 10, features guest carillonists from Australia, France, South Carolina, Ann Arbor, East Lansing, and Illinois, at Kirk in the Hills, 1340 West Long Lake, Bloomfield Hills. All are welcome. Call (248) 626-2515 or visit [www.kirkinthekills.org](http://www.kirkinthekills.org).

**Eucharistic adoration**  
Continues Wednesday, June 21, at St. Michael the Archangel Church, Plymouth and Hubbard, Livonia. The church will be open for prayer and private worship from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Benediction service. Everyone is welcome to participate. Call (734) 261-

1455.

**Anniversary celebrations**  
Grace Baptist Church's 50th anniversary celebration begins with a family picnic 11 a.m. Saturday, June 24, at Boulan Park in Troy. A concert will follow at 6 p.m. at the church, 280 East Lincoln, Birmingham. A special Sunday morning Recognition service (June 25) will be held 10 a.m. to noon. On Monday, ladies enjoy a luncheon at 11:30 a.m. at the church. The men play a 9-hole golf tournament starting at 9 a.m. at Sylvan Glen Golf Course followed by a cookout. For information, call (248) 646-2000, ext. 10, or visit [www.gbcministries.org](http://www.gbcministries.org). Visitors are welcome to come to celebrate the Golden Jubilee.

**TOPS**  
Stands for Take Off Pounds Sensibly, the group meets 7 p.m. every Thursday evening at St. Thomas A' Becket Church, 555 S. Lilley Road, Canton. Weigh in is from 6:15 p.m. to 6:55 p.m. We are a weight support group that encourages members to lose weight sensibly and keep it off. For more information, call Mary at (734) 394-1328.

**Scripture studies**  
7-8:30 p.m. Mondays in the lower level of Our Lady of Loretto Church, Six Mile and Beech Daly, Redford. Call (313) 534-9000.

**Fall registration**

Spiritus Sanctus Academy is accepting registration for fall for its academies in Plymouth and Ann Arbor. The private, Catholic schools grades K-8, are run by the Dominican Sisters of Mary, Mother of the Eucharist at 10450 Joy Road, Plymouth, call (734) 414-8430, and 4101 East Joy Road, Ann Arbor, call (734) 996-3855.

**ONGOING**

**Learner's Bible study**  
7 p.m. Mondays, in Room A101, at Ward Presbyterian Church, 40000 W. Six Mile, Northville. Call (248) 374-5920.

**Church service**  
Loving God by loving people, meets 10 a.m. Sunday, at Westwood Community Church, 1119 Newburgh, Westland. Donuts and coffee served. Call (734) 254-0093.

**Bible study**  
Two classes meet 10 a.m. to noon the first and third Wednesdays, and 7-9 p.m. the first and third Thursdays, at St. Michael's Catholic Church, on Plymouth at Hubbard, Livonia. The Wednesday group is studying Women of Courage in the Bible. The Thursday session is reading the Letters of St. Paul from prison. Based on Little Rock Scripture Series. Call (734) 261-1455.

**School registration**  
Hosanna-Tabor Lutheran School is accepting applications for grades PK-8 for the 2006-2007 school year, at 9600 Laverne, Redford. After school care 3-6 p.m. Call (734) 937-2233 for information.

**Bible study**  
Classes 9:30 a.m. Sunday, and 7 p.m. Wednesday, at Riverside Park Church of God, 11771 Newburgh, Livonia. Call (734) 464-0990. On Sunday Family Worship begins at 10:45 a.m.

**UPCOMING**

**Bible and playtime**  
For moms and tots 10-11 a.m. Wednesdays beginning July 12, at Vineyard Church of Farmington Hills 29200 Shiwasee (by Middlebelt and 9 mile). No charge. For information, call (248) 766-0143.

**Free event**  
For students entering fifth through seventh grade, meet new friends, bring old friends, games, ice cream, make no-sew blankets for charity 7-10 p.m. Friday, July 21, at St. Aidan Catholic Church, 17500 Farmington Road, Livonia. RSVP to (734) 425-9333.

**Crafters wanted**  
For the St. Thomas A'Becket Church Christmas Craft Show to be held 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 2, at 555 S. Lilley Road, Canton. The church is now accepting applications for handmade crafts only. Call (734) 981-1333.

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**HERBERT LESLIE BROWNFIELD**  
Age 95, June 12, 2006. Beloved husband of the late Helen. Loving father of William (Carolyn). Proud grandfather of Laura (Paul) Andoni, Michael, and the late Brian. Beloved great grandfather of Christopher and Matthew. Herbert worked at Chrysler Corporation from 1941 through his retirement in 1976. He was active in BASCC (Birmingham Area Senior Citizens Council) and Kiwanis International. Visitation, Wm. R. Hamilton Co., 820 E. Maple Rd., Birmingham, Friday, 3 to 7:00 PM. Funeral Mass, St. Regis Catholic Church, 3695 Lincoln Drive at Lahser, Bloomfield Twp., Saturday, June 17th at 10:00 A.M. In lieu of flowers, tributes may be made to BASCC or Kiwanis International.

**ALICE M. PATTON**  
Age 91, of Birmingham, died Wednesday, June 7, 2006 in Gaylord. Mrs. Patton was born in Detroit on August 7, 1914. During the 1930's and the early 40's she worked as a bookkeeper for the National Bank of Detroit and volunteered as an ambulance driver for the Red Cross during World War II. On October 6, 1942 she married Harvey William Patton, a reporter, then managing editor of the Detroit News. After her marriage, she became a homemaker and raised four children. During the 1980's to the mid 1990's she volunteered at Providence Hospital in Southfield. For the last 15 years, she had been working-out 3 times each week at the Beaumont Cardiac Rehabilitation Center and taking classes in Tai Chi. Mrs. Patton was preceded in death by her husband Harvey William; her son and daughter in-law Harvey William Jr. and Pamela; her grandson, Scott Patton and her brothers Martin and James Jeremiah Gibbons. She is survived by her children, Anne T. Patton and her husband, George Mesritz of Birmingham, James M. Patton and his wife, Heidi Cook of Farmington, Mary Alice Patton of Chicago; and grandson, Daniel Colby Patton of Farmington. A memorial mass will be held Thursday, June 15, 2006, at 11 AM at Holy Name Catholic Church in Birmingham. Memorial contributions may be made to the Capuchin Soup Kitchen, 1820 Mt. Elliot, Detroit, MI 48207. Arrangements were handled by Nelson Funeral Home, PO Box 1548, Gaylord, MI 49734.

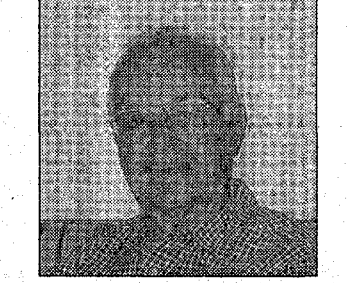
**VIRGINIA K. GIBBONS**  
Age 88, a resident of Bloomfield Hills since 1965, died June 12, 2006 at Mercy Bellbrook in Rochester Hills. Mrs. Gibbons was born November 24, 1917 in Chicago, Illinois. Mrs. Gibbons graduated from Purdue University with a Bachelors of Science, with a major in Chemistry and became DuPont's first female Chemist. Mrs. Gibbons was a member of the Christ Child Society and an active member of the Church of St. Owen in Bloomfield Hills. She enjoyed golf, gardening, travel, shopping, lunch, jewelry, but especially spending time with her children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Mrs. Gibbons is survived by her children, James, Patrick (Phyllis), Mary Lynn (Ron) Esak and Kathleen Ann Potter; 9 grandchildren and 5 great-grandchildren. Mrs. Gibbons is preceded in death by her beloved husband of 55 years, Martin Gibbons. Funeral from St. Owen Church, 6869 Franklin Rd., Bloomfield Hills, Thursday 11am. Friends may visit at church beginning at 10:30am. Visitation at Lynch & Sons Funeral Home, 1368 N. Crooks Rd. (between 14-15 Mile Rds.) Wednesday 5-8pm. Scripture service 7:30pm. Interment in Holy Sepulchre Cemetery, Southfield. Contributions appreciated to the Parkinson Foundation, 30400 Telegraph Rd., Suite 150, Bingham Farms, MI 48025-5819.

**MARGARET E. "PEGGY" HEBER**  
June 8, 2006. Age 84. Beloved mother of Mitchell (Christine), Patrice and Kim (Howard) Campbell. Dear grandmother of 6 grandchildren and 3 great grandchildren. Also survived by several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her husband, Paul, and a son, Eric. Memorial service will be Monday, June 19 at Saint Daniel Church, 7010 Valley Park Drive, Clarkston at 10 am.

**MARLENE VAN PATTEN**  
Age 62, June 12, 2006. Beloved wife of William. Dear mother of Deanna Harper (Dennis) Pechler, Martin (Elizabeth) and Steven (Michelle). Loving grandmother of 12, great grandmother of 9. Sister of Shirley Kropidowski, Harley Jerde, Eugene Jerde and Larry Jerde. Visitation Wednesday 4-9pm at Harry J. Will Funeral Home, 37000 Six Mile Road, (E.1-275). Funeral service 1pm at Peace Evangelical Lutheran Church, 9415 Merriman Road. In state noon. Memorials may be made to Huron Valley Lutheran High School.

**PHILLIP CALVIN VAILS**  
Born in Detroit, Michigan on January 21, 1987. He was preceded in death by his mother, Yve Loren Vails and his great-grandmother, Dorothy Howard. Phillip accepted Christ at an early age and was very active at Friendship Baptist Church from then on. He was a member of the Jubilee Chorus, served as President of the Youth Department as well as President of the Junior Usher Board. Phillip also served as Vice-President of the Progressive National Baptist Convention Midwest Region Youth in addition to other spiritual activities. Phillip graduated from Southfield Senior High School in 2005 with honors. He spent his summers working as a Day Camp Counselor for Southfield Parks and Recreation. He was a member of the Thespian Troupe 1509, TechnoJays, and the Madrigal Choir. Phillip was among the first people to receive the Alexander Hamilton Award for Achievement. He was also Chair of the Youth Advisory Committee, a Southfield community service organization. Through Y.A.C., Phillip was asked to travel to South Carolina in order to promote the importance of community service during his senior year of high school. Phillip continued his education at Michigan State University where he majored in General Management and succeeded as an honors student. His activities included Professional African-Americans Networking, the Multi-Racial Unity Living Experience, and an internship for CollegeWorks Painting as a manager. Phillip made sure that God came first in his life and through all the hardships and adversity he faced, he never faltered. He was warm and kind, as well as genuinely nice and loving. He loved his family and had nothing but high hopes for them. Phillip loved music and was always rapping his gospel or his feelings. He went by the name of Preach. He was very proud that his music was positive, creative, and unique. He never failed to mention his love of God. Phillip's sense of humor was transcendent as he often managed to leave a room in stitches. His outlook was extremely positive, his spirit was strong, and he will always be remembered for his unforgettable smile. Phillip is survived by his aunts, Vivian Williams, Nancy Andrews (Michael), Juliette Crawford (Wallace), uncle Marlon Vails, guardians Paul and Linda Cooper, cousins Andrea Humanic, Terrance Vails, Thomas Vails and a host of family and friends. [www.sullivanfuneraldirectors.com](http://www.sullivanfuneraldirectors.com)

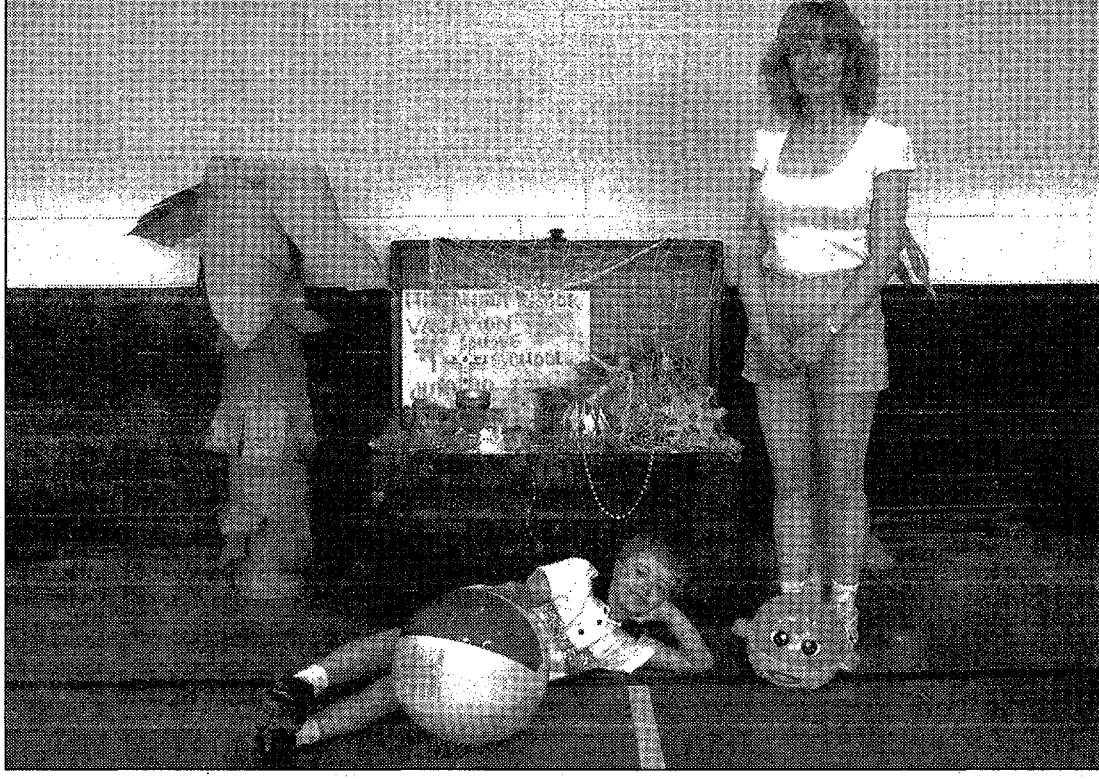
**MICHAEL G. CAPPEL**  
Born February 28, 1940, died June 11, 2006. Michael is survived by his partner, Joy; his four children, Michele, Melissa, Maureen, and Mick; his sisters, Gayle, and Jayne; and his grandchildren, Amanda, Ashton, and Pierce. He is loved and will be sorely missed and will be welcomed into his new home by his granddaughter, Alexandra. All are welcome and encouraged to attend a memorial service, at the Iverson Residence (please call 248-477-5985 for more information/directions) to celebrate Michael's life, at 5pm on June 16, 2006. To commemorate his service to the U.S. Air Force, an honor guard salute will take place at 7:30 pm. We look forward to seeing you there and helping us to share in his memories.



**WILLIAM "BILL" STOUT**  
Age 76, of Plymouth, passed away June 13, 2006. Bill was a real estate agent in the Plymouth area since 1978. He retired after 30 years of service in 1978 with the Wayne County Road Commission serving as a Fleet Manager. He came to Plymouth in 1937 from Howard City, Michigan. He was a member of Calvary Baptist Church in Plymouth. Bill was a avid sports fan; U of M football and playing golf, he enjoyed very much. Bill's family, especially his grandchildren, is what he lived for. He is survived by loving wife of 40 years, Mary; his children, Thomas (Jeanne), Michael (Beth), and Susan (Daniel) Gerken; grandchildren, Zachary, Kiersten, Brendan, Madelyn, Alex, Jack, Lauren, Conor, Abigail; brothers, John and Robert (Colleen), and sister, Mary Maxey; Many nieces and nephews also survive. Funeral service Saturday, 11:00am, at the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home, 280 South Main, Plymouth. Visitation Thursday, 3-9pm, and Friday, 1-9pm. Memorials may be made to the Bill Stout Memorial Fund, c/o the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home, or to the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society, Michigan Chapter, 1421 East 12 Mile Rd., Bldg. A, Madison Heights, Michigan 48071.

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Debbie Pranschke and son Joseph can't wait for the Vacation Bible School June 19-23, at Hosanna-Tabor Lutheran Church in Redford. This year's theme is a treasure hunt.

**Vacation Bible schools create Christian adventures**

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN  
STAFF WRITER

In the next several days Debbie Pranschke plans to move a large, black trunk to Hosanna-Tabor Lutheran Church in Redford. No, she's not donating it for a rummage sale, but borrowing it from a church member for this year's Vacation Bible School. The chest demonstrates the theme that Jesus is our greatest treasure.

Vacation Bible Schools around the area are assembling decorations to turn churches into treasure hunts, fiestas and the arctic this summer.

Pranschke, director of VBS and Sunday School at Hosanna-Tabor Lutheran Church, promises students (ages 3 to sixth grade) will have fun looking for clues that lead them to treasure 6-8:40 p.m. Monday-Friday, June 19-23. In fact, her son Joseph has invited several of his friends to come along.

For the first time this year, parents have the opportunity to stay for a Timeless Treasures Bible Study while their children attend the Treasure Cove VBS at the church, 9600 Laverne, north of W. Chicago, east of Inkster. Children, who are registered in advance, receive a CD of the music played during VBS. For more information, call (734) 591-6367 or (734) 422-3536. There is no charge.

Joseph attended his first VBS at age 3. He's now 7 and looking forward to the Bible stories, music, crafts, games, skits, and snacks at VBS.

"He very much enjoys learning about God," said Pranschke. "He's excited about that, particularly about VBS because there is so much fun involved. I think it's a great thing to have the kids learn about God in a fun setting."

**COVENANT COMMUNITY CHURCH**

A Very Veggie VBS is sure to intrigue children from ages 4 through

sixth grade 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Monday-Friday, June 19-23, at Covenant Community Church off Beech Daly, north of Five Mile, in Redford. No charge. Pre-registration appreciated, but not required. Call (313) 535-3100.

"It's based on Veggie Tales, a popular cartoon. The characters are vegetables," said Tammy Davey, who teaches the adult Bible school running concurrently with the kids' Veggie Tales directed by Kelly Govan.

"There will be crafts, music, games, snacks, and prizes for the kids. This is the first time for the adult Bible school. You can come and grow in Christ while you participate. Come alone or bring a friend even if you don't have a child in VBS. There's a nursery provided and it's also free. Adults will also do a craft - garden stones."

**MT. VERNON BAPTIST CHURCH**

It's a chilling experience at Mt. Vernon Baptist Church in Redford. An Arctic Edge Vacation Bible School takes place 6:15-8:35 p.m. Monday-Friday, June 19-23, for ages 3-17, at the church, 8828 Wormer. No charge. Call (313) 537-7480.

**TRINITY CHURCH**

This year's theme is 'No matter where you are, Jesus makes a world of difference' (for kids entering kindergarten through sixth grade, 9 a.m. to noon Monday-Friday, June 19-23, at the church, 10101 W. Ann Arbor Road at Gotfredson, Plymouth. There is no charge for the kids VBS or a special program for parents. Parent Time is for parents of VBS kids. There will be presentations, projects and an opportunity to become familiar with the Bible stories your child is learning.

"We'll be traveling to five different countries," said Karen Hader, children's director. "Trading Places is the theme. We'll make it look like an airport in China, Brazil. It will be a busy week."

For more information, call (734) 459-9550.

**WARD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

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meets courage 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Monday-Friday, June 19-23, for students entering kindergarten through entering seventh grade. Kids enjoy inflatables, crafts and loads of arctic adventures, at the church, 40000 Six Mile, Northville. No charge. Call (248) 374-5975.

**MEMORIAL CHURCH OF CHRIST**

Jerusalem Marketplace: Where Jesus Walked to the Cross, is the theme of this year's VBS 6:30-8:30 p.m. Monday-Friday, June 19-23, at the church, 35475 Five Mile, Livonia. Call (734) 464-6722.

**GARDEN CITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

Vacation Bible School to seek the treasure found in the Bible 5:30-8:30 p.m. Monday-Thursday, June 26-29. Each day children take part in an actual dig and find treasures that remind them of the Bible story and God's promise for that day, at the church, 1841 Middlebelt, south of Ford Road. To register, call (734) 421-7620. There is also a light dinner and adult Bible study.

**BETHEL BAPTIST TEMPLE**

SonTreasure Island is the VBS theme 6:30-8:30 p.m. Monday-Friday, June 26-30. Activities conclude with a Family Fun Night 6:30 p.m. June 30, at Bethel Baptist Temple, 29475 Six Mile, Livonia. Call (734) 525-3664.

**HOLY CROSS EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH**

Treasure Cove theme 9:30 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. Monday-Friday, June 26-30, for ages 3-11, at the church, 30650 Six Mile, Livonia. No charge. Call (734) 427-1414 or visit [www.holycrosslivonia.org](http://www.holycrosslivonia.org)

**HOLY TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH**

Fiesta: Where kids are fired up about Jesus 9 a.m. to noon Monday-Friday, July 17-21, at the church, 39020 Five Mile, Livonia. Cost is \$18 for first child, \$15 each additional child. A CD of the week's music may be pre-purchased for \$6. Call (734) 464-0211.

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# Plenty to do for you: Get a caffeine fix, call Dad, this week in Wayne County

## NOTE TO COFFEE-LOVERS

Beaner's Coffee, an East Lansing-based franchise, has come to Western Wayne County. The Canton store, located on the corner of Canton Center and Ford roads, opened its doors on May 30, while the Livonia store, on the corner of Farmington and Plymouth roads, began serving its customers on June 5. Both locations offer cozy areas to sit and enjoy a cup of coffee, or take advantage of free wireless Internet access. "My family lived in Lansing

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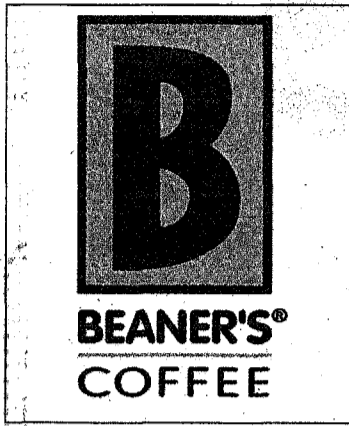
special coffee varieties, as well as pastries, fruit, soups and sandwiches. Canton's Beaner's Coffee is at 45430 Ford Road. Hours are 6 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday-Saturday, and 7 a.m. to 9 p.m. Sunday. The Livonia Beaner's Coffee store is at 33328 Plymouth Road. Hours are 5:30 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday-Saturday and 7 a.m. to 9 p.m. Sunday. For more information see the Web at www.beaners.com.

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Livonia's Bright House Networks office wants you to reach out and talk to Dad this week. Just in time for Father's Day - June 18 - the company is offering free use of its video e-mail and digital phone service systems to metro area residents. "We are thrilled to be able to offer these free services for Father's Day to our customers and other people in the area," said Robert McCann, president

of Bright House Networks of Michigan. "This would be such a great surprise for fathers who might be serving in the military overseas to receive a video e-mail from a loved one." Stop by between 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. on Thursday, June 15, or Friday, June 16, at 4525 Farmington Road in Livonia - all to take advantage of the communication technology. Video e-mail services allow visitors to send personalized video greetings to family mem-

bers. And the company's digital phone service can be accessed to call loved ones for free - anywhere in the U.S., Canada, Guam, Puerto Rico, the U.S. Virgin Islands or N. Marianna Islands. Stephanie Angelyn Casola writes about new and changing businesses for the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers. E-mail tips on your new, favorite Wayne County shop to scasola@hometownlife.com or call (734) 953-2054.



## State increases summer gas pump inspections

State officials noted that with the start of the summer driving season, consumers can pump gas at Michigan service stations confident that they are receiving both the quantity and quality of fuel they are expecting. "While Michigan consumers wait for the Bush Administration to address to rising price of gas, they can rest assured that the state is doing everything that they get what they pay for at the pump," said Gov. Jennifer M. Granholm. "We have significantly increased the number of trained inspectors in the field and they are on the road seven days a week testing motor fuel quality and calibrating pumps to make certain consumers are protected."

The Michigan Department of Agriculture (MDA) inspected 7,000 pumps in fiscal year 2005 and is expected to increase that number by 50 percent during this fiscal year. MDA typically responds to complaints within 24-48 hours, with gasoline quality complaints receiving top priority. With the increased number of inspectors on the job, there will be additional random and unannounced inspections, as well.

"As the consumer watchdog at the gas pump, we take our motor fuel responsibility very seriously," said MDA Director Mitch Irwin. "Our inspectors are in the field seven days a week, but true vigilance requires everyone's help."

Irwin encouraged consumers to help by: Looking for the green Weights and Measures sticker on the gas pump, which verifies that the pump has been inspected and is in proper working order.

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Pictured are 21 recently graduated Plymouth High School multi-sport athletes who helped build the foundation for the school's athletic program. Pictured are (top row from bottom) Kim Olech, Laura Schultz, Jackie Dorre, Janet Hanchett, Josh Le Duc, Colleen Flaherty, Jeanine Moise, Alex Harvey, Shaun Bailey, Ali Youssef, Taylor Fox, (bottom row from bottom) Lauren Stemberger, Katie Hughes, Elaine Lafayette, Amanda Kanaan, Kelly Buttermore, Amy Ostrowski, Sean Dillon, Jim Wilbur, Andy Knisely and Ryan Stamm.

## Sidelines

### Ultra Schmitt

Canton sophomore Allison Schmitt had a busy weekend at the talent-laden Charlotte Ultra-Swim competition June 9-11 in Charlotte, N.C. Swimming for the nationally acclaimed Club Wolverine team, Schmitt competed in five events, placing as high as seventh (2:05.75) in the 200-yard freestyle. Schmitt also placed 12th in the 100 freestyle (58.66 seconds); 20th in the 400 freestyle (4:24.60); 35th in the 100 butterfly (1:06.75); and 44th in the 200 butterfly (2:27.49). The 16-year-old Schmitt was racing against collegiate and Olympics-caliber athletes.

### Wildcat camps

The Plymouth High school football program will be hosting the following camps in the upcoming weeks:  
 ■ A football fundamentals camp for players from 5th to 9th grades from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. on June 26-28. To download an application, visit [www.football.plymouth-wildcats.com](http://www.football.plymouth-wildcats.com); and  
 ■ A Plymouth football development camp for players in 10th, 11th and 12th grades on June 26-28 from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. To download an application, visit [www.football.plymouth-wildcats.com](http://www.football.plymouth-wildcats.com).

### Field hockey camp

Livonia Ladywood will stage its 2006 Blazer Field Hockey Day Camp (grades 6 through incoming freshman) from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m. Saturday, June 24, at the high school, located at 14680 Newburgh Road (between I-96 and Five Mile Road). The cost is \$50. All camp participants must provide their own shin guards, mouthpiece, water bottle and field hockey stick (some available to sign out at camp). Rubber cleats are recommended. You must also bring a sack lunch. All campers will receive a camp T-shirt. An athletic trainer will be on-site. Call the Ladywood athletic department at (734) 591-2323.

### Hawks cruise

Oakland University's Kristi Swaving scored four times Saturday as the Michigan Hawks defeated the host Fort Wayne (Ind.) Fever for the second time this season, 5-0, in W-League soccer action at Hefner Stadium. Jessica Boyle added the fifth goal late in the game, tallying her first of the year. The loss dropped the Fever to 0-3-1. The Hawks head Saturday to Minneapolis to face the 3-1 Lightning before going Sunday to Chicago to face the Midwest Division co-leaders, the Gaels.

# The Foundation Builders

## Plymouth's 1st class of student-athletes sets successful tone for future classes

Lauren Stemberger wasn't alone when she walked into her first "Bigger, Faster, Stronger" workout session in the Plymouth High School gymnasium one hot summer day in 2002.

She was accompanied by several hyperactive butterflies that fluttered around wildly in her stomach. "I still remember that day like it was yesterday," Stemberger recalled last week. "I was pretty nervous and I had a lot of butterflies. Everything was new - the school, the students, the coaches. I was

excited, but I was apprehensive, too, because I knew nothing was going to be done for us. We weren't going to have older teammates that we could fall back on when things weren't going well.

"More than anything, I was excited because I knew that since we were the first class, we had a chance to establish the tradition at Plymouth High School. I was excited about the challenge."

Stemberger wasn't alone when she walked out of that ground-breaking BFS session two hours later. Instead of butterflies, however, she was accompanied by several new friends and teammates who

### NOTEWORTHY ACHIEVEMENTS

- Following is a partial list of on-the-field accomplishments members of the Plymouth High School class of 2006 have chalked up:
- The softball team has captured three District titles in four years; this year the Wildcats won the WLAA Western Division crown;
  - The 2005 football team qualified for the D1 state playoffs in its first year with seniors;
  - The girls basketball team won the WLAA Western Division title in 2005;
  - The volleyball team was the co-champion of the WLAA Western Division in 2004-05; and
  - The Wildcats boys track team was the co-champion of the WLAA Western Division this past season.

PLEASE SEE PLYMOUTH, B3

# One bad inning sidelines Chiefs

BY ED WRIGHT  
STAFF WRITER

One miserable half-inning can't spoil a spectacular softball season. But it can go a long way toward ending one. Canton discovered that fact the hard way Saturday afternoon when a mistake-plagued fifth inning led to four Monroe runs and a 5-2 Trojan victory in a Division 1 Regional semifinal contest played at Saline High School. The setback ended the Chiefs' season at 28-5-1. Monroe improved to 27-8, but was eliminated a few hours later by Southgate Anderson in the Regional final. "First of all, Monroe has a good ballclub - give them credit," said Canton coach Jim Arnold. "Vince (Rossi) does a nice job over there. We just had a couple of mistakes in that



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Canton sophomore pitcher Hilary Payne pitched well in the Chiefs' 5-2 loss to Monroe Saturday afternoon. The southpaw yielded just six hits in six innings of work.

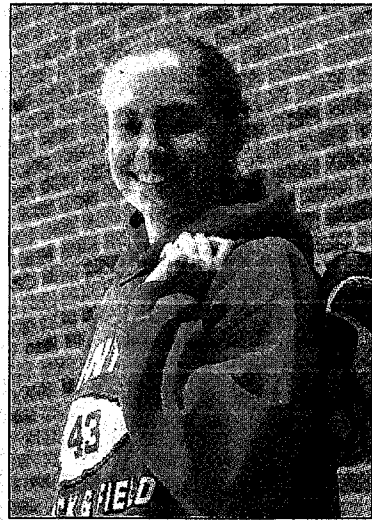
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# McCormack ends career with style

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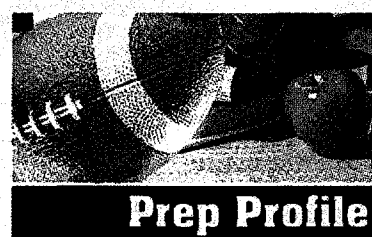
BY ED WRIGHT  
STAFF WRITER

Becky McCormack's final lap of the 1,600-meter run at the Division 1 Regional girls track-and-field meet May 19 was something straight out of a Disney movie. There was drama, a compelling storyline and a popular athlete - McCormack - who was trying to put the finishing touches on an against-the-odds feat. The only difference was McCormack, a senior captain on the Canton track-and-field team, wasn't sure if her quest for a D1 state meet qualifying time was going to have a Disney-like happy ending as she rounded the second turn and caught a glimpse of the ticking clock on the scoreboard. "With 300 meters to go, I could see the clock and I knew I'd have to run the rest of the race in under a minute if I was going to qualify for the state meet," the senior said. "I knew it



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Canton senior Becky McCormack wrapped up her stellar high school track-and-field career by qualifying for the Division 1 state meet June 3 in East Kentwood. McCormack earned a combined eight varsity letters in track and cross country.



PLEASE SEE MCCORMACK, B5

### Prep Profile

# Young and talented runners give Salem reasons for hope

BY ED WRIGHT  
STAFF WRITER

Like a sprinter who gets out of the blocks cleanly, first-year Salem track-and-field coach Kyle Meteyer is focusing on what's in front of him: not what's in the rear-view mirror.

Although the Rocks failed to win a dual meet in Meteyer's inaugural year at the helm, he's excited about the future thanks to a core of young runners that should make Salem a force to be reckoned with in the not-too-distant future.

"We looked ahead to the future a lot this year because we didn't have a lot of experience or a lot of depth," said Meteyer. "But I like our potential. We have some very talented freshmen, sophomores and some first-year juniors coming back next season who found themselves filling varsity roles this year.

"I challenged the guys on a couple of points at our banquet last week. We need more depth next year, so I told the guys to use a little peer pressure on their friends and encourage them to run track next spring. We have a good core of athletes, but you need more depth if we're going to win the dual meets we want to win next year.

"I also challenged them to work as hard as they can during the off-season. I asked them to lift weights, run cross country, play football — whatever it takes to improve. Good track teams work 12 months a year. If you wait until March to get ready, it's too late."

Among the young athletes the Rocks will be counting on to carry the program back to the

upper-echelon of the Western Lakes Activities Association are freshmen:

■ Rob Curtis, whose 1,600-meter time of 4:52 was sixth-best at the Bolger-Mangan meet in April;

■ Brandon Goble, who was clocked in 2:17 in a leg of a 3,200-meter relay earlier in the season;

■ Jace Bearden, who high-jumped a team-best 5 feet, 10 inches; ran under 56 seconds in the 400-meter dash and under 2:20 in the 800;

■ Alex Covert, who shows potential in both the 200 and 400;

■ Richard Lorey, a promising young hurdler; and

■ Pat Patin, who was clocked in 12.0 in the 100-meter dash.

Sophomores who impressed Meteyer this season were:

■ Scott Dreaver, who was clocked in 2:17 in the 800, 56.0 in the 400 and turned in a team-best long jump of 19-3;

■ Kevin de Bear, Craig Cowing and Justin Kane, who give the Rocks depth and talent in the middle- and long-distance events;

■ Jesse Pointer, who has flashed potential in sprints and jumping events; and

■ Mike Giles, who could be one of the team's top hurdlers in 2007.

"There are a lot of other young guys who haven't seen the varsity rotation quite yet, but who probably will very soon," Meteyer concluded.

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The future is bright for the Salem boys track team thanks to a talented group of underclassmen. Pictured are (front row from the left) Justin Kane, Kevin de Bear, Alexander Covert, (standing from the left) Craig Cowing, Mike Giles, Stephan Telenko, Jesse Pointer and Rob Curtis.

# Whalers' home games to get earlier start

The Ontario Hockey League's Plymouth Whalers will start home games earlier in 2006-07 at the Compuware Sports Arena. The Whalers — in response to their season ticket holders and fans — have moved the starting time of most of their home games to 7:05 p.m. from 7:30 p.m.

"We're a family-driven business," said Plymouth director of corporate sales and marketing Rob Murphy. "Moving our home games up to 7:05 will allow families to see the Whalers and leave most evenings by 9:35. That's important when you have children."

"We thank our season-ticket holders and fans for the suggestion."

The Whalers are holding ticket prices at \$14 for center-ice seating and \$10 for executive reserved.

The Whalers will open the 2006-07 season in Sarnia on Friday, Sept. 22. Plymouth's home opener is slated for the following night against Erie.

The Whalers' schedule features 48 games against Western Conference opponents, with 28 of those games within the West Division (eight each against Saginaw and Windsor; six each against Sault Ste. Marie and Sarnia) and 20 against Midwest Division opponents. The remaining 20 games are against Eastern Conference foes.

Saturday remains the pri-

mary home date for the Whalers, with 19 Saturday nights leading the way. Plymouth plays 10 home games on Fridays, two on Sunday afternoon and one each on Monday, Wednesday and Thursday.

Plymouth will play its annual holiday matinee on Thursday, Dec. 28, at 2 p.m. against Windsor. The Whalers' annual "Green-Out" game will be played on Sunday, March 11, at 2 p.m. against Sault Ste. Marie.

The current OHL-champion Peterborough Petes make their only trip into Plymouth on Saturday, Nov. 25. Interstate rival Saginaw comes to the Compuware Sports Arena on Nov. 17, Dec. 1, Jan. 6 and Jan.

15, while the Whalers play at Saginaw's Dow Event Center on Sept. 27, Oct. 29, Jan. 12 and Feb. 21.

A wide range of promotions are planned for the upcoming season, providing families with a fun-filled event while watching a young team on the rise. The Whalers won its eighth West Division title since 1995 last season with a record of 35-28-1-4.

Season tickets for the 2006-07 season start at \$239 for 34 home games and are available by calling the Compuware Sports Arena box office at (734) 453-8400. Fans purchasing new tickets or renewing current season tickets before July 15 are eligible to win "early bird" prizes.

# Plymouth Whalers sign key defenseman

The Plymouth Whalers signed 16-year-old defenseman Frank Grzeszczak, an 11th-round draft pick of the team in the 2005 Ontario Hockey League draft.

"We're very happy to have Frank in Plymouth," said Whalers president, general manager and head coach Mike Vellucci. "He's an excellent skater who should help us."

Grzeszczak — pronounced GRAY-shack — played last season with Sioux City of the United States Hockey League, where he tallied five goals and nine assists in 50 games.

"I'm excited to be playing for the Whalers," Grzeszczak said. "We're supposed to have an excellent team next season and I really want to be part of that." Plymouth returns at least 12 players next season from a team that compiled a 35-28-14 mark and an OHL West Division title.

Among the returners are National Hockey League draftees Dan Collins (Florida),

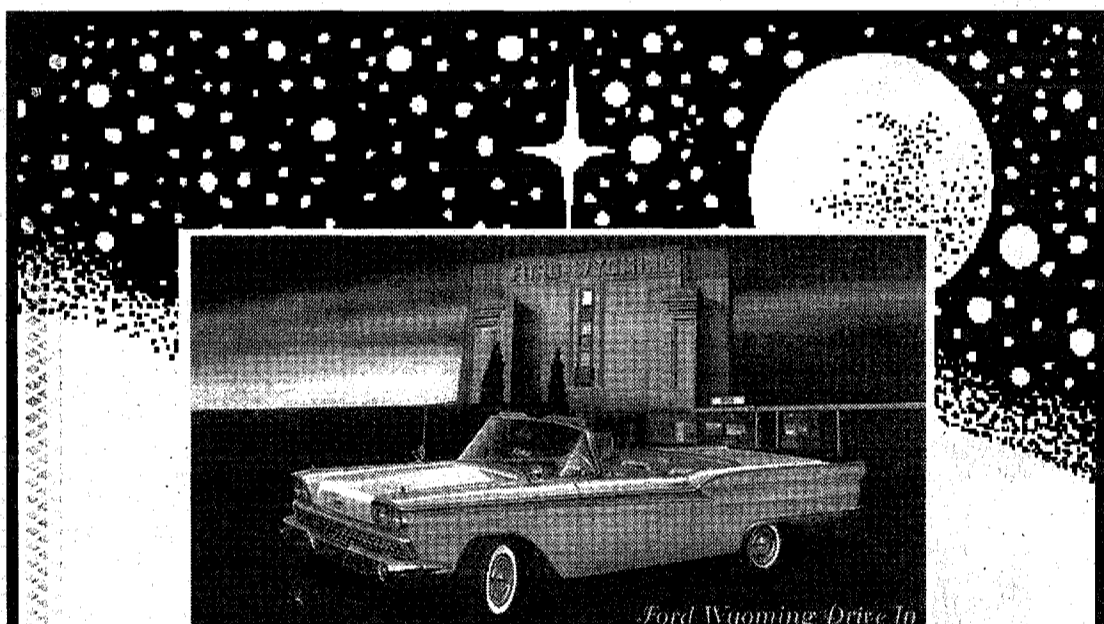
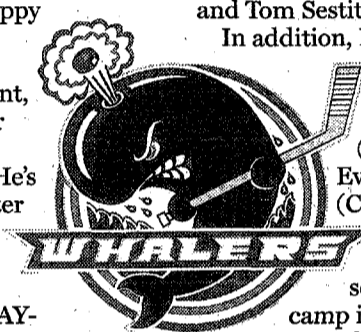
James Neal (Dallas) and Ryan McGinnis (Los Angeles) as well as three Whalers who will be selected in the NHL Entry Draft on June 24 — John Armstrong, Andrew Fournier and Tom Sestito.

In addition, Plymouth could bring back NHL draftees Jared Boll (Columbus) or Evan Brophey (Chicago) as over-age players. Before next season's training camp in late August, Grzeszczak has been selected to participate in the USA Hockey's Select-17 Festival July 8-14 in St. Cloud, MN.

Independent scouting publication "Red Line Report" said this about the newest Whaler at a previous USA Hockey evaluation camp:

"(Grzeszczak has) outstanding feet, the best here. Jumps smartly into the offense and has recovery speed."

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## PLYMOUTH

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would join her over the next four years in building the foundation for their new school's athletic program.

"It's funny, but by the end of that first BFS workout, I felt right at home here," she said. "Some of the people I met in that first class are some of my best friends today. One of them - Katie Hughes - is going to be my roommate at Michigan State in the fall."

## UNIQUE OPPORTUNITY

In most ways, Stemberger and her 400-plus freshmen classmates faced the same challenges, obstacles and goals that the ninth-graders at Canton and Salem encountered that summer. Everything about high school for every student - regardless of whether they're attending a new school or one that's been around for 30 years - is more demanding: from the season-opening sports practices to the semester-ending exams.

What made the situation unique for the young student-athletes at Plymouth was that they were on the front lines when it came to building an identity for a school that was without one.

And they had to become leaders - whether they were ready for it or not.

Alex Harvey was more than ready.

"I was super excited about the opportunity I was given to help set the groundwork for the new school's athletic program," said Harvey, who has earned varsity letters in both basketball and baseball. "We wanted to establish the school's reputation based on our character, work ethic and teamwork, and I think we did that."

## MIXED EMOTIONS

Not every student-athlete was overjoyed when they first found out they would be part of Plymouth's historical first class.

"I wasn't happy about it at all when I found out I drew Plymouth," admitted Andy Knisely, a state-qualifying swimmer the past four years. "I was really into swimming and I wanted to go to Salem or Canton because they had



Several multi-sport athletes from Plymouth's first graduating class congregated in the school's gym one last time on June 8.

established programs.

"Now, looking back, going to Plymouth was the best thing that could have happened to me because I participated in sports other than swimming, which helped me get into West Point. If I would have went to Canton or Salem, I probably would have just swam. Things worked out really well."

Hughes, who participated in swimming, soccer, volleyball and tennis, said the freshman season was a challenging one for the girls swim team, which had just seven athletes on its roster.

"The good news was that we all had our own lane for practices," Hughes said, smiling. "The bad news was that when you only have seven swimmers, you're not going to win many meets, which we didn't. We didn't win, but we stayed patient and knew that eventually things would get better."

## YEAR OF GROWTH

Not surprisingly, a large

majority of the Plymouth student-athletes I interviewed last week agreed that the junior year was the roughest for them competition-wise.

"Almost every team we lined up against was bigger and stronger than we were that year because they had seniors and we didn't," said Taylor Fox, who will play football at Hope College in the fall. "We learned quickly that one year of growth and experience between the junior and senior years can make all the difference in the world."

"Our coaches kind of tricked us before we played Canton our junior year," Fox said, chuckling. "They told us that if we went out there and played hard and gave it everything we had, we could be competitive. Well, we got smoked, but we learned about perseverance."

"The junior year was the hardest because the speed of the game and the caliber of play we went up against was so much better than what we saw

at the JV level," said basketball player Kim Olech. "It took a while to adjust. We were better our senior years because of what we went through as juniors."

More than one Wildcat said the senior year was the toughest.

"That's the year we had to live up to all the expectations we set for ourselves and that others set for us," said wrestler/soccer player Ali Youssef.

## MISSION ACCOMPLISHED

Less than four years after they walked into the Plymouth gym for that initial BFS workout, the members of the Plymouth Class of 2006 have reason to be proud.

They successfully built the school's athletic foundation. And it is strong.

Ed Wright is sports editor for the Plymouth/Canton Observers.

## CHIEFS

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one inning that are mistakes we don't usually make. We had some communication problems that cost us a couple of runs.

"But when you finish 28-5 like we did, it's hard to be too disappointed. I'm extremely proud of each and every one of these players for the season they had."

Canton's chances of advancing to the Regional final game unraveled like a worn out softball in the bottom of the fifth when the Trojans capitalized on three hits and three Chief errors - one physical and two mental. The Trojans' No. 7 hitter opened the frame with a single and was promptly sacrificed to second. The next batter hit a ground that was snagged by Canton third baseman Brittany Scero, who looked back at the runner at second before firing to first. However, the throw was a split-second too late, leaving Trojans at first and second with one out.

Monroe lead-off hitter Jenna Kloster then hit a routine grounder to Chief shortstop Lauren Delapaz, who had to eat the ball when no one covered first.

Canton sophomore hurler Hilary Payne nearly escaped the jam unharmed when she caught Amanda Straub's soft line drive for the second out, but clean-up hitter Kendra Stadler delivered a clutch two-out hit that emptied the bases.

Monroe tacked on an insurance run when Jessica Irwin blooped a single into left, scoring Stadler.

During the early going, the game appeared to be one of those whoever-scores-first-wins battles. Payne retired the first 10 batters she faced while Irwin, a hard-throwing right-hander, yielded just an infield single to Sarah Anthony and a walk to Rachel Beaudoin in the opening three innings.

Canton struck first in the fourth when with one out Anthony laced a double and advanced to third on Kimmie Keppen's single. Payne helped her own cause when she delivered an RBI single to plate Anthony with the game's first run.

With Chiefs on second and

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Jim Arnold  
Canton coach

third with one out, Irwin recorded a strikeout and a popout to subdue the Canton rally.

Monroe tied the game 1-1 in its half of the inning when Straub reached on an error, went to second on Stadler's infield single and scored on Irwin's hit.

Trailing 5-1, the Chiefs mounted a semi-rally in the sixth when Delapaz walked, stole second and scored from second on a wild pitch.

Alyssia Johnson singled and advanced to second on a wild pitch with one out in the seventh, but the senior right-fielder was stranded when Irwin handled the next two batters easily.

Payne performed well in defeat, yielding just six hits in six innings. Only two of the runs she surrendered were earned.

"It's exciting when you have a sophomore throwing like she does," said Arnold, looking ahead to next season. "Plus we have a couple of very good junior pitchers, so we have to be pleased."

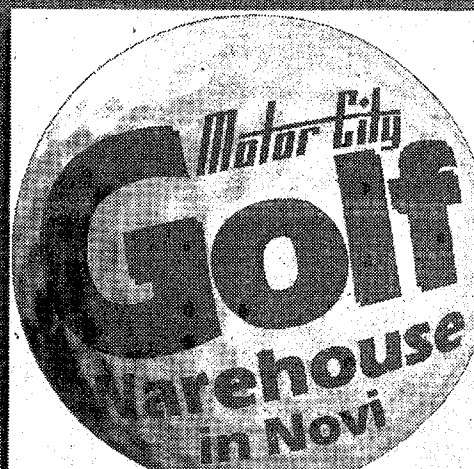
Irwin contained the Chiefs' healthy bats as well as any hurler this season, limiting Canton to five hits while striking out 11.

"She's good," said Arnold. "She has a very good rise ball. We did a good job of laying off it for the most part, but the ump was giving her the outside corner. She struck out our lead-off hitter four times, which is more than she struck out all year."

"Overall, it was a good year. We didn't win our conference or division, but we won the district and the girls played strong right to the end."

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# Girls track team sets the pace

**2006 ALL-OBSERVER GIRLS TRACK & FIELD TEAMS FIELD EVENTS**

**Shot put:** 1. Kyndra Abron, Soph., Livonia Churchill; 2. Jenna Hudy, Sr., Livonia Franklin; 3. Paige Evans, Jr., Livonia Ladywood.

**Discus:** 1. Lauren Krupsky, Jr., Churchill; 2. Robyn Whalen, Jr., Franklin; 3. Kalliee Hobbs, Jr., Churchill.

**High jump:** 1. Alyssa Supplee, Sr., Franklin; 2. Brittany Petty, Jr., Plymouth; 3. Alex Serowkey, Soph., Ladywood.

**Long jump:** 1. Stephanie Okolo, Soph., Plymouth; 2. Megan Wilson, Jr., Franklin; 3. Chanel Payne, Fr., Westland John Glenn.

**Pole vault:** 1. Allie Vraniak, Sr., Salem; 2. Maria Winkler, Jr., Livonia Stevenson; 3. Kristin Zgoracki, Sr., Churchill.

**100 hurdles:** 1. Brittany Lockhart, Sr., Salem; 2. Diane Burek, Sr., Stevenson; 3. Brittany Gentile, Soph., Stevenson.

**300 hurdles:** 1. Taleece Jackson, Jr., Redford Thurston; 2. Tauri Rothermel, Jr., Churchill; 3. Casey Lynett, Jr., Franklin.

**100 dash:** 1. Lache Wilkins, Sr., Churchill; 2. Mandi Coppola, Jr., Churchill; 3. Lauren Schweske, Jr., Lutheran Westland.

**200:** 1. Ashley Parker, Soph., John Glenn; 2. Marielle Kulling, Sr., Stevenson; 3. Alex Smedley, Fr., Redford Union.

**400:** 1. Allison Janda, Sr., Salem; 2. Katie Monasso, Soph., Ladywood; 3. (tie) Brittany Mrozek, Soph., Stevenson, and Nicole Thornsberry, Jr., Churchill.

**800:** 1. Lisa Arrowsmith, Sr., Stevenson; 2. Rebecca Rehberg, Sr., Stevenson; 3. Amber Cicala, Jr., Stevenson.

**1,600:** 1. Kristen Frey, Jr., Stevenson; 2. Rachel McFarlane, Soph., Churchill; 3. Becky McCormack, Sr., Canton.

**3,200:** 1. Kylene Cieslak, Sr., Churchill; 2. Hannah Cavichio, Jr., Salem; 3. Megan Macerattini, Jr., Churchill.

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**1,600:** 1. Churchill (Tauri Rothermel, Jr.; Alicia Fedrigo, Sr.; Nicole Thornsberry, Jr.; Lache Wilkins, Sr.); 2. Stevenson (Brittany Mrozek, Soph.; Denee Meier, Soph.; Rebecca Rehberg, Sr.; Lisa Arrowsmith, Sr.); 3. Salem (Linda Ling, Fr.; Allison Janda, Sr.; Alexa VanVliet, Soph.; Brittany Lockhart, Sr.).

**3,200:** 1. Stevenson (Rebecca Rehberg, Sr.; Kristen Frey, Jr.; Amber Cicala, Jr.; Lisa Arrowsmith, Sr.); 2. Churchill (Lindsay Graciak, Fr.; Erica Hope, Jr.; Rachel McFarlane, Soph.; Kylene Cieslak, Sr.); 3. Canton (Jennifer Thomas, Sr.; Sarah Thomas, Soph.; Becky McCormack, Sr.; Kelli Bargowski, Sr.).

**COACH OF THE YEAR**  
Keith McDonald

**FIELD EVENTS**

**Kyndra Abron, Jr., Liv. Churchill (shot put):** The sophomore placed eighth in the Division I meet after finishing runner-up at the regional.

She also captured the Western Lakes Activities Association crown with a throw of 39 feet, 5 inches.

Abron also won the WLAA discus title (118-11) and added a fourth at the regional.

"Kyndra has found much success in the throws during her first two seasons," Churchill coach Keith McDonald said. "As she moves into her junior year, her throws coaches and I see great potential. Joe George and John Filatrau have done a fantastic job with the throws all season."

"Kyndra has some huge throws in her next season. I expect to see her competing for an All-State spot in the shot put, and possibly the discus. As she continues to gain strength, her throws are only going to get better."

**Lauren Krupsky, Jr., Liv. Churchill (discus):** The junior earned All-State honors with a seventh-place finish in Division I with a throw of 120-0. She was also runner-up in the WLAA and regional meets.

In the shot put, Krupsky took third at the regional and fourth in the conference. Her best throw came at the state meet (36-7.5).

"Lauren sets her goals high and then works tremendously hard to achieve them," McDonald said. "She's a tremendous athlete who can compete in the sprints, jumps, middle distance and throws."

"She is often the last thrower to leave the rings. She is already making preparations to do even better next season. Working with talented athletes like Kyndra Abron and Kalliee Hobbs has helped her to further her abilities. Her competitive nature in practice is a great plus for Lauren, as well as the rest of our throwers."

**Alyssa Supplee, Sr., Liv. Franklin (high jump):** The senior began the season with a pair of 5-2 performances, only to sit out three weeks after being diagnosed with mononucleosis.

After recovering, Supplee came back strong, including a pair of 5-4 efforts, while qualifying for the state meet for the second time in her career with a jump of 5-2.

She tied for 12th overall in Division I and was WLAA champion with a season-best leap of 5-5.

Supplee holds the Franklin school record at 5-7 and also shares the WLAA mark, set in 2005, with LaTasha Chandler of Westland John Glenn (1998).

"Alyssa has done an outstanding job for us over the past four years," Franklin coach Dave Bjorklund said. "In addition to the high jump, she has run the 100, 200, along with the 400 and 800 relays."

Supplee ranks in the top ten in four different events at Franklin.

"She has been a great leader this year," Bjorklund said. "Her career accomplishments are outstanding, and she is truly one of the best athletes I've ever had the privilege of coaching. We'll really miss her next year."

**Stephanie Okolo, Soph., Plymouth (long jump):** The sophomore got better as the

season progressed. She placed first in the Bolger-Mangum City Meet with an effort of 16 feet, 1.5 inches, the Western Lakes Activities Association conference meet with a 16-10 and the Division 1 Regional competition with a leap of 17-6.75. The two-year letter-winner as already collected five school records in her short high school career.

"Stephanie is a very strong runner who is only going to get better the next two years," said Plymouth coach John Dunn. "She has a lot of potential for future growth."

**Allie Vraniak, Sr., Salem (pole vault):** The four-time varsity letter winner had a season-high 10-foot effort against Westland John Glenn. Vraniak holds the Salem school record with a 10-6 she posted as a junior. The senior placed first in the City Meet and second in both the Division 1 Regional and the WLAA conference meet.

"Allie has a lot of natural athleticism," said Salem coach Julie Montgomery. "She uses that athleticism to excel in the pole vault."

**RUNNING EVENTS**

**Brittany Lockhart, Sr., Salem (100 hurdles):** The senior just missed earning a medal at the Division 1 state meet June 3 when she placed ninth in the 300-meter hurdles. Lockhart, a four-year letter winner, was the Division 1 Regional champion and WLAA conference champion in the 300 hurdles. She was the runner-up in the 100 hurdles in both events. She was the Rocks' top point-earner this season (115 points) despite missing three weeks with an injury.

"Brittany is a very talented athlete," said Montgomery. "She's quiet off the track, but on it she's very dynamic. It's always exciting to watch her in action. Brittany was a huge asset to the Salem track team."

Taleece Jackson, Jr., Red. Thurston (300 hurdles): The fleet junior qualified for the Division 2 state meet in the 300 hurdles, 110 hurdles and long jump for the second consecutive year and she didn't disappoint on the big stage June 3 at Forest Hills Northern.

Jackson earned all-state honors in both hurdles events, taking second-place in the 300 (45.51) and third in the 100 with a mark of 14.89, which shattered her own school record in the event.

Eagles head coach Al Chambo said Jackson bested her records in two other events, the 300 hurdles and 200 dash (26.06) and showed no signs of slowing down as she enters her senior season.

"Taleece dominated the hurdles at regionals for the second straight year," Chambo said. "And her performances at states shows that she (is) striving to compete at the next level."

**Lache Wilkins, Sr., Liv. Churchill (100 dash):** Wilkins, who will be studying next season at the University of Michigan, ran a 12.5 to earn runner-up honors at the regional.

She was also member of three school-record sprint relay teams at Churchill. The two-year captain and Scholar-Athlete also helped the Chargers to an undefeated dual meet season.

"Lache is one of the hardest workers on

the team," McDonald said. "Her teammates have always been inspired by her performances and versatility. She can run the 100, 200 and 400 competitively, and has been an integral part of Churchill's success over the last four years."

"She is also a dedicated student and member of the community. Lache will be missed not only for her performances, but also for who she is as a person."

**Ashley Parker, Soph., Westland Glenn (200):** The sophomore turned in her best time of the season with a 25.9 at the Tory Clark Relays in Adrian.

Parker was also Western Lakes champion (26.43) and took third at the regional (26.6).

She also earned a top-10 area listing with a 16-1 effort in the long jump.

"Ashley is an excellent runner, she works hard at practice and became a more determined runner this season," Glenn coach Carmella Turrentine said. "She's always positive and never complained about the workouts."

**Allison Janda, Sr., Salem (400):** The senior, who is headed to Bucknell University in the fall, flourished in her final high school season, placing first in the 400 at the Division 1 Regional meet and third in both the 400 and 800 at the WLAA conference meet. A winner of four varsity track-and-field letters while at Salem, she was named the school's 2006 Scholar Athlete Award recipient at a banquet held earlier this month.

"Allison is a team player," said Montgomery. "She's a great team leader who is super-dedicated. She exemplifies the three D's: determination, dedication and dependability."

**Lisa Arrowsmith, Sr., Liv. Stevenson (800):** The senior is coming off a third-place finish last Saturday in the Midwest Meet of Champions (2:16.82) after placing fourth in the Division I state meet (2:16.75).

The new Stevenson school record-holder (2:16.15) was regional champion and WLAA runner-up.

The Spartans' second-highest point producer was also champion at the Stevenson and Ann Arbor Pioneer invitationals.

"I have been so very proud of what Lisa has accomplished over the last three years," Stevenson coach Kelly Graham said of the Scholar-Athlete, who is headed to Ball State. "Through her sheer dedication, drive, determination and toughness, she became one of the best 800-meter runners this year."

Arrowsmith is a four-year varsity athlete and two-time state qualifier. She is also a member of Stevenson's school-record 3,200 relay squad (from 2005).

"With each of her track seasons, she has continued to improve upon her times, along with gaining more and more success by placing at big meets," Graham said. "She has been a true leader and role model for all our younger kids - showing them what hard work can accomplish if you want it bad enough."

"She will be missed next year, not only because of her talents on the track, but more importantly, of who she is as a person."

**Kristen Frey, Jr., Liv. Stevenson (1,600):** The junior broke the Stevenson school record in the 1,600 (5:04.9) and accumulated a team-high 152.5 points.

She was regional (5:09.36) and WLAA (5:10.88) in the 1,600. She also added a fifth in the WLAA meet in the 3,200 and contributed a fourth at the regional in the 800.

Frey added titles at both the Stevenson (3,200) and Pioneer (1,600) invitationals. She was also runner-up at both the Ypsilanti (1,600) and Troy Clark (3,200) invitationals.

Frey also posted personal bests of 11:36.2 in the 3,200 and 2:19.1 in the 800.

"She's got a lot of natural ability that she's tapped into," Graham said. "And given the fact that she's such a hard worker and dedicated to her sport and event, her drive has helped her gain the success that she's enjoyed the last three years as a varsity track athlete."

"She's the whole package. She's got a lot of drive and tenacity, and has capability of really being aggressive on the track, which has led to a lot of success."

"I'm really excited to see what she can do her senior year because all the experiences she's had will make her a wiser and stronger athlete."

**Kylen Cieslak, Sr., Liv. Churchill (3,200):** The senior earned All-State honors in the 1,600 (5:08.68) and recorded the area's best time in the 3,200 (11:19:26), which earned her 13th overall in Division I.

In the 3,200, she also took first in the WLAA, regional and Public Schools of Livonia Invitational meets.

The two-year captain and 2006 Academic All-State selection is bound for Northwood University. She holds three Churchill records including the 1,600, 3,200 and 3,200 relay.

"Kylen has been our most consistent distance runner since I began coaching her in her sophomore year," McDonald said. "She can run anything from the 400 to the 3,200, including relays."

"Kylen is most of the most dedicated athletes on our team. She has taught the other distance runners how to train and has demonstrated how good you can make yourself. Though we will miss her next season, her legacy will live on."

**RELAY EVENTS**

**400 - Plymouth (Stephanie Okolo, Soph.; Jill Morton, Fr.; Julie Hersey, Soph.; Janet Hanchett, Sr.):** The talented quartet raced to an impressive ninth-place showing at the Division 1 state meet June 3 at East Kentwood High School. The Wildcats' time of 50.29 was just .25 off the eighth-place finishers' time. They placed first at both the WLAA meet and the D1 Regional meet.

"With two sophomores and a freshman, they relay team has a bright future ahead," said Dunn. "They were very disappointed they didn't place at the state meet, but they actually ran extremely well. I would have been happy if they just would have placed at the Regional meet, but they won it which was a great accomplishment, especially considering how young they are."

**800 - Churchill (Nicole Thornsberry, Jr., Mandi Coppola, Jr.; Alicia Fedrigo, Sr.; Lache Wilkins, Sr.):** The quartet was the Chargers' most consistent all season, finishing first at regional (1:46.13) and in WLAA meet (1:46.68).

They turned in their best time with a 12th-place finish in the Division I state



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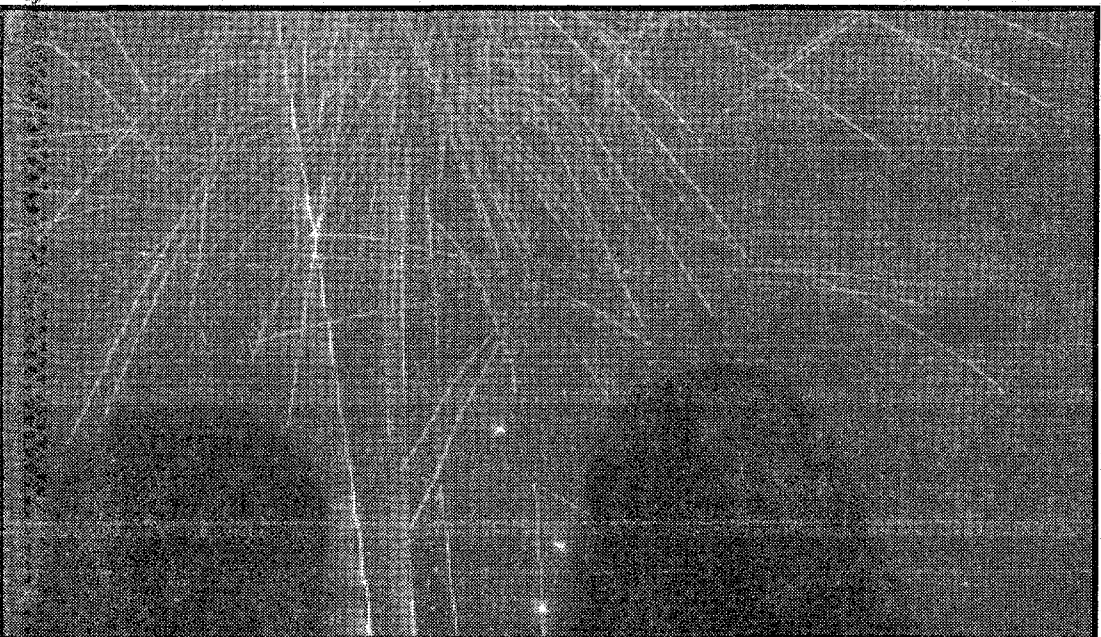
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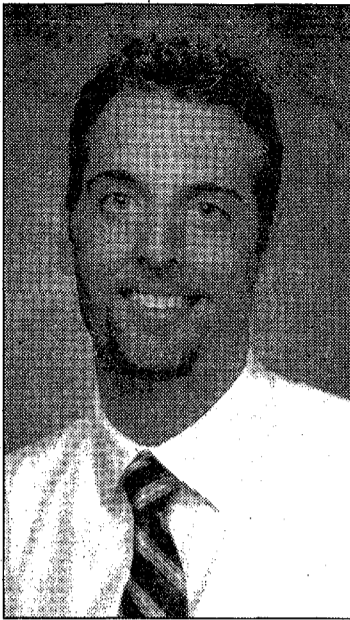
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# Back-to-back

## McDonald repeats as top girls track-and-field coach

BY BRAD EMONS  
STAFF WRITER



McDonald

The Livonia Churchill girls track and field team entered the 2006 season with high expectations and the Chargers did not disappoint.

Keith McDonald, who earned Observerland Coach of the Year honors for the second straight year, guided his team to an undefeated dual meet season and three coveted titles including the Public Schools of Livonia Invitational, Division I regional and Western Lakes Activities Association meet.

"The team set lofty goals this season and where able to accomplish nearly all of them," said McDonald, who just completed his third season at Churchill. "Seasons like this one are what make coaching so much fun. The opportunity to work with outstanding people, have fun, and win championships is high on any coach's wish list."

McDonald, who previously guided Dearborn Divine Child to five straight Catholic League A-B Division crowns and two regional titles, boasted a trio of All-State performers (top eight finishers)

including Lauren Krupsky (discus), Kyndra Abron (shot put) and Kylan Cieslak (1,600-meter run).

McDonald singled out throws coaches Joe George and John Filiatraut, jumps coach Vern Williams, and distance coach Sue Tatro, for much of the team's success.

"They truly deserve of the credit," he said. "They do not always get the thanks and praise that they deserve."

McDonald, a 1995 Redford Catholic Central grad who earned his teaching degree from the University of Michigan, is already looking forward to 2007 because he returns his three top throwers, two top vaulters and a talented group of returnees in the distance events.

"When the hard work of all of those involved comes together to make a season like this one, lasting memories are formed," he said. "Hopefully next season we can find equal success."

## MCCORMACK

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was going to be tough because I had already cut a lot of time off my personal-best time up to that point."

With her teammates cheering on her every stride, McCormack crossed the line in 5:18.49 — less than a second under the qualifying standard and 14 seconds faster than her previous best effort.

"It was really exciting when I found out I did it," she said. "My teammates came up and congratulated me. The starter had to tell us to get off the track so they could start the next event."

### INSPIRATIONAL LEADER

McCormack provided the youthful Chiefs with several inspirational moments during her senior season — both on and off the track. Her outstanding work ethic and words of advice set the proper tone for the team's underclassmen, who fed off McCormack's energy.

"Becky was the one that just about everyone on the team looked up to, both as a captain and a senior," said first-year Canton coach Chris Imber. "When Becky talked, people lis-

tened.

"She's an incredible athlete, too. Even though I ran track in college, I had a hard time keeping up with her when I ran with her. Becky told me before the season started that she had a crummy cross-country season and she wanted to make up for it in track. She certainly did that."

### EARLY START

McCormack's passion for long-distance running goes back to her elementary school days when she would accompany her parents to 5- and 10-kilo-meter races. Instead of standing on the sidelines cheering on mom and dad, she got involved.

"When I was really little, I'd always run the one-mile fun runs before the 5Ks and 10Ks," McCormack said. "Then when I was 8 or 9, I started running 5Ks. I'd usually finish first unless I was in the same age group as my sister, Sarah. I'd finish second behind her when we were in the same group."

McCormack, who runs an average of 20 miles a week, said running is anything but work to her.

"For me, running is fun; it always has been," she said. "I enjoy the feeling of going on

long runs because I don't have to think about anything when I'm running. It's very relaxing. My friend and I are thinking about running in the Detroit Marathon in the fall."

McCormack's track-and-field career nearly took a backseat to soccer, a sport she played frequently during her pre-high school years.

"I had to make a decision — soccer or track — my freshman year," McCormack said. "I had played soccer for 10 years, so it was tough giving it up. I thought about the decision for a while. Finally, my sister and my teammates talked me into track. I miss playing soccer, but I don't have any regrets about my decision."

### BRIGHT FUTURE

McCormack is an outstanding student, having crafted a 3.54 grade-point average. In the fall, she will join her sister at Michigan State University, where she plans on trying out for the Spartans' track-and-field squad.

"I'm probably going to major in psychology and then I'd like to go on to law school," said McCormack.

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## GIRLS BEST TRACK RESULTS

<p><b>BEST GIRLS TRACK LISTING</b></p> <p><b>SHOT PUT</b></p> <p>Kyndra Abron (Churchill) 39-5 Jenna Hudy (Franklin) 38-3 Lauren Krupsky (Churchill) 36-7.5 Robyn Whalen (Franklin) 36-6 Paige Evans (Ladywood) 33-7 Bridged Malloy (Ladywood) 33-6 Rebecca Refenes (Luth. Westland) 33-5 Olivia Rork (Luth. Westland) 32-6 Kailee Hobbins (Churchill) 32-4.25 Andrea Poindecker (Wayne) 31-8</p> <p><b>DISCUS</b></p> <p>Lauren Krupsky (Churchill) 120-0 Robyn Whalen (Franklin) 119-4 Kyndra Abron (Churchill) 118-11 Kailee Hobbins (Churchill) 111-5 Jenna Hudy (Franklin) 108-6 Kathy Hansen (Wayne) 98-10 Colette Fodera (Stevenson) 95-6 Rebecca Refenes (Luth. Westland) 95-2 Bridged Malloy (Ladywood) 95-0 Shannon Getchen (Churchill) 94-11</p> <p><b>HIGH JUMP</b></p> <p>Alyssa Supplee (Franklin) 5-5 Brittany Petty (Plymouth) 5-4 Alex Serowkey (Ladywood) 5-2 Kathryn Berger (Ladywood) 5-1 Meghan Liwinski (Stevenson) 5-0 Kara Piorkowski (Stevenson) 5-0</p>	<p>Izabela Paszkowska (Canton) 4-11 Mya Hall (John Glenn) 4-11 Jackie Gribeck (Churchill) 4-10 Kristin Zgorcecki (Churchill) 4-10 Mandy McManus (Plymouth) 4-10 Kija Colts (John Glenn) 4-10 Faten Saab (John Glenn) 4-10 Kayla Jones (Thurston) 4-10</p> <p><b>LONG JUMP</b></p> <p>Stephanie Okolo (Plymouth) 17-6.75 Taleece Jackson (Thurston) 17-0.5 Megan Wilson (Franklin) 16-8 Chanel Payne (John Glenn) 16-4.25 Ashley Parker (John Glenn) 16-1 Brittany Lockhart (Salem) 16-0.5 Jackie Gribeck (Churchill) 15-10 Jessica McDougall (Redford Union) 15-9 Brittany McKinney (Canton) 15-7 Christien Guyton (Plymouth) 15-7</p> <p><b>POLE VAULT</b></p> <p>Allie Vraniak (Salem) 10-0 Maria Winkler (Stevenson) 9-6 Jackie Demers (Churchill) 9-4 Kristin Zgorcecki (Churchill) 9-2 Eren Ural (Churchill) 9-2 Meghan Powers (Franklin) 8-8 Katie Hale (Plymouth) 8-8 Michelle Blackstone (Stevenson) 8-6 Kelly Tapella (Franklin) 8-8 Jennifer Olmstead (Churchill) 7-8</p>	<p>Heather Daniels (Wayne) 7-8 Anastasia Bending (Franklin) 7-8 Julie Hersey (Plymouth) 7-8</p> <p><b>100-METER HURDLES</b></p> <p>Taleece Jackson (Thurston) 14.89 Brittany Lockhart (Salem) 15.2 Diana Burek (Stevenson) 15.4 Brittany Gentile (Stevenson) 15.9 Casey Lynett (Franklin) 16.3 Tauri Roethermel (Churchill) 16.4 Stephanie DiGiandomenico (Ladywood) 16.6 Stephanie Misco (Ladywood) 16.6 Dana Eldred (Salem) 16.6 Margarita Lazarevska (Churchill) 16.6</p> <p><b>300 HURDLES</b></p> <p>Taleece Jackson (Thurston) 45.51 Brittany Lockhart (Salem) 46.1 Tauri Roethermel (Churchill) 48.15 Casey Lynett (Franklin) 48.4 Diane Burek (Stevenson) 49.3 Mallory Lukas (Churchill) 49.9 Brittany Gentile (Stevenson) 50.1 Natalie Jedruszko (Churchill) 50.1 Dana Eldred (Salem) 50.2 Chris Kenzie (Redford Union) 51.9</p> <p><b>100 DASH</b></p> <p>Lache' Wilkins (Churchill) 12.5 Brittany Lockhart (Salem) 12.5 Mandi Coppola (Churchill) 12.7 Lauren Schwewe (Luth. 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Westland) 1:03.2 <b>800</b></p> <p>Lisa Arrowsmith (Stevenson) 2:16.2 Kristen Frey (Stevenson) 2:19.1 Rebecca Rehberg (Stevenson) 2:24.8 Kylan Cieslak (Churchill) 2:24.9 Rachel McFarlane (Churchill) 2:24.9 Allison Janda (Salem) 2:25.4 Amber Cicala (Stevenson) 2:27.1 Kelli Bargowski (Canton) 2:27.1 Allison Patra (Redford Union) 2:27.5 Sarah Thomas (Canton) 2:28.9</p> <p><b>1,600</b></p> <p>Kristen Frey (Stevenson) 5:04.9 Kylan Cieslak (Churchill) 5:08.68 Rachel McFarlane (Churchill) 5:12.2 Lisa Arrowsmith (Stevenson) 5:16.7 Becky McCormack (Canton) 5:18.5 Erica Hope (Churchill) 5:33.1 Stephanie Perez (Stevenson) 5:34.5 Pam Bhullar (Plymouth) 5:38.0 Hannah Cavicchio (Salem) 5:39.3 Megan Macerati (Churchill) 5:41.0 Jackie Beeler (Plymouth) 5:41.0</p> <p><b>3,200</b></p> <p>Kylan Cieslak (Churchill) 11:19.26 Hannah Cavicchio (Salem) 11:20.8 Kristen Frey (Stevenson) 11:36.5 Rachel McFarlane (Churchill) 11:38.2 Megan Macerati (Churchill) 11:45.0</p>	<p>Stacey Richardson (John Glenn) 12:00.0 Becky McCormack (Canton) 12:02.0 Erica Hope (Churchill) 12:02.5 Pam Bhullar (Plymouth) 12:05.0 Stephanie Perez (Stevenson) 12:17.0</p> <p><b>400 RELAY</b></p> <p>Plymouth 51.1 Livonia Churchill 51.3 Livonia Stevenson 51.5 Salem 51.6 Westland John Glenn 51.8</p> <p><b>800 RELAY</b></p> <p>Livonia Churchill 1:45.63 Plymouth 1:48.0 Westland John Glenn 1:48.3 Livonia Stevenson 1:48.6 Canton 1:50.7</p> <p><b>1,600 RELAY</b></p> <p>Livonia Churchill 4:06.12 Livonia Stevenson 4:10.7 Salem 4:10.9 Livonia Ladywood 4:16.6 Canton 4:20.0</p> <p><b>3,200 RELAY</b></p> <p>Livonia Stevenson 9:26.7 Livonia Churchill 9:50.6 Canton 9:59.3 Livonia Ladywood 10:20.0 Franklin 10:34.3</p>
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# Pheasant season brings back fond memories

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All that changed in the 1970s when farming practices evolved. Large machinery, much larger than in the past, allowed farmers to plant and harvest bigger fields than ever before. That meant if they eliminated fencerows, treelines and grassy habitat that had previously been left unplanted, they could increase their yields. Unfortunately, that spelled "d-o-o-m" for Michigan's No. 1 gamebird.

You can still hunt pheasants in Michigan and can still enjoy good success, but nothing like it was back in the "good of days." Today pheasant hunters in Michigan harvest somewhere in the neighborhood of 100,000 ringnecks annually. (Male pheasants - cocks, roost-



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ers or ringnecks - are the only ones hunted. Hens are protected.)

In 1982 a national conservation group calling itself Pheasants Forever Inc. was formed. The group's goal was protecting, maintaining and enhancing pheasant and quail habitat. The focus of the group was and still is to develop quality gamebird habitat.

PF is not a hunting organization. Rather it's a habitat group, although many of its members are hunters. The plan was to create a system of county chapters whereby 100 percent of the net funds raised by chapters remain at the local level.

Today, Pheasants Forever has over 630 chapters in 29 states across the country. There are

also several chapters in Canada. Here in Michigan, there are 37 PF chapters. The 38th Michigan chapter, the Oakland County Chapter of Pheasants Forever, is in the process of organizing.

The next meeting of the new group begins at 7 p.m. Thursday, June 22, at the Oakland County Sportsman's Club in Clarkston.

If you are a gamebird hunter, farmer, or just interested in creating and maintaining quality gamebird habitat consider attending the meeting.

For directions to the meeting check out the OCSC web site at [www.ocsc-mi.org](http://www.ocsc-mi.org)

Contact PF state biologist Mike Parker at (517) 668-1033, (517) 896-4178 or via email at [mparker@pheasantsforever.org](mailto:mparker@pheasantsforever.org). To learn more about the PF organization visit [www.pheasantsforever.org](http://www.pheasantsforever.org)

### MOUNTAIN BIKE WORKSHOP

The DNR's Becoming an Outdoors Woman program is holding a Women's Mountain Biking Symposium from 9 a.m.

to 4:30 p.m. at Stony Creek Metropark, located just east of Rochester.

According to a press release, the workshop is geared toward the beginner and intermediate mountain bikers. Participants will learn general bicycle maintenance, how to ride trails and there will be an introduction to racing. A group ride and a prize drawing will conclude the workshop. Cost for the workshop is \$20 and enrollment is limited to 60 women.

Participants should bring their own bike, helmet and lunch. Bagels and juice will be provided in the morning and water will be available throughout the day. Early registration is recommended. A registration form is available at the Becoming an Outdoors-Woman (BOW) page on the DNR web site, [www.michigan.gov/dnr](http://www.michigan.gov/dnr).

Contact Tom Lining at [bowl@mmba.org](mailto:bowl@mmba.org) or Lynn Maria at [la1@michigan.gov](mailto:la1@michigan.gov) or (517) 241-2225.

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# Solid mound work paces Rams' sweep

Solid pitching was the highly prominent ingredient Sunday as the Michigan Rams blanked Park Athletic in a Livonia Michigan Collegiate Baseball League doubleheader at Ford Field, 8-0 and 6-0.

Albion College right-hander John Filecchia tossed a two-hitter over six innings in the opener to earn the win. He faced just 20 batters, walking two and striking out two before giving way in the seventh to closer Chris Rusin (University of Kentucky), who preserved the shutout with a pair of strikeouts.

Offensively, Kyle Hurtt and Andrew Stafford each knocked in two runs, while Mike Sacha went 2-for-3 with a double, two runs scored and one RBI.

Max Miller and Scott Cain also knocked in runs, while Matt Nickels and Cain each had two stolen bases. Mike Hart, the losing pitcher, allowed five runs on six hits and seven walks in five innings. Reliever Kyle Miller gave up two hits and three runs. Mike Boyd and Miller collect-

ed the lone hits for Park Athletic.

In the nightcap, Ryan Mosher (Wayne State) and Bobby Henderson (Eastern Michigan) combined on a three-hitter as the two did not allow a walk.

Mosher allowed just two hits and struck out four over four innings to earn the win. Henderson, the Redford Catholic Central High grad, faced only 10 batters, striking out seven and allowing only one hit. Tim Kalczynski (Michigan) knocked in three runs for the Rams, while Ryan Shay, Eric Vojtkofsky and Stafford each added two hits. Hurtt, Vojtkofsky and Stafford also knocked in runs.

Park Athletic's Chris Rigley went 2-for-3 in the loss.

Losing pitcher Brandon McClanahan went all seven innings, allowing six runs on eight hits. He walked five, hit a pair of batters and fanned five.

The Rams are now 5-3 in league play, while Park Athletic is 1-6-1.

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# LESSON ON GOLF

by Jeff Lesson

### TOUGHEST COURSES IN THE STATE

Often I am asked what is the toughest golf course, public or private, in the state of Michigan. What makes a course difficult is also represented by course rating and slope rating as set by the Golf Association of Michigan. Course rating is more reflective of distance, while slope rating takes into account the hazards and other features that make the course difficult.

The following are the four toughest golf courses in Michigan in the eyes of "Lesson on Golf":

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- 3. (Tie) The Bear at Grand Traverse(resort)**  
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We look at the toughest holes in the state on Sunday.

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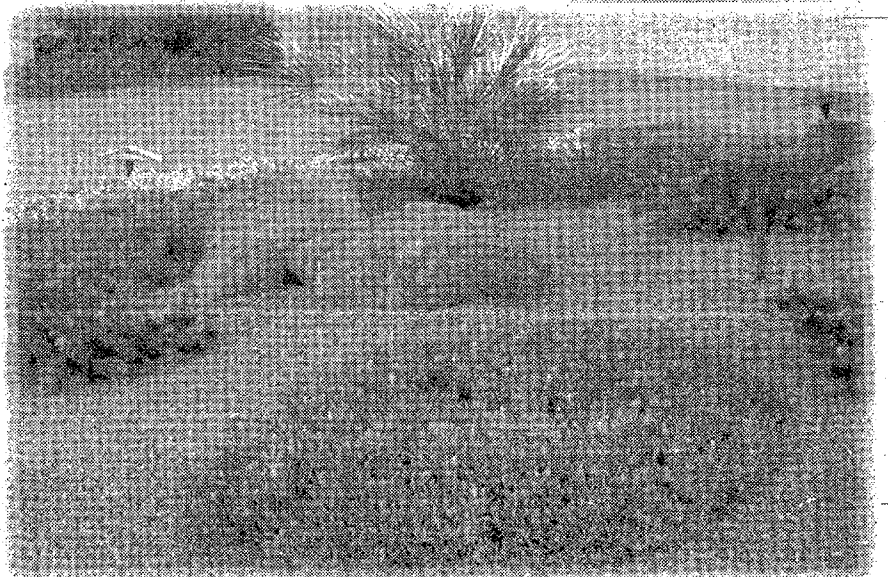
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# Underdog Zebras hang tough with Jaguars

BY BRAD EMONS  
STAFF WRITER

It appeared to be a classic mismatch in Saturday's Division I baseball semifinal at Plymouth High School - state-ranked Allen Park, 29-4 overall, against 10-15 Wayne Memorial.

But the Jaguars needed a dramatic walk-off homer from sophomore third baseman C.J.

Maszal in the bottom of the 10th inning to fend off the pesky Zebras, 4-3.

The homer landed well beyond the left-center field fence, bouncing on the fly onto the adjoining tennis courts.

Maszal also kick-started Allen Park in the championship final with a two-run homer in the first inning as the Jaguars went on to beat Farmington, 6-2.

"He (Maszal) has hit all year," Allen Park coach Glenn Gulliver said. "He just hit a bomb. He's hit .460, .470 (batting average) - home runs; he's done it all. He's a strong kid; he can run; he has a lot of tools."

Wayne pitcher Justin Collop also showed why he is one of the most underrated pitchers in the area. The senior right-hander scattered nine hits, walked three

and struck out nine before Maszal's fateful blast.

"Justin (Collop) pitched that way all year," Wayne first-year coach Frank Garcia said. "Every time I put the guy at there, we had a chance to win. He had 124 pitches going into that last inning. He just made one bad pitch, but we wouldn't be here without him. He's got to understand he pitched a great game."

Collop survived shaky second inning, fanning three straight batters after the first four Jaguars reached base. A.J. Webb, the Jags' starting pitcher, and Barry Cooper, 0th singled, followed by walks to Mike Reed and Jim Cates to force home the game's first run.

"The Wayne pitcher threw real well," Gulliver said. "He was in-and-out with his pitches. He had a good breaking ball and good control. We didn't hit any good balls off the left (Wayne pitcher) until the 1st one."

"We were fortunate to come out on top. We made mistakes and gave them runs."

Wayne played "small ball" to take a 3-1 lead, scoring three times in the top of the fifth inning.

James Sikora reached base on an error followed by successive infield bunts for singles by designated hitter Timsiegfried and Andrew Ponican, lining home Sikora with the tying run.



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Wayne's Mike Patterson gets the force out as Allen Park's Anthony Savone breaks up a possible double play in the regional semifinal at Plymouth High School.

Earl Martin, who led off the game with a double, then doubled home two runs and found himself on third base thanks to Brent Rexin's sacrifice bunt.

"We haven't bunted a lot, but we put two great ones down," Garcia said. "When you put it in play, good things happen."

With only one out, Andrew Kaleto was hit by a Webb pitch, but the Zebras failed to capitalize and extend their lead when Kaleto was nailed at second on a botched double-steal attempt. Webb then fanned Clint Cavanaugh to get out of the inning.

"I told him (Martin), 'I want you stealing,'" Garcia recalled. "He's the fastest guy we got and it was a perfect situation. The second baseman fell down and

the catcher double-pumped, so maybe that froze him. I just said, 'Go.' It's just one of those things."

The score remained tied at 3-3 until the 10th when Maszal unloaded on Collop's second pitch.

Webb, meanwhile, struck out 11, hit two batters and gave up just six hits in nine innings before giving way to Anthony Savone, who pitched the top of the 10th to earn the win.

"Against the No. 9 team in the state, I think we earned the respect," Garcia said. "And to take them to nine innings, I'm really proud of the kids."

"It was a fun year. To do what we did in the playoffs was amazing."

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# Ladywood derailed by Bears, 5-3

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Livonia Ladywood's softball season was derailed for the third straight season in the Division II quarterfinals.

Monroe-Jefferson was the culprit Tuesday as the Bears pounded out 11 hits en route to a 5-3 victory at Troy Athens.

Jefferson, 26-8 overall, advances to the state semifinals for the first time in school history. The Bears will face Ionia, 37-6, in 6 p.m. Friday match-up at Battle Creek's Baily Park.

Ladywood, the athletic League A-B Division champion and ranked No. 1, pouts out at 27-11.

"We can't seem to get over this hump for some reason," Ladywood coach Bob Lulek said of the quarterfinal setbacks, which include losses to Trenton (2005) and Chelsea (2004).

"They (Jefferson) have a nice, scrappy team. They were aggressive. They gave us fits. They got the bat on the ball and they put bunts down. We tried to be aggressive, too, but it did not work out as well."

Jefferson wasted little time pouncing on the Blazers, scoring



TOM HAWLEY | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER  
Livonia Ladywood pitcher Kaitlyn Huddas fires another strike past a Highland Park batter during Saturday's regional semifinal.

twice in the opening inning as Susan Sontag led off with a single followed by an Ariel Cox bunt single. Both runners came home on Chelsea Dowler's double.

Katie Gedelian then beat out an infield hit, but the Blazers got out of the inning with a nifty 2-3-2 double play.

Ladywood got a run back in the top of the third when Katie Mancini reached base on an infield error and came all the way home from first when Jefferson misplayed Rachel Jachym's double down the left field line. The Bears, however, regained their two-run cushion in the bottom of the third.

Katherine Pritchett was hit by a Lauren Taylor pitch with one out. Gedelian sacrificed her to second with a bunt and Pritchett raced home on Ashley Osborne's single to center as the throw to the plate failed to get out off and squirted in the dirt past Ladywood catcher Donna Mainella. Ladywood put two runners on base with one out in the fifth when pinch-hitter Kaitlyn Huddas singled followed by Jachym's second hit of the day, but Jefferson pitcher Janae Castiglione worked out the jam she got Alyssa Abramowski to fly out after the Blazers botched a double steal attempt for the second out.

Jefferson then added to their lead in the top of the sixth, scoring twice with two-out thanks to an RBI single by Cox, scoring Sontag, followed by an RBI double from Dowler, Jefferson's 11th hit of the day.



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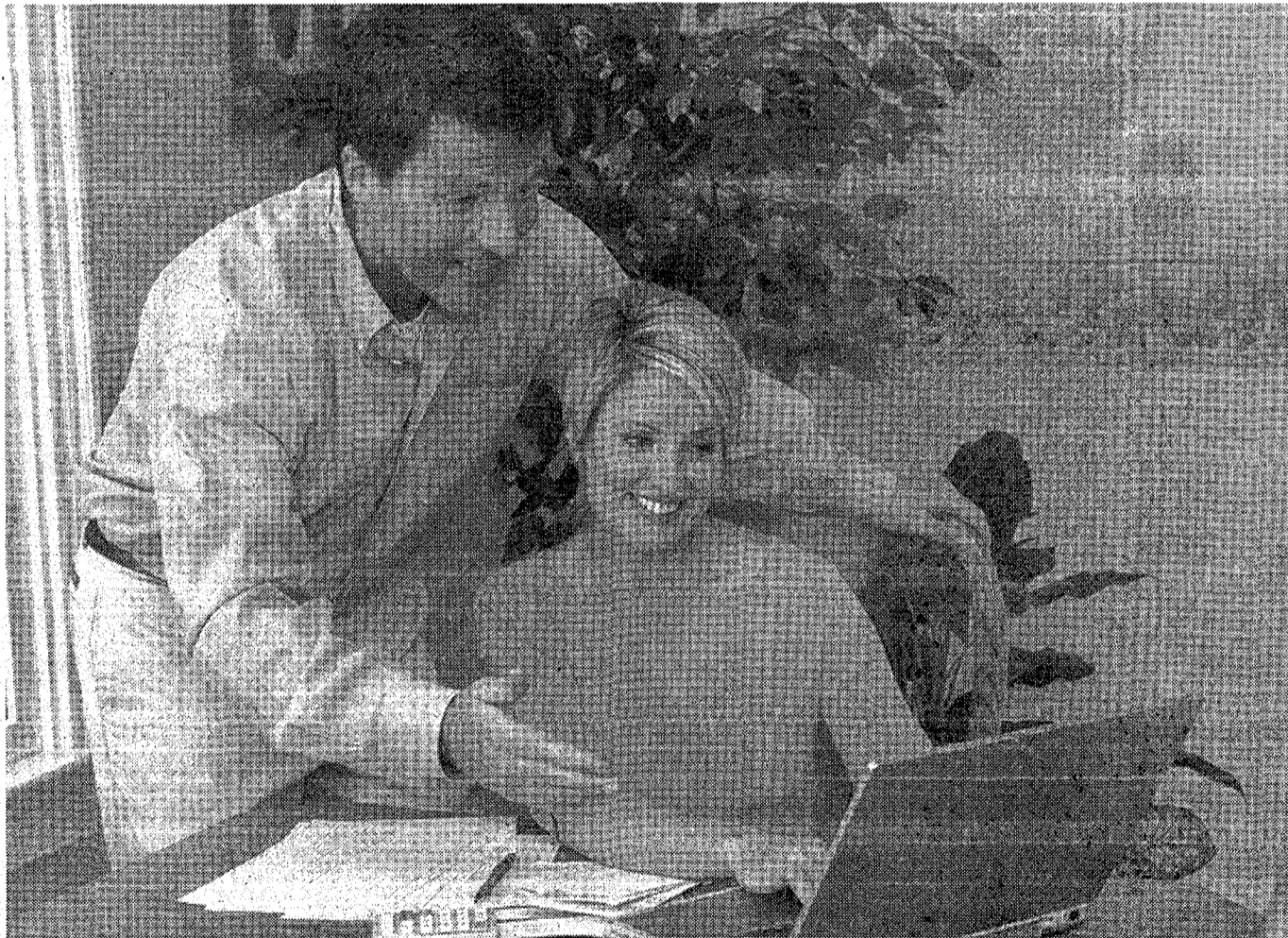
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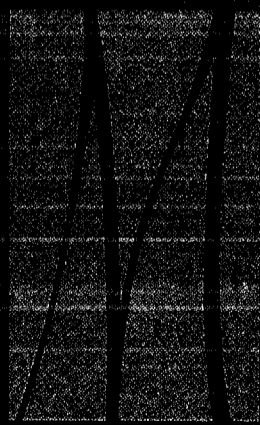
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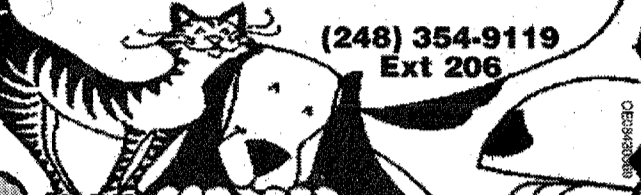
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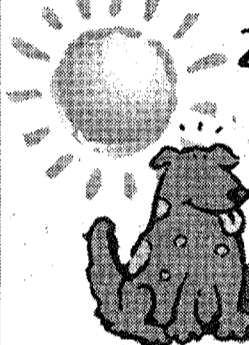
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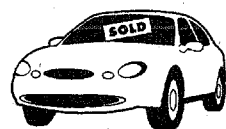
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## The New 2007 Mitsubishi Eclipse Spyder

Advertising Feature

### Thursday DriveTime



BY DALE BUSS

Open-top cars are the greatest automotive currency in the summer, and there are more and more of them. Taken together, the latest crop of convertibles represents a great comeback for the genre that has been building slowly for several years.

The 2007 Mitsubishi Eclipse Spyder is a worthy — and fun! — contributor to the trend. I drove one during those great summer-like days of May, and I enjoyed the experience about as much as I've enjoyed any vehicle this year.

The Eclipse Spyder is quick, responsive, fairly roomy, and cuts a great figure on the road. At a suggested retail price of less than \$27,000 for the GS version that I drove, it'd be a great consideration for anybody looking for a way to optimize Michigan's great summer weather.

The vehicle also is an important one for Mitsubishi, which introduced this attainable exotic convertible earlier this year. The company is introducing a series of six new vehicles in the space of less than three years; the first was the 2006 Eclipse coupe that came out last June, followed by the all-new mid-size Raider pickup truck. Upcoming new models include a second-generation Outlander SUV, the Lancer sedan and the tenth version of the legendary Lancer Evolution.

Designed to appeal to convertible and sports-car enthusiasts of all ages, the 2007 Eclipse Spyder echoes the concept-car design of its coupe sibling with sleek, muscular lines and engaging details such as bright-finish LED tail lamps and mono-lens head lamps. It really resembles some of the classic European two-seaters more than rival Japanese vehicles or even new American open-tops such as the Pontiac Solstice and Saturn Sky.

When it comes to convertibles, you've also got to discuss the top, because it dictates so much of what the car is and how you experience it. Impressive about the Eclipse Spyder's top is that it folds completely out of sight under a flush-fitting powered tonneau cover in about 19 seconds, eliminating a visible top stack that



The Eclipse Spyder's top folds completely out of sight in about 19 seconds.

still gives some convertibles a baby buggy look.

The Spyder's top is made of cloth, compared with the vinyl used by some cars in this price segment. Its multi-layer construction includes a full headliner to prove the quiet, snug interior feeling of a coupe when it's raised. And when it's raised, the top design gives the Eclipse a distinctive, chopped speedster profile.

Also, the top is designed to resist ballooning at highway speeds, and the glass rear window features a defroster. In my book, the only drawback to the top was the fact that it's not fully automatic: It requires manual disengagement and re-engagement of the roof latches at the top of the windshield. But that's not a big deal.

In the oomph department, I found the power plant in the GS model just OK. Decidedly, the 162-horsepower, 2.4-liter, four-cylinder engine, mated to a five-speed manual transmission (a four-speed automatic is also an option) lacks the get-up-and-go, head-slammng acceleration of other, more premium convertibles, and that I found a disappointment. With gasoline prices where they are, however, the GS version's mileage stats of 22 mpg in the city and 28 mpg on the highway were welcome figures.

And, I'm sure that the upscale version of the Eclipse Spyder convertible — the GT model, which carries a 260-horsepower, 3.8-liter V6 engine with either a five-speed automatic or six-speed manual transmission — delivers capably the kind of off-the-line response that

most convertible drivers would seek.

The Spyder I drove was very capable in terms of handling, cornering, and all the other driving maneuvers that just seem so much more immediate when your posterior is almost on the road and you can see everything around you so much better than in a vehicle with pillars.

The car's strongly sleek design theme continues inside the vehicle as well. One-piece, high-back front bucket seats — which, Mitsubishi says, were inspired by [the company's] involvement in motor sports — feature open head rests for a sporty look and enhanced rear visibility.

The wave-form instrument panel houses easy-to-reach controls and features distinctive, motorcycle-inspired gauges and ice-blue nighttime LED illumination.

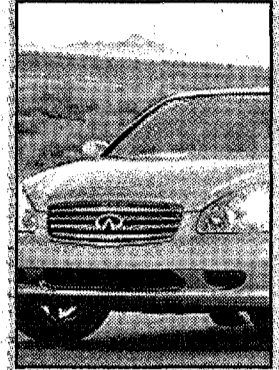
Amenity-wise, the 2007 Eclipse Spyder convertible also scores pretty well. There isn't much room in the back seat or trunk, but you could kind of figure on that up front. The leather-wrapped steering wheel features audio-system controls, for example. Standard equipment includes a plethora of air bags, cruise control, keyless entry, power windows, locks and mirrors.

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Technology has influenced the job hunting process in many ways. Are online applications

Merrill has reviewed thousands of them. She concedes that e-mailing, in particular, is diminishing the impact of a cover letter, because online applications usually require only a completed application form. In addition, companies often don't require them for internal applications. She indicates that technical positions requiring a faxed resume may not need a cover letter either.

However, Merrill mentions that a job requiring a person to write definitely needs a cover letter as a sample. A cover letter shows how you write and communicate, she states. It's an introduction to your resume. It's more in-depth, discussing what you can do for an employer and how your past experience would make you an asset.

Lou LaMorte, director of Career Services at La Salle University in Philadelphia, also brings a generalist's perspective. He received about 300 cover letters from students seeking internships and co-op assignments in a previous position at La Salle. The only situation he says that really doesn't require a cover letter is a job fair, where the cover letter is verbal.

Otherwise, it's the enticement to read a little further, to take a closer look at the resume, he explains. Like Merrill, he maintains that it demonstrates the ability to organize and communicate. A cover

letter is fairly influential in bringing a person in for the interview.

## STANDOUT COVER LETTERS

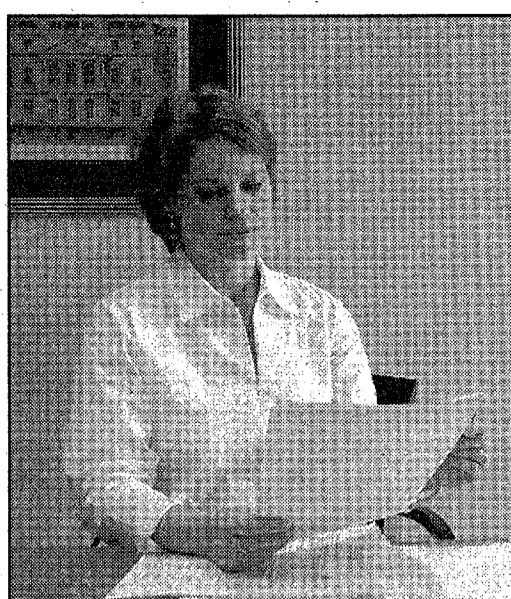
What makes a cover letter stand out? Ebner's favorite was short, lively, engaging and confident. The person came to life and demonstrated his intelligence and fit. It made me want to read the resume and get to know him, she recalls.

It consisted of four paragraphs using simple, clear language, speaking to the reader as another human being. There was no job seeking rhetoric.

A different cover letter back in the mid-1990s was the best one LaMorte has ever seen. The person submitted an attractive, creative letter that included a column down the right side listing and describing her skills. (He points out that these skills probably varied, depending upon the position.) She landed the job.

Merrill recalls someone in her office receiving a cover letter stating that the writer, a teacher changing careers, had pizzazz. She backed up her statement with self-confidence, subsequently demonstrating that she was an effective communicator for the next 15 years. She retired at 75.

If you're seeking a consulting, advertising or other creative position, be certain to write one with impact. Make it seem as if you're speaking with the person, not shoving words at the reader.



Katherine Ebner is a Senior Vice President at Kaiser Associates in Washington D. C. Katherine stresses the importance of a good cover letter.

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## DEFINING FACTOR

Katherine Ebner, senior vice president of Organizational Effectiveness and Development at Kaiser Associates in Washington, D.C., doesn't think so. For me it's a defining factor for an application... the candidate's opportunity to stand out, even more than the resume.

Ebner has reviewed thousands of cover letters from senior executives seeking employment at her global strategy management consulting firm.

Professional services companies want to see the quality of the work that will be presented to the client, she says. The ability to write a strong cover letter is an indication that person can present himself in a successful, relevant and interesting way. Cover letters are also important in any sales or marketing position.

Some generalists take a different view. The virtual company eCareerCorner.com of Marcia Merrill L.L.P., assists clients nationally and internationally in developing cover letters. Like Ebner,

Attach it to your resume and send it. Keep the campaign moving forward by following up. The most wonderful cover letter might not generate a call at all. A run-of-the-mill cover letter might not either. Make certain that you're running the campaign. After all, it's yours.

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My numbers, 7am, Fri.

**9000 WARREN ROAD PLYMOUTH, MI.** 1-275 east Ann Arbor Road, go W to Gottfredson (1.8 mi), S. on Gottfredson (1/2 mi) W. on Warren (1/2 mi.)

Antiques & furniture in the country home of David B. Wood, son of George B. Wood of Detroit Speedboat Fame, & his late wife, Dorothy Platt Wood, will be priced & offered for sale on the above dates.

1841 Sampler, Austria fish set, Blue Staffordshire, Grazing Rabbits platter, Oil painting by Al Sueli, Art pottery, costume jewelry, glass, china, vintage linens & clothing. Many early & 1920-30's items.

For complete list or info, contact:  
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**WEST BLOOMFIELD 2198** 17, 9am-5pm. Misc. furniture, clothing, tools, household. 5598 Powder Horn Dr., S. of Walnut Lake, W. of Middlebelt

**WEST BLOOMFIELD** Multi-family. Baby carriers, car seats, infant twin stroller & single, Pak and Play, toys, clothing, oak table & chairs, brass kitchen headboard, turquoise linens, art, much more! 6190 Dunmore Dr. off Maple, btwn Orchard Lake & Farmington, Thurs-Sat, 10-4.

**WEST BLOOMFIELD RIDGE SUB GARAGE SALE 15 HOMES** Household items, children's clothing, toys, & so much more. Thurs-Sat, June 15-17, 9am-4pm. Commerce Road, btwn Green Lake Rd/Keith Rd.

**WESTLAND - 4 Family Sale** June 16 & 17, 9am-5pm. 7538 Garden St. Infant boy clothing, kitchenware, decorative items, Red Wing items, designer women's clothing & much more.

**WESTLAND - Emerald Pointe Condo Multi Family Sale,** June 17th, 9am-5pm. Lots of misc. Between Warren & Joy, off Hicks Rd.

**WESTLAND 33142 Chief Lane (Venoy, N. off Warren to Chief) Thurs. & Fri. 9-5, Sat. 9-1.** Clothes, baby clothes, collectibles, misc. household. House listed w/Re/Merica Hometown One, home/tours avail. during sale.

**WESTLAND** 36506 Roll St., Cherry Hill & Newburgh, June 16 & 17, 10am-3pm. Furniture, household items, lots of misc.

**WESTLAND HUGED SALE: DODGE RAM SPORT WHITE CAP. 10 PIECE OAK DINING W/CHINA CABINET.** Shelving units, Antique Chairs, Baby items, clothes, household, much more. Everything must go! Wed.-Sat., 6/16-6/17, 9am-5pm. 1809 N. CROWN/S OFF FORD, 1/2 mile west of Wayne, 1 street W. of fire dept. 734-641-2909

**TROY** Subdivision Garage Sale - Fri-Sat, 9-3, W. of Cooldge, N. of Wattles.

**TROY AREA** Annual Sub Sale. 20 homes! Enter on Pondview from Long Lake or Square Lk. Rd., btwn Dequindre & Ryan. June 16th & 17th 9-5pm

**TROY Big Garage Sale** Thurs thru Sat 9-5. 125 Pleasant Run. W. off Livernois & S of South Blvd. All variety of items.

**TROY NEIGHBORHOOD Yard Sale - Fri-Sat, June 16-17, 9am-5pm** (located between Cooldge & Adams, off of Big Beaver)

**TROY Subdivision Garage Sale:** Saturday, June 17th, 9am until 3pm. East of Rochester between Wattles and Long Lake.

**TROY: HIDDEN MEADOWS SUB-WIDE SALE** W side of Livernois, just N of 15 Mile. Thurs-Sat., June 15-16-17, 9am-4pm. Lots of toys, baby items, twin-sized race car bed.

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**ALLEN PARK**  
Lots of stuff!  
June 15-16-17, 9:30-5:00pm, 9210 Reeck Rd., corner of Wick.

**Berkley** Sat., 4-8pm, & Sun., 10am-6pm, 1047 Larkmore, behind Western on Woodward. Liquidating all personal and hair salon business items. All must go after listed dates. Call (248) 546-9045.

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**BEVERLY HILLS Multi-Family** - 32826 White Oaks Trail, south off 14 Mile, 2 streets west of Lahser. Thur-Fri, 9am-4pm. Washer/dryer, queen 4 post bed, lots of home decor, kids' toys/clothes.

**BEVERLY HILLS** Thurs, Fri, Sat, 9am-4pm. Art supplies, paintings, picture frames & mouldings, weaving yarn, Barbies, girls & adult clothes, appliances. Lots of vintage items. 18202 Beverly Rd., 13-1/2 & Southfield.

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**BIRMINGHAM** June 15-16, 8-5pm. 1121 Puritan, N. of 15. Antiques, furniture, paintings, doors, decor, interior designer pieces, collectibles.

**BIRMINGHAM** Four Family Garage Sale-Thursdays and Fridays, 9am-4pm. Furniture, antiques, toys and more! 965 Adams Castle, off Adams, north of Big Beaver.

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**BIRMINGHAM** June 15-16, 8-5pm. Lots of upscale kids' clothes (infant to 3T & cute women's clothes, toys) plus other great stuff! 1189 Stanley, South Lincoln & East Southfield

**BIRMINGHAM** Multi-family garage sale, Sat., 8-4. Designer kids clothing, entertainment center, dresser, couch & chairs, misc. furniture, artwork, lamps, bedding & toys. 1195 Fairfax, N. of Maple, btwn Southfield & Cranbrook.

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**BIRMINGHAM/TROY** 2 homes moving sale. Appliances, furniture, clothing, decorative household, books, bikes, Sat., Sun., June 17 & 18, 9am-4pm, 2215 & 2199 Derby (15-1/2 btwn Adams & Cooldge).

**BIRMINGHAM NEIGHBORHOOD SALE** 14 Mile to Lincoln. Grant to Pierce, 541 Bennaville, 1180 Cedar, 1355 Pierce, 1204 Edgewood. Sat. & Sun., 9am.

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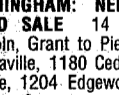


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**BLOOMFIELD** 5477 Woodward, N. of Quanton, W. of Franklin. June 17th, 9am-3pm. Toys, framed vintage posters, Little Tikes

**BLOOMFIELD FOXCROFT CONDOS** Sat. 6/17 10-5 Raindate: 6/24. Maple (15 Mile) W. of Telegraph. Sports, camping, exercise equip., bikes, collectibles, TV's, jewelry, books, furniture, misc.

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**BLOOMFIELD Hill Rummage Sale** St. Hugo 2215 Opdyke. Wed., 6/21 6pm-9pm. Charity Preview \$2 admission. 25% mark-up. Thur., 6/22 9am-4pm, Fri., 6/23 9am-12pm - Bag Day.

**BLOOMFIELD HILLS - Atn** 1405 Huge handbag sale! Distributor selling entire stock! Nothing over \$20. Sat., June 17, 10am-2pm only, 146 Eileen Drive, Woodward & Sq. Lake.

**Garage Sales 7110**

**BLOOMFIELD HILLS 2520** Alveston SE corner Opdyke & Square Lake. Fri. & Sat., June 16 & 17, 9am-5pm. Lots of GOOD STUFF!

**BLOOMFIELD HILLS 40 Yrs. of Stuff!** AN E-BAYER'S DREAM! Decor, toys, guitar, BMM projector, art, movies, cds, records, "Rafnik", Beatles, 2725 Berry Dr., S. E. corner of Sq. Lake & Woodward. Fri.-Sun., 6/16-6/18 8:30-4pm.

**Garage Sales 7110**

**BLOOMFIELD** Newlyweds combining households. Upscale items, including home accessories, 4-seat dining table, futon, mirrors, lamps and more! 3949 Ann Rose Court. June 16 and 17, 9am-5pm.

**BLOOMFIELD** Renovation Sale. Attention Contractors! Subzero refrigerator, cabinets, Dacor oven, Pella door walls, dishwasher, lighting fixtures and more! 3949 Ann Rose Court. June 16 and 17, 9am-6pm.

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**BLOOMFIELD** Family Sale, June 15-17, 9-4pm. \*Lots of stuff incl. clothes for toddler to plus sizes. W. off Farmington, btwn 11 & 12 Mile.

**FARMINGTON HILLS** 30445 Springland, N. of 11 Mile and E. of Orchard Lake. Thurs., 6/15, 9-4pm. Toys, kid's clothes, patio set, water softener.

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Household Goods (7160)

AMISH DINING ROOM SET 8 chairs, curio cabinet, glass on 3 sides; lg. oak dresser w/ mirror & nightstand; old oak buffet; misc. pieces. (248) 347-9019

ANTIQUE estate wood stove, GE washer, Whirlpool dryer, 100,000 BTU unit furnace. Canton: 734-716-6669

BED - 9 pc. solid cherry sleigh bed set, still in boxes, will separate, retail \$2500, sell \$1250. Can deliver. 734-231-6622

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BED-ONE SET, 3 PIECE KING PILLLOW TOP MATTRESS. New in bag, only \$195. Deliverable. 734-891-8481

BEDROOM - twin sleigh bed with box spring & mattress, matching 3 drawer lateral dresser (great for girls ages 2-8); \$150/best. 248-355-0811

BEDROOM SET - ONE SET, 7 PIECE. Solid wood, still in box. \$975. Call: 734-891-8481

BEDROOM SET - Double bed, head & foot board, dresser w/mirror, high boy. Very good cond. \$275. 734-261-8351

BEDROOM SET Girl's bedroom furniture. Full-size bed-frame w/ headboard/footboard, double dresser w/mirror, chest w/drawer, 2 nightstands. \$350/best. 248-608-0585

BOOKS, Oak finish storage cabinet, U-Haul moving boxes, women's clothes, never used luggage. 734-728-2061

DINING ROOM - 12 pieces solid cherry set, still in boxes, retail \$3000, must sell \$1500. Can deliver. 734-231-6622

DINING ROOM SET - Solid cherry wood, 3/4 length medium mink coat, rarely used. Must sell! 248-982-4562

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DINING ROOM SET Beautiful, rarely used, immaculate condition, designer furnished BERNHARDT Napa style 60 round glass top table and pedestal, 6 chairs, credenza, console table w/stone top. Original \$8000 - \$2900/best. 248-417-7100

DINING ROOM SET Drexel Oval table 56" expand to 92", Buffet, 6 upholstered chairs. \$1500. Many other items. Florida move. 248-651-6141

DINING ROOM SET OAK table w/ 2 leafs, 8 chairs, china cabinet, buffet, curio. Exc. cond. \$1500. (734) 414-9151

DINING SET TRADITIONAL, Light Stain Maple, table & 6 chairs, \$700. Exc. cond. (248) 540-2579

FURNITURE - 4 pc. living room sectional, Queen, contemporary, like new. \$350. Octagonal, almond, oak kitchen set (4 chairs), \$160. 3 director bar stools, like new \$150. Canton 734-495-9293

FURNITURE - ALL MUST GO! 8 Mile & Grand River. Living, dining room & 2 bdrms. (New & old). Cell 617-899-2222

FURNITURE - House of Denmark, Workbench, antiques, most just 4 month's use. 248-894-2295

FURNITURE - Traditional Victorian Queen Anne, cherry sofa, loveseat, 2 chairs, floral mauve & greens, exc cond \$400 Traditional Queen Anne solid cherry coffee & end table \$125. Childcraft oak crib/dresser converts to bed w/ mattress \$125. 734-455-5453

FURNITURE 4 Oak high back bar stools w/warms, beige print fabric. Exc. cond. \$300. 2 Oak bar stools. (no backs) \$75/both. 734-776-7856

FURNITURE country-style couch, oak end tables, oak entertainment center, French Provincial end tables w/ marble tops, matching lamps, French Provincial couch and 2 chairs. 734-422-3301 or 313-670-6468.

FURNITURE Family room queen sleeper sofa, loveseat & recliner, 3 tables & snack trays. Wood frames with cushions in dark green fabric & burgundy. Exc. cond. \$800. 734-776-7856

Household Goods (7160)

FURNITURE - Love seat (54" couch (80"), traditional design, new cond., \$250. Roll top desk and leather chair, \$100. 734-453-9556

HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE Red microfibre sectional, \$800; entertainment center, \$900; Kimball grand piano, \$1000. (248) 514-8165

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HUTCH - Henredon open shelf Welsh-style hutch, excellent condition, \$900/best. 248-310-8784

LARGE DOG CAGE W/divider, \$70. Antique folding portable crib, \$25. futon, like new, \$60. Currier & Ives dishes, 8 place setting w/extras. \$70. (734) 279-2535

MISC ITEMS Cal Spa Hot tub \$550; wood burning furnace w/blower \$350; Craftman 10" table saw \$175 & drill press \$150; Porter cable air finish nailer \$100. 734-237-4276

MISC. ITEMS MOVING SALE - Sofa, ottoman, chair 1/2, arm chair-rust, taupe, purple, green floral with fringe(\$500 set), wood swing set with 3 swings and double swing glider(\$100) 734-354-9018

PATIO FURNITURE - Winston, 15 pc., table w/6 chairs, umbrella w/stand, glider, 2 recliners w/totaman, 2 end tables, all w/cushions. \$600/all. 248-344-0067

PATIO SET - Rattan, indoor, 5 piece. Kitchen dinette set + bar stools. Troy, 17 Mile & Cooldige. 248-643-8927

PATIO SET Beautiful 15-piece patio set Like New/Neutral Color & High End Design! Northville. \$799/best. 734-905-2722

RECLINER - La-Z-Boy, brand new, only used for one month! Burgundy solid. \$300/best. 248-445-7672

REMODELING SALE Custom couch & loveseat. Gathering table & chairs. 248-477-2272, 248-229-9592

SOFA 80" Black Leather Sofa. 1 yr. old. Great Shape! \$275 734-927-4177

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SOFA Black Natuzzi Leather, top of line, great condition. Best offer. Bookcases, by RomWeber, pair of Paladian Distressed Walnut, will not split, sold as a pair only. Queen size bed & 2 end tables by Design Institute of America, one of a kind, show-room pieces. By appt. only. (248) 254-1014

TROY MOVING!! Antiques, Chinese furniture, ceramics, birdcages, deck furniture, and more. Call: 248-933-5135

UPRIGHT PIANO \$200, Sofa bed, \$75, Toddler car bed, \$50. Wooden bunk bed set, w/dresser & desk, \$150. Loveseat w/totoman, \$50. Best offer on all. 734-454-0317

Appliances (7180)

AIR CONDITIONER Window, 13k btu. Fedders brand. \$80. Works well. SOLD

FREEZER Commercial free-standing freezer, white, paid \$2200. \$450/best. 248-736-3926

REFRIGERATOR GE, 25 cu. ft., Almond, side by side, exc. cond., \$75. Call: (248) 553-8827

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DOUGHBOY ROUND POOL USED 28ft. New liner-box, filter & hoses. \$450. 248-347-8916

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HOT TUB Hot Spot model SLX. 5 adults w/auxiliary ladder, spa cover, rarely used, enclosed in sun room, winter cover & chemicals incl. \$2250. Auburn Hills 248-276-9790.

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BEDROOM SET Queen headboard, 2 dressers, 1 nightstand, mirror. \$75. 248-305-5460

Bicycles (7210)

BIKES FOR SALE Kids & Adults. \$15-\$100. (734) 422-1489

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PILATES Studio Reformer Maple, includes accessories. Originally \$4000, sell \$2400. 248-723-0847

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U-PICK STRAWBERRIES Rowe's Produce 10570 Mertz, Ypsilanti (734)482-8538 Call for picking conditions

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LAWN MOWER - Toro Super Recycler, walk behind power mower. \$250/best, cash only. 248-910-4348

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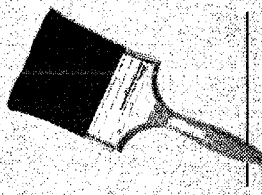
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Just about every room in Gaylen Curtis' home has a view of Sylvan Lake, but the interior is beautiful as well. The house will be featured on the third annual Sylvan Lake Home and Garden Tour this Saturday.

## From every Lakefront home has great views inside, outside angle

BY MARY KLEMIC  
STAFF WRITER

Gaylen Curtis' lakefront home was built so that water could be seen from every room.

And every room of the house is a beautiful view itself, with distinctive architectural features, and attractive furniture and decor.

"I wouldn't describe it as Victorian or contemporary (but) eclectic both inside and out," said Curtis, an attorney who decorated the residence herself.

The 4,300-square-foot house will be featured on the third annual Sylvan Lake Home and Garden Tour, taking place this Saturday.

The community of Sylvan Lake may be small in size (1-1/2 square miles, about 850 homes), but it is big in civic pride and affection.

A sign at the city limit welcomes you to "The Prettiest Little City in the State of Michigan." For the first tour, nationally renowned artist Eric Weigand, a Sylvan Lake resident, designed the graphic logo; it has been used every year.

"It has a little bit of everything," Marlene Toby, one of the organizers, said of the event.

"It's a fun tour."

Visitors from around the country came specially for last year's tour, which pointed out kit houses in the community, she said.

### DISTINCTIVE

Glenn Wachler built the home as his dream house in 1999. One of its unusual elements is the indoor-outdoor gas fireplace on the three-level deck.

"It is very much used," Curtis said of the fireplace.

Wachler incorporated diamond shapes in the house because he comes from a family of jewelers.

The eclectic decor includes contemporary and antique (or antique-looking) furniture, and whimsical and sophisticated elements. There are large accessories (mirrors, urns) and small pieces (tables, slender wooden pedestals).

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The spacious kitchen, by DeGiulio of Birmingham, includes cherry cabinets, granite countertops and an oak floor. Heavy chairs in iron and wood line one side of the island.



A pedestal sink covered in a floral design is one of the distinctive features in the residence.

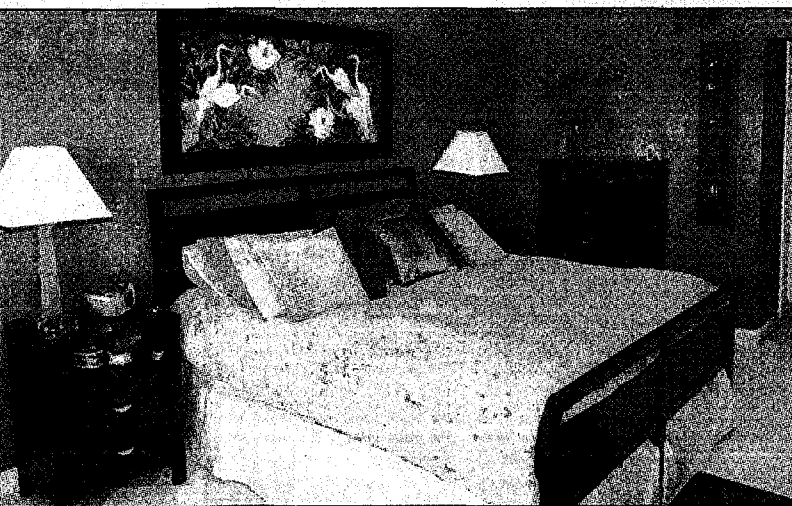
### SYLVAN LAKE HOME AND GARDEN TOUR

■ **What:** A tour of residences from the early 1900s to contemporary. All proceeds will go toward the Sylvan Lake Community Center.

■ **When:** 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, June 17.

■ **Tickets:** Groups of 10 or more, \$10 each; prior to day of tour, \$12 each; day of tour, \$15 each. Tickets are available at Sylvan Lake City Hall, 1820 Inverness; Detroit Garden Works, 1794 Pontiac Drive; La Rosa Market, 2375 Orchard Lake Road. The tour starts at City Hall, where maps will be distributed.

■ **Information:** Call (248) 681-8624 or (248) 681-2750, visit [www.sylvantour.com](http://www.sylvantour.com).



The master bedroom, with deep blue walls, contains a painting by famed artist Eric Weigand of Sylvan Lake and a shelf with Wedgwood pieces.

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## Make your Treo smarter with this software

If you own a Treo 650 or 700p, count yourself lucky — these smartphones rank among the top products in their class, and with good reason.

They're not only great phones, they're also equipped with the venerable Palm Operating System, meaning they can run a huge library of third-party programs.

I've rounded up nine excellent applications and utilities I think deserve a place on your Treo. You can find all of them at Handango.com, PalmGear.com, or both.

First up is Butler, a collection of several handy utilities: An alarm clock, an "attention grabber" (which lets you know about received calls, new voicemail messages, and so on), an application launcher, and improved control of volume buttons (using them to scroll pages of text or switch between previously used applications).

All in all, some darn good stuff — especially considering the \$7.95 price tag.

Equally indispensable is CallFilter. Like a spam filter for your phone, CallFilter lets you allow or disallow calls based on phone number, name, company and other criteria.

Disallowed calls will go straight to your voicemail. This is great when you're in a meeting and don't want to be disturbed unless it's something critical. CallFilter also allows you to use MP3 files as ringtones, a way-cool feature. It costs \$29.95.

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### OFF THE AIR WITH DICK PURTAN & PURTAN'S PEOPLE

## Tune in to our weekly column

It has been said that television is like radio with pictures. If that is true then the newspaper is like radio without sound.

With this in mind I, Dick Purtan, along with Purtan's People, embark on a journey never attempted by us before: a weekly soundless — and some might say, mindless — excursion through the world of print.

The powers that be at the *Observer & Eccentric* thought it would be a great idea if we converted our little daily radio show on the Motor City's 104.3 WOMC-FM into a weekly column.

After many attempts to show them the folly of their ways, they remained convinced it was a good idea.

For some odd reason they believed hearing us six days a week wasn't enough. The people want more, they exclaimed. "No they don't," we shrugged. In the end, they told us our picture would be in the paper, and who doesn't get excited about that?!

Now you have the opportunity to read along and listen. Try to contain your excitement. When you do a radio show you produce an unbelievable amount of words, phrases, utterances and, on occasion, complete thoughts. Enough material to — the *O&E* thinks — fill a weekly column.

What it doesn't realize is that in the radio world we aren't concerned with such pesky details as syntax and punctuation — especially commas. We never know where to put those pesky commas. And what's the deal with those semicolons? When are you supposed to use those? That being said, we make this promise to language arts teachers everywhere: Your position is secure. This column will be a weekly example to your students on how to butcher the English language.

But hey, this is America and we're supposed to *se habla Espanol*, right?

Unleashing a bunch of radio people on a newspaper is a grand experiment. A bold attempt to expand the horizons of human thought. A new voice in the wilderness of ideas. A thought-provoking missive that will ultimately incite the response — whose idea was this again? Tomorrow morning at 7:15 you could win a pair of tickets to see the Michigan-Michigan State game. Details are available at [womc.com](http://womc.com).

Hear Dick Purtan & Purtan's People between 5 and 10 a.m. Monday through Saturday on The Motor City's 104.3 WOMC-FM, and on the Internet at [womc.com](http://womc.com).

# Prepare surface before you paint

With cold weather behind us it's time to look at some of the chores, such as outside painting, that are difficult to do during the winter months. Exterior painting isn't rocket science, but it takes quality materials and time to properly prepare the surfaces.

I can't emphasize enough the need for good-quality paint, whether you choose oil-based or water-based (latex). Latex, because of the tough finish it leaves and the ease of cleanup, is my personal favorite.

However, if you don't properly prepare the surfaces, no paint – no matter how good – will fail.

Start by tying back or trimming any bushes or tree limbs that get in the way of your work. If the branches are touching the siding they should be trimmed anyway.

Wear damage can occur when these rub against the house.

Cover any objects, such as vents and air conditioner units, that may get splattered with paint. It's also a good idea to have drop cloths handy to cover porches and sidewalks. Remove loose and peeling paint from the surface. Scrapers designed for paint removal, wire brushes, sandpaper and sanders can be used.

A word of warning if your house was built before 1978: There is a good chance that at least one layer of paint contains lead. Don't scrape or sand the paint until you have it tested.

Most places where you buy paint will have additional information on lead paint removal.

See <http://www.epa.gov/lead/pubs/leadinfo.htm#remodeling> for more information on lead paint removal, or contact a professional in lead remediation.

Once the loose paint is removed, fill any rotted or damaged areas with a good-

quality wood filler or auto body filler such as Bondo™. Caulk where necessary. Let the filler and caulk set up for at least one day.

Wash all the surfaces to be painted with a solution of trisodium phosphate (TSP) or a phosphate-free TSP substitute and bleach.

Apply with a brush or power washer, following the directions for the washer, and rinse thoroughly.

Exercise care when using TSP. Wear rubber gloves and other waterproof protective gear and definitely wear eye protection. Let the surfaces dry for at least two days.

Now you are ready to paint. Check the weather forecast to make sure there is no rain in the near future. It's best to get an early start while the air is cool, but make sure the surface is dry.

If at all possible, work on the shady side of the house and follow the shadow.

Use extreme caution when working on a ladder.

Obviously you can be seriously injured from a fall. Ladders can also damage

the home when improperly used or erected.

Special note: Be extremely careful when moving metal ladders anywhere near electric wires, even if you think they are properly insulated. Touching live wires while holding a metal ladder has electrocuted too many people.

For more ladder safety, see the Louisville Ladders C.L.I.M.B. Academy Web sites: <http://www.louisville-ladder.com/CLIMBVideos.asp> and <http://www.louisville-ladder.com/CLIMBBook.pdf>.

To make the job go even easier and faster, consider renting some of the various types of climbing devices and scaffolds that are available. Contact a rental shop near you.

Good painting to you!

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

## Ask Dad

Harry Jachym

Urban Interiors

Urban Interiors, a home beautification and design shop, will have its grand opening 10 a.m. Saturday, June 17, at 31204 Five Mile in Livonia. The grand opening will feature a ribbon cutting at noon, hors d'oeuvres and champagne noon to 2 p.m., and the awarding of prizes. Urban Interiors will provide home design services to make a residence more marketable, or to change its appearance if the homeowners can't move. Call (734) 293-5954.

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**Spa and Backyard Expo**  
The Novi Spa and Backyard Expo will take place Thursday-Sunday, June 15-18, at the Rock Financial Center, on Grand River between Novi and Beck roads. Hours are 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday. Admission is free. Parking is \$5. For more information, visit [www.spa-expo.net](http://www.spa-expo.net). More than \$5 million of hot tubs, above and in-ground pools, patio furniture, sunrooms, gazebos, decks, barbecue grills and more will be on sale, by the Midwest's largest hot tub and backyard retailers. Retailers will offer discounts and free on-the-spot financing, with hot tubs starting at \$1,688.

**Trunk show**  
Takako Ueki, owner of Habu Textiles, will show its current line of sweater and accessory kits as well as yarn

Monday, June 26, at The Knitting Room, 251 E. Merrill in Birmingham. The Knitting Room will be open 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., and 6:30-8:30 p.m. for the event, at which more than 50 samples will be displayed. Call (248) 540-3623. Habu Textiles was founded in 1999 as a showroom/gallery and weaving studio, working with a myriad of fibers including silk, bamboo, wool, ramie, paper and stainless steel. The fabric could be used for garments, home accessories or art. In 2001, the yarn shop was added to make a variety of Asian and Japanese yarns available.

**Detroit walking tours**  
Preservation Wayne presents guided walking tours of five historical areas of Detroit (downtown, Eastern Market, Midtown, Auto Heritage and the Cultural Center), 10 a.m. Saturdays now through September. It also presents Tuesday After Work tours in downtown Detroit 5:30 p.m. every week. Tours of the New Center area are available by appointment. Each tour offers a blend of the history of the area and what is happening now. Cost is \$10. Visit [www.preservationwayne.org](http://www.preservationwayne.org) or call (313) 577-7674.

Send calendar items at least two weeks ahead of the event to Mary Klemic, At Home Editor, Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 805 E. Maple, Birmingham 48009, e-mail [mklemic@hometownlife.com](mailto:mklemic@hometownlife.com), fax (734) 591-7279 or (248) 644-1314.

# Angie's List expands to metro Detroit

Angie's List, where thousands of consumers share their ratings and reviews on local contractors and service companies, has opened in Detroit and surrounding areas.

"For consumers throughout the area, from Mount Clemens and Pontiac to Ann Arbor and Southgate, this literally means thousands of ratings and reviews on local contractors and companies are available at their fingertips," said Angie Hicks, who started Angie's List 11 years ago.

Companies can't pay to be on the list, nor can they put themselves on the list. Only Angie's List members can submit reviews and ratings after they've hired a company or contractor.

Already, consumers in the Detroit area have added nearly 3,000 local companies to Angie's List.

Angie's List ratings and reviews are available in more than 250 different categories, from home improvement and maintenance, to services for lawn, garden, auto and pets.

During this opening time period, consumers can join Angie's List for free. Regular membership is \$5.95 a month.

Membership comes with unlimited access to the list and a subscription to the magazine, which includes stories, tips and information on home and consumer topics.

Members also have access to the Angie's List complaint resolution service.

For more information and consumer tips, visit [www.angieslist.com](http://www.angieslist.com).

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receives more than 10,000 reviews from consumers across the U.S. on the local companies they've hired. In their reviews, members describe their project and the work done.

They also tell whether they'd hire the company again, and grade the company - A, B, C, D or F, just like a report card - in six areas: overall experience, price, quality of work, responsiveness, punctuality and professionalism.

Detailed comments and reviews include such subjects as whether the contractor was conscious of children and pets, if the contractor cleaned up after the work and how the contractor handled change orders.

Hicks started Angie's List in 1995 in Columbus, Ohio. She set out door-to-door collecting reports and recruiting members. Since then, Angie's List has grown to serve more than 375,000 consumers across the country.

## GARDEN CALENDAR

### Hill & Dale Garden Club

The Hill & Dale Garden Club will have a general meeting, with installation of new officers, 6 p.m. Thursday, June 15, at the Heritage Park Visitors Center, on Farmington Road between 10 and 11 Mile. The public may attend.

For more information, contact Mar Scawly at (248) 333-3108 or [stemar@comcast.net](mailto:stemar@comcast.net).

### Junior gardeners

The Hill & Dale Junior Gardener's Workshop, featuring Wise Old Owl, will take place 10:30 a.m. Saturday, June 17, at the Downtown Farmington Library.

The workshop is for ages 5-12, parents and younger siblings. Pre-registration is required. Call the library at (248) 553-0300.

### Spring rose show

The Detroit Rose Society will have its annual Spring Rose Show Saturday-Sunday, June 17-18, at Universal Mall, 12 Mile and Dequindre. Admission is free. Hours are 11 a.m. to closing time Saturday, and from when the mall opens to 2 p.m. Sunday. For information, call (586) 977-7367.

Come and smell the roses, view some of the best exhibition roses in the country, and meet top rose exhibitors who will answer questions on gardening, exhibiting and all subjects dealing with rose culture. Novice exhibitors are welcome. Bring a freshly cut rose from your garden, and Detroit Rose Society members will help you put it in the show.

All entries are judged by American Rose Society accredited judges, and ribbons are awarded.

### Buying plants

Learn how to choose and plant the best trees, shrubs and flowers in Landscape Plants: Buying Wisely, a class at The Community House in Birmingham (Wednesday, June 21; cost is \$22).

To register and for more information, call (248) 644-5832 or visit [www.communityhouse.com](http://www.communityhouse.com).

The class will be taught by master gardener Heidi Cook, owner of Liberty Street Gardens, which performs maintenance and design services in and around Farmington.

### Seminars

English Gardens hosts free gardening seminars for the public 7 p.m.

Wednesdays in June at its six stores, including locations in West Bloomfield, (248) 851-7506; Dearborn Heights, (313) 278-4433; Royal Oak/Troy, (248) 280-9500; and Ann Arbor, (734) 332-7900.

Perennial gardening will be the topic June 21. The basics of design, care and planting of perennials in the landscape will be discussed. Information on selecting plant materials, combining colors and varieties of plants, and caring for perennials during and after the growing season, will be provided. Herb gardening will be the topic June 28.

### Gardening programs

Gardening programs at The Community House in Birmingham include Hardy Perennials (Monday, June 26; cost is \$25) and Designing a Country Garden (Wednesday, June 28; \$25), both presented by Michael Saint, the owner of Good Earth Landscape & Interior Design in Clarkston.

To register and for more information, call (248) 594-6401 or visit [www.communityhouse.com](http://www.communityhouse.com).

Topics at the hardy perennials program will include making invasive plants garden friendly, design tips, and some of the do's and don'ts of garden design.

At the country garden program, Saint will show how to create a big country feel in your garden regardless of the size.

### Rose programs

Roger and Nancy Lindley, owners of Great Lakes Roses, present a series of educational programs for the public. The popular programs are at the historic 1890s barn and display garden at Great Lakes Roses, 49875 Willow Road in Sumpter Township.

Each presentation lasts about 1-1/2 hours. Dress for the weather. For information, visit [www.GreatLakesRoses.com](http://www.GreatLakesRoses.com) or call (734) 461-1230.

The schedule includes Insect and Disease Control for Roses (11 a.m. Sunday, June 18, repeated 11 a.m. Monday, June 19) and Rugged Rugosa Roses (1 p.m. Sunday, June 25, repeated 11 a.m. Monday, June 26). Admission is free. Reservations aren't required.

The Insect and Disease Control presentation will feature a slide lecture and a tour of the Lindleys' garden. Special emphasis on natural and cultural controls to prevent and eliminate problems.

Bring leaves from your garden in a plastic sandwich bag for problem identification.

The rugosa roses program will feature a slide talk and garden tour.

### Hidden Lake Gardens

The Royal Oak Garden Club will go on a field trip to Hidden Lake Gardens in the Irish Hills 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 2.

The tour bus will leave from the Mahany/Meininger Community Center, 3500 Marais in Royal Oak.

Cost is \$7, which includes the tour bus, admission and boxed lunch. Space is limited, so register early. Call Sherry Jurva at (248) 280-2540.

The 755-acre botanical garden features a greenhouse complex, a lake, a picnic area, a 6-mile, paved scenic drive, and thousands of labeled trees, shrubs and flowers. Indoor plants include bamboo, banana, cocoa, coffee, sugarcane, tapioca and vanilla. A visitor center has informative exhibits.

### Volunteers sought

Do you live in a condo or apartment and miss gardening?

The Royal Oak Garden Club is seeking volunteers (club members only) to tend these Royal Oak community gardens now to October: Gilda's Garden, Community Center Garden, Community Center Iris Garden, Cemetery Garden and the Zoo Garden. Club membership is \$10 per year. Call Sherry Jurva at (248) 280-2540.

### School of Gardening

The Michigan School of Gardening presents a variety of classes for different levels at The Community House in Birmingham; 380 S. Bates; Michigan School of Gardening, 29429 Six Mile in Livonia, just west of Middlebelt; Troy Continuing Education, 201 W. Square Lake Road; Matthaee Botanical Gardens, 1800 N. Dixboro in Ann Arbor; and Goldner Walsh Nursery, 559 Orchard Lake Road in Pontiac, north of Square Lake Road and east of Telegraph.

Register early. Seating is limited. Some classes have pre-requisites. Special class sessions can be arranged for groups of 15 or more. For more information, call (248) 4-GARDEN or visit [www.michigangardening.com](http://www.michigangardening.com).

The schedule includes: Ornamental Grasses and Alternative Lawns, Thursdays, June 15-22, in Livonia (fee is \$72); and Difficult Sites II: Harsh Exposures, Tuesday, June 27, in Pontiac (\$42).

Send calendar items at least two weeks ahead of the event to Mary Klemic, At Home Editor, Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 805 E. Maple, Birmingham 48009, e-mail [mklemic@hometownlife.com](mailto:mklemic@hometownlife.com), fax (734) 591-7279 or (248) 644-1314.

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## GARDEN WALK CALENDAR

## Farmington

The Farmington Garden Club will host its biannual garden walk, A Garden Party, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, June 24, rain or shine. Tickets are \$10 and available at Steinkopf Nursery, 20815 Farmington Road. They will be available on the day of the event at the Visitors Center in Heritage Park, off Farmington Road, between 10 and 11 Mile. Eight private gardens and one public garden will be featured. At the Visitors Center, club members will serve complimentary refreshments and Steinkopf Nursery will sell a wide variety of beautiful plants. A box lunch or salad will be available for a nominal charge between 11:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. Call Betti at (248) 442-2742 or visit farmingtongardenclub.com.

## Livonia

Friends for the Development of Greenmead will present its 17th Annual Garden Walk 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, June 24, featuring seven gardens and yards of homes throughout Livonia. Proceeds benefit the restoration and preservation of Greenmead Historical Village. Tickets are \$9 in advance, \$10 the day of the walk. They are available at any Livonia library, the Civic Center Library Gift Shop (the library is on Five Mile, just east of Farmington Road), the Greenmead office (on Eight Mile, just west of Newburgh) and the Department of Community Resources on the fifth floor of Livonia City Hall. Call (734) 466-2540 or (734) 425-4855.

## Plymouth

The Trailwood Garden Club will present the 11th annual Flowers Are Forever Garden Walk noon to 8 p.m., rain or shine, Tuesday, June 27. Several lovely gardens in Plymouth will be featured. Complimentary refreshments will be served. Tickets are \$7 pre-sale, \$8 the day of the walk, half off for ages 12 and under, free for "little gardeners" carried in arms (strollers aren't permitted in gardens). Raffle tickets are \$1 or three for \$2. Tickets are available at Saxton's Garden Center, (734) 453-6250; at Backyard Birds in Plymouth, (734) 416-0600; and from Marilyn Detmer, (734) 454-4625.

## Grosse Pointe

The 15th annual Summer Garden Tour, sponsored by the Grosse Pointe Garden Center Inc., will take place 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, June 24-25, rain or shine. Tickets are \$12 in advance, \$15 on tour days. They will be available at local merchants and at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lake Shore Drive in Grosse Pointe Farms. For information, call the Grosse Pointe Garden Center, (313) 881-7511, Ext. 206, between 9 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. Tuesday-Thursday. Master gardeners will be present at various locations to answer questions. Lunch will be available for purchase at Patterson Park.

## Northville

The 13th annual Gardens of Northville Garden Walk will take place 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Wednesday, July 12. The Country Garden Club of Northville, a member of the Woman's National Farm and Garden Association, is sponsoring the event. Tickets are \$10 in advance, available at Gardenviews, 202 W. Main in Northville. Five gardens will be featured. Cady Inn at Mill Race Village will be transformed into The Potting Shed, where complimentary, homemade sweets and lemonade will be served. Music will be played as local vendors offer a selection of plants and garden items. Raffle tickets will be available at Mill Race Village only on the day of the event.

## Canton

The Canton Garden Club's eighth annual Garden Walk will take place 1-6 p.m. Sunday, July 16, rain or shine. Visit beautiful private gardens in the Canton area. Shop for garden-related items from vendors at the Garden Market on the grounds of the Canton Historical Museum, where the Country Lines Michigan Heritage Quilt is displayed. Free admittance to the Garden Market and the museum. Garden Walk tickets are \$6 in advance, \$7 the day of the event. They are available at Backyard Birds, Graye's Greenhouse, and Plymouth Nursery Home & Garden Showplace, all in Plymouth; Crimboli Nursery & Sweetwater Village, Keller & Stein Florist and Greenhouse, and Mary's Farm Market, all in Canton; and Feather Your Nest Antiques in Superior Township. Tickets will also be available July 16 only at the museum and each garden location. For more information, call Dianne at (734) 254-1023.

## ANGLE

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Curtis painted bright colors on some walls, such as orange in an upstairs bedroom and red in a lower level bathroom. Other walls and carpeting have soft tones.

On the lower level, Curtis finished a bedroom and added a bar.

The kitchen, by DeGiulio of Birmingham, features an oak floor, cherry cabinets, granite countertops, a Sub-Zero refrigerator, a Thermadore range and stovetop, and backsplash and walls covered in tile that resembles tumbled marble.

Heavy chairs with iron frames and wood seats line one side of an island. An area to the side is an open nook, with a table and more chairs.

The openness extends without interruption to the living room, which has a nature

motif in such elements as tall zebra statues and the leafy tree design on the base of a table lamp. A baby grand piano and a curved sectional are among the furnishings.

A sitting room is on the first floor, and a TV room on the second. An open area on the second floor is a charming vignette, with a round table, an antique desk in a wall recess, and a curved bench.

The deep blue on the walls in the master bedroom was already there. Accessories here include a painting by Eric Weigand, and a slender shelf arrangement containing Wedgwood pieces.

Among other interesting features in the home are the flower-covered pedestal sink in the first floor powder room, and the hidden bedroom that was converted from a playroom by Curtis' daughter — who turns 13 soon.

## OTHER HOMES

The Sylvan Lake Home and Garden Tour will be as eclectic as Curtis' residence. Other featured homes include:

■ A house with a European chalet design, and custom carpentry and woodwork throughout. The home is known locally as the Owl House, because of a hand-carved owl at the site.

■ A kit house from the early 1900s that has been preserved. It has the original bathtub and hardwood floors.

■ Two other lakefront houses. On the deck of one is a table, with a base that is a stump from a tree that had to be cut down.

■ A remodeled Colonial that is the former home of Daniel Murphy, the first Oakland County executive.

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## Turn heat on pests

BY JAMES AND MORRIS CAREY  
FOR AP WEEKLY FEATURES

January and Alan ask: "We have an upstairs bathroom floor with termites, as well as a history of asthma in our family.

"A termite inspection has confirmed the need for fumigation, yet we are hesitant due to the onset of asthma in my brother after he had his home fumigated.

"We've contacted the pest control company that has pioneered the use of nitrogen in freezing out termites from localized home infestations. Do you have information on this method?"

You are among the growing number of homeowners who are seeking less toxic alternatives to the conventional methods of dealing with household pests.

According to Sheila Darr, executive director of the Bio-Integral Resource Center, a non-profit organization formed in

1978 to provide practical information on least-toxic methods for managing pests, the effectiveness of the liquid nitrogen method isn't as well documented as some of the alternatives.

According to Darr, one of the most effective and least toxic alternatives is one that uses heat.

This is a system wherein propane space heaters blow hot air through ducts into a tented structure, thus raising the ambient temperature to about 150 degrees. That brings the core temperature of the wood-framing members to about 120 degrees. That is all that is required to slay those little varmints. Plus, the heat isn't harmful to humans or to the structure or its contents, although you should remove any electronic equipment susceptible to damage through heat. Technicians also warn that candles or thin sheets of plastic should be removed as well.



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Message Service) applet for sending short text messages to other devices. funSMS 4 provides a much more attractive interface and a host of handy features. The \$24.95 program is a must-have for anyone who lives and dies by SMS.

And for anyone who lies and dies by instant messaging (or "IM-ing"), VeriChat makes it possible to hold real-time chat sessions with users on AOL, ICQ, MSN and Yahoo networks.

It supports multiple chat sessions, user alerts (meaning it can notify you when a particular user comes online), and even file exchanges.

It also comes with a boatload of nifty emoticons — essential for any serious IM-er. VeriChat costs \$24.95.

Pocket Tunes Deluxe is the killer music app for Treo users. That's because it not only lets you play and manage MP3 and WMA files stored on your device, but also supports online music stores and subscription services. Just make sure you get an adapter so you can plug your favorite headphones into the Treo's annoyingly non-standard 2.5mm jack.

Wouldn't it be great if you could call someone just by tapping an icon? That's the idea behind TapDial, a \$9.95 utility that effectively creates speed-dial buttons right in your Applications screen.

If there's one key feature the Treo sorely lacks, it's voice dialing. Ideally, you should be able to just say the name of the person you want to call. With Voice



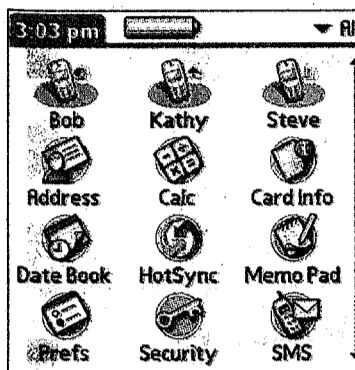
Pocket Tunes Deluxe turns your Treo into a sophisticated audio player, with full support for most online music services.

Dialer, a \$19.95 program, you can. Many people, myself included, find the Treo's volume to be seriously lacking. VolumeCare lets you increase the volume beyond what the hardware normally allows. Dozens of demerits to Palm for requiring a third-party utility to fix this annoying problem.

Finally, we come to Avvenu (avvenu.com), which enables you to remotely access files and folders stored on your PC.

This can prove mighty handy when you need to retrieve an essential file while away from the office. Avvenu is a freebie, and it works with other PCs, too, not just Treos.

One last thought: If you're looking for a good online hang-out where you can read reviews of Treo-related gear and interact with other Treo users, try TreoCentral (treocentral.com). The site also runs a store



TapDial makes speed-dialing a snap by assigning contacts their own icons.

where you can buy a wide variety of Treo accessories.

**Rick Broida** writes about computers and technology for the *Observer & Eccentric Newspapers*. Broida, of Commerce Township, is the co-author of numerous books. He welcomes questions sent to rick.broida@gmail.com.

## How to read grass seed label

If now is the time to perk up your existing lawn or perhaps start a new one, then you may be thinking of grass seed.

Buying quality seed is the first step. Understanding the label on the grass seed package is key to buying the right seed for your lawn. Every grass seed package is required to have a label listing the contents. Here are some tips from the Web site yardcare.com to help you understand the terms. The Toro Company created the site to provide answers and information for all lawn and garden questions. Log on to www.yardcare.com for more information.

■ **Species and variety** - The label will list the species, or types, of grass seed in the bag by the common species name as well as by the specific variety name within the species.

For example, Midnight Kentucky Bluegrass is the variety Midnight from the species

Kentucky Bluegrass.

A mixture of grass seed will often contain more than one species as well as more than one variety from a given species.

Check with your county extension service or the experts at your local garden center to see what species mixture is best suited for your specific lawn conditions.

■ **Purity** - The number listed next to the grass seed variety name indicates the purity of the seed. Purity refers to the percent, by weight, of each lawn seed in the mixture.

You should look for packages with the pure seed percentage totaling 90 percent or more.

■ **Germination** - This indicates the percent of pure seed that has been tested and should grow when planted. The germination figure should be at least 80 percent.

■ **Crop seed** - This number refers to the percentage of the

mixture that is grown as a cash crop. It is best to find seed with less than 0.5 percent crop seed, as it may lower the quality of your lawn.

■ **Inert matter** - The inert matter on a grass seed label indicates the amount of the mixture that is incapable of growth. Think of this as "filler." High-quality grass seed contains little inert matter.

■ **Weed seed** - The weed seed that is listed on the label indicates the percentage of weeds in the package. It is best to choose mixtures with less than 0.5 percent weed seed.

Noxious weeds are extremely problematic for proper lawn growth and maintenance. To ensure quality lawns, avoid packages with noxious weeds.

■ **Test date** - Finally, the test date refers to when the seed was last tested. It is best to choose seed tested within the past nine to 12 months.

## Step 1: Read installation manual

BY DAVID BRADLEY  
FOR AP WEEKLY FEATURES

The least homeowners should expect when they hire contractors is by-the-book installation. Yet the abridged version of installation manuals often is all many hired workers read.

Installation jobs end up botched or corners are cut. Homeowners assume their dollars buy the best the building industry has to offer when in fact many are shortchanged.

For instance, windows may be shoved into openings and held in place with nails or sealed by cheap caulk.

Drywall lines shower walls but may soak up water like a sponge and isn't sturdy enough to hold many of today's heavy-weight tiles.

Quality flooring is doomed if subflooring isn't leveled or strengthened.

Homeowners don't escape all the blame. So fixated are many on materials they forget the back-end of the process.

They don't ask pertinent questions about proper installation. Few bother to read

manuals (even if they do the work themselves).

Most are away from home as work is done. They never see what transpires as materials are put in place.

The contractor, a homeowner originally dealt with may be an installation pro but the labor is often shunted to inexperienced work crews. Such workers may lack sufficient training, specific product know-how or patience to see the job to a proper conclusion.

So rampant is here today-gone tomorrow installation that many manufacturers and retailers now resort to private installation networks to ensure the job is done right.

Supply chains such as Lowe's or Home Depot have ramped up installation services in part to relieve homeowners of the onus of installation and to appease product manufacturers. Product makers and vendors look bad if products fail due to installation negligence.

It's worth remembering that product warranties can be void with improper installation.

Wally Corwin, manager of product integrity for window

maker Jeld-Wen, says the firm includes exhaustive installation booklets with every window.

These lengthy materials, including CDs, are as much for worker enlightenment as for homeowner information. He estimates a thorough window installation is six to eight hours per window.

Homeowners should at least leaf through materials to know what questions to pose to contractors.

Materials also help educate the homeowner as to best installation practices or to know what to look for.

Here are some installation suggestions that consumers should talk through with their contractor prior to installation:

■ Walk me through the installation process for this product.

■ May I read the installation manual before installation starts?

■ How experienced are you and your workers in installation procedures for this product or job?

■ What sort of installation is necessary to meet warranty guidelines?

## Try using metal when you re-roof

BY MORRIS AND JAMES CAREY  
FOR AP WEEKLY FEATURES

If you've got leaks and drips from peak to border, a brand-new roof might be in order.

While they cost more initially, metal roofs pay off in the long run, with lifetime transferable warranties, meaning you (or

future owners) will never have to re-roof.

And because they're fireproof, you might also pay less for homeowner's insurance.

Another big benefit is greater comfort and energy savings. Metal roofs reflect more heat from intense sun, while asphalt shingles absorb heat and trans-

fer it indoors. And, contrary to what you might think, the sound of rain on metal is no greater than on traditional roofing.

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Besides helping the chicken cook evenly, pounding the cutlets beforehand helps to tenderize them in this citrus chicken.

## Tangy citrus chicken features tender cutlets

BY DANA JACOBI  
THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE FOR CANCER RESEARCH

When I was a child, my grandmother's landlord was French and, to top it off, a chef. On Sundays, his day off, Chef LaGrange always made coq au vin. This was before Julia Child taught us authentic French cooking, and the aroma drifting upstairs was like nothing I had ever known. The fragrance of that dish was what started my life-long passion for enticing chicken dishes.

During college, while living near New York City's Hungarian neighborhood, a clerk at a store that could have been in Budapest gave me her recipes for creamy chicken paprikash and a pungent goulash. Then my mother shared a recipe she found for Chicken Marengo. Made with garlic, tomatoes and white wine, in the late 1960s, it seriously impressed the men I dated.

Next came the era of the wok, when everyone learned to stir-

fry. My specialty was tossing together colorful combinations of chicken, crisp vegetables, and fresh pineapple that I seasoned with ginger, garlic and soy sauce. Northern Italian food then became the fashion, with restaurants featuring chicken piccata. What could be easier to make; just saute chicken cutlets, deglaze with chicken broth and lemon juice, and garnish with capers. But my chicken overcooked in the thin parts while remaining pink where it was thick. Cookbooks explained that pounding the chicken to an even thickness would prevent this.

If, like me, you have resisted pounding chicken cutlets, trust me, it is worth the effort. Besides helping the chicken cook evenly, pounding tenderizes it. This helps cutlets come out as delicate in this Citrus Chicken, my version of piccata, as they are when served in the most exclusive restaurants. If you do not have a mallet or the round and short-handled metal implement called a meat pounder, using a small heavy frying pan works nicely.

### CITRUS CHICKEN

- 1 pound whole skinless and boneless chicken breast, cut in 4 (4 ounce) pieces
- ¼ cup fat-free, reduced sodium chicken broth
- 3 tablespoons lime juice
- 2 teaspoons sugar
- 2 teaspoons minced shallots
- 2 teaspoons extra virgin olive oil
- 1 teaspoon cornstarch
- 1 tablespoon cold water
- 1 tablespoon chilled butter, cut in tiny pieces
- Salt and freshly ground black pepper
- 3 cups baby arugula leaves
- 3 cups baby spinach

Place one piece of the chicken breast between 2 sheets plastic wrap or wax paper. Using a meat pounder, mallet, or small, heavy frying pan, pound the chicken until it is evenly ¼-inch thick. Repeat with remaining chicken pieces. In a measuring cup, combine the broth, lime juice, sugar, and shallots, and set aside.

Heat the oil in a large skillet over medium-high heat. Add the

chicken and cook 3 minutes. Turn, and cook until chicken is white in the center, 2-3 minutes. Transfer the chicken to a plate, cover loosely with foil, and set aside.

Pour the broth mixture into the pan, scraping with a wooden spatula to gather up any browned bits. In a small bowl, dissolve the cornstarch in the cold water and add to the pan. When the sauce boils and turns clear, 1-2 minutes, remove pan from the heat and whisk in the butter. Season to taste with salt and pepper.

In a large bowl, toss together the arugula and spinach leaves. Divide them among four dinner plates. Slice each chicken breast across the grain and at an angle. Arrange one sliced breast on top of the greens on each plate. Spoon over the sauce. Serve immediately, accompanied by cooked brown rice, if desired.

Makes 4 servings. Per serving: 195 calories, 7 g. total fat (3 g. saturated fat), 5 g. carbohydrate, 28 g. protein, less than 1 g. dietary fiber, 194 mg. sodium.

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

## Making your own salad dressing easy

BY BRYAN MILLER  
FOR AP WEEKLY FEATURES

NEW YORK – In a country where people routinely purchase premade versions of easy-to-make foods like croutons (seasoned toast), pancake mix (flour and baking powder) and even pre-buttered garlic bread, it shouldn't be a surprise that they also unthinkingly squander money on sugared-up, bottled salad dressings.

Look at the labels of brand-name dressings and, almost invariably, a prominent ingredient is high-fructose corn syrup. Making your own salad dressing is embarrassingly easy – and cheaper – than buying it in the store. Of course, preparing vinaigrette every day could become a nuisance, especially, if, like me, you often forget to make it until the last minute when hot food is already on the table.

My solution: Make big batches of the stuff and store it in wine bottles or mason jars.

There's no end to the dressings you can make. Novices might begin by preparing classic French vinaigrette, which is the mother lode for so many dressings. The key is to strike the proper balance among acid (vinegar, lemon juice), sweetness and viscosity (olive oil) and spicy (mustard, black pepper, hot pepper).

It goes without saying that the better the ingredients, the more flavorful the results.

Start small. A tossed green salad for four calls for about 1½ teaspoons mustard, 2 to 3 tablespoons oil, 1 tablespoon vinegar, salt and pepper. Whisk together all the ingredients except the oil; when blended, drizzle in the oil while continuing to whisk. Keep in mind that salad dressings, like hand-sewn Amish quilts, are never exactly alike even though the components are the same. Taste, taste, taste.

That accomplished, the fun begins.

We are coming into the season of fresh herbs, so experiment at will. It requires a lot of hard work and concentration to foul up vinaigrette – and if you manage to succeed in doing so, making corrections is merely a matter of boosting the flavor that's missing.

If you don't have access to fresh herbs in the off-season, look for a widely available dried-herb mix from France called Herbes de Provence, sold in a small clay crock. Commercial flavored oils and vinegars are good, but pricey for what you get.

I love garlic, but I infrequently add raw garlic to dressings that I plan to store. When the garlic is left to steep in olive oil, especially at room temperature, nasty things can happen. Vegetables and herbs that grow on or under the ground are likely to contain tiny fragments of soil. This soil, if placed in an anaerobic environment such as a container of oil, can generate botulism. But botulism can't grow in the presence of acid, like vinegar, so vinaigrettes should be fine.

The recipes below are more guidelines than dictates. For a softer, less biting dressing, you can substitute rice vinegar or cider vinegar.

The balsamic vinegars found in supermarkets, while not authentic, still add a pleasant, woody sweetness (the better ones have "Modena" on the label).

In the recipes below, fresh herbs are steeped in warm olive oil to release their flavors.

A vinaigrette-style dressing is good for as long as two months. I like to store salad dressings in wine bottles; it's classier than bringing a mason jar to the table.

A word of warning: Clearly label bottles in the fridge that contain dressing. More than once I have poured a thick, lumpy vinaigrette cocktail into a dinner guest's wine goblet.

### TARRAGON-GRAPEFRUIT VINAIGRETTE

- ½ cups olive oil
- ¾ cup canola oil
- 1 tablespoon fresh tarragon leaves, stemmed, chopped, or ½ tablespoon dried
- 2½ tablespoons Dijon mustard
- ½ teaspoon salt
- 1 teaspoon freshly ground black pepper
- ¾ cup fresh grapefruit juice (sweeter pink or red are best), or to taste

In a small pot, combine over low heat the olive oil, canola oil and tarragon. Heat the oil just short of bubbling. Remove from heat and set aside for at least 60 minutes.

Meanwhile, in the work bowl of a kitchen mixer or a hand-held mixer, combine the mustard, salt, black pepper and 1 tablespoon of grapefruit juice.

Begin whisking on slow setting. Drizzle in about ¼ cup of the oil, then more of the grapefruit juice. Repeat in that order, tasting for balance as you go along, until the oil and grapefruit juice are exhausted. Cut with a little red-wine vinegar if it needs a boost of acidity. Taste for seasonings.

Using a funnel, transfer dressing to a standard 750-milliliter wine bottle (or a Mason jar). Seal securely and refrigerate. (New screw-cap bottles are best for this.) Refrigerate. Remove 15 minutes before using, and shake very well. Lasts at least a month refrigerated.

Makes about 2 cups.

This versatile dressing is ideal for fruit salads of all kinds. It's also good with grilled fruits. Because it is sweet, a little goes a long way.

### MANGO, LIME AND FRESH GINGER DRESSING

- 2 ripe mangoes, peeled, flesh sliced off
- ½ teaspoon grated fresh ginger (dried is too harsh)
- ½ cup fresh mint leaves
- Juice of 2 limes
- ½ teaspoon Dijon mustard
- Salt and white pepper to taste
- 6 tablespoons plain yogurt

In a blender, combine all ingredients except the yogurt. Puree until smooth.

Add the yogurt and puree. Taste – it should be smooth and moderately sweet. Store in an airtight jar for up to two weeks.

Makes about 2 cups.

### SPRING LEMON AND ROSEMARY DRESSING

- ½ cups olive oil
- ¾ cups canola oil
- ½ cup loosely packed whole rosemary leaves, chopped finely (or 1 tablespoon dried)
- 2½ tablespoons Dijon mustard
- ½ teaspoon salt
- 1 teaspoon freshly ground black pepper
- 4 tablespoons fresh lemon juice and zest of 1 lemon
- ½ cup red-wine vinegar, or as needed

In a medium pot, combine over low heat the olive oil, canola oil and rosemary. Heat the oil to just short of bubbling. Remove from heat and set aside for at least 60 minutes.

Meanwhile, in the work bowl of a kitchen mixer or a hand-held mixer, combine the mustard, salt, black pepper, 1 tablespoon lemon juice, and the lemon zest.

Begin whisking on slow setting. Slowly drizzle in about ¼ cup of the oil. Whisk in 1 tablespoon lemon juice. Repeat, alternating oil and lemon juice (taste for balance as you go along) until both are exhausted. Cut with a little red-wine vinegar if more acid is needed. Taste for seasonings. Use a funnel to transfer contents to a standard 750-milliliter bottle (or a Mason jar). Be sure to scrape in everything from the bottom of the bowl. Seal securely. (New screw-cap bottles are best for this.) Refrigerate. Remove 15 minutes before using. Shake well. Store in an airtight jar for a month.

Makes about 2½ cups.

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## 'A Day with Jay'

Jay Strongwater promotes Detroit Zoo event

Story and Photo • By Wendy White

When it comes to creating beautiful collectibles, Jay Strongwater doesn't monkey around. The renowned designer recently visited Saks Fifth Avenue Somerset for "A Day with Jay," an event to benefit the Detroit



Jay Strongwater

Zoological Society and promote "Sunset at the Zoo." Guests were treated to brunch from the Ritz, and Strongwater's story of how he went from creating haute couture jewelry to "jewels for the home."

Strongwater's career began when he created a necklace for his mom in 1981, made of black beads that he painted with gold leaf designs. When she wore the necklace shopping at Bonwit Teller, buyers for the tony department store spotted it and placed an order. Nearby Bergdorf Goodman and Saks soon followed. Still in college, Strongwater attended classes at the Rhode Island School of Design by day and strung beads at night, trying to keep up with demand.

### Sunset at the Zoo

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"The buyers called back for a spring collection," he said. "I didn't even know there was such a thing!"

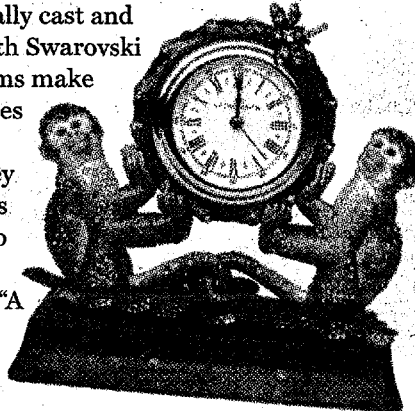
Before long, Oscar de la Renta commissioned jewelry for runway shows and Vogue Editor Anna Wintour, then at New York magazine, borrowed jewelry to feature in photo shoots. Strongwater quit school to design jewelry full-time.

After a wildly popular run, his chunky, ornate necklaces, earrings and bangles fell out of fashion in the mid-'90s, so Strongwater turned his talent and techniques to creating objects for the home. Today, his frames, vases, mirrors, treasure boxes, clocks and tables are still inspired by jewelry from his early career. Individually cast and

enameled, and hand set with Swarovski crystals and stones, the items make luxurious gifts or focal pieces for the home.

His Spring 2006 "Monkey Business" collection reflects the spirit of the Detroit Zoo event. Strongwater signed all purchases made during "A Day with Jay."

For more, visit [www.jaystrongwater.com](http://www.jaystrongwater.com).



## pink picks

By Wendy

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# Royal Oak festival is two-in-one

BY NICOLE STAFFORD  
STAFF WRITER

Come Father's Day weekend, downtown Royal Oak goes festival-like — twice over.

Yes, it's two festivals in one during the Royal Oak Clay & Glass and Taste of Royal Oak Festival.

Slated June 17-18 along Washington Avenue and Fifth Street in downtown Royal Oak, the event combines a juried clay and glass art festival with a food tasting fair and then tops it off with live musical entertainment.

"It does have a different sort of panache than other festivals. It's more of a Ann Arbor Street Art Fair kind of thing plus local restaurants," said Jim Domanski, co-owner of the eatery Pronto and board member for both the Royal Oak Chamber of Commerce and Downtown Development Authority.

The art component features about 120 glass and clay artists from across the country along four blocks of Washington Avenue.

At Fifth Street, 10 Royal Oak restaurants serve up favorite menu items from calypso crab cakes to cream cheese



## ROYAL OAK STYLE

**What:** 12th annual Clay & Glass and Taste of Royal Oak Festival.

**When:** 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. Saturday, June 17 and 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday, June 18.

**Where:** Washington Avenue and Fifth and Seventh streets in downtown Royal Oak.

**Admission:** Free, for additional information, call (248) 547-4000 or visit [www.downtownroyaloak.org](http://www.downtownroyaloak.org) or [www.virtualroyaloak.com](http://www.virtualroyaloak.com).

brownies to Cuban sandwiches. Margarita or rum drinks and beer are available too.

Fifth Avenue Billiards presents this year's music lineup, ranging from jazz to funk, on Fifth from Washington to Center Street. Newcomers to the festival stage include Detroit's own Midtown Underground, the Sun Messengers and Hot Rod Sinners.

About 50,000 attend the annual festival, now in its 12th year. The original event was an art festival only.

"Over time, we've added and expanded, but most important, we've extended

'It does have a different sort of panache than other festivals. It's more of a Ann Arbor Street Art Fair kind of thing plus local restaurants ... Really, it's not a fair. It's like a neighborhood gathering. The best way to put it is it's Royal Oak putting its best foot forward'

Jim Domanski  
Pronto co-owner

the hours," said Domanski, who helped establish the original festival.

At the same time, the event has remained community-oriented and, aside from the out-of-town artists, a showcase of Royal Oak restaurants and metropolitan Detroit performers.

"Really, it's not a fair," Domanski said. "It's like a neighborhood gathering. The best way to put it is it's Royal Oak putting its best foot forward."

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# Fatherly fun

## Car shows top the bill for his special day

BY LANA MINI  
STAFF WRITER



Don't forget dad on Sunday, June 18. There are plenty of unique fun events for him – and your family – to enjoy the day.

For the car enthusiast, there's an array of shows and cruises that weekend.

On Saturday, June 17, head over to the east side for the huge Gratiot Cruise in Eastpointe from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. The cruise is a two-mile stretch on Gratiot from Eight Mile to 10 Mile roads. Along the median and at businesses throughout the area, bands will play and barbecue will be cooked.

Don't even think of continuing your cruise to the neighboring city of Roseville though, because police there enforce anti-cruising laws.

Another car event for dad is a few days later on Tuesday, June 20, on Maple Road between Crooks and Coolidge. The Troy Motor Mall hosts a car cruise and the highlight is there where custom hot rods

and classic cars are on display. The show is sponsored by Oldies 104.3 WOMC.

If Dad has a special vehicle worth showing, register the car from 4-6:30 p.m. with chance to win trophies and prizes. If his car is, well, nothing fancy, he can still cruise because all cars are welcome. The event is 4-9 p.m. For details, call (248) 643-5000.

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On Father's Day, Eyes on Design hosts the *Art of Design*, a car show on the lush green grounds at the Edsel & Eleanor Ford House Meadow. More than 200 vehicles in 15 categories are on display including styles such as Renaissance, Art Deco, modernism/futurism and pop.

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**BY NICOLE STAFFORD  
STAFF WRITER**

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weekend for Motor  
Muster.

Slated June 17-18, the  
historical museum's  
annual event has even  
been revved up for 2006.

"This year we're really doing it  
full blown," said Jim Johnson, senior  
manager for creative programs at  
Greenfield Village, located in Dearborn.

There's a chronological display of about  
500 classic cars from the 1950s to the  
'70s, a "cruise" through Greenfield Village  
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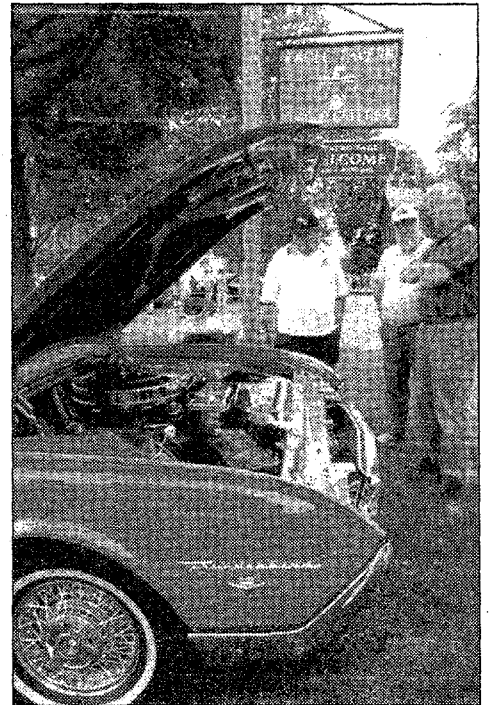


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The Henry Ford is located in Dearborn on the corner of Village Road and Oakwood Boulevard, just west of the Southfield Freeway (M-39) and south of Michigan Avenue (US-12). Details: [www.thehenryford.org](http://www.thehenryford.org).

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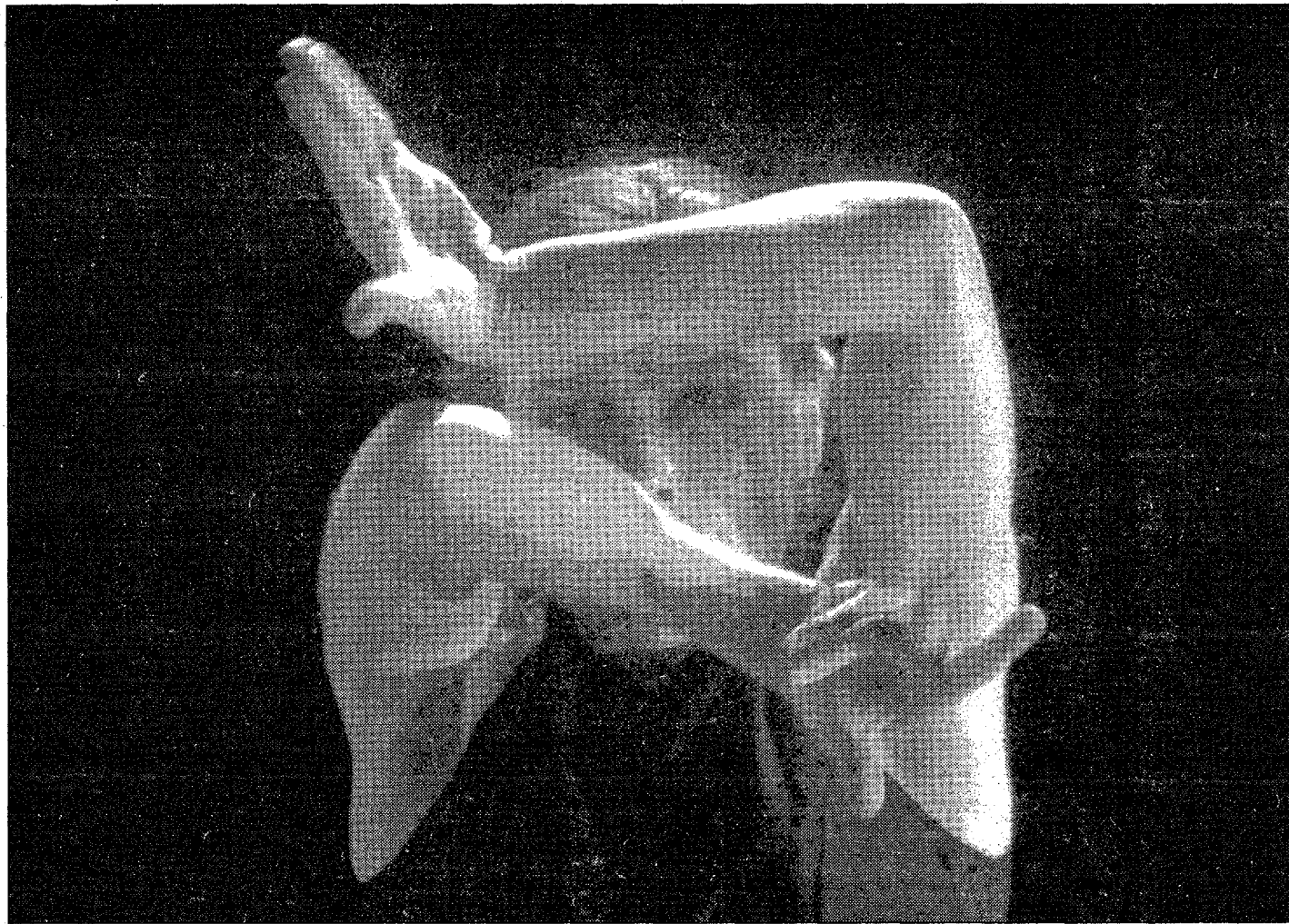
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# IN OR OUT?



The Ann Arbor Summer Festival brings three weeks of dance, music, theater and comedy performances to the Power Center for the Performing Arts and Hill Auditorium, both on the University of Michigan campus.

PHOTOS COURTESY ANN ARBOR SUMMER FESTIVAL

Cover  
story

## Ann Arbor Summer Festival's outdoor events move to new location

BY NICOLE STAFFORD  
STAFF WRITER

To ask what's happening in Ann Arbor this summer begs the question: What's happening at the Ann Arbor Summer Festival?

For starters, the annual indoor and outdoor entertainment festival, slated June 16 to July 9, has a new locale for its popular Top of the Park program. The outdoor film series, usually held atop the University of Michigan's Fletcher Street Parking Structure, has been relocated to the campus' picturesque Ingalls Mall.

"It's going to be really cool," said Rob Woulfe, Ann Arbor Summer Festival executive director. "It's one of those things that we've been planning for over a year."

### FILM AND MUSIC UNDER STARRY SKIES

Located in front of the university's Rackham Graduate Studies building on Washington, Ingalls Mall is an open,



but landscaped, walkway and lawn space that offers a stellar view of the university's major buildings and famous gathering spot, the diag.

"It's a great location. We're going to be able to take advantage of the lawn, and it will have much more of a town plaza feeling," said Woulfe. "You're on

The festival features live musical entertainment, starting at 7 p.m. in Ingalls Mall.

the lawn, it's summertime and you have the community coming together."

All of Top of the Park's usual features continue at the new location, including live stage music before the film with food, beer and wine from local

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### 23RD SEASON

**What:** Ann Arbor Summer Festival, three weeks of stage performance and outdoor entertainment, including the Top of the Park movie series in a new location.

**When:** Friday, June 16, to Sunday, July 9. Top of the Park music generally starts at 7 p.m., with films showing at 10 p.m.

**Where:** Indoor performances run at Power Center for the Performing Arts, 121 Fletcher, and Hill Auditorium, 825 N. University.

Outdoor performances and Top of the Park series held in Ingalls Mall, located directly in front of the Horace H. Rackham School of Graduate Studies on Washington Street near the Burton Memorial Tower. All venues are located on the University of Michigan campus, Ann Arbor.

**Tickets:** Indoor stage shows, \$18-\$76. Top of the Park, free. To order tickets or obtain additional information, call (734) 764-2538. For a complete schedule of events, visit [www.annarborsummerfestival.org](http://www.annarborsummerfestival.org).

# Celtic music fills The Ark

BY LANA MINI  
STAFF WRITER

Celebrate the summer solstice with a Celtic show at The Ark in Ann Arbor Friday, June 16.

Multi-instrumental band Finvarra's Wren will perform in an evening of lively jigs, reels and songs of old and new.

Finvarra's Wren is Terence McKinney, of Madison Heights, who plays the Uilleann Pipes, a quieter Irish cousin of the Scottish bagpipes; Marty Somberg of Ann Arbor plays fiddle. Jim Perkins and his wife, Cheryl Burns, of Farmington Hills, are vocalists and also play guitar, mountain dulcimer, and bodhran.

The six-piece multigenerational group will be joined by Siobhan McKinney - 14 years old and already a two-time All-Ireland Champion Irish Harpist.

"We are very committed to keeping the tradition alive," said Perkins.

"That's why we 'grew' our own band," said Burns, referring to the group's two younger members, Alison Perkins, 18, who plays fiddle, tin

whistle, and flute, and her younger brother, Asher Perkins, 16, who plays both button accordion and concertina.

"Irish music is very much a living tradition, and it seems fitting to make it a family pastime ... besides, at this point, we learn all our best tunes from our kids," Perkins said.

Finvarra's Wren has grown in popularity in the Celtic genre. The band also performs in an annual winter solstice concert each December.

"The June show will be a celebration of the summer solstice," Perkins said.

"And perhaps we'll throw in a Dublin song or two, since we'll be playing on June 16, which is 'Bloomsday,' the day depicted in James Joyce's famous novel *Ulysses*. That's two fine excuses for a party, so we intend to have a rollicking good time."

The Ark is located at 316 S. Main, Ann Arbor. Tickets are \$13.50 For details, visit [www.finvarraswren.com](http://www.finvarraswren.com).

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The Lark's cold seafood appetizer cart features raw oysters and shrimp.

# The Lark celebrates 25 years

Euro-style menu has staying power

BY ELEANOR HEALD  
CORRESPONDENT

Since it opened in 1981 with its southern European country inn architecture and overall style, The Lark in West Bloomfield has received numerous restaurant awards and accolades from *Gourmet* magazine, *Condé Nast Traveler*, *Wine Spectator*, *Distinguished Restaurants of North America*, *Mobil Guide* and *AAA* magazine, to name a few.

Proprietors Mary and Jim Lark appreciate such recognition, yet acknowledge the accolades that have kept them in business for 25 years come from their loyal clientele, who appreciate that the couple travels the world in search of outstanding food in out-of-the-ordinary settings. They transport an interpretation of these experiences to The Lark's setting with terracotta walls and Portuguese tile murals, complemented by an exterior walled



garden, which delights the senses in summer. At dinner, the only meal served, 50 patrons are accommodated at eight tables and three booths in the main dining room and two booths in the café area. A temperature-controlled wine cellar with natural redwood bins stores more than 8,000 bottles of wine on a prized list of legends and icons.

## HEAD TOQUES

Throughout the years, The Lark's diners have had palate-tantalizing dishes prepared by some of the

## THE LARK

**Where:** 6430 Farmington Road, West Bloomfield, (248) 661-4466.

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**Food style:** A marriage of cuisine cultures prepared by classic French techniques.

**Cost:** \$65-\$75.

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nation's recognized chefs, including Brian Polcyn, now chef/proprietor of Five Lakes Grill in Milford, and Marcus Haight, who is currently directing the post-graduate culinary program at Schoolcraft College in Livonia.

John Somerville has been chosen

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# LARK

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as the new chef de cuisine to open the next quarter century. Somerville, who trained under Marcus Haight, has worked in The Lark's kitchen since 1994 and has held the position of sous chef for the last four years.

"Somerville brings The Lark an amazing palate and incredible ability to pair wine and food," said Adrian Lark, general manager. And so, we beg the question: Will The Lark's signature Rack of Lamb Genghis Khan, served with potatoes dauphinoise and glazed carrots, remain a hallmark? "I would be lynched if I tried to remove it," Jim Lark answered.

## SIGNATURE MENU

Jim Lark said "restaurants are judged on ambience, service and cuisine, in that order." I believe, however, that when cuisine and service transcend its peers, personality, convivial atmosphere, intimacy and a dollop of generous spirit must be present to mark a restaurant at the highest level.

And thus it is at The Lark, which has a most successful Fixed Price Dinner. With the price of a chosen

## The Lark has anniversary dinner plans



The Lark restaurant in West Bloomfield will celebrate its 25th anniversary with three dinners to be served Monday, June 26 and Tuesday, June 27, and Wednesday, June 28.

The dinners also will introduce The Lark's new head toque, Chef de Cuisine John Somerville, who

will usher the restaurant into its next quarter century.

Restaurant favorites and innovations will set the theme. "It's my intention to make this the finest dinner served in the U.S. this year," proprietor Jim Lark said.

The cost for a six-course dinner (excluding tax and gratuity), beginning at 7 p.m., is \$100 per person with a wine package extra. Phone (248) 661-4466 to reserve.

main course ranging from \$65 to \$75, a diner makes further choices of a selection of cold appetizers from an hors d'oeuvre trolley, a second course of soup, pasta or hot appetizer of the day and a house-made granita as an intermezzo. Main dishes you'll find hard-pressed to duplicate elsewhere are Dover Sole Colbert, authentic Portuguese Cataplana, Chinese-Oven Honey-Glazed Crisp-Roasted Duck with Pomegranate Sauce, Curried Rabbit Loin, and if you book a table on Thursday, Frogs Legs with Spinach and Roasted Garlic Sauce.

An a la carte dessert trolley offers a carte blanche selection of French pastries and fresh fruit. Indulge.

Such eclecticism, though, has no regional identity. "A regional cuisine does not exist in Michigan," Lark said, "because we're not provincial. Of all the U.S. regions, we're most free of local dialect, accent and inflections in our speech. We're not afraid to use the best from other regions."

And when it comes to the menu at The Lark, let's enlarge that to the best cuisines in the world.

**Eleanor Heald** is a nationally-published writer and Troy resident who writes about restaurants, food, wine and spirits for the *Observer & Eccentric Newspapers*. To leave her a voice mail message, dial (734) 953-2047 on a touch-tone phone, mailbox 1864#.



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Jim Lark at the restaurant.

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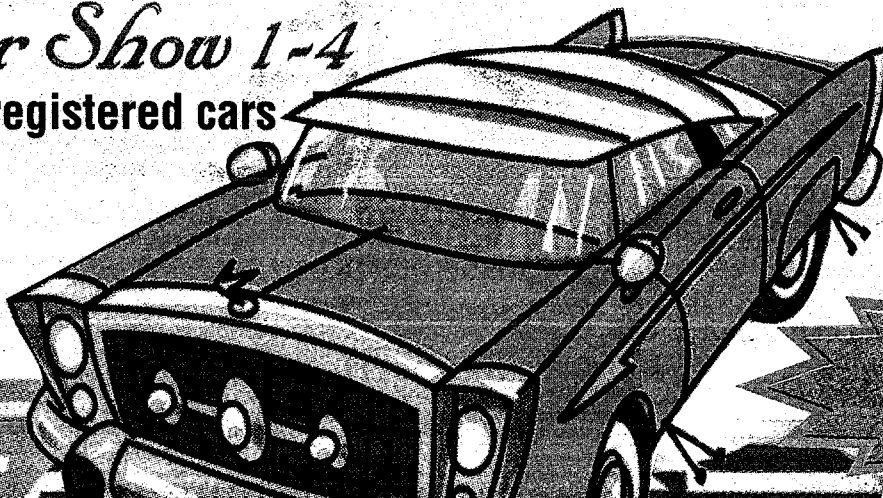
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## ART EXHIBITS

**University of Michigan Museum of Art**  
*Rethinking the Photographic Image: The Best of Photography from the George Eastman House Collection*, through June 25, 525 S. State, University of Michigan campus, Ann Arbor, suggested donation \$5, (734) 763-UMMA or visit [www.umma.umich.edu](http://www.umma.umich.edu).

### Detroit Institute of Arts

*African American Art from the Walter O. Evans Collection*, through July 2, Detroit Institute of Arts, 5200 Woodward, Detroit, \$5-\$10, call (313) 833-7900 or visit [www.dia.org](http://www.dia.org).

### Cranbrook Art Museum

An exhibit of Philip Treacy's hats for muse Isabella Blow, runs through Aug. 27, 39221 Woodward, Bloomfield Hills, \$4-\$6, call (877) 60-CRANBROOK or visit [www.cranbrookart.edu](http://www.cranbrookart.edu).

### Metalsmithing

*Critical Mass: Metalsmithing at Cranbrook under Gary Griffin*, through Oct. 15, 39221 Woodward, Bloomfield Hills, \$4-\$6, call (877) 60-CRANBROOK or visit [www.cranbrookart.edu](http://www.cranbrookart.edu).

### Pewabic Pottery

*Teapots: Universal Adoration*, through July 14, east and west galleries, 10125 E. Cadillac, Detroit, call (313) 822-0954 or visit [www.pewabic.org](http://www.pewabic.org).

### Screenprints

*The Art of Screenprint*, at the Detroit Institute of Arts, 5200 Woodward, Detroit, \$3-\$6, (313) 833-7900 or visit [www.dia.org](http://www.dia.org).

## ART GALLERIES

### Artful Framer

Bid on one of Steven Mitchell's works until June 30 to benefit Debbie Schell, daughter of an Artful Framer employee who needs a heart transplant, 6525 Sashabaw Road, Clarkston, (248) 620-9724.

### Arnold Klein

Gallery's 35th anniversary celebration, urban views exhibition with Arms, Christo, Mershimer, Murphy and others, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday, 32782 Woodward, Royal Oak, (248) 647-7709.

### Cameron Scott Gallery

*Rolls Royce and Bentley*, 10 local artists paint Rolls Royce or Bentley, display open through July 8, 167 Townsend, Birmingham, (248) 203-7167.

### Johanson Charles Gallery

Marvalisa Coley's *Objects in Motion*, open through July 1, 1345 Division in Eastern Market (between Russell and Rivard), (313) 483-1158, [www.marvalisa.com](http://www.marvalisa.com).

### David Klein Gallery

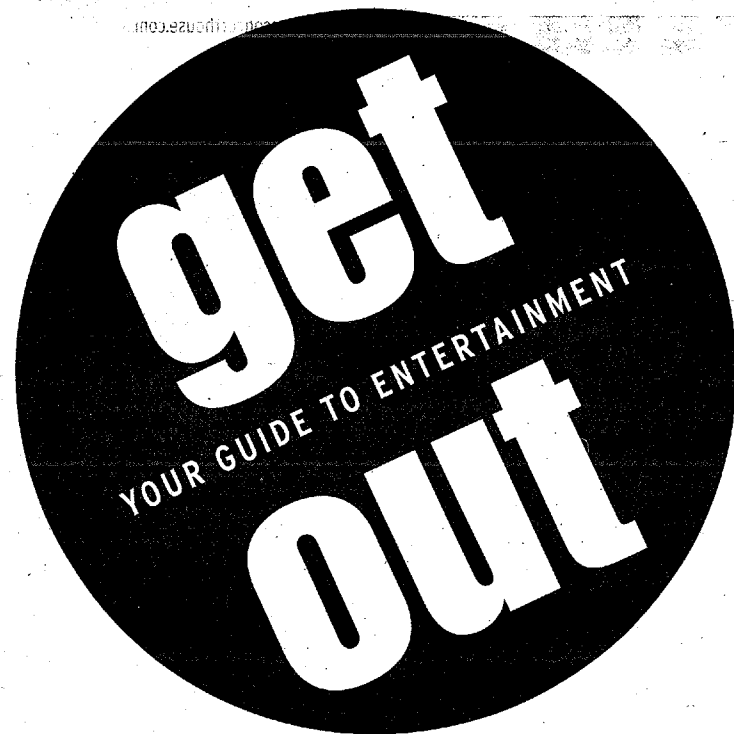
*Landscapes Real & Imagined*, new paintings by Victoria Adams, William Glen Crooks and Brad Durham, through June 17, 163 Townsend, Birmingham, (248) 433-3700, [dkgallery.com](http://dkgallery.com).

### Designhaus Gallery

Artistic quilts by Deborah Hyde through the month of June, special artist reception, 6-9 p.m. Friday, June 16, part of Downtown Rochester Gallery, reception is free and open to the public, 111 W. Second St., Rochester, (248) 601-4422.

### Detroit Gallery of Contemporary Crafts

*Welcoming Spring*, works in glass, clay, fiber



and metal by American artisans, through June 17, 104 Fisher Building, Detroit, (313) 873-7888.

### Meadow Brook Art Gallery

Oakland University, 208 Wilson Hall, Rochester Hills, free, call (248) 370-3005 or visit [www.oakland.edu/mbag](http://www.oakland.edu/mbag).

### Orchard Lake Art Gallery

4301 Orchard Lake Road, West Bloomfield, (248) 538-9021.

### The Print Gallery

Eric Hansen Photographs, *Earth, Sea and Sky*, exhibit runs through June 17, 29173 Northwestern Highway, Southfield, (248) 356-5454, [www.EverythingArt.com](http://www.EverythingArt.com) or [www.MonaLisaMania.com](http://www.MonaLisaMania.com).

### Oakland Community College

Student Art Show. Paintings, ceramic works and arts and crafts items by students of the Highland Lakes Campus. At the campus at Woodland Hall Library, 7300 Cooley Lake Road, Waterford, 8 a.m. to 10 p.m. Monday-Friday, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Friday, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday.

### Plymouth Community Arts Council

*Work of the Hand - Clay and Fiber*, exhibit featuring clay artist Carolyn Dulin and the Cross Borders Weavers Guild, through July 7, 774 N. Sheldon, Plymouth, (734) 416-4278.

### Lawrence Street Gallery

Art Patron Appreciation Month, through June 24, 25-50 percent off selected art work, 22620 Woodward, Suite A, Ferndale, (248) 544-0394, [www.lawrencestreetgallery.com](http://www.lawrencestreetgallery.com).

### Robert Kidd Gallery

Reception of official launch of Birmingham's CityScapes program, bringing three outdoor sculptures to downtown Birmingham, 5-7 p.m., Thursday, June 15, 107 Townsend, (248) 593-6980.

## ART, ETC.

### Artcraft Custom Framing

*Summer Splash*, an exhibit of the Colored Pencil Society of America-Detroit Chapter No. 104, through June 23, at 32410 Woodward, Royal Oak, (248) 549-9000.

### Birmingham Bloomfield Art Center

Summer Solstice artworks, June 24-July 21, featuring "40 Years of Separation" fiber exhibition, "Vanishing Landscapes" by Artists Alliance of Spring Lake, Mich., and BBAC stu-

dent exhibition, free, open to public, 1516 S. Cranbrook, Birmingham. Call (248) 644-0866 or visit [www.bbartcenter.org](http://www.bbartcenter.org).

## CAR SHOWS

### Motor Muster

Classic cars with 1950s rock 'n' roll, June 17-18, Greenfield Village, The Henry Ford, Dearborn, free with Greenfield Village admission, adults, \$14-\$20, (313) 982-6001 or [www.thehenryford.org](http://www.thehenryford.org).

## CLASSICAL

### Michael Feinstein

June 24, 121 Fletcher, Power Center, U-M campus, Ann Arbor, \$24-\$75, (734) 764-2538 or [www.annarborsummerfestival.org](http://www.annarborsummerfestival.org).

### Great Lakes Chamber Festival

Through June 25 at seven local venues, \$10-\$35, call (248) 559-2097 or visit [www.great-lakeschambermusic.com](http://www.great-lakeschambermusic.com).

### DSO

*Night and Day: A Cole Porter Gala*, Thursday, June 15, at Max M. Fisher Music Center, champagne reception 6 p.m. followed by concert by Detroit Symphony Orchestra led by resident conductor Thomas Wilkins with Cole Porter songs, 8:30 p.m. dinner, dancing to Paul Keller Ensemble after dinner, \$500-\$5,000 tickets, (313) 576-5100.

## CLUBS

### 220 Merrill Street & Edison Lounge

Extensive drink menu, live music, dancing, eclectic and American nouveau cuisine, 220 E. Merrill, Birmingham, (248) 645-2150.

### 313.Jac's

Located upstairs at Jacoby's, 624 Brush in Bricktown, (313) 962-7067, 21 and over, doors open 10 p.m., cover \$5, [www.staticrecords.com/shows.htm](http://www.staticrecords.com/shows.htm).

### The Ark

316 S. Main, Ann Arbor, (734) 761-1451, [www.theark.org](http://www.theark.org).

### Bachelor's One

1967 Cass Lake Road, Keego Harbor, (248) 682-2295.

### Belmont Bar

Mademoiselle Mondays, \$10, for martini and manicure, therapeutic massage \$1 minute, punk nights Tuesdays, live rock

Wednesdays, DJs and local bands on weekends, 10215 Joseph Campau, Hamtramck, (313) 871-1966.

### Blind Pig

Longtime, hip music spot, 208 S. First St., Ann Arbor, (734) 996-8555. [www.blindpig-music.com](http://www.blindpig-music.com).

### Blue Martini

Live music 8-11 p.m. Tuesdays-through Thursdays, and Saturdays and Sundays, 201 Hamilton, between Woodward and Old Woodward, one block north of Maple, (248) 258-3005.

### Bosco

Enjoy noWax nights at 7 p.m. every Wednesday, download music into your MP3 Player, take a number and wait your turn to be DJ and spin three songs, no cover, 21 and over only, 22930 Woodward in Ferndale, [www.thebosco.com](http://www.thebosco.com), (248) 541-8818.

### Buddha Lounge

Thursday, DJ Shug plays super sonic smooth music and beer pong tournament. Saturdays DJ Terrence Parker & Mo Reese; Sundays, Karaoke; Tuesdays, Deep House; Wednesdays Jamtramck jazz band. [www.gobuddha.net](http://www.gobuddha.net), (313) 535-4664.

### Club Bart

21 and over only, 22726 Woodward, Ferndale, (248) 548-8746.

### Club 2000

Fat Twosdays with DJ Carl the Invisible Man 9 p.m. Tuesdays, hip-hop, 18 and over, 299 E. Woodbridge, Detroit, (313) 235-2233.

### Crazy Moe's Cafe

Food, dancing, music, 2 N. Saginaw St., Pontiac, (248) 322-5550.

### Danny's Irish Pub

Laid-back, small, friendly, 22824 Woodward, Ferndale, (248) 546-8331.

### Dino's Lounge

Live bands on weekends, football specials on Sundays, hip, laid back, friendly, 22740 Woodward, just south of Nine Mile in Ferndale, (248) 591-DINO.

### Edison's

220 E. Merrill, Birmingham, (248) 645-2150.

### Elysium

Lounge, dance and happy hour 3-9 p.m. Tuesdays-Fridays, nightclub hours Fridays and Saturdays, 9 p.m. to 2 a.m., (313) 962-2244, 625 Shelby, Detroit. [www.elysium-lounge.com](http://www.elysium-lounge.com).

### Emerald Theatre

Concert house, dancing, 32 N. Walnut, Mount Clemens, (586) 913-1920.

### Fiamma Grille

Roy Scoutz, 7-10 p.m. Tuesdays and Wednesdays, George "The Kat" plays saxophone, 7-10 p.m. Thursdays, 380 Main, Plymouth, (734) 416-0100.

### Ginopolis on the Grill

Don Swindell and Shuffle Play, with Swindell, Sheila Brown, Mike Lorenz and Jake Reichhart, 7:30-11:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday, 27851 Middlebelt (at 12 Mile) in Farmington Hills, no cover, (248) 851-8222.

### John Cowley & Sons Irish Tavern

Thursday, June 15, John & Sal; Friday, June 16, Killer Flamingos; 33338 Grand River Ave., downtown Farmington, call (248) 474-5941 for more information.

### Leland City Club

Avant garde, open until 4 a.m., access through unmarked door on the First Street side of the Ramada Hotel building, 400 Bagley, Detroit, [www.lelandcityclub.com](http://www.lelandcityclub.com).

### Magic Bag

22920 Woodward, Ferndale, (248) 544-3030,

[www.themagicbag.com](http://www.themagicbag.com)

### Rainbow Room

Laid-back atmosphere, dancing, 6640 E. Eight Mile, Detroit, (313) 891-1020.

### X/S

High-energy dance club, 1500 Woodward, northeast corner at John R, Detroit, (313) 963-9797.

### Seidom Blues

Big Band Wednesdays with Johnny Trudell and his 18-piece band, 7-11 p.m., playing a mix of jazz favorites.

The restaurant also features live jazz every night of the week, located in Tower 400, Level 1 of the GM Renaissance Center next to the Marriott, call (313) 567-7301.

### Sky Club

Tango, salsa, and Latin dancing every Wednesday beginning at 8 p.m., located above Sangria's Restaurant, 401 S. Lafayette, Royal Oak, (248) 543-1964.

### Token Lounge

28949 Joy, Westland, (734) 513-5030.

### 313.Jac/Jacoby's

624 Brush Street, Detroit (313) 962-7067, Friday, June 16, Undercurrents: Detroit Singer-Songwriter, 10 p.m. doors \$5 cover 21 and over. Featuring: Scott Kinson, Matt Dimitts, The Bloids-Leah Carla Gordone.

### Paychecks

2932 Caniff, Hamtramck, (313) 874-0254, Saturday, June 17, Bullcock CD release party, 9 p.m. doors, \$5 cover, 18 & over. Performing: Bullcock, The Zimmerman, Twins-Doop & The Inside Outlaws, Jimmy Doom.

## COMEDY

### Kathy Griffin

Performs 8 p.m. Friday, June 23, at Max M. Fisher Music Center, 3711 Woodward, Detroit, \$20-\$50, call (313) 576-5111 or visit [www.detroitssymphony.com](http://www.detroitssymphony.com).

### Ann Arbor Comedy Showcase

Comedy Jamm, open mic night Thursday nights, starting 8 p.m. through October, Elvira Kurt, June 16-17; Cal Verduchi, June 23-24; Michigan Comedy Survivor The Audition Night, Michigan comedy competition, 8 p.m. Thursday, June 29 (tickets \$5); Nathan Thimmel, June 30-July 1, all advance tickets for shows are \$8 except where indicated, \$10 at door; 314 E. Liberty, Ann Arbor, (734) 996-9080.

### JD's House of Comedy

Stand-up shows, 8 p.m. Thursday and 8 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday; Apollo amateur night, 8 p.m. Wednesday, \$10-\$15, 25333 W. 12 Mile, inside Star Theatre complex, Southfield, (248) 348-2420 or [www.ticketmaster.com](http://www.ticketmaster.com).

### Second City

*Bobble Heads of State*, performances are Wednesday-Sunday, \$15-\$20, 42705 Grand River, Novi, call (248) 348-4448. For tickets, call (248) 645-5555 or [www.ticketmaster.com](http://www.ticketmaster.com).

### Wise Guys Comedy Club

40380 Grand River, Novi, (248) 919-3216.

### Mark Ridley's Comedy Castle

Stand-up, 269 E. Fourth, Royal Oak, (248) 542-9900, [www.comedycastle.com](http://www.comedycastle.com).

### Joey's Comedy Club

Stand-up at two locations: 36071 Plymouth Road, Livonia, (734) 261-0555, and 5070 Schaefer, Dearborn, (313) 584-8885; [www.joeyscomey.com](http://www.joeyscomey.com).

## DANCE

### Eastern Michigan University

Eight choreographers perform in *Say, What's*

New experiments in dance, 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, June 16-17, Hemmelgarn-Crum Dance Studio, 106 Warner, on the EMU campus, free, donations accepted, (734) 604-8222.

## FAMILY

### Robot exhibit

*Robot City*, new interactive exhibit, opens June 17 and continues through Sept. 17, 5020 John R, Detroit, \$6-\$7, call (313) 577-8400 or visit [www.detroitsciencecenter.org](http://www.detroitsciencecenter.org).

### Planetarium shows

*Star Talk* and *Larry Cat in Space*, Saturday and Sunday through June 25, University of Michigan Exhibit Museum of Natural History, 1109 Geddes, Ann Arbor, \$3.75, (734) 764-0478.

### Children's theater

*Jack and the Beanstalk*, June 15-17, Wild Swan Theater, 416 West Huron, Ann Arbor, \$8-\$10, call (734) 995-0530 or visit [www.wildswantheater.org](http://www.wildswantheater.org).

### Cranbrook Institute of Science

*Playing With Time*, runs through Sept. 4, 39221 Woodward, Bloomfield Hills, \$5-\$7, call (877) GO-CRANBROOK or visit [www.cranbrook.edu](http://www.cranbrook.edu).

### Detroit Science Center

Exhibits include *As Time Goes By*, new exhibit about the aging process, and *A Journey to Our Future*, now open to accompany center's new permanent Space Laboratory exhibit, 5020 John R, Detroit, \$6-\$7, call (313) 577-8400 or visit [www.detroitsciencecenter.org](http://www.detroitsciencecenter.org).

### Detroit Zoo

*The Peregrine Falcon: Return of an Endangered Species* exhibit with photos, interactive displays and videos, runs through Sept. 8, open daily during regular zoo hours, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., at no additional charge, zoo admission \$7-\$11, (248) 398-0900, [www.detroitzoo.org](http://www.detroitzoo.org).

### Sunset at the Zoo

Annual fund-raising event for Detroit Zoological Society features strolling supper, live entertainment from Jerry Ross Band, Detroit Zoo's main picnic grove, 7-11:30 p.m. Friday, June 16, \$125-\$500, (248) 541-5717, Ext. 3750.

## FILM

### Comcast Summer Film Series

Free films, June 17 to Aug. 26, every Saturday at Campus Martius Park, downtown Detroit, entertainment starts at 8 p.m., films show at about 9 p.m. For information, go to [www.comcastfilmseries.com](http://www.comcastfilmseries.com).

### 2006 Planet Ant Film & Video Festival

80 films, to June 17 at multiple venues in Detroit and Hamtramck including Planet Ant Theatre, 2357 Caniff, Hamtramck, for information, call (313) 365-4948 or visit [www.planetant.com/festival](http://www.planetant.com/festival).

## FIREWORKS

### Freedom Festival Fireworks

June 28, Hart Plaza, downtown Detroit, free. Activities begin at 3 p.m. Fireworks begin at 10 p.m. Rain date is June 29. (313) 923-7400 or [www.theparade.org](http://www.theparade.org).

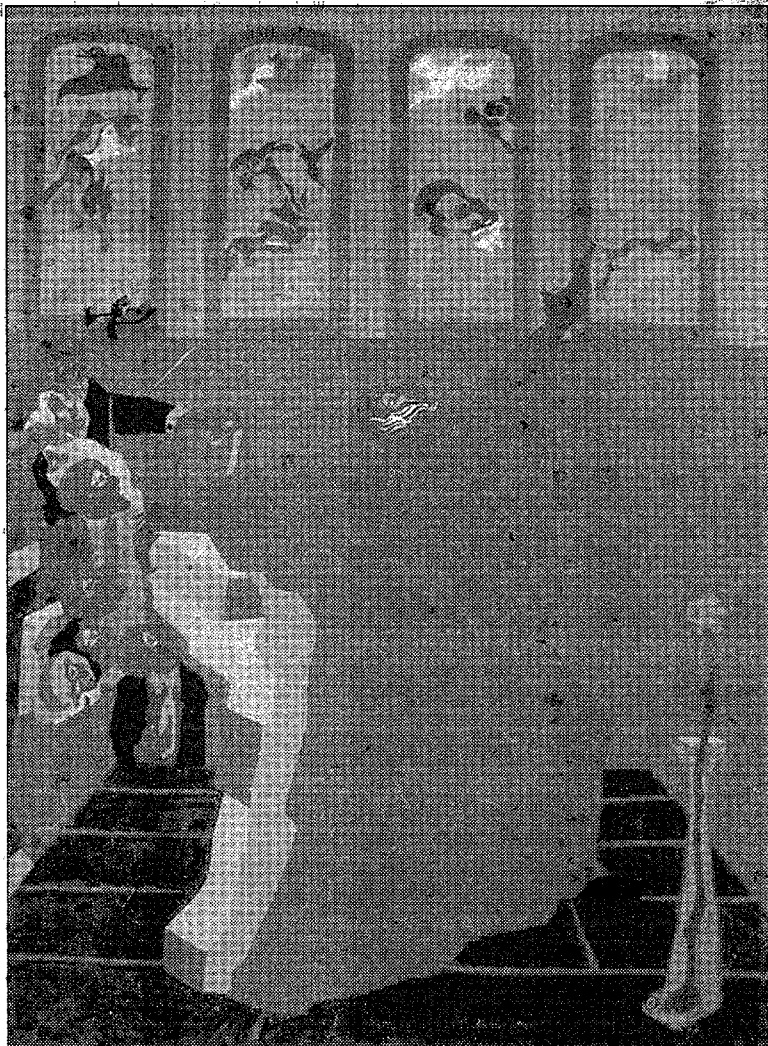
### Salute to America

Detroit Symphony Orchestra returns to Greenfield Village, fireworks display, pre-concert Old Time Fun Festival with pie-eating, watermelon seed-spitting and balloon tossing, 7:30 p.m. Friday, June 30-Monday, July 3, call (313) 576-5111 for more information or visit online at [www.detroitssymphony.com](http://www.detroitssymphony.com), or contact (313) 982-6001, visit [www.hfmgv.org](http://www.hfmgv.org).

## JAZZ

### Father's Day Brunch

Noon Sunday, June 18, VisTaTech Center,



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## ART

The final weeks of African American Art from the Walter O. Evans Collection, a historical survey of African-American art, remain. The exhibit closes July 2, Detroit Institute of Arts, 5200 Woodward, Detroit, \$5-\$10, call (313) 833-7900 or visit [www.dia.org](http://www.dia.org).

Schoolcraft College, 18600 Haggerty (between Six Mile and Seven Mile), Livonia, \$25 tickets available, (248) 474-2720 or (734) 459-2454, <http://MichiganJazzFestival.homestead.com>.

### V98.7 Smooth Jazz Festival

June 23-25, Southfield Civic Center, south of I-696 off of Evergreen, Southfield, day tickets, \$30-\$40, weekend pass, \$75-\$105, (248) 855-5100 or [www.wvmy.com](http://www.wvmy.com).

### Preservation Hall Jazz Band

June 21, Power Center, 121 Fletcher, U-M campus, Ann Arbor, \$18-\$38, (734) 764-2538 or [www.annarborsummerfestival.org](http://www.annarborsummerfestival.org).

### Windsor Detroit Jazz Club

Ongoing gigs in Oakland County. Presenting Chuck Moss and the Paint Creek Jazz Society Band, 1-4 p.m. first and third Saturday of every month, Shield's Pizza, 25101 Telegraph (northwest corner of 10 Mile and Telegraph), Southfield, \$8 cover, (248) 478-0172.

### Jazz and dinner

"Kind of Blue Tuesdays," at Lola's, Harmonie Park. Led by the Gerard Evans Quartet, the shows help musicians play with the core group at 9 p.m. every Tuesday, 1427 Randolph St. in Detroit's Harmonie Park, for dinner reservations or information, call (313) 962-0483.

### Gary Burton's Quartet Revisited

With Pat Metheny, Steve Swallow and Antonio Sanchez at Music Hall, Friday, June 16, \$45-\$75 at all Ticketmaster locations, and (248) 645-6666.

## MORE MUSIC

### Ann Arbor Summer Festival

Debbie Gravitte, Doug LaBrecque and Christine Noll with Ann Arbor Symphony Orchestra, June 17, 121 Fletcher, Power Center, U-M campus, Ann Arbor, \$24-\$48, (734) 764-2538 or [www.annarborsummerfestival.org](http://www.annarborsummerfestival.org).

### Misbehavin'

Detroit Together Men's Chorus, 24th annual spring concert, evening of blues and jazz from hit musicals with Miss Peggy Lee, 7:30 p.m. Saturday, June 17, Southfield Lathrup High School, 19301 W. 12 Mile (between Southfield and Evergreen roads), Lathrup Village, \$12-\$20, [www.dtmc.org](http://www.dtmc.org), (248) 544-3872.

### 89X Birthday Bash

Dashboard Confessional, AFI, Guster, The Yeah Yeah Yeahs, Hawthorne Lights, Mindless Self Indulgence, We Are Scientists, Love Arcade, Say Anything, Ashes of Soma & Bedouin Soundclash. Doors 3 p.m., showtime 4 p.m., Sunday, June 18, at the Fox Theatre. Tickets \$40. Call (248) 645-6666 or buy online at [89Xradio.com](http://89Xradio.com).

### Tiempo Libre

Grammy-nominated Latin band, June 22, 121 Fletcher, Power Center, U-M campus, Ann Arbor, \$18-\$36, (734) 764-2538 or [www.annarborsummerfestival.org](http://www.annarborsummerfestival.org).

### KerryTown

415 N. Fourth Ave., Ann Arbor, reservations recommended, (734) 769-2999, [www.kerrytownconcerthouse.com](http://www.kerrytownconcerthouse.com).

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### Station 885

Tony Ruda and Pat Smith play jazz 7-10 p.m. every Thursday (bass and piano), 885 Starkweather, Plymouth, (734) 459-0885.

### Trinity House

Reservations recommended for 87-seat concert house, 38840 W. Six Mile (just west of I-275), Livonia, shows 8 p.m., No alcohol, no smoking, (734) 464-6302, [www.trinityhouse.org](http://www.trinityhouse.org).

### John Cowley & Sons Irish Pub

33338 Grand River Ave., downtown Farmington, (248) 474-5941, Thursday, June 15, John & Sal; Friday, June 16, Killer Flamingos; Saturday, June 17, Greivous Angel; Thursday, June 22, Benny & the Jets; Friday, June 23, Last Man Standing; Saturday, June 24, Over the Line; Thursday, June 29, The Hummingbirds; and Friday, June 30, Passage.

### The Magic Bag

Tony Lucca, June 13; Legendary Pink Dots, June 14; Nils Lofgren, June 18, and Strays Don't Sleep, June 19, 22920 Woodward, Ferndale, event hotline, (248) 544-3030.

### Woodward Corridor Musicians and the

#### Rose Flute Ensemble

Chamber music selections, 3 p.m. Sunday, June 25, at the Congregational Church of Birmingham, 1000 Cranbrook Road (southwest corner of Woodward Avenue), Bloomfield Hills, \$10 for adults, with students K-12 admitted free, (248) 546-5818 or e-mail [LFDean@aol.com](mailto:LFDean@aol.com).

### Wyandotte Waterside Concerts

Gospel concerts, BASF Park, 6:30-9:30 p.m. Friday, June 16, Mood Swings, 19 musicians provide big band dance music, 7-8:30 p.m., Bishop Park.

## MUSEUMS

### Henry Ford Museum

20900 Oakwood Blvd., west of the Southfield Freeway and south of Michigan Avenue, Dearborn. Additional charges and varying hours for entry to Greenfield Village, Ford Rouge Factory Tour and IMAX Theatre. For more information, call (313) 982-6001 or visit [www.hfmgv.org](http://www.hfmgv.org).

### Cranbrook Science Museum

Featured exhibit is *It's a Nano World*. Permanent exhibits include planetarium, nature center and Bat Zone Conservatory, 39221 Woodward, Bloomfield Hills, general admission is \$5-\$7, planetarium, \$1-\$3, (248) 645-3200 or [www.cranbrook.edu](http://www.cranbrook.edu).

### Detroit Science Center

Premiere of *Magnificent Desolation: Walking on the Moon* narrated by Tom Hanks and new planetarium show, *Journey to the Edge of Space and Time*, \$6, shows run indefinitely, 5020 John R, Detroit, \$6-\$7, (313) 577-8400, [www.detroitsciencecenter.org](http://www.detroitsciencecenter.org).

### Rochester Hills Museum at Van Hoosen Farm

1927 Dairy Barn, 1850 and 1840 furnished farmhouses with permanent and temporary exhibits about regional history. General admission \$5 adults, \$3 seniors and students, (248) 656-4663, [www.rochesterhills.org](http://www.rochesterhills.org).

## SOMETHING DIFFERENT

### "Jungle Jack" Hanna

Celebrity wildlife enthusiast on stage with exotic animals, June 18, Power Center, 121 Fletcher, U-M campus, Ann Arbor, \$18-\$36, (734) 764-2538 or [www.annarborsummerfestival.org](http://www.annarborsummerfestival.org).

### Drive-in movies

Compuware Sports Arena, double features,

June 15-Sept. 3, \$6-\$8, 14900 Beck, Plymouth Township, (734) 927-3284.

### Chancel Choir Tour

High School Chancel Choir from Second Presbyterian Church in Bloomington, Ill., concert of sacred music, 7:30 p.m. Friday, June 16, First Presbyterian Church, 1669 W. Maple, Birmingham, free, offering collected to benefit Birmingham First Music, (248) 644-2040, Ext. 136.

### Harleyfest 2006

Begins with "Ride for Hope," Motor City Harley-Davidson, 34900 Grand River, Farmington Hills, at 11 a.m., to Freedom Hill County Park in Sterling Heights, Saturday, June 17, festival at Freedom Hill features 50 Cent Headrush, Radiocraft, Government Honey, for info on Harley Fest, visit [www.WRIF.com](http://www.WRIF.com), for ride info, call (248) 473-7433.

### Car Cruise

Free cruise in 4-9 p.m. Tuesday, June 20, Mike Savoie Chevrolet, 1900 W. Maple (between Crooks and Coolidge), Troy, register 4:30-6:30 p.m., trophies at 8:30 p.m., (248) 643-8000.

### Bloomfield Birmingham Art Center

artBLAST features fireworks, a barbecue with chef Randy Smith, art, fun and music, 7-11 p.m. Monday, July 3, tickets \$25-\$50, must be bought in advance, call (248) 644-0866, Ext. 104, or visit [www.bbartcenter.org](http://www.bbartcenter.org). The BBAC is located at 1516 S. Cranbrook Road, Birmingham.

### Great Lakes Bat Festival

Saturday, Aug. 5, Cranbrook Institute of Science, 39221 Woodward, Bloomfield Hills, \$5-7, [www.batconservation.org](http://www.batconservation.org).

### Garden Art Show

Creativity in Bloom, Orchard Lake Framing & Gallery's garden art show, through June 30, (248) 681-7447.

### St. Joseph Mercy Health Exploration Station

The SJMHES has free Family Fun Days on the fourth Thursday of each month, 10 a.m. to 8 p.m., inside the St. Joseph Mercy Canton Health Building at 1600 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, (734) 398-7518, [www.healthexplorationstation.com](http://www.healthexplorationstation.com).

### Preservation Wayne

Walking tours offered of five historic areas of Detroit (downtown, Eastern Market, Midtown, Auto Heritage and the Cultural Center), Saturdays at 10 a.m. or Tuesdays after work, through September, \$10 per person, visit [www.preservationwayne.org](http://www.preservationwayne.org) or call (313) 577-7674.

### Movies at the Redford Theatre

8 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays, organ overture at 7:30 p.m., Saturday matinee at 2 p.m. and organ overture at 1:30 p.m., June 23 and 24 *Thing From Another World*. Located at 17360 Lahser, Detroit. Visit [www.redfordtheatre.com](http://www.redfordtheatre.com) or call (313) 537-2560.

### Hot Summer Nights

Charity wine sampling soiree with red and white samples from Icon Estates Wineries, contests and raffles, 6-9 p.m. Tuesday, June 20, Royal Park Hotel, \$25-\$50, [TheSocialConnection.com](http://TheSocialConnection.com) (248) 543-1000.

## THEATER - COMMUNITY

### Stagecrafters

*Ragtime* runs through June 18, Baldwin Theatre, 415 S. Lafayette, downtown Royal Oak, \$16-18, call (248) 541-8027 or visit [www.stagecrafters.org](http://www.stagecrafters.org).

### Inspire Theatre

*The Wizard of Oz*, Friday-Sunday, June 23-25, lower level of Dearborn Evangelical Covenant Church, 18375 Outer Drive in Dearborn, \$7-\$11, (734) 751-7057

# Canton, Livonia host family festivals

For 11 days, family festivals will attract crowds of visitors in western Wayne County.

The Canton Liberty Fest begins at Heritage Park on Thursday, June 15, and is scheduled through Father's Day, Sunday, June 18. Two days later, Livonia's Spree starts on Tuesday, June 20, and runs through Sunday, June 25.



Both festivals have styles of their own.

In Canton, the festival includes a marketplace, live music, food, car shows, arts and crafts, paddle boats, music, fireworks, and parades.

There are even movies under the stars. Here's the schedule of the Canton Liberty Festival, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, (734) 394-5100.

## FOR THE DURATION OF THE FESTIVAL

Market Place - 5-8 p.m. Friday, 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Saturday and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday. Features Handcrafters Unlimited Arts & Craft Show, Canton Chamber of Commerce vendors and Canton community groups.

Monster Mural, and Kids Fun Zone Thursday and Friday 6-10 p.m., Saturday 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. and Sunday 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., includes inflatable rides and games.

## THURSDAY, JUNE 15

8:30 a.m., Canton Community Foundation golf outing; 5-8 p.m., My Bedbugs Meet-And-Greet; 7:45-9 p.m., Barnyard Express (Interactive Family Show with Petting Farm); movie *Chicken Little* shown at dusk.

## FRIDAY, JUNE 16

5-9 p.m., Canton Firefighters Charity Foundation spaghetti dinner, 5-9 p.m.; Bingo, 5:30-9:30 p.m.; Euchre Tournament, 6-10 p.m.; Sheila Landis Trio, 5:30-7 p.m.; The Pete "Big Dog" Fetters Band, 8-9:30 p.m.; Justin Young (Contemporary Jazz Performance), 5:15-6:15 p.m., and The Blooze Brother (The Ultimate Blues Brothers Tribute Show), 7:30-9 p.m.

## SATURDAY, JUNE 17

15th Annual Classic Car Show, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.; Liberty Fest parade, 9 a.m.; Public Safety Special Operations team display, 10 a.m. to 10 p.m.; book fair, 10 a.m. to 9 p.m.; School's Out, 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.; GM Expo, 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.; Taste of Canton, noon to 8 p.m.; Public Safety K-9 demonstrations, 1 p.m.; fireworks, 10:15 p.m.

Entertainment features The McCall Sisters, The Rhythm Man, The Cadets, City Goat (Roots-Rock), Rick & Dayna Kaleidoscope, magician Steve Ryder, Rosco's Circus Wagon Extravaganza, The Gratitude Steel Band, Ricky Smith, Rich Eddy's Rockin' Oldies Band, and That 80's Band

## SUNDAY, JUNE 18

Pancake breakfast, 7-11 a.m.; Public Safety Special Operations Team Display, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.; 15th Annual Classic Car Show, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.; book fair, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; GM Expo, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.; GM Expo; Liberty Fest Kids Zone, noon to 3 p.m.

Entertainment includes Orchestra Canton Presents ..., Hoahola Dancers, Plymouth Fife & Drum, Ever After

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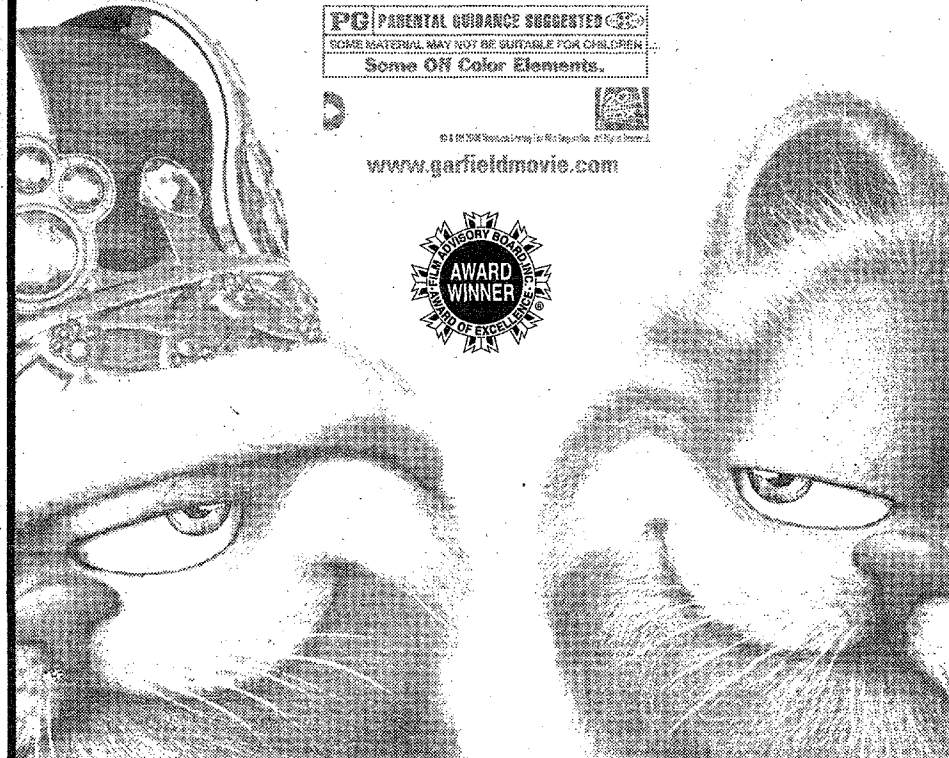
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# SUMMER

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restaurants at "Culinary Row."

"Most of the activity will be on the street and by the Rackham building, but it's our hope that people will spill back onto Ingalls Mall and the lawn," said Woulfe.

Films start at 10 p.m., following live musical entertainment, which begins at 7 p.m.

Top of the Park movies will be shown on an 18-by-25-foot

inflatable movie screen attached to the stage.

## INDOOR AND OUTDOOR

Prior to a handful of indoor performances, a theme party will go up outside at Top of the Park.

Complete with artist demonstrations, street dancing and strolling musicians, each party is free and explores a culture related to the night's summer festival stage performance at the Power Center.

A Mardi Gras carnival

precedes the Preservation Hall Jazz Band's performance June 21. A Latin dance party opens for the Grammy-nominated Latin band, Tiempo Libre, set to perform June 22, followed by a Parisian street fair June 27 prior to the French gypsy musical group Les Yeux Noirs' show.

Cultural activities and art will be incorporated into each party, and there'll be a few giveaways, too.

## INTERIOR VIEW

There's much to watch and

hear indoors, and several big-name entertainers are on tap for the summer festival's main stage program.

Folk singer Ani DiFranco performs Friday, June 23. Michael Feinstein plays his renditions of popular American classical music Saturday, June 24. Dark comedy filmmaker John Waters puts on his one-man show Friday, July 7.


Other attractions include festival favorites, such as the Capitol Steps, a political comedy troupe comprised of former

Congressional staffers (Tuesday, July 4), and *Riders in the Sky*, National Public Radio's western-style music and comedy show (Saturday, July 8).

"One night you have John Waters and another you have *Riders in the Sky*. It's such a hodgepodge," said Woulfe.

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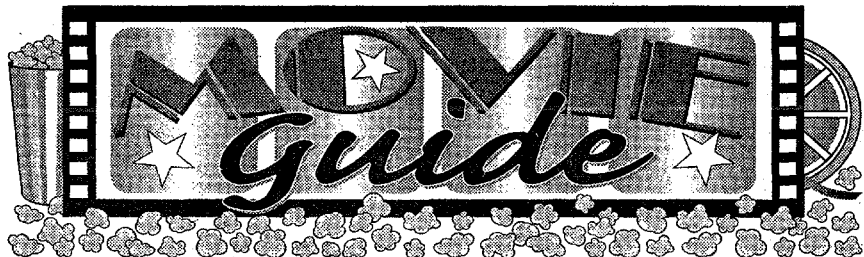
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## FESTIVALS

FROM PAGE E12

Productions, Canton Concert Band, Kathak - Indian Classical Dance, and Central City Dance - Celebrating the Performing Arts in Canton.

### LIVONIA SPREE '56

The festival marks the founding of the city with a birthday party at Ford Field, located at the corner of Farmington Road and Lyndon. This year's festival is dedicated to the memory of Ed McNamara and includes music, a carnival, a huge fireworks display and more.

For full details, visit [www.livoniaspree.com](http://www.livoniaspree.com).

Here's a partial schedule. Every day includes different entertainment such as mimes, magicians, clown shows, live music and more.

### TUESDAY, JUNE 20

All-day carnival, 4:30-11 p.m., and at 7 p.m. The Flying Pages perform trapeze act.

### WEDNESDAY, JUNE 21

All-day carnival, pizza night for \$3 at 6 p.m.; pie-eating contest for kids sponsored by the *Observer & Eccentric Newspapers*, 5 p.m.; The Flying Pages trapeze artists; 6 and 8 p.m., slot car racing; 6 p.m.; and child ID program, 4-8 p.m.

### THURSDAY, JUNE 22

All-day carnival, Taste of Livonia, 6-8 p.m. (\$10 and advance tickets required at City Hall); karaoke, 5 p.m.; comedy magic of Ken Dumm, 5 p.m., and The Flying Pages, 6 and 8 p.m.

### FRIDAY, JUNE 23

All-day carnival, Cirque Amongus, 4 p.m.; Livonia Idol Karaoke Contest, 5 p.m.; strolling mime Brad Bodary, 2-9

p.m., and Dinky and Checkers the clown strolling around, 4-8 p.m.

### SATURDAY, JUNE 24

All-day carnival, races, contests, games and clowns, 12:45 p.m.; parade, 12:30 p.m.; also mimes, live music including a children's band at 4 p.m.; 5 p.m. Livonia Idol Karaoke, 5 p.m.; comedy magic of Ken Dumm, 3 and 5 p.m., and fireworks, dusk or approximately 10:15 p.m.

### SUNDAY, JUNE 25

Spree Classic Car Show, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.; Ed McNamara memorial pancake breakfast, \$4, 8:30 a.m.; Livonia Spree

Freedom, 8 a.m.; Catholic worship service, 8:30 a.m.; Protestant worship service, 11 a.m.; World Class Institute of Martial Arts, demonstrations and stranger danger awareness, 1 p.m.; Cirque Amongus, 3 p.m., and Livonia Idol Karaoke Contest finals, 4:30 p.m.

Spree hours are 4-11 p.m. Tuesday; 2-11 p.m., Wednesday, Thursday and Friday; and noon to 11 p.m. Saturday and Sunday.

There is limited parking on the Spree grounds. Take Stark Road north off the I-96 service drive. Additional parking is available at Livonia City Hall at Five Mile and Farmington roads with free shuttle.

## CARS

FROM PAGE E4

series of vehicle exhibitions with commentary from local historians. Each set of vehicles — categories include bicycles, commercial vehicles, motorcycles and motor scooters — will be brought to a central display and bleachers area for view by the audience and commentary by the experts.

### SATURDAY, JUNE 17

- 11 a.m., bicycles with bicycle historians Tom Ross and Bob Strulel.
- 11:30 a.m., 1933-1949 cars with Marty Bufalini, automobile historian, and Bob Casey, automobile historian and curator of transportation at The Henry Ford.
- 2 p.m., 1950-1959 cars with automobile historians and former Ford Motor Co. engineers Jim Wagner and Roger Wojkowicz.

### SUNDAY, JUNE 18

- 10 a.m., motorcycles and motor scooters.
- 11 a.m., commercial vehicles with Jim Wagner and Roger Wojkowicz.
- 12:30 p.m., cars 1960-1976 with Bob Casey and Bill Porter, retired chief of design, General Motors, Pontiac Division.

Some of the more unusual vehicles set for presentation include a 1950s commercial garbage truck, World War II-era jeeps and an Ingo, a 1930s bicycle powered by, not pedaling, but bouncing.

A lecture about the automobile's evolution with an emphasis on how technology and society affected the aesthetics and performance of cars by sociology professor Rudi Volti begins at 1 p.m. Sunday in the Martha Mary Chapel.

Another highlight of this year's Motor

### GREAT DAY FOR DAD

**What:** Motor Muster, an exhibit of classic cars with 1950s rock 'n' roll music, dancing and other events.

**When:** 9:30 a.m. to 9 p.m. Saturday, June 17 and 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday, June 18.

**Where:** Greenfield Village, The Henry Ford, in Dearborn.

**Admission:** Event is free with Greenfield Village admission, adults, \$20, seniors, \$19, children, \$14, and kids under age 5 and members, free. For more information, call (313) 982-6001 or visit [www.thehenryford.org](http://www.thehenryford.org).

Muster is a display of six or more 1956 Lincoln Continental Mark II automobiles. The most expensive American car of its day at \$9,966, the Mark II was available for just two years. The vehicle's total sales numbered less than 3,000 for the two years combined.

There are not that many out there," said Johnson. "It's rare to see so many. I think it's fairly unprecedented to have this many coming."

Of course, learning without play makes Dad a dull boy. So if Dad likes to cut loose, come Saturday afternoon and stay through the evening. Live '50s and '60s rock 'n' roll by Legend The Band starts at 7 p.m. and, yes, there'll be dancing allowed on the streets.

Of course, all of Greenfield Village remains open for those who tire of the car-watching or would prefer to explore the history of a different subject.

If you're not yet old enough to spot your first car or Mom's old car when you were young, keep your eyes peeled for the Gremlin and the Pacer.

Yes, even those not-so-old, but still classic, automobiles will be on view, Johnson said, adding, "It's all part of the story."

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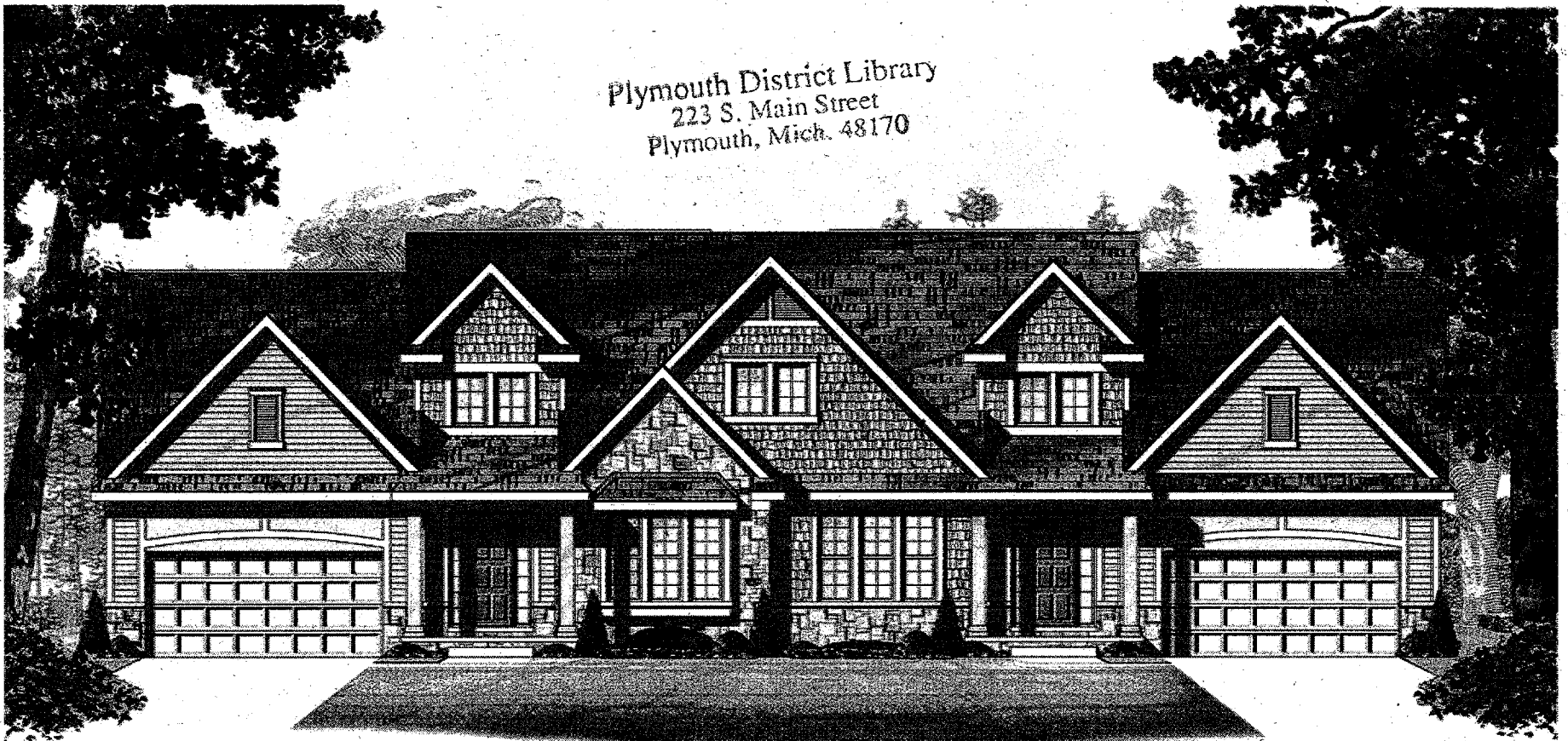
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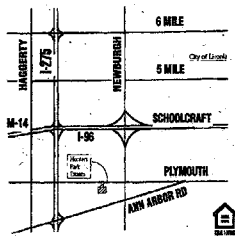
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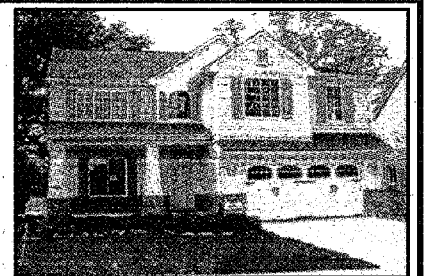
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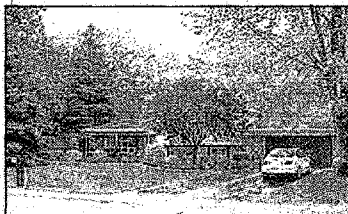
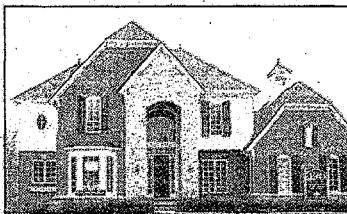
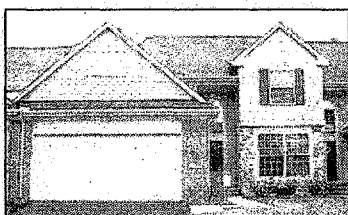
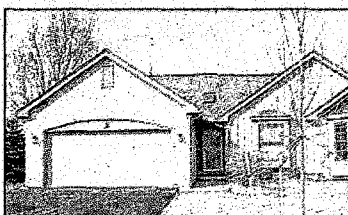
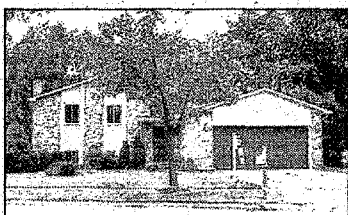
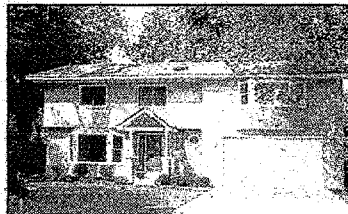
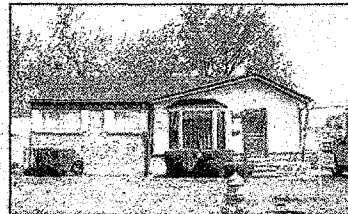
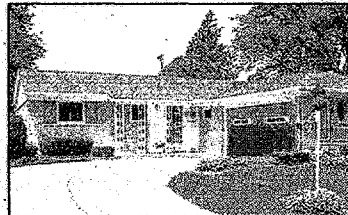
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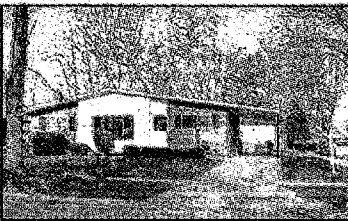
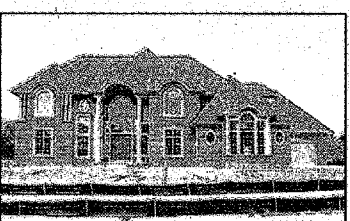
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Views of 2 Lakes, 2 Story FR, Kit W/cherry cab, Dble Oven, hwd Firs, 1b W/french Drs, Mstr Ste W/ble Door Entry, trey Ceiling, glamour Ba W/ jetted Tub, Jack & Jill Bath, LL W/O, Deck, brick Paver Patio & Sandy Beach! MLS# 26070886 248-347-3050**NORTHVILLE** \$635,000  
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Custom kitchen over \$100,000 w/handmade cabs, granite counters. 2-story GR w/wall of windows & bridge above, hwd firs, granite t/o, dual stairs, 4.5 car gar, 2nd flr laundry, re-circulating hot water, & 2nd flr. MLS# 26071236 248-347-3050**NOVI** \$1,250,000  
2 story foyer & gr w/wall of windows. Granite counters t/o, hwd firs in LR, study, 1/2 ba, & kit. Marble flr in foyer, dual staircases, 3 fp's, daylight bsmt, bridge overlooking GR, 4.5 car garage & upgraded cabs t/o! MLS# 26083733 248-347-3050**NOVI** \$750,000  
Grand 2 Story Foyer, Formal DR W/twd Flr, custom Molding, Gourmet Kit, Vaulted FR, Architectural Windows, French Door To Private Porch, 1st Flr Mstr W/trey Ceiling, Glamour Ba, Fin LLI W/ in-law Ste, Wet Bar, & Game Rm. MLS# 26092838 248-347-3050**NOVI** \$425,000  
Grand cypress model w/updated lighting t/o, paver patio w/detached 3 seasons gazebo, ext prntd, ceramic tile in foyer, hallway & kitchen. Sidewalks in sub, finished bsmt, sharp landscaping, neutral decor. MLS# 26071230 248-347-3050**NOVI** \$419,900  
Sharp clean open & airy 4BR, 2.1BA colonial on low traffic interior setting. Spacious kitchen-nook w/ceramic tile & BI appliances. Family room w/gas FP, soaring ceilings in LR w/custom natural FP. MLS# 26077341 734-453-6800**NOVI** \$387,500  
Absolutely stunning! 4 BR 3.1 ba col w/out of this world fin W/O on private lot w/sweeping views of nature. Lg kit & nk w/HW/DW firs. Fin W/O w/full kit, ba & fam Rm & rec Rm w/gas FP. MLS# 26072825 734-453-6800**NOVI** \$375,000  
Turtle Creek w/4.5 baths. New vinyl windows t/o, remodeled main baths, new furnace, newer carpet in LR, DR & stairs. Updated landscaping w/stone wall, hwdwd in foyer, partially fin bsmt w/wet bar, bath & rec rm. MLS# 26092600 248-347-3050**NOVI** \$312,900  
Great home great location! 4 bedroom 2.5 baths - large rooms. Hardwood floors in entry and kitchen. Spacious master has bath and walk-in closets. Beautifully finished basement. Home warranted. MLS# 26083204 248-437-4500**NOVI** \$260,000  
New furnace, c/a, new hwh, new light fixtures t/o, remod. Baths w/ cherry, limestone & granite, new win, roof & furnace, kit w/cherry, granite & limestone, new hwd on 1st flr, new stone elev. Fin.LL w/ 2nd kit & office. MLS# 26037921 248-347-3050**OCEOLA** \$284,900  
Beautiful custom built home. Tons of upgrades. Backs to pond. Great for fishing etc. Finished w/out. Great room features soaring ceilings and oak catwalk. Did I say it has 4 bedrooms and 3.5 baths? MLS# 26083800 248-437-4500**PINCKNEY** \$167,900  
Sharp well maintained 3 BR Ranch. New paint throughout, partial finished basement, doorway leads to privacy fenced backyard and deck. Home warranty. MLS# 26083923 248-437-4500**PLYMOUTH** \$415,000  
2 Story Foyer, Open To 2 Stry GR, Hwd Firs On 1st Flr. 1st Flr Mstr Ste W/glamour Ba W/sep. Garden Tub, Library/4th BR W/vaulted Ceiling, Kit W/Island, Cooktop. All BR's W/WIC's, & Brick Paver Patio. MLS# 26082939 248-347-3050**PLYMOUTH** \$399,900  
Dntwn Plym home offers best of old & new. Comp remdl in/out w/3 BR 2.5ba., 1st flr mstr w/vlt clngs & priv lux ba, 22x12 loft, FR, DR, 1st flr Indry, office, 3 season rm. X-dp att 2 car gar. Wrap arnd porch. HM WR MLS# 26077659 734-453-6800

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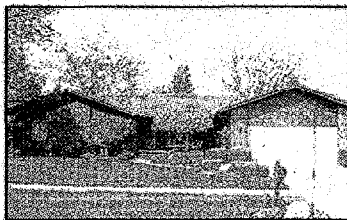
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**PLYMOUTH** \$334,900

WELL LOCATED! Manicured indscp showcases this meticulously home. Brick four sides w/Anderson windows. Expected updates. Lg Mstr w/WI closet. Cheery front Kit & BR. Lg LR window w/views to beautiful yard. MLS# 26068951 734-453-6800



**PLYMOUTH** \$214,900

Walk to town from this 3BR Old Village charmer! Updates incl: brand new kitchen, refin HDWD flrs, carpet, int & ext paint, furn, plumb, roof & most wndws! Lg 20x7 encl porch. Bsmt plumbed for bath. Lg rooms t/o. MLS# 26080968 734-453-6800



**PLYMOUTH** \$200,000

Plymouth bungalow! This must see home offers 3 BR,s, 1.5BA, LR w/nat FP, DR & 1st flr master. All w/ beautiful HDWD, newer wndws, furnace, carpet & paint. Kit offers newer counters. Prof. fin basement too. MLS# 26087499 734-453-6800



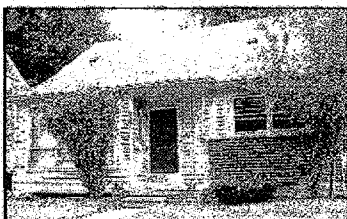
**PLYMOUTH** \$199,900

Beautiful 3BR brick ranch in Plymouth Twip. Hardwood floors t/o, all updated Kitchen w/skylight & doorwall leading to a great back yard. Finished basement, 2 car garage, C/A. Sprinkler system. MLS# 26091914 734-453-6800



**PLYMOUTH** \$194,500

Lovely, clean, well-maintained brick ranch w/3BR, 1BA, FR, basement & 2 car gar features open floor plan. Kitchen w/oak cabinets, nook & DW to deck. Updates: Kit, bath, furn, AC, wndws, paint, cpt & more. MLS# 26088355 734-453-6800



**REDFORD** \$144,900

Charming brick bungalow! 3 BR,s w/S. Redford schools. Features: open floor plan; built-ins; hardwood flooring; finished basement w/separate laundry; updated bath; newer roof and all appliances. Fenced yard. MLS# 26062813 734-453-6800



**REDFORD** \$144,500

3 Br,1.1 Ba Ranch W/FR W/corner Fp & Dw To Lrg Deck & Fenced Backyard.Kit. Cabs W/New Counters,Stove,Microwave,Dw,& Firing.Hwd Floors In Lr,Dr,& Br's.Freshly Painted Int,New Lighting & New Front Door. MLS# 26077004 248-347-3050



**REDFORD** \$109,000

Brick Paver Walkways & Deck Welcome You As well As An Enormous Garage. Fresh Paint, New Carpet, Newer Windows & Roof, New Entry Doors, & Ceiling Fans. Brick Fp & Cove Ceilings. New Furnace & New Sewer Line. MLS# 26089721 248-347-3050



**REDFORD** \$99,999

Ready for summer! 32X16 pool with sun deck, Florida room (24X13) off back. 3 bedroom bungalow, updates include roof, electrical, windows, plumbing, water heater and bath. MLS# 26085382 248-437-4500



**ROMULUS** \$224,900

Home Can Be Finished In 90-120 Days.Still Time To Pick Colors.Great Lot Backing To Tree Line & Elementary School.Traditional floorplan W/FR W/ Fp,Formal DR,& Lavish Mstr Ste W/2 WIC's,Soaking Tub & Shower. MLS# 26088114 248-347-3050



**ROYAL OAK** \$465,000

Newer 2005 Built Colonial! Loaded w/upgrades, granite, h/w floors, bonus room, s/s appliances, 2nd floor laundry room, library, mud room. Shows like brand new. Must see! MLS# 26094176 248-879-3400



**SALEM** \$400,000

Paradise Found On Golden Pond! Foyer W/leaded Glass Frnt Door, Hdwd Flrs,Formal LR W/added Windows,DR W/French Door To wrap-around Porch,4 Season Sunrm,FR W/tp,Mstr Ste W/private Bath,LL W/O,2.8 Acres. MLS# 26093954 248-347-3050



**SOUTH LYON** \$279,000

Your search is over! Gorgeous colonial decorated like a model. Crown & chair molding t/o. Custom window treatments, light fixtures & paint. Master w/WIC & Jacuzzi. HDWD floors. Prof. finished basement. MLS# 26083637 734-453-6800



**SOUTH LYON** \$112,900

Adult co-op, immaculate 2 BR, 2 bath. Nice kitchen w/ upgraded appliances and wood floor. Finished basement w/corner fireplace and large family rm. Paver front patio. MLS# 26078726 248-437-4500



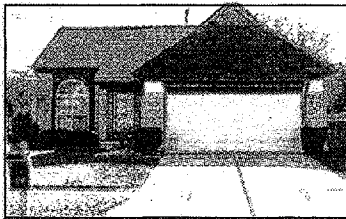
**SUMPTER** \$225,000

3 BR Ranch On Over An Acre.2 1/2 car Att Garage,2 Car Detached Garage & A Shed The Size Of A Pole Barn.Lrg LR,Huge Mstr BR That Can Be Converted Back To The 3rd BR, Oversize Laundry Rm, & A Deck Offback. MLS# 26055790 248-347-3050



**WAYNE** \$174,900

Cute & charming describes this unique updated 4BR, 2.5BA older brick home! New kitchen, bath, furnace & CA. Huge family & 4 season room makes this the best deal in downtown Wayne! A must see! MLS# 26094708 734-453-6800



**WESTLAND** \$209,900

WOW! JUST REDUCED!! Simply Beautiful! 3 Bed Brick Ranch! Open & Airy-Cath Ceilings. Fin Bsmt w/ approx 1000 Extra Sq Ft Of Enjoyment In The FR/ Rec Room. 2.5 Baths. 1st Fl Laundry. Large Kit, Lg Deck. MLS# 26080843 Cathy Elias 734-591-0333 ext 126



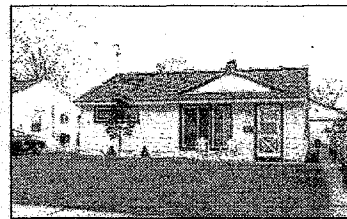
**WESTLAND** \$189,000

1300+ Sq ft Brick Ranch\*Open Kit/FR W/Nat F/P, Pergo Fl, Deck & Jacuzzi. Spacious Eat-in Kit W/ Appis & Hickory Cabs, Cer Tile\*Main Ba w/ceramic & Oak Vanity\*Nwr Carpet\*New Elec & Roof, 2.5 Car Grg\*Xtra Deep Lot MLS# 26077077 734-591-0333



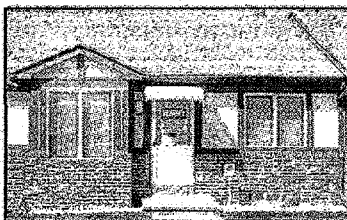
**WESTLAND** \$159,000

Gorgeous 2 Bedroom 1.5 Bath Condo With Many Updates. Kit Completely Updated With New Light Oak Cabinets & HW Flrs. Baths Have Been Remodeled. Newer Furn & Water Heater. New Deck To Enjoy Those Long Summer Days. MLS# 26087843 734-591-0333



**WESTLAND** \$117,000

Cute starter home in Westland. 2 bed, 1 bath, fresh paint. Updated bath, cute kitchen and a huge garage in a fenced yard. MLS# 26075081 248-437-4500



**WESTLAND** \$114,900

Ranch Condo W/skylight & Cathedral Ceiling Open Fir Plan. Full Bsmnt. Mstr Ste W/privatebath. Kitchen W/ doorwall To Deck,all Appliances Stay. This Home Is Clean & Ready To Move In. Immed Occup. MLS# 26068333 248-347-3050



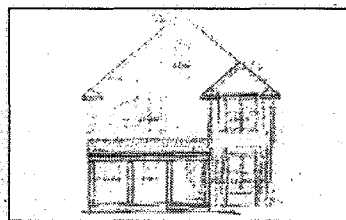
**WIXOM** \$349,900

4 BR 3.5 BA W/Tasteful Decor 1/2.2 Story GR W/ fp,Large Isl.Kit W/upgraded App.Fin Bsmnt W/full Bath,Lrg Mstr, Ste W/jacuzzi & Design Tile,Sepr Shower,ustom Closets,& Alarm System.Prof Paint & Landscaping! MLS# 26087515 248-347-3050



**WYANDOTTE** \$137,500

Brick Bungalow w/updates. Include:Upstairs Mstr Br W/drywall & New Carpet,Bthrm,Refin hwd flrs T/o,Front Porch,Intext Drs,Garage Dr, Driveway ,Electrical,Copper Plumbing, HWH,Part Fin. Bsmnt.All Appl Stay. MLS# 26087536 248-347-3050



**PLYMOUTH** \$359,900

New construction near downtown Plymouth w/low Twp. taxes. Quality craftsmanship boasting extensive custom trim, cherry floors t/o 1st floor. Ceramic baths, appliances, deck & sod included. MLS# 26058282 734-453-6800



**CANTON** \$410,000

Dramatic 2 story foyer, library w/French doors & crown molding, vaulted FR w/gas fp,ic, gourmet kit, bft nook w/drwl to deck, mstr ste w/vaulted ceiling & separate sitting area, glamour bath w/2 WIC. MLS# 26085247 734-453-6800

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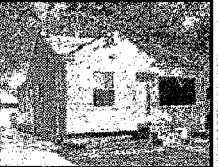
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**MOVE IN READY** 3 bedroom brick bungalow featuring newer windows, updated Kitchen, formal Dining, LR w/ bay window, part finished bsmnt, & seller can help w/ closing costs. City Certs Done!  
(P-452AR) **\$110,000**



**CHARMING & ROOMY** Great bang for your buck! Super clean bungalow w/ large Kitchen, pantry, all appliances, Master w/2 w/c's, updated bath, well maintained t/o, & great fenced yard.  
(C-432BE) **\$142,000**



**NEWLY REMODELED** Great ranch in Redford. Completely remodeled! Oak kit, ceramic flrs, new carpet, elec, cement driveway, siding, windows, garage roof & door, entry doors, new bathroom, neutral fresh paint t/o, & part finished bsmnt.  
(P-666BE) **\$104,900**



**WEST BLOOMFIELD CONDO** Like new 2 story condo w/ walkout lower level, 2 car Garage, wood floors, granite ctops, maple cabinets, 1st floor laundry, Master suite w/ bath, & covered porches on all 3 levels.  
(P-974BE) **\$375,000**



**A MUST SEE** Beautiful colonial loc on well maintained, landscaped yard. Cheery kit w/granite, recessed lighting t/o 1st flr, hwd flrs, new Deck, remodeled Master BA w/ whirlpool tub & Italian tiles. Also for lease at \$1,600/mo.  
(C-033BU) **\$255,000**



**PLYMOUTH FIXER UPPER** 3 bedroom, 2 bath ranch w/ walkout bsmnt, Master w/ doorway to Deck, nice size Living & Dining Rooms, situated on 2/3 of an acre siding to Hines Park. Needs work, bring your ideas.  
(P-861BU) **\$192,000**

**ALLEN PARK HOME SWEET HOME** 2 story home w/3 bedrooms, living room w/frplc, updated Kit, hrdwd flrs, full bsmnt, & 2 car Garage.  
(C-515RO) **\$167,900**

**LIVONIA BETTER THAN NEW!** Completely remodeled on almost an acre. 4 bds, 2 full & 2 half baths, mature trees, & private yard backing to a stream.  
(P-128BA) **\$398,000**



**IMPRESSIVE COLONIAL** 4 BD, 2.5 BA, Family Room w/frplc, Deck, Library, Master Suite bells & whistles. 4 bedrooms, w/bay window, ceramic 3 baths, 2 story Living, baths, newer roof, 2 car Dining, & Foyer, premium Garage, 1/3 acre lot on quite location, 3 car Garage, extra court on popular subdivision. deep bsmnt, & professionally landscaped.  
(P-704CA) **\$324,900**



**FIRST RATE** Custom built Stratford model w/all the bells & whistles. 4 bedrooms, 2 story Living, 9ft ceilings on 1st floor, gas frplc, & more. Also for lease at \$1,800/mo.  
(P-352CA) **\$509,900**



**GREAT CONDO** 3 bedroom townhome w/loft, hardwood floors, top grade appliances in gourmet kitchen, 9ft ceilings on 1st floor, gas frplc, & more. Also for lease at \$1,800/mo.  
(C-636CH) **\$240,000**



**GREAT INVESTMENT** Westland duplex offers 2 units. One unit has 3 bedrooms, 1 bath, garage, family room, living room, & large Kitchen. Second unit offers 3 bedrooms, 1 bath, living room, & large Kitchen.  
(P-160DE) **\$104,900**



**AMAZING HOME** Lovely South Lyon location. 4 bedrooms, 3.5 baths, gourmet island Kitchen, vaulted Master w/bath & WIC, daylight bsmnt, 3 car Garage, prof landscaped, & much more.  
(C-373DR) **\$359,900**



**IMPRESSIVE CONDO** Beautiful Livonia condo w/ open floor plan, master suite w/private bath & deck, finished bsmnt, 1st floor laundry, 2nd private deck off dining area, & so much more.  
(P-351EA) **\$214,900**

**BELLEVILLE AFFORDABLE** 2 bedroom brick condo in downtown Belleville. 3rd flr end unit w/ elevator, Pottery Barn decor, upgraded t/o.  
(P-233MAI) **\$129,900**

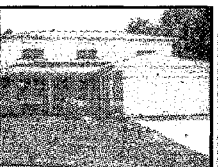
**LIVONIA GREAT CONDO** Open flr plan w/vaulted ceilings, 1st flr master, lrg Kit & nook, full bsmnt, & att garage.  
(P-328EA) **\$200,000**



**PRESTIGIOUS LOCATION** 4 WHY PAY RENT? Great bedroom, 4.5 bath Tudor w/ starter home featuring gourmet island Kitchen w/ newer roof, windows, granite, hrdwd flrs, finished Kitchen, 2 full baths, finished bsmnt, updated windows, bsmnt, great fenced yard, & boiler, & roof. Finished low maintenance. Great Media Room, open Floor plan, & motivated seller can help w/closing costs!  
(P-944FA) **\$287,000**



**\$40K IN UPGRADES** 4 bedroom, 2 bath colonial w/ new Pella windows, doorwall, & front door, updated baths, kitchen, carpet, paint, garage door, hrdwd floors in most rooms, sprinklers, freshly painted exterior, & nicely landscaped.  
(P-906FL) **\$269,900**



**STATELY COLONIAL** Priced to sell 4 bedroom, 2.5 bath colonial in Vintage Valley. Premium lot on cul de sac, backs to parkland, 2 story Foyer w/hrdwd, Family Room w/volume ceiling & frplc, island Kitchen, & nook.  
(C-225FO) **\$479,900**



**WELCOME HOME** 3 bedroom, 1.5 bath Livonia home w/new Kitchen, roof, gutters, windows, part finished bsmnt, oversized 2.5 car Garage, landscaped yard, & more.  
(P-046FR) **\$198,000**



**TURN KEY CONDO** Lavishly updated condo complete w/ all the upgrades. All appliances included. Pond views from the Deck. Move right in.  
(C-882HA) **\$179,900**



**CANTON PEACEFUL RETREAT** Lovely Glengarry Village home featuring a gourmet oak Kit, FR w/frplc, newer carpet, finished bsmnt, rec room, & lrg Deck.  
(C-215DA) **\$369,900**

**CANTON FANTASTIC VALUE!** Maintained like new w/ builder upgrades, upgraded Kit & bath cabinets, tile, Jacuzzi tub, & lrg Deck.  
(P-462HU) **\$154,900**

**LIVONIA BEAUTIFUL COLONIAL** Nested on a quiet wooded lot. Neutral decor, updated wndws, carpet, bath, & Kit. 1st floor laundry.  
(P-412ST) **\$319,900**



**QUARTON LAKE ESTATES** A RARE FIND! 3 bedroom Impressive stone & brick Westland colonial w/4th elevation, charming inside & bedroom in walkout bsmnt. out, former maids quarters, Updated Kitchen, hrdwd large rooms t/o, LR, DR, floors, beautiful Deck, large nook, Library, 5 bedrooms, yard, & more.  
(C-221LA) **\$224,999**



**OPPORTUNITY AWAITS!** Great chance on this home at a super price. New construction on the water w/ access to 2 lakes. 3 stories, upper is a loft, 1st floor is a walkout to water & attached garage, 2nd floor Master, laundry, & large bedrooms.  
(P-940MA) **\$374,900**



**A REAL BEAUTY** Beautifully decorated w/top of the line Kitchen cab's, wood flooring, open floor plan, gas frplc, attached garage, 2.5 baths, & great location.  
(C-855NO) **\$186,900**



**CANTON COLONIAL** This 4 bedroom colonial shows like new. Featuring 2.5 baths, formal Living & Dining, warm decor, hrdwd floors, grand Foyer, Master w/bath, & a slate Patio.  
(P-732PO) **\$304,900**



**BEAUTIFUL RANCH** Over 1200 sq ft for under 200k in Canton. Freshly painted 3 bedroom ranch w/newer carpet, windows, all appliances stay, new exterior & interior doors, & backs to commons area.  
(C-606RE) **\$190,000**



**DEARBORN HEIGHTS SPARKLING GEM** Mint condition, updated & clean. Open flr plan, 3 bedrooms, updated wndws, doors, shingles, blinds, & carpet. Florida Room overlooking landscaped yard w/pond.  
(C-932MA) **\$124,900**

**CANTON PARK LIKE SETTING** Windsor Park colonial backs to protected woods area. Remodeled Kit, baths, updated roof, wndws, furnace, hrdwd flrs, & more.  
(P-848AR) **\$225,000**

**NOVI CHARMING CONDO** 2 bds, finished bsmnt, private brick patio, hrdwd flrs, newer carpet, gas frplc, community pool, tennis, & a large pond.  
(C-052CR) **\$155,000**



**ENTERTAINING** Enjoy the summer in your new home w/a pool & hot tub! Loaded w/updates, Hickory Kitchen w/granite, berber carpet t/o, windows, oversized bedrooms, & super clean.  
(C-232SH) **\$153,500**



**EXTRAORDINARY!** 4 bedroom colonial featuring 2.5 baths, hrdwd floors, dining area, partially finished bsmnt, new roof, all w/granite, berber carpet t/o, bath, WIC's, Flex/Bonus room, professionally landscaped w/fabulous views of the pond.  
(C-183SH) **\$289,000**



**WOW Great 3 bedroom** home w/large Living Room, dining area, finished bsmnt, new roof, all appliances, & much more. Won't last, hurry!  
(C-465ST) **\$125,000**



**FANTASTIC YARD** This wonderful ranch has a great location & is one of the few that offers a formal Dining Room. Updates include Kitchen flooring, windows, finished bsmnt, & great yard.  
(C-212SU) **\$222,500**



**AWESOME REDFORD RANCH** Great sub. Wonderful landscaping, updated roof, furnace, A/C, siding, gutters, & more. Hrdwd floors, partially finished bsmnt, 2 car Garage, & updated Kitchen. A must see!  
(P-851TE) **\$149,900**



**LOADED WITH UPDATES!** Nice condo in Bromley Park. Updates include huge bsmnt that nearly doubles your living space, all appliances stay, extra large Deck, & too much more to list. Call today!  
(C-881WE) **\$197,900**

**GARDEN CITY UPDATED RANCH** Newer wndws, roof, furnace, AC, oak Kit, hrdwd floors, fresh paint, & oversized Garage.  
(C-046BU) **\$149,900**

**PLYMOUTH MOVE RIGHT IN** Beautifully updated colonial. Kit w/ corian, Anderson wndws, & prof finished bsmnt w/guest bd & bath.  
(C-273RE) **\$379,900**

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# Payday: Earnings not always huge in real estate work

Earnings for real estate pros vary widely. Information from the U.S. Department of Labor Bureau of Labor Statistics emphasizes that point.

The median annual earnings of salaried real estate sales agents, including commissions, were \$35,670 in May 2004. The middle 50 percent earned between \$23,500 and \$58,110 a year. The lowest 10 percent earned less than \$17,600, and the highest 10 percent earned more than \$92,770. Median hourly earnings in the industries employing the largest number of real estate sales agents in May 2004 were as follows:

- Residential building construction \$54,770
  - Offices of real estate agents and brokers \$37,970
  - Activities related to real estate \$32,460
  - Lessors of real estate \$25,840
- Median annual earnings of salaried real estate brokers, including commission, were \$58,720 in May 2004. The middle 50 percent earned between \$33,480 and \$99,820 a year. Median annual earning of real estate brokers were \$61,550 in offices of real estate

agents and brokers and \$44,920 in activities related to real estate.

Commissions on sales are the main source of earnings of real estate agents and brokers. The rate of commission varies according to whatever the agent and broker agree on, the type of property, and its value. The percentage paid on the sale of farm and commercial properties or unimproved land is typically higher than the percentage paid for selling a home.

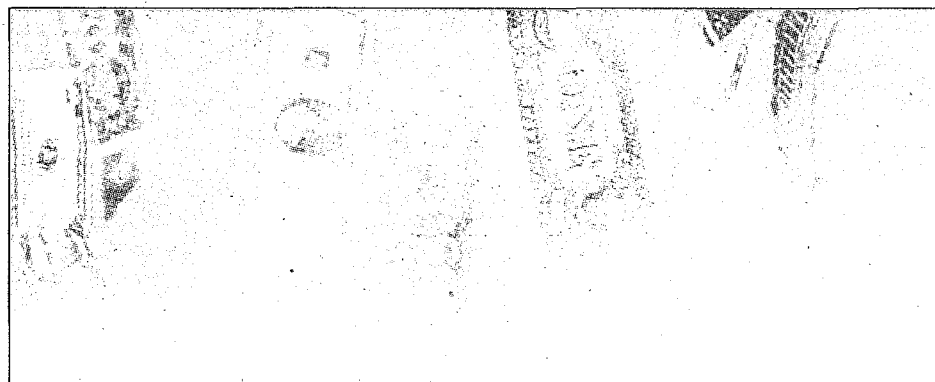
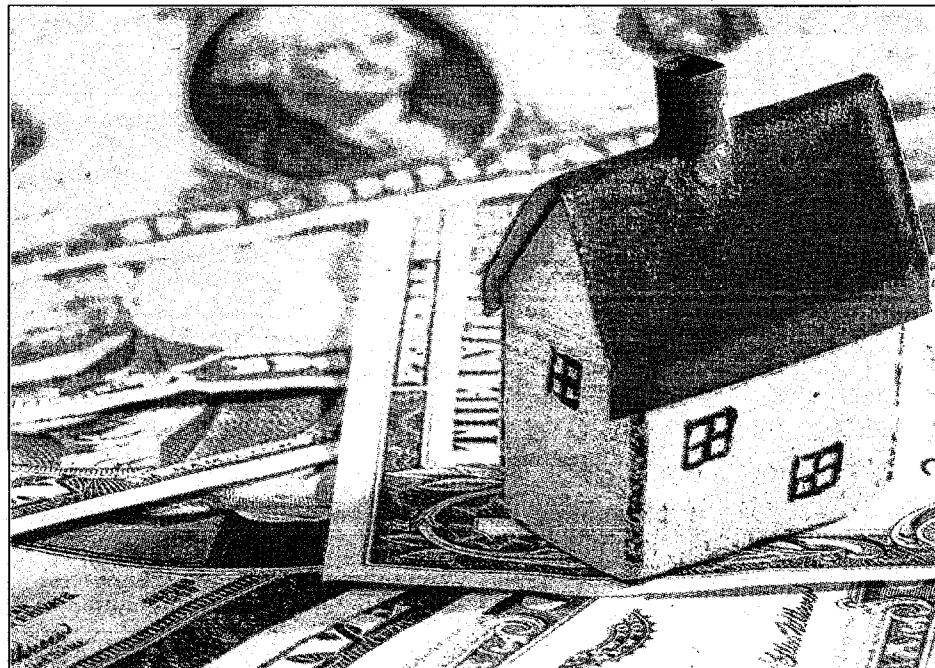
Commissions may be divided among several agents and brokers. When the property is sold, the broker or agent who obtained the listing usually shares the commission with the broker or agent who made the sale and with the firm that employs each of them. Although an agent's share varies greatly from one firm to another, often it is about half of the total amount received by the firm. Agents who both list and sell a property maximize their commission.

Income usually increases as an agent gains experience, but individual motivation, economic conditions, and the type and location of the property also affect earnings. Sales workers who are active in community organizations and in local real estate associations can broaden their contacts and increase their earnings. A beginner's earnings often are irregular, because a few weeks or even months may go by without a sale. Although some brokers allow an agent to draw against future earnings from a special account, the practice is not common with new employees. The beginner, therefore, should have enough money to live for about six months or until commissions increase.

## RELATED WORK

Median annual earnings of salaried property, real estate, and community association managers were \$39,980 in May 2004. The middle 50 percent earned between \$27,190 and \$59,360 a year. The lowest 10 percent earned less than \$18,510, and the highest 10 percent earned more than \$89,840 a year. Median annual earnings of salaried property, real estate, and community association managers in the largest industries that employed them in 2004 were as follows:

- Local government \$51,980
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## SOURCES OF ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Links to non-Bureau of Labor Statistics are Internet sites are provided:

For information about education and careers in property management, as

well as information about professional designation and certification programs in both residential and commercial property management, contact:

■ Institute of Real Estate Management, 430 N. Michigan Ave., Chicago, IL 60611. Internet: <http://www.irem.org>

For information on careers and certification programs in commercial property management, contact:

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For information on careers and professional designation and certification programs in residential property management and community association management, contact:

■ Community Associations Institute, 225 Reinekers Ln., Suite 300, Alexandria, VA 22314. Internet: <http://www.caionline.org>

■ National Board of Certification for Community Association Managers, 225 Reinekers Lane, Suite 310, Alexandria, VA 22314. Internet: <http://www.nbc-cam.org>.

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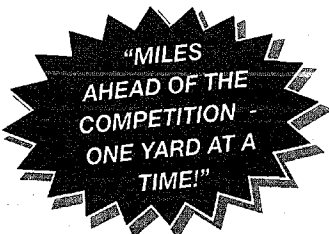
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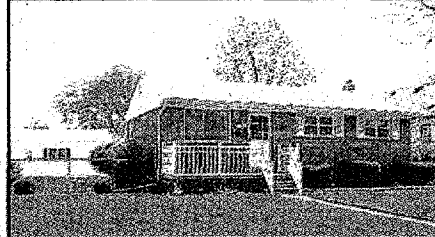


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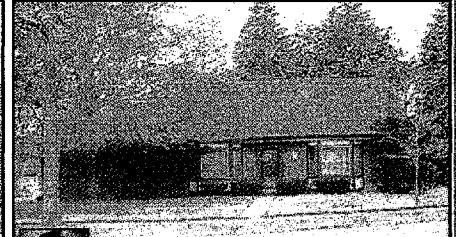


Beautiful 2004 Built brick colonial w/ 3 BR's, 2.5 baths. Fin bsmt and new carpet, open fir plan w/pergo floors, stainless steel appl & vaulted ceilings. Alarm & sprinkler system, new brick pavers and landscaping. Nearly 2,000 sq ft. Priced under market! \$249,900 (3766-0)

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Sherry Hetkowski

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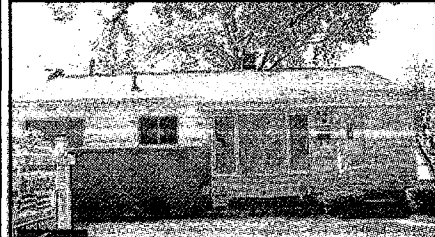
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This home is a \*10\*! Beautiful former model w/prof. finished basement in 2005. Perfectly maintained inside and out. 4 BR's, 3.5 BA, over 2300 sq ft of open living space. Lg mstr ste, awesome FR & exercise rm. 2 Car garage open & 3 car deep! \$265,000 (TM-4014)

Teresa McCollom

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Marty Pouget

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## BRIEFS

### Red Carpet Elite

Betty Main, vice president for franchise operations of Red Carpet Keim Real Estate, has announced the opening of the latest Red Carpet Real Estate franchise, to be located in Livonia under the name Red Carpet Elite Realtors.

The new office opened to the public on Tuesday, May 30, at 31250 Plymouth Road, just east of Merriman.

Broker/owner John Dunn, along with charter agents Patricia Dunn (John's wife) and local Realtor Diana Hand, all have

several years of experience in the local market. Several new agents who will be joining in the coming weeks are also highly experienced, full-time Realtors. The office will focus on offering the services of experienced Realtors to the Livonia, Farmington and Westland area.

The new office will be open seven days a week, and may be reached at (734) 266-1300.

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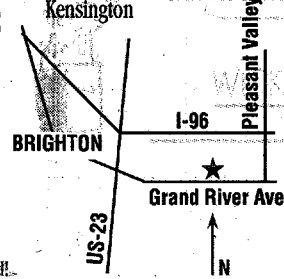
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# Berkley opens local homes

BY MARTHA WOOD  
STAFF WRITER

As he has watched school enrollment declining and the real estate market drop to a sluggish pace, Berkley Councilman Dan Benton took action.

With the help of numerous volunteers, Benton has organized a citywide open house for Berkley, which will display homes for sale throughout the city.

Anyone who has a house for sale can sign up, and it's free to all involved.

Benton has enlisted the help of city staff and local volunteers to represent the city.

From 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sunday, June 25, potential homebuyers can come to the Berkley Public Library, where they will receive a map of all the houses participating and meet city representatives.

Berkley has around 300 houses on the market and Benton said he remembers a time when his neighbors' homes would fly into new ownership.

During a council work session in April, Benton announced that he'd had an idea to promote the city and, hope-

fully, get some houses sold.

He wanted to ask residents who were selling their homes why they were leaving.

He said if he found a common thread, the City Council might be able to take action and fix the problem, should there be one. But within a few weeks, Benton said, that idea spawned what he thought was an even better one.

"It just morphed into this idea that we could have an open house to promote the various attributes of the city," he said.

During the event, many representatives will be there to answer questions.

Randy Roy, a 43-year Berkley resident

and Realtor at Real Estate One in Royal Oak, said potential homebuyers could find a variety of houses in Berkley, from 1,000-square-foot bungalows to 3,000-square-foot homes.

Roy said the average selling time in Berkley and surrounding areas is 90 to 120 days. Although, he said, if a home is in "pristine" condition, it can go easily in 30 days.

For homes sold in 2005, Roy said, the average price was about \$183,000, with the lowest price at \$75,000 and the highest at \$372,500.

Roy said he had never heard of a citywide open house to showcase homes for sale and he thinks, "It's a great idea."

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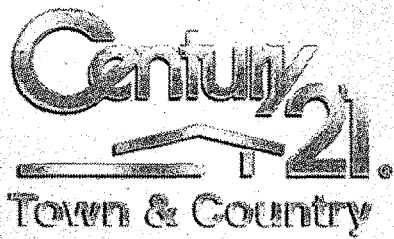
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**FARMINGTON HILLS**

2 BR, 2 full bath ranch condo w/FFL & nicely fin bsmt. LR w/vaulted ceiling & frplc. Formal DR w/door wall to deck w/retractable awning. Pella windows. One year home warranty.  
 (T54SYL) \$245,000 248-349-5600



**NOVI**

Summer's coming! Spacious 4 BR, 2.5 BA colonial w/4 season room & in-ground pool! Great location & beautiful private fenced yard w/trees & newer landscaping.  
 (T83HIG) \$349,900 248-349-5600



**NORTHVILLE**

Custom colonial w/4 BR & 4.2 BA. Gourmet kit w/granite, upgraded stainless appls, hardwood floors, slate floors & upgrade carpet. Fin LL w/theater room, bar, wine cellar & billiard room.  
 (T24TOU) \$875,000 248-349-5600



**NORTHVILLE**

Lakefront beauty in Stonewater. Monarque model by Mocerl. Custom T/O. Gourmet kit w/2-way frplc. Fabulous MBR w/frplc & sitting rm. Glamour MBA w/jetted tub. Custom fin LL W/O.  
 (T40MAN) \$999,000 248-349-5600



**NORTHVILLE**

Exquisite builders model in golf club. Terrific floor plan. Custom T/O. Lovely Granites & custom hardwood floors. No expense spared. Wrought iron staircase.  
 (T00MER) \$684,500 248-349-5600



**FARMINGTON HILLS**

Incredible house & lot. 4 BR executive home on a park-like double lot. Awesome treed setting w/creek. Recently renovated inside and out since 2000. Prepare to be wowed.  
 (T73HAR) \$674,900 248-349-5600



**LIVONIA**

4 BR, 2 BA cape cod on over an acre of beautiful land w/basement & 2.5 car garage w/bonus room. Newer roof, windows, concrete & rear deck.  
 (T80MOR) \$179,800 248-349-5600



**CANTON**

Architecturally striking. Custom built 4 BR ranch w/breathtaking view of woods & pond. Serene garden, private 5 sided lot. Premium features in every room. 3+ garage & sunroom.  
 (T65RIV) \$375,000 248-349-5600



**LIVONIA**

4 BR, 1.5 BA colonial w/fin basement & 2 car garage. Livonia schools. Fenced park-like yard. Court location. All appliances. Tons of updates. Tons of updates.  
 (T45SUM) \$194,800 248-349-5600



**WIXOM**

Gorgeous 2-story GR w/vaulted ceiling. 2 BR w/own private full BA s & WIC s. Loft overlooks open floor plan. Wood floors. 2 car heated garage, bsmt & brick paver patio.  
 (T83RIV) \$184,900 248-349-5600



**NORTHVILLE**

Pheasant Hills beauty. Stylish & comfortable. 5 BR, 3.5 BA. 1st floor master suite. Fin W/O LL w/its own kitchen. Two fireplace s. Updated kit & baths. Awesome landscaping.  
 (T00MCD) \$599,000 248-349-5600



**NOVI**

Shop & compare. 4 BR, 3.5 BA col on quiet cul-de-sac lot backing to woods. 3 car attached gar, paver walkways, finished bsmt, home theater & much more.  
 (T10EME) \$407,000 248-349-5600



**LIVONIA**

Rosedale. Super-sized ranch w/3 BR & 2 full BA s on main floor. Country Kitchen w/oak cabinets. Newer roof & garage door. Big basement. Lots of Nooks & crannies.  
 (T14FLO) \$182,900 248-349-5600



**NORTHVILLE**

Historic 4 BR, 2.5 BA col w/short-walk to town. Home features: LR, formal DR, FR w/FP. Renovated kit, sun room, w/WIC S, fin LL, hrdwd flr, 2 car w/work shop & brick paver patio.  
 (T42MAI) \$489,900 248-349-5600



**HOWELL**

Town Commons beauty. Traditional architecture, modern amenities. 2002 built. 3 BR, 2.5 BA, 1st floor master. Open floor plan. Formal dining. A true neighborhood w/main street, parks & fishing.  
 (T12GIL) \$259,900 248-349-5600



**COMMERCE TOWNSHIP**

Builders closeout w/2 story foyer, Anderson windows, gourmet kitchen, GR W/soaring ceilings, hardwood, granite, W/O basement w/fabulous terraced rear yard, sod & sprinklers.  
 (T56DAR) \$449,900 248-349-5600



**CLINTON TOWNSHIP**

Dramatic, surprising, fun architecture is found in this contemporary home. 3 BR, 3.5 BA, GR w/frplc, LR, kit, DR, MBR suite w/BA, fin bsmt, security alarm, 2 car attached garage.  
 (T20DUN) \$324,000 248-349-5600



**NORTHVILLE**

EXQUISITE 1999 RENOVATION. Finest architectural features & design. Elegant French country kitchen, arched doorways, deep molding, 2 covered porches, stone terrace.  
 (T42DUN) \$750,000 248-349-5600



**LIVONIA**

New in 06-furn, A/C & humid. Vinyl door wall & more windows. Roof-94. 4 BR, 1.5 BA col. Huge kit, LR, FR w/fireplace & cathedral ceiling. 2 car att gar. Nice tree-lined street.  
 (T22EDG) \$219,900 248-349-5600



**LIVONIA**

Sharp 3 BR brick ranch near Madonna University. Attached garage, bsmt, C/A, Anderson door wall to deck. Large corner lot. Updated kit, windows, hardwood floors & fresh  
 (T12FAI) \$199,900 248-349-5600

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**HIGHLAND**  
Impeccable custom cape cod w/3 BR, 2.5 BA. Very open frplc in GR. Lux FF mst. island kit opens to bay window nook. Custom moldings, deluxe lighting. Bsmt, 3 car garage, lk priv. (T78ANC) \$409,900 248-363-1200



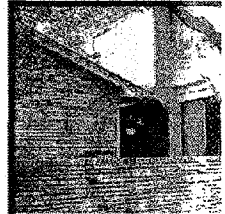
**WEST BLOOMFIELD**  
Gorgeous ranch. 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, first floor master suite and laundry, living room with vaulted ceilings and fireplace. Formal dining. Beautiful attached sunroom. Must See. (T43CAR) \$289,900 248-363-1200



**MILFORD**  
Peaceful, private 3+ acre setting w/woods and pole barn near Kensington Metropark. Sharp home w/updated kitchen, bath, windows and more. Fireplace, C/A, tiered paver patio. (T25PEA) \$290,000 248-363-1200



**WALLED LAKE**  
3 BR and 2.5 BA. Finished walk-out basement. Wooded backyard. 2 car garage. Family room with fireplace and doorwall. (T81ALE) \$329,900 248-626-8800



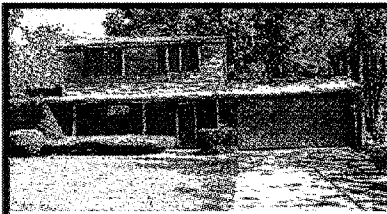
**FARMINGTON**  
Great value in a condo w closets, recessed lights, stairs, all appls included, c to patio and backyard, 2 ca (T00HUN) \$218,900



**WEST BLOOMFIELD**  
Great party kitchen with island and plenty of cabinets. 3 BR, 3 BA. Gently curved staircase to upper BRs. Walled Lake schools, deck off kitchen, gas fireplace & wet bar in family room. (T31ANN) \$269,900 248-363-1200



**COMMERCE**  
The ideal home with the ideal location. Impeccable 3 BR, 2 BA ranch on a large wooded cul-de-sac lot. Fin bsmt, family room w/doorwall to deck. City water, Walled Lake Schis. (T35JEN) \$269,900 248-363-1200



**WHITE LAKE**  
Fabulous 3 bedroom home with new roof 2005, Andersen windows, professionally finished wood flooring, granite counters in newer baths; updated kitchen, finished lower level. (T62SUS) \$239,900 248-363-1200



**FARMINGTON HILLS**  
3 or 4 BR, 2.5 BA. Large living room with fireplace. Formal dining room. Family room with built-in bookshelves. Hardwood and ceramic floors. Finished basement. (T61CED) \$309,900 248-626-8800



**FARMINGTON**  
1 m gorgeous inside. 3 BR lot. Newer kitchen and bath room, great room and first garage. (T24LAM) \$229,900



**WEST BLOOMFIELD**  
Gorgeous brick & limestone home in Southwyck sub. 4 BR, 2.5 BA, 3 car gar. Custom kitchen w/ granite counters, cherry cabinets, see-through fireplace. Cul-de-sac, natural area location. (T98BAL) \$549,900 248-363-1200



**METAMORA**  
Custom built all brick 4 BR, 4.5 BA colonial on approx 20 acres. Kitchen w/sit rm, jenaire island, cooktop, all ceramic, 3 frplcs, 1st flr mstr suite. Inground pool, approx 60x30 pole barn. (T95MAR) \$780,000 248-363-1200



**WATERFORD**  
Quiet neighborhood bordering White Lake. 3 BR, 2.5 BA, main flr master suite, main flr laundry, dining rm, paladium window, cozy loft, fireplace, full bsmt, 2 car, beach priv, spacious. (T43VAM) \$239,900 248-363-1200



**HIGHLAND TOWNSHIP**  
Duck Lk cape cod. Newer bit 3 or 4 BR. FF MBR, lg bonus rm/4th BR w/newer pine flr & vaulted cell, GR w/frplc & cath ceiling, cherry cabs & gran cnts in lg kit w/brkfst rm, GR FFL (T40CHE) \$569,900 248-626-8800



**FARMINGTON**  
A beauty. Newer hardw dining room, kitchen a Spacious great room with bedroom, 2.5 bath. First fl (T02MAR) \$295,000



**COMMERCE**  
Lovely 3 bedroom with lake priv. On all sports lk. Well maintained gorgeous yard & gardens, mature trees, patio, acclaimed Walled Lk Schools. A must see. Hurry won't last. (T46BOG) \$195,000 248-363-1200



**COMMERCE**  
Opportunities like this are rare. This beautiful 3 BR, 2 BA, cape cod has an excellent location w/ Union Lk privs and offers potential to finish the 2nd flr. Walled Lake Schools. (T14MAR) \$274,900 248-363-1200



**COMMERCE**  
Curved floating staircase, custom island kit w/ designer touches, lrg nook, DR, GR w/soaring ceilings, windows, floor to ceiling, lrg mstr w/ frplc, huge WIC, lux bath. The time has come. (T55WAT) \$500,000 248-363-1200



**FARMINGTON HILLS**  
4 BR. Fin bsmt, 3.1 baths, hot tub, intercom, cath ceiling, gas frplc, ceramic tile t/o. All appls, including Jenn-Air. Huge deck w/backyard. 2 drwls. Walk-in pantry, island w/cooktop. (T42ESS) \$329,000 248-626-8800



**ROCHESTER**  
White Lake custom ranch. DR, GR w/frplc, 3 full BA. 3 w/study. Newer furnace A/C water softener. Park-like lot. (T84ROS) \$299,000



**WEST BLOOMFIELD**  
3 wooded lots, lake priv. at 3 beaches avail. Great open floor plan for entertaining. All newly redecorated & great room w/hardwood floors. 2 story garage, 3 bedrooms. Walled Lake Schools (T71BUN) \$189,900 248-363-1200



**MILFORD**  
Impressive, quality, custom, new built home. Beautiful pond view setting. Crown moldings on 1st floor. Gorgeous maple kit. library/DR wainscot. W/O bsmt, high ceilings. Ready. (T31OLI) \$350,000 248-363-1200



**HIGHLAND**  
Custom contemporary loaded w/features. Lrg kit w/built ins. 1st flr mstr, GR w/2 way frplc, 12 ceilings, windows, floor to ceiling, lrg mstr w/ frplc, huge WIC, lux bath. The time has come. So much more to see. You will love it. (T50WIL) \$500,000 248-363-1200



**FARMINGTON HILLS**  
Open flr plan. Spacious kitchen, large family room. Many updates: newer windows, brick, roof, paint, updated bath. Neutral. Big backyard w/above ground pool w/heater, large deck. (T76GER) \$245,900 248-626-8800



**FARMINGTON**  
Builders/investors: your approximately 3/4 acre site bedrooms, 4 baths. Home (T46WES) \$274,900



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<b>MLS</b> MBR and walk-in fireplace, circle fic foyer, doorwall rage. Bring offer. 248-626-8800	<b>BRIGHTON</b> Absolutely a 10+. 2 bdrm, 3.5 bath end unit condo w/spacious GR w/frplc, extra wide stairs to LL fam rm w/daylight windows, + all sports lake priv., att gar. Bkt in 2002. (T61WOO) \$199,900 734-455-5600	<b>PLYMOUTH</b> A dream come true. 4 bdrm colonial mint condition w/open flr plan, family room w/frplc, Florida rm across from park & close to downtown Plymouth. Only mins. to expressways (T45ANN) \$259,900 734-455-5600	<b>PLYMOUTH</b> Fresh & bright ranch, perfect alternative to condo. Its all updated & includes all appls, private paver patio, frplc, new 03 bath. Oversize garage. Walk to downtown events. (T65HAR) \$224,000 248-349-5600	<b>FARMINGTON HILLS</b> 3 BR ranch on large Old Homestead lot is ready for your touch ups. Full bsmt and 4 season room offer even more space for storage and living well. Near schools and golf. (T63LYM) \$239,900 248-349-5600
<b>MLS</b> ck ranch on huge 2 fireplaces, living or laundry. 2.5 car 248-626-8800	<b>PLYMOUTH</b> Downtown Plymouth condo. 2 bdrm, 1.5 bath, fresh paint, ceramic kit & entry, frplc, master suite w/WIC. Nicely fin space in lower level. Newer windows, att gar, private deck & appls. (T18ANN) \$189,900 734-455-5600	<b>PLYMOUTH</b> Great curb appeal. 3 bdrm, 2 bath one of a kind ranch near downtown on a low traffic street. Lg fenced yard, open flr plan w/fam rm to deck. Eat-in kit, mstr w/WIC & bath. (T52ELM) \$204,500 734-455-5600	<b>NORTHVILLE</b> Historic updated 1911 downtown home w/ fantastic state of the art kitchen. A chef's delight, wine cellar. Fin LL, original windows, woodwork & frplc. Excellent condition. Must see. (T13HIG) \$519,000 248-349-5600	<b>WESTLAND</b> Absolutely beautiful 3 BR, 3.5 BA colonial with updates galore. Formal LR & DR, FFL, finished basement & gorgeous golf course view. Bright kitchen & corner fireplace in FR. (T35NEL) \$257,900 248-349-5600
<b>MLS</b> floors in formal breakfast room. place and library. 3 laundry. 2.5 car 248-626-8800	<b>CANTON</b> Spectacular colonial. All the upgrades in this 4 bdrm, 3 full & 2 half bath home w/att gar, full bsmt, gourmet island kit w/granite, mstr ste w/ sitting area, hrdwd flrs & open floor plan. (T33STA) \$449,900 734-455-5600	<b>SOUTH LYON</b> This could be yours. 3 bdrm, 3 bath ranch w/2 car att gar, fin bsmt w/poss. 4th bdrm. Oak kit leads to 3 season rm then to deck w/gazebo. You will love the open space. (T94ALB) \$222,500 734-455-5600	<b>NORTHVILLE</b> 4 BR, 2.5 BA colonial w/fin basement, 2 car garage, hardwood floors. Newer kitchen w/all appliances inc. Close to town & schools. Deck overlooks treed property. A great find. (T27JEF) \$259,700 248-349-5600	<b>NORTHVILLE</b> Come relax in your own private park. Classic custom design. 4 BR, 4.5 BA W/O w/media, game, wet bar, sauna, 3 frplcs, 2 laundries, lib, hardwood floors, granite, 3 car gar. A gem. (T92RED) \$750,000 248-349-5600
<b>MLS</b> shly painted-formal heated gar, fin w/att water heater, and 248-626-8800	<b>WEST BLOOMFIELD</b> Private wooded setting. Hrdwd flr in 2 story foyer, kit, fam rm & powder rm. Kit w/granite island, bay window overlooks deck. Mstr suite w/frplc & 2 WIC s, fin W/O w/tul bar & bath. (T37MIS) \$489,000 734-455-5600	<b>UNADILLA</b> Water front home. Year-round or vacation home w/dock, fenced yard, frplc in liv rm, FFL, master bdrm w/WIC, 2 car gar w/wheat, elec & workshop. Live right on the water. (T13TAM) \$199,500 734-455-5600	<b>BRIGHTON</b> Like new home w/access to Fonda Lake. Features all square footage above grade. Sun deck off doorwall in kit. 4 BR, 3 BA. Andersen windows. Open floor plan. Brighton schls. (T96KIN) \$279,900 248-349-5600	<b>FARMINGTON HILLS</b> Fabulous maintenance free 3 BR home. Eat-in kit has newer ceramic floor, cabinets & counter tops. Fin basement, updated baths, 2 car gar. New roof, furnace & A/C. Florida room. (T53SHI) \$174,900 248-349-5600
<b>MLS</b> chance for an racking to creek. 4 requires renovation. 248-626-8800	<b>VAN BUREN</b> An enchanted life. 4 bdrm Colonial w/ 3 c att gar, fin bsmt, 2 story foyer, din rm, hrdwd flrs in kit, DR & foyer. Oak kit w/ island + first floor laundry. Master suite w/ vaulted ceiling & bath. (T36ANN) \$289,000 734-455-5600	<b>CANTON</b> Why rent when you can own! 2 bdrm, 2.5 bath townhouse w/2 car att gar, great rm w/frplc, eat-in kit w/doorwall to patio, mstr ste w/cath ceiling & 2 WIC, bsmt, 2 car att gar & 1st FFL. (T97HOR) \$179,000 734-455-5600	<b>NORTHVILLE</b> 2 BR, 2.5 BA. Sophisticated former model. Hardwood floors, FFL. Neutral colors. MBR ste w/WIC & stunning private BA. 2nd BR w/private bath. Stones throw from clubhouse/pool. (T49LOC) \$310,000 248-349-5600	<b>HOWELL</b> Want to spend your summer on the lake? Then, this is it. Well maintained cottage with sandy beach & vinyl seawall. Easy access to I-96 on sought after Lake Chemung. (T47SUN) \$279,000 248-349-5600

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**PLYMOUTH**

Custom built 4 BD, 4.5 BA ranch w/ premium fin w/O, 4 car att gar, gorgeous kit offering quality cabs, granite & upgraded appliances + lovely indoor pool.  
(T91PAC) \$1,199,900 734-455-5600



**CANTON**

4 BD, 3.5 BA colonial model being offered for the 1st time w/ frplc in fam rm, fin bsmnt, 2 car att gar, appliances, 1st flr laundry & much more.  
(T36CHA) \$319,000 734-455-5600



**INKSTER**

Gorgeous 4 BD, 2.5 BA brick colonial offering fam rm w/frplc, 2 car att gar, full bsmnt, formal dining rm, huge eat-in kit, 1st flr laundry & much more.  
(T13CHE) \$309,000 734-455-5600



**PLYMOUTH**

Charming 3 BD updated bungalow offering master suite w/gas frplc, BA w/2 shower heads & Jacuzzi tub, tiered deck & lrg shed w/A/C & elec.  
(T40IRV) \$195,000 734-455-5600



**PLYMOUTH TWP**

Outstanding 3 BD, 1.5 BA ranch w/2 car gar, fin bsmnt, fam rm w/frplc & doorwall to deck & hot tub. Crown molding & numerous updated T/O. Hurry!!  
(T88CED) \$219,900 734-455-5600



**PLYMOUTH**

Full brick front. Foyer w/curved staircase, hrdwd flr in GR w/ cath ceil, mrbl trim FP, DR, & LR. French drs to lib, kit w/cherry cabs, brkfst area to sun rm, mstr w/sit area, 3 car gar.  
(T99MAR) \$529,000 734-455-5600



**CANTON**

Wonderful 4 BD, 2.5 BA home, 2 car att gar, bsmnt, formal din rm, brkfst nook w/doorwall to Trix deck, frplc in fam rm, all appliances & so much more.  
(T10MAD) \$399,000 734-455-5600



**VAN BUREN**

4 BR, 2.5 BA home on prime builders lot. LR & DR w/crown molding. Lrg oak kit w/brkfst area & door wall. Master suite w/ cathedral ceilings, WIC & jacuzzi tub.  
(T77DOR) \$305,000 734-455-5600



**CANTON**

Home w/perfect wooded setting. 3 spacious BR, 2 updated BA, GR w/gas frplc, hrdwd floors, 6-panel doors & crown molding. Beveled glass doors & windows.  
(T60LED) \$259,900 734-455-5600



**CANTON**

Beautiful 3 BD colonial on private cul-de-sac. Open floor plan w/freshly painted decor. GR w/ frplc, lrg kit, lrg mstr suite, 1st flr laundry. Deck to oversezed yard.  
(T17CRA) \$212,000 734-455-5600



**COMMERCE**

Very nice 2 BD, 2 BA condo in move-in condition. Open floor plan, finished basement, 2 car att garage, & just a few yards away from a swimming pool.  
(T02JAS) \$214,900 734-455-5600



**LIVONIA**

Lovely home in great sub. 4 BR, 2.5 BA in updated home decorated with designer colors. Newer kit cabinets, and doorwall from brkfst rm leads to large deck.  
(T30SHE) \$234,900 734-455-5600



**REDFORD**

Beautifully decorated to the perfection w/walk-out lower level. Hrdwd floors, woodwork t/o, oak kit, DR, lib/study & 3 car gar. 3 BD, 1.5 BA.  
(T21MIN) \$199,900 734-455-5600



**WESTLAND**

3 spacious BD and 2 BA. Master suite w/full bath. Soaring vaulted ceilings. Newer carpet and freshly painted T/O. Family room w/doorwall to beautiful yard.  
(T20BUC) \$179,900 734-455-5600



**FARMINGTON HILLS**

Large ranch w/4 BD, 2 BA, DR, FR, LR, 2 car att garage, 2 frplcs, open floor plan. Updates incl: windows, oak flrs, roof, gutters, maple kit & large fin bsmnt.  
(T30LOR) \$259,900 734-455-5600



**WESTLAND**

Exceptionally well built 4 BD, 2.5 BA colonial built in 2003 and offering 2 car att garage, bsmnt, beautiful family room w/frplc, & oak kitchen and so much more.  
(T34AUT) \$289,900 734-455-5600



**CANTON**

Spectacular 4 BR, 2.5 BA colonial in Cherry Hill Village offering custom upgrades T/O. Grand 2 story GR, bsmnt, 2 car att garage, master suite w/private balcony.  
(T05HAR) \$389,900 734-455-5600



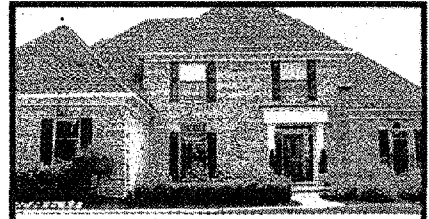
**PLYMOUTH**

Hrdwood floors in LR, DR, kit & library. Newer kit w/counters & sink, cherry cabs, DR w/newer Anderson windows, FR w/frplc, tiered deck, bsmnt & 2.5 car att garage.  
(T86WOO) \$349,500 734-455-5600



**CANTON**

New construction on approx 1 acre lot. 4 BR, 3.5 BA, 4 car att garage, W/O bsmnt. Foyer opens to DR & library, staircase to LL, LR w/frplc, master suite w/jetted tub. Granite kit.  
(T50ROL) \$1,080,000 734-455-5600



**NORTHVILLE TWP**

Gallery foyer, music conservatory, master suite, kit w/volume ceilings, crown molding & granite T/O. Hardwood floors. 5 BR, 4.5 BA, fabulous custom LL w/walk-out.  
(T04CLA) \$1,097,500 734-455-5600

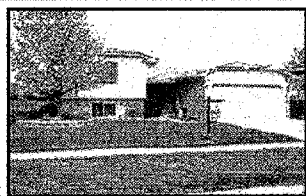
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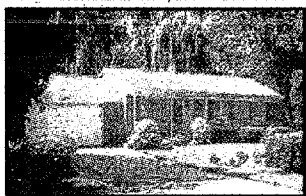
**BRIGHTON**

4 Bedrooms 2.1 Bathrooms \$389,850  
3100 sq. ft. home on wooded full acre lot. Ready to move in! Close to shopping, entertainment, and eating out. A full sized, partially fin bsmt. 23' X 42' tri-level deck, and an indoor 8 person pool/swim-spa.  
HNO.com ID #20278



**CANTON**

4 Bedrooms 2.1 Bathrooms \$249,900  
Private lot! Updates incl: carpet, int/ext paint, wndw treatments, light fixtures, kit appls & more! Porcelain tile flr in foyer, nook & kit. Fam rm w/frplc & wet bar. Lg bdrms. Fin bsmt. Fenced yd w/ 2 tier deck.  
HNO.com ID #20681



**FARMINGTON HILLS**

3 Bedrooms 1 Bathroom \$224,000  
Country living - city location. Immaculate 3 bdrm .5 acre park-like setting with stream, 2.5 car garage, shed & deck. Too many updates to list!

HNO.com ID #20762



**FRANKLIN**

3 Bedrooms 2 Bathrooms \$317,900  
1,900 Sq. Ft. well maintained ranch w/ upgrades on beautiful wooded quiet 1/2 acre lot, den, 2 car, partially finished basement w/ 4th bdrm, brick paver patio w/ winding sidewalks.

HNO.com ID# 19689



**GOODRICH**

3 Bedrooms 3.1 Bathrooms \$510,000  
This Victorian is truly special. Custom built home offers spectacular views from frontage on Goodrich Millpond and it has unique Victorian touches t/o the home. Victorian furniture is available for purchase.

HNO.com ID# 20767



**MACOMB**

4 Bedrooms 2.1 Baths \$289,000  
Great neighborhood in the 21 Mile & Hayes area. Features large master bedroom with walk-in closet, island kitchen, fireplace in living room, bay windows, & 2 car attached garage.  
HNO.com ID #19833



**REDFORD**

4 Bedrooms 1.1 Bathrooms \$119,900  
Spacious 1375 sq. ft. 4 bedroom (possible 5 bdrm) brick ranch. Open flr plan w/ natural frplc, 2 car garage, attached breezeway, and a partially fin bsmt. Call today to schedule an appointment!

HNO.com ID #20707

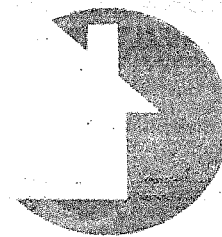


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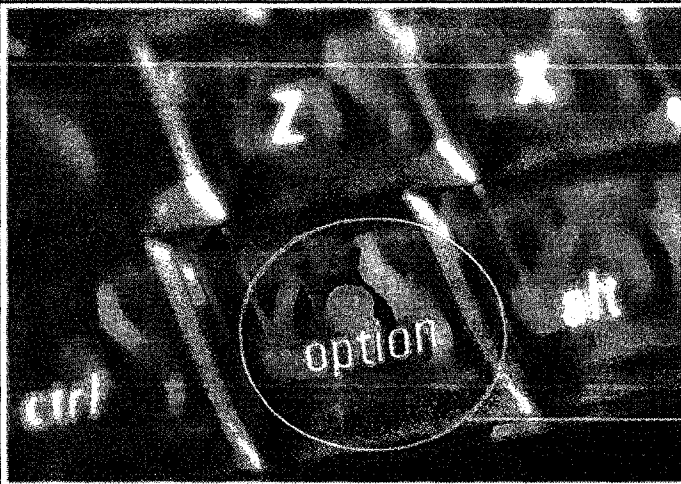
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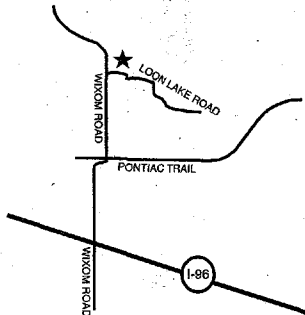
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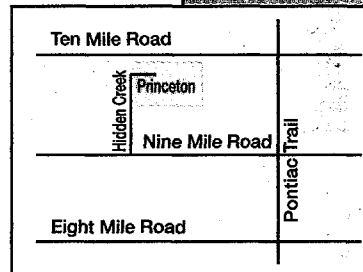
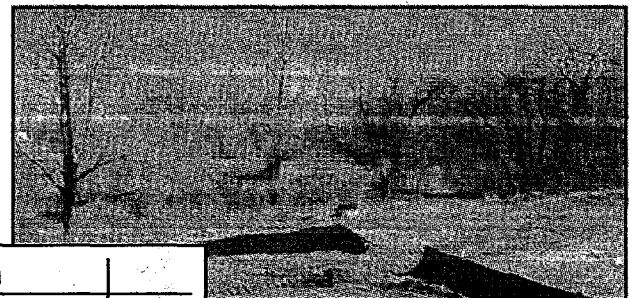
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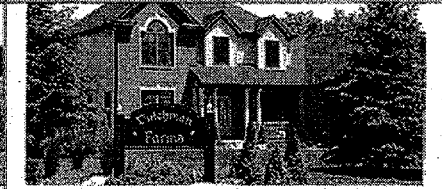
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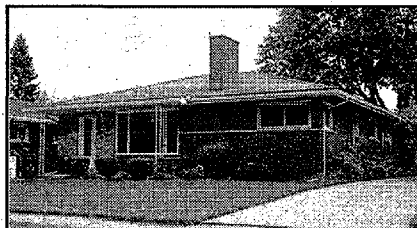
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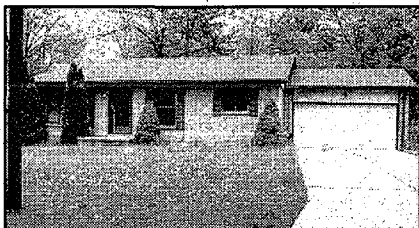


**REDFORD** - Lovely 3 bdrm ranch in great neighborhood. New hardwood floors & carpet throughout. New ktchn counters & floor. Newer windows & furnace. Freshly painted. Fin'd basement w/half bath. Immed occupancy. \$163,900 (L00Nor)

**NOVI** - Charming, spacious well-kept 4 bdrm ranch! Roomy country kitchen w/ island & wood-burning stove, lrg master & bath, fin'd basement w/home office & new above-grnd pool w/deck. Near award-winning Novi school + home warranty. \$274,900 (L61Qui)

**NORTHVILLE** - Lovely spacious colonial, court location in Prestigious Lakes of Northville w/5 bdrms, 3 1/2 baths. Updates inc: ktchn, baths, roof, windows, carpet, paint & more. Fin'd walkout, 2 tier wood decks & gazebo on large wooded lot. \$409,900 (L64Wat)

**COMMERCE TWP** - A dream come true! 2003 built 3 bdrm, 3 bath semi-detached condo w/open floor plan, 2 stry foyer & great rm, spacious eat-in ktchn w/ upgraded 42" cabs & appliances, 1st flr laundry, attached 2 car garage & immed occupancy! \$268,000 (L24Woo)



**SOUTHFIELD** - Immediate occupancy for this 3 bdrm, 2 full bath ranch offering open floor plan, 2 car garage, master with full bath, deck off bdrm, freshly painted and new carpet. Home priced under market value! \$129,900 (L50Mil)

**W. BLOOMFIELD** - Elegance & sophistication sitting high atop a beautiful landscaped site! 4 bdrms, 3 baths, 2 half baths, library, grt rm, spacious foyer, custom carpentry thruout. Lovely fin'd daylite LL w/10' ceilings. Slate porch & patio, etc. \$1,250,000 (L37Cre)

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**DEARBORN** - Wow & Wow! This house has it all! Offers 4 bdrms, 1st flr master, newer kitchen w/hickory cabs, ceramic counters & limestone floor, new baths, library w/lg wndws, cedar lined closets, fin'd bsmt w/lv + tons more! \$275,000 (L25Cam)

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49524 Courtyard Ln	\$279,000
49635 Courtyard Ln	\$270,000
44210 Crofton Ct	\$248,000
1732 Crowndale Ln	\$315,000
44163 Duchess Dr	\$217,000
2011 E Franklin Dr	\$107,000
721 Eastwind Dr	\$127,000
1374 Elmhurst St	\$181,000
6090 Fairborn Dr	\$370,000
44580 Fenwick Dr	\$340,000
401 Georgetown St	\$195,000
41508 Glade Rd	\$210,000
47391 Grand Oak Ct	\$130,000
49564 Great Falls Rd	\$159,000
49780 Hanford Rd	\$310,000
49119 Hawksbury Rd	\$191,000
44439 Heather Ln	\$263,000
49450 Hudson Dr	\$411,000
4402 Hunters Cir E	\$148,000
2131 Lasalle Rd	\$186,000
39869 Lynn St	\$180,000
45543 Michael Ct	\$230,000
1312 Mistwood Ct	\$440,000
2690 Mistwood Ct N	\$178,000
235 Morgan Dr	\$209,000
1831 N Arbor Way Dr	\$119,000
408 N Corrine Blvd	\$248,000
41181 N Maplewood Dr	\$226,000
8262 Newbury Ct S	\$318,000
46451 Overhill Ln	\$315,000
49577 Potomac Rd	\$142,000
49620 Potomac Rd	\$277,000
4023 Ravensfield Dr	\$207,000
3103 River Meadow Cir	\$320,000
48251 Roundstone Ct	\$158,000
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4135 Strathmore Ln	\$218,000
44114 Tudor Ct	\$208,000
43999 Vassar St	\$285,000
44145 Westminster Way	\$214,000
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20929 Larkspur St	\$190,000
22409 Sherwood St	\$75,000
22160 Averhill St	\$145,000
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34461 Chantilly Ct	\$295,000
31234 Country Way	\$151,000
27510 Doreen St	\$165,000
24488 Elmhurst Ave	\$377,000
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21526 Oxford Ave	\$168,000	17161 Starnwich St	\$190,000
27971 Rollcrest Rd	\$131,000	14936 Sunbury St	\$172,000
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38156 Saratoga Cir	\$209,000	14741 Taylor Blvd	\$100,000
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28725 W 10 Mile Rd	\$75,000	32051 Washington St	\$160,000
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32601 Alvin St	\$159,000	24970 Bloomfield Ct	\$431,000
32293 Barton St	\$160,000	41190 Clermont Ave	\$490,000
28648 Bridge St	\$136,000	41235 Clermont Ave	\$585,000
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29602 Clarita St	\$115,000	15100 Bradner Ave	\$218,000
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35198 Lancashire Rd	\$372,000	469 S Mill St	\$165,000
32136 Lyndon St	\$223,000	11768 Turkey Run	\$260,000
29737 Mark Ln	\$213,000	10596 Wellington Dr	\$483,000
9155 Merriman Rd	\$126,000		
11072 Milburn St	\$165,000		

37534 N Laurel Park Dr	\$175,000	19224 Brady	\$106,000
29051 Orangelawn St	\$176,000	9186 Columbia	\$153,000
35835 Pinetree St	\$164,000	14239 Crosley	\$147,000
31345 Rayburn St	\$205,000	18503 Delaware Ave	\$133,000
16129 Riverside St	\$237,000	19318 Delaware Ave	\$158,000
29736 Robert Dr	\$170,000	18852 Denby	\$136,000
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**Huron** - Country setting on over 1.33 acres! Newer 3-bed, 2 bath ranch on a private road. Family room with natural F/P, custom oak kitchen island, huge partially wooded back yard w/screened in gazebo, large circular driveway, C/A, appliances are negotiable. \$184,900 (05TON)



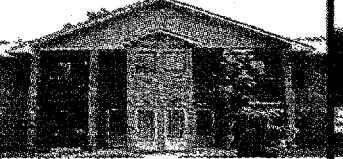
**Livonia** - Updated 3-bed, 2.5 bath home with fresh neutral paint. New roof, newer vinyl windows w/marble sills, bow window in L/R, extra large corner lot w/newer deck, updated kitchen and baths. Newer steel entry doors, vinyl siding, hardwood floors under carpet, movable kitchen island. \$180,000 (05HE)



**Livonia** - Loads of updates on this 2-bed condo. Just bring your furniture! New windows, entry doors and light fixtures. Hardwood floors were recently done, basement, C/A, decorated in neutral colors. Nice location! \$89,900 (24MID)



**Livonia** - Nice 3-bed, 2.5 bath colonial on a huge lot! Built in 1999, finished basement, C/A, 2 car att-garage, great room with cathedral ceiling and open staircase to upper level. Hardwood floors thru out 1st floor, new stamped concrete patio from kitchen, freshly painted. \$269,900 (20BRE)



**Livonia** - Well maintained and very clean upper level condo. Excellent condition. 2 bedrooms, 1.5 baths with neutral colors and lot's of storage space, walk in closet and laundry room. Berber carpet, carpet, appliances stay, C/A, grounds maintenance. Won't last! \$117,000 (86CLA)



**Redford** - Newer 4-bed colonial with 2 full baths and 2 half baths. Lovely hardwood floors in kitchen and foyer, newly finished rec room in bsmt, custom built shed, vinyl deck, long country porch. Fenced yard, garage, 1800sqft, shed, swimming pool. Home was built in 2000. \$224,900 (23DOW)



**Redford** - Nice 3-bed, 2 bath brick ranch. Updated white kitchen, hardwood floors under carpet, private backyard with newer deck, architectural shingles. Most appliances stay, garage, deck, C/A, garage, finished bsmt, 1000+ sqft. Priced to sell! \$129,900 (90OLY)



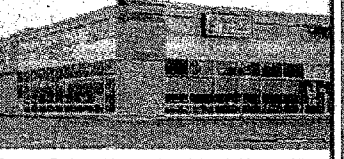
**Sterling Hgts** - Beautiful 4-bed, 2.5 bath colonial priced below market value for quick sale! Open kitchen w/island, F/R with fireplace, 2nd floor laundry room, master bedroom w/cathedral ceiling and luxurious master bath and walk in closet. Garage, bsmt, security alarm, 2400sqft. \$324,900 2600 sqft. \$324,900 (61SAN)



**Sterling Hgts** - Nice and open 3-bed, 1.5 bath ranch! Huge eat in kitchen opens into family room w/doorwall to patio. Finished basement w/dry bar, hardwood in living room and all bedrooms. 2 car att-garage, C/A, 1300+ sqft. Very motivated seller! \$179,900 (67COV)



**Taylor** - Beautiful 3-bed, 2.5 bath condo built in 2004. Just move right in! Barely lived in! Lot's of upgrades, cathedral ceiling in L/R & D/R, hardwood floors in L/R & D/R. Beautiful kitchen w/stainless appliances, sprinklers, garage, C/A, bsmt. \$189,900 (02WES)



**Warren** - Restaurant in a great area! Located in one of the busiest strip malls! Newly remodeled, bright and beautifully decorated, has wireless ordering system, C/A, security alarm, 4000 sqft. Call for details! \$99,900 (82DED)



**Canton** - What a beauty! This 3 bed, 2.5 bath colonial offers a comfortable setting that is ready! Many updates include: tile, carpet, bathroom fixtures, 6 panel doors w/new hardware & closet doors. Doorwall leading to deck is great for entertaining. Walk to parks, restaurants, cinema & more. \$214,900 (86RUN)



**Canton** - Must see! Not much to do but move into this lovely 4 bed, 2.5 bath colonial. Brand new carpet, freshly painted & new windows w/transferable warranty. Vaulted ceiling & bay window in kitchen. Generous F/R w/natural fireplace. Master suite w/full bath & wic. Maintenance free exterior, large deck & landscaped yard on a double lot. \$229,900 (25CRA)



**Dearborn Hgts** - Exceptionally maintained 3-bed, 2 bath ranch with a lovely kitchen connecting to breakfast nook. F/R with natural F/P, doorwall leads to covered patio overlooking private yard. New windows, furnace & A/C, updated baths. California closets, hwd flrs, bsmt. \$269,900 (37CEC)



**Livonia** - What an opportunity! Don't miss out on owning this 3-bed ranch. Beautifully landscaped lot offers a peaceful setting. 2.5 car garage with a power supply shed. Within walking distance to schools, only minutes to shopping and freeways. Don't miss out on this gem! \$159,900 (20FIL)



**Livonia** - Wow! Wow! Wow! Perfect 3-bed, 3.5 bath brick ranch. Home offers newer roof, kitchen, carpet, furnace and C/A, F/R with fireplace. Walkout to a huge yard. Huge lot with a wonderful park like setting next to home. Finished bsmt w/full bath & possible 4th bed or den. \$199,900 (42GAY)



**Livonia** - Welcome home! This totally updated 3-bed brick ranch in desirable Rosedale is just waiting for you! Custom kitchen includes new frs, counter tops & marble cabs. Updated bath, electrical plumbing, new windows & HWH. Finished bsmt, deck overlooks inground pool w/new beautystones surrounding the pool & walkway. 2 car detached garage. \$169,900 (37HE)



**Livonia** - Well maintained 3-bed brick ranch on a quiet cul-de-sac. Updated kitchen includes oak cabinets, pergo floors & newer appliances. Kitchen opens to F/R with gas F/P. Doorwall to deck w/retractable awning. Newer carpet to finished bsmt. Lots of updates! \$224,900 (93BA)



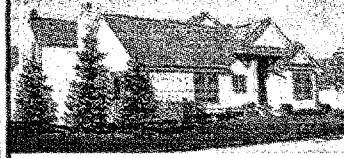
**Livonia** - Incredible! This newer built 3-bed, 2.5 bath cape cod is fabulous! 1st floor master suite w/jacuzzi tub, oak kitchen w/granite countertops and appliances included. Hardwood floors, 1st floor laundry & a formal dining room. Professionally finished bsmt offers an additional 1500 sqft of living space. 2.5 car garage. \$339,900 (29OL)



**Livonia** - Simply wonderful! This 3-bed brick ranch offers loads of updates & plenty of charm. New roof, refinished hardwood floors (06), updated kitchen, new HWH & disposal. Oak doorwall leads to a private fenced yard. 2 car detached garage w/opener, bsmt & plenty of storage. This home is a gem! Don't miss out on this one! \$174,900 (18BA)



**Lyon Twp** - Beautiful 3-bed home sits on 3/4 acre lot. Lots of upgrades & neutral finish makes this an ideal home for anyone wanting lots of land. Improvements include kitchen, remodeled family room w/natural F/P and spacious bedrooms. Master bed has private access to full bath. Need a concrete pad for boat or other toys, you got it! \$195,500 (79PON)



**Northville** - Outstanding 3-bed, 3 bath cape cod that has it all! Upgrades galore include gourmet kitchen w/42" cherry cabinets, lighting package, site finished hardwood floors, upgraded carpet and much more! Library w/French doors, 2nd floor features loft area and large bedroom with wic, 2.5 car garage. \$400,000 (35LOC)



**Northville** - One word describes this home, "AWESOME"! 5 bed, 5.1 bath w/2 story marble entrance, 2 story kitchen w/granite opens to great room w/skylight & doorway to large trex deck. 3 beds have own bath, 1 jack/jill bath, 1st floor master w/2 wic, in walkout has marble F/P & huge 15ft bar w/granite. \$939,900 (90RIV)



**Northville** - Exquisite new construction. Truly custom with gorgeous architectural detail. Brazilian walnut floors, gourmet kitchen w/custom granite, cabinets & cultured stone range hood. 1st flr guest quarters w/prvt bath. 3 F/P's & a custom staircase, master suite w/sitting room and exercise area. \$549,900 (25ULP)



**Plymouth** - Immaculate 4-bed 2.5 bath Georgian style colonial. Situated in a park like setting with an extra deep lot that backs to ravine. This home boasts hardwood floors, newer carpeting & is beautifully decorated. 2 tier deck w/cement basketball court, professionally finished bsmt w/day light windows. \$329,900 (64MCC)



**Westland** - One of a kind 3-bed ranch offering over 1200 sqft. Large eat in kitchen, vinyl flooring, newer cabinets, newer windows & steel doors. Master bed w/door leading to a composite deck. Fin bsmt w/pool table & bathroom. Newer HWH, C/A, humidifier, copper plumbing & glass block windows. \$189,900 (16RIS)

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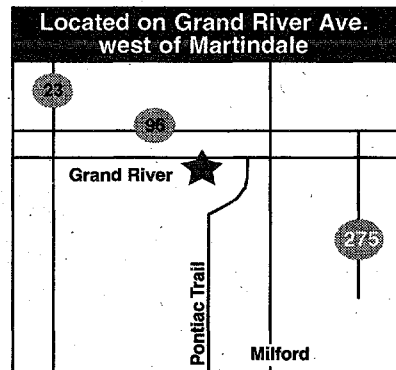
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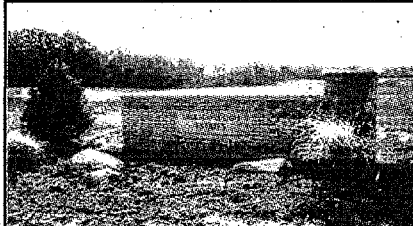
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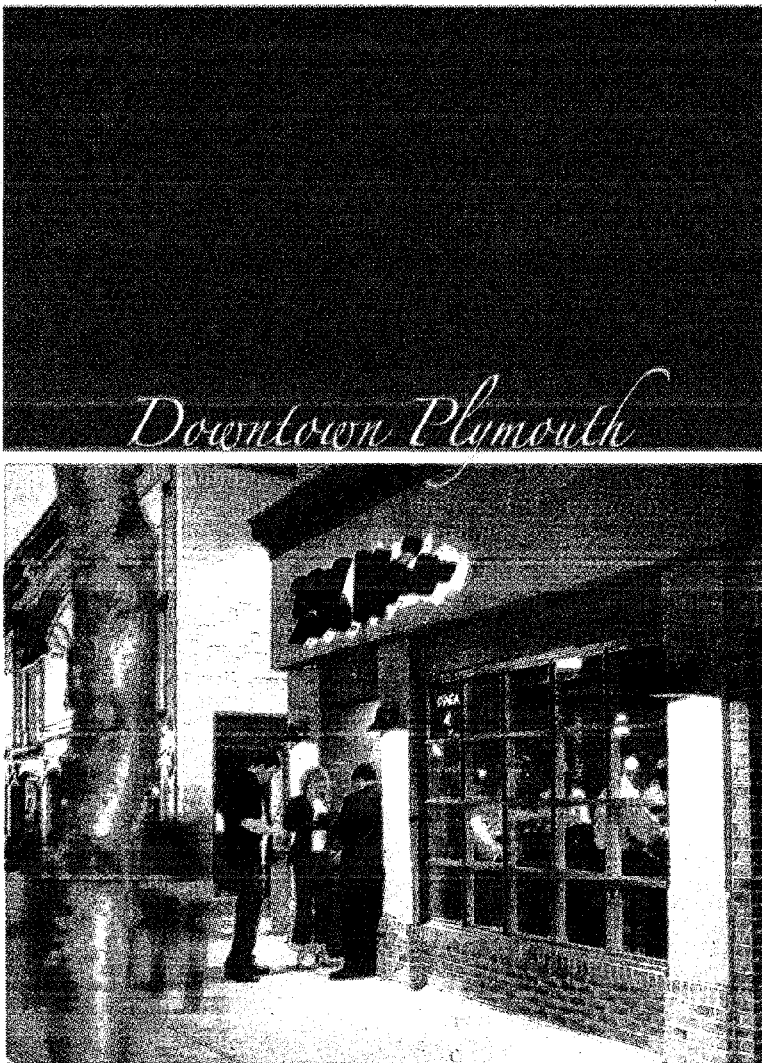
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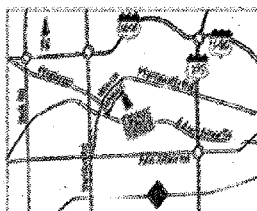
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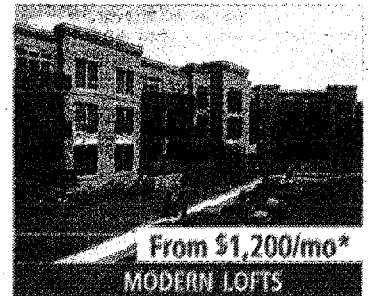


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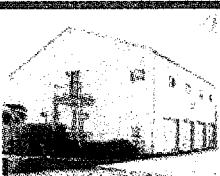
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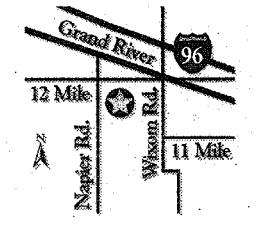
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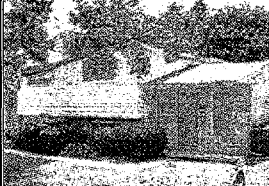
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<b>DEARBORN HEIGHTS</b>					<b>22379 Olmstead</b>					3BR/2BA/1car/bnglw					\$169,900 734-326-2000 realestateone.com/26059135				
<b>FARMINGTON</b>					<b>6321 Mead St.</b>					4BR/2BA/2car/2-stry					\$144,795 734-326-2000 realestateone.com/26034163				
<b>FARMINGTON HILLS</b>					<b>4972 Huron</b>					3BR/1BA/1car/					\$69,900 734-591-9200 realestateone.com/26083847				
<b>PLYMOUTH</b>					<b>27975 Trailwood Ct.</b>					4BR/3.1BA/2car/col					\$475,000 248-348-6430 realestateone.com/26056758				
<b>WESTLAND</b>					<b>27500 W. Nine Mile</b>					4BR/3.5BA/3car/LL WO					\$429,900 248-348-6430 realestateone.com/26025912				
<b>WILCOX</b>					<b>35422 Valley Creek</b>					3BR/2.1BA/2car/ranch					\$325,200 248-348-6430 realestateone.com/26040036				
<b>WYOMING</b>					<b>29918 Eldred</b>					3BR/3BA/1car/updtd					\$214,900 734-455-7000 realestateone.com/26019600				