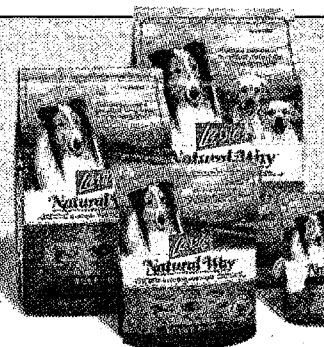


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Board hires arts chief

BY TONY BRUSCATO
STAFF WRITER

At a time when Plymouth-Canton Schools has had to trim its budgets, the Board of Education on Tuesday night approved the hiring of a Visual and Performing Arts Coordinator who will harmonize the district's K-12 arts programs.

That scenario stands out for Tim Schoenherr, who officially begins his duties

July 1. "I was surprised they were choosing at this particular time to fill the position," Schoenherr said. "But, what it said to me, is that the district is committed to the arts, and they are doing it during challenging times."

Schoenherr will be leaving his job as music teacher and co-chair of the West Bloomfield High School Fine Arts Department to take over coordinating the arts for a district that has more than 16,000 students.

"I do have ideas about my vision and what it will look like," said Schoenherr, who resides in Farmington Hills. "I think it's important for all students to learn the same things in all elementary schools, in all middle schools, to get the same arts education. For some kids, the arts is the only connection they have to school."

The board voted 6-1 in favor of hiring Schoenherr at a salary of \$78,116. Board president Mark Slavens voted against adding an administrative position to the budget.

"Originally I had supported the hiring of an arts coordinator, however with the loss of the bond and the \$2.3 million (reimbursement to the general fund for middle school property purchased in Canton) I made the decision this wasn't the year to make additions to the budget," Slavens said. "I do think we need an arts director, but I just think because of the economic situation right now I will be voting no."

Schoenherr was one of 79 applicants for the position.

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The Plymouth Fife and Drum Corps will be among the many highlights of Tuesday's 10th-annual Good Morning U.S.A. parade through downtown Plymouth.

Parade, picnic top 4th Annual family fun highlights holiday

BY TONY BRUSCATO
STAFF WRITER

Bob Shelton has never lived in Plymouth, but he considers it home.

Shelton, a former Livonia resident, graduated in 1948 from the old Plymouth High School (currently Central Middle School), when students from surrounding communities also attended the school.

"Even though I grew up in Livonia, I consider Plymouth my hometown," said Shelton, who now lives in San Antonio. "I always have. I like the small-town atmosphere."

Shelton, 75, likes Plymouth so much that for the second year in a row he and his wife, Ilene, will be visiting his adopted hometown during the first week in July, specifically to attend the Good Morning USA Parade in downtown Plymouth.

"It's what Fourth of July is all about, the Revolutionary sol-

diers and the drum and bugle corps," Shelton said. "It brought tears to my eyes, it's so patriotic. It seems to me small-town America personified."

Stories like Shelton's make Fred Hill smile. For the past 10 years, Hill has organized the earliest Independence Day parade in Michigan - 7:30 a.m. - which is sponsored by the Kiwanis Club of Colonial Plymouth.

"The first couple of years was like paddling upstream, trying to make it all happen ... financially, logistically, putting a product on the street everyone would be proud of," said Hill, remembering his first parade a decade ago. "It felt like a heavy responsibility."

Hill weathered the challenge, and now has it running like a well-oiled machine.

"The amount of feedback we get is extremely rewarding," Hill said. "People are always very

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FUN ON THE FOURTH

■ What: 10th annual Good Morning U.S.A. Parade
■ When: 7:30 a.m.
■ Where: Downtown Plymouth

■ What: Veterans Memorial Park dedication
■ When: 9:30 a.m. (approximately)
■ Where: In front of Central Middle School, corner of Church and Main

■ What: Plymouth Township Picnic
■ When: 11 a.m.
■ Where: Plymouth Township Park, McClumpha and Ann Arbor Trail

List shows no school workers with felonies

District learns 19 employees have records

BY TONY BRUSCATO
STAFF WRITER

Plymouth-Canton Community Schools officials say there are no district employees on an updated list compiled by Michigan State Police, which includes more than 450 Michigan school employees who have been convicted of felonies.

Ray Bihun, the district's executive director of human resources, said while there were no employees with felonies on the list completed for the Michigan Department of Education, there were approximately 19 people who had misdemeanor convictions in their backgrounds.

"We talked with all those employees affected and confirmed with them the convictions," Bihun said. "We talked to each one of them about the incident to confirm it was really them on the list. If it wasn't them, we wanted to get a correction of the misinformation to the Michigan State Police."

"We are absolutely confident we don't have anyone employed who was convicted of a felony."

It's the second time state police released information concerning employees with felony records. The first list contained mistakes, including people with the same names as those convicted, but with different Social Security numbers.

In February the list indicated there were 18 Plymouth-Canton Schools employees who had misdemeanor police records. It was discovered that five no longer worked for the district, and two were incorrect, leaving 11 employees on the list. Bihun said the corrected list had the number closer to 19.

The information is part of the Student Safety Initiative passed by the state Legislature, designed to protect kids from sex offenders in the classroom. The state police cross-checked its database of known criminals with a school employee list from the Department of Education.

According to the law, there is a specific list of misdemeanors that could affect the employment of school workers, such as distribution of marijuana or contributing to the delinquency of a minor.

"We didn't have any of those kinds of things," Bihun said. "These were all non-disclosure misdemeanors. Some were 20 years old and others were more recent, about four years ago."

Superintendent Jim Ryan said in February some of the misdemeanor infractions included

PLEASE SEE FELONIES, A6

Art in the Park set to draw huge crowds

BY TONY BRUSCATO
STAFF WRITER

The 27th annual Art in the Park next weekend in downtown Plymouth will have a few new twists this year.

Dianne Quinn, founder and director of Art in the Park, said live entertainment - much of it after the street fair closes for the day - will be held on stage at what is being called the Party Pavilion near E. G. Nicks on all three days, July 7-9.

Live music is scheduled until 11 p.m. Friday and Saturday, and until 4 p.m. Sunday, with a variety including rock,

jazz, reggae and calypso.

"We've always had entertainment, but it's been secondary to art," said Quinn. "Now, it's become part of the show."

Of course, the primary focus on the three-day event are the nearly 400 artists from across the country who will display a variety of media from noon to 8 p.m. Friday, 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Saturday and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday.

"The Michigan economy is hurting, and artists from all over have heard that, so we're not busting at the seams," said Quinn, who noted the number of artists is down slightly. "However,

we've realigned the show, and have more room for food. Besides the Party Pavilion, Compari's will have outdoor seating that will stretch into the street."

Terri O'Brien, president of Street Marketing in Northville, said sponsorships are up this year, and that's because companies see the advantage of promoting to crowds that range - according to her count - from 250,000-300,000 during the entire event.

"It's definitely the largest art fair in western Wayne County, and companies want to target women, and their friends and daughters, who come to

spend money," O'Brien said. "Art in the Park is a major draw for sponsors."

O'Brien said among the entities paying to be a part of Art in the Park are Schoolcraft College, which is sponsoring Arts and Scraps, an interactive venue that engages children in projects involving recycled materials; Certified Angus Beef, which is sponsoring the shuttle buses which will transport visitors from the parking lot at Visteon to downtown Plymouth; Meijer, which will have a nutritionist educating women about healthy lifestyles; and

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Coming Thursday in Filter

Sammy Hagar brings his summer party to DTE. Read more in the next issue of Filter.



New Morning open house Blood drive

New Morning School hosts an open house for students in grades kindergarten-eighth 9 a.m. Wednesday, July 12. The school is located on Haggerty, just north of Schoolcraft, in Plymouth Township. For more information, call Joan Barrett, (734) 420-3331.

Book signing

A book signing for *Call Me Grandpa, A Man's Wish for His Grandchild* will be held at The Book Cellar and Café in Plymouth 2-4 p.m. Saturday, July 8. Author Jerry Pociask will be available to chat and sign copies of this new book, a story about a man's life journey that culminates in one of his greatest rewards — becoming a grandfather.

The Book Cellar and Café is located at 840 W. Ann Arbor Trail in downtown Plymouth. For more information, call (734) 455-2665.

Trash collection

Due to the Fourth of July holiday, Plymouth Township officials announced there would be no trash collection on Tuesday.

Residents whose regular collection day falls on Tuesday or later in the week will have their trash picked up a day late. Normal Friday collections will be done Saturday, July 8. Collection will be completed as normal Monday, July 3.

Questions should be directed to solid waste/public service coordinator Susan Vignoe, (734) 453-8131, Ext. 33.

St. John's Episcopal Church in Plymouth hosts an American Red Cross blood drive 2-8 p.m. Monday, July 10.

Appointments can be made, but walk-ins are also welcome. The church is located at 574 S. Sheldon in Plymouth.

To make an appointment or for more information, call Carolyn Libeau, (734) 455-5395.

Saberette drive

The Plymouth Saberette pompon team holds its annual bottle drive 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, July 8.

Team members will make their way through neighborhoods, raising money to help send the team to camp in Midland.

For more information, call (734) 564-9946.

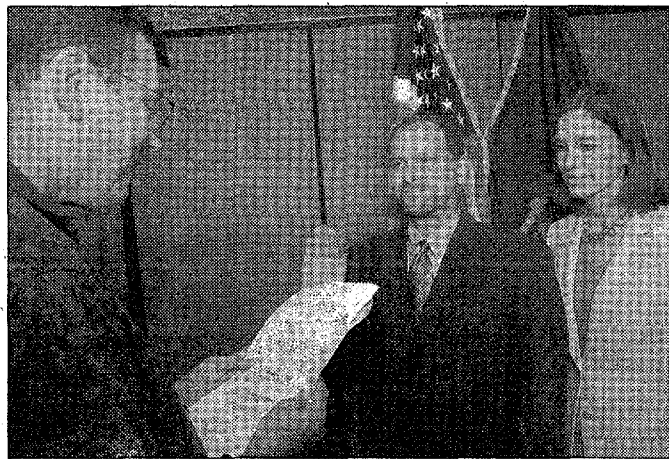
Glassmaker on TV

Plymouth glassmaker Don Schneider will be featured on *Beads, Baubles & Jewels*, a PBS TV show airing July 30.

Schneider will be showcasing a technique called millefiori, which translates to "a thousand flowers." Schneider shows the first step in the process, then explains further using examples of the work in progress.

Schneider's work, from blown rare glass to delicate Christmas ornaments and beads, is available in his gallery, The Glassworks, 543 Deer Street in Plymouth. Schneider teaches at the Toledo Museum of Art, at his studio for Schoolcraft College, and privately.

For more information, call (734) 459-6419.



Sworn in
New Plymouth-Canton Community Schools Board of Education trustee Steven Sneiderman is sworn in by Superintendent Jim Ryan at a recent school board meeting. Sneiderman's wife, Kelli Lauria, witnessed the event.

Kern festival

The Comic Opera Guild presents the Jerome Kern Festival July 7-9 at the Plymouth Community Arts Council.

The festival features concert performances of Kern's musicals, complete score with narration and dialog. Although Jerome Kern is an icon of the American Broadway stage, some of the shows in the Festival are rarely seen. This is the first time that all of these shows can be seen together. Sung by a repertory company of Michigan singers, the shows will be accompanied on the two pianos by the team of Adam Aceto and Patrick Johnson.

This will mark the first time the Kern Festival will be held in Plymouth. These productions have drawn audience from across the United States. Guild officials are hoping interest in classic musicals will spur many more performances in the Plymouth area. As an introduction to the quality of Guild productions, these performanc-

es will be free of charge.

■ Friday, July 7, 8 p.m., *The Cat and the Fiddle*, combines a good plot with thematic music, including "The Night Was Made for Love" and "She Didn't Say Yes."

■ Saturday, July 8, 8 p.m., *High Jinks by Rudolph Friml*, the biggest hit of 1913, with a lively score featuring "Love's Own Kiss."

■ Sunday, July 9, 3 p.m., *Good Morning, Dearie*, a Cinderella story that features bumbling gangsters.

Admission is free, but donations will be accepted at all performances. The PCAC is located at 774 N. Sheldon in Plymouth. For more information, call (734) 973-3264.

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. to 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.

Fall fest meeting

The next meeting for the 2006 Plymouth Fall Festival takes place at Plymouth City Hall 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 29.

Community groups interested in operating a food booth must be in attendance at all meetings held before the festival. Booth applications are available on-line at www.plymouthfallfestival.com and they will also be available at this meeting.

For more information, call Colleen Brown, (734) 455-1614.

Ice cream social

The Plymouth Community Council On Aging hosts its annual Ice Cream Social 1:30 p.m. Monday, July 10 in Plymouth Township Park, located at Ann Arbor Trail and McClumpha.

The social will be held in the pavilion overlooking the pond. There will be a "tai chi" demonstration, and tickets for the Sept. 21 Senior Fest will be available for \$6.

Admission to the ice cream social is free for paid-up members, \$3 for non-members and guests, and reservations are required. To make reservations or for more information, call (734) 453-1234, Ext. 236.

Senior Olympics

The Northville Senior Center hosts the Senior Olympics Aug. 21-25.

Events include: Baking Contest, Fun Walk, 3K Walk, Bridge, Softball Throw, Ring Toss, Frisbee Toss, Football Toss, Soccer Kick, Euchre (sponsored by PCCA) Tennis, Horseshoes, Basketball Shoot, Volleyball, Shuffleboard, Swimming, Billiards, Pinochle and Bocce Ball.

Register at the PCCA office. Call (734) 453-1234, Ext. 236, for more information.

Museum exhibit

The Plymouth Historical Museum reopened Wednesday with a new exhibit entitled "Creative Hands."

The exhibit features the handiwork of both men and women dating back to the early 1800s in Plymouth or with ties to the Plymouth area. Many built businesses out of their handiwork with men dominating but several women had successful businesses as well.

Museum hours are 1-4 p.m. Wednesday through Sunday. Admission is \$2 for students, \$5 for adults and \$10 for families.

For more information, call (734) 455-8940.

Gift certificates

The Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce is once again plugging its "Plymouth Gift Certificates," good at more than 50 stores and 25 Plymouth restaurants.

The certificates, which chamber officials said "make great gifts for teachers, coaches or anyone special," can be purchased in any denomination.

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'I honor and remember'

The Moving Wall visit 'big deal' for veterans and their families

BY DARRELL CLEM
STAFF WRITER

Kathy Caza traveled hundreds of miles two years ago to see her brother's name, Rick James Stewart, on the Vietnam Veterans Memorial in Washington, D.C.

She wept Thursday as his name came to his hometown of Westland on The Moving Wall, a smaller replica of the memorial brought here through the morning of July 5 for the city's summer festival.

"This is pretty emotional," said Caza, remembering how her brother died in Vietnam on June 27, 1967. He was only 17 years old.

Caza recalled how Stewart, a Livonia Franklin High student, gave to her what couldn't be given to him during war - protection.

"He wouldn't even let me date anybody," she said, managing a smile. "He was so much fun. He had a great sense of humor. All he wanted was to be a Marine."

During a tearful opening ceremony for The Moving Wall's arrival on the east lawn of City Hall, Caza sat with survivors of nine Westland servicemen whose names are among more than 58,000 on the memorial.

'OVERWHELMING'

"To be invited to attend this is overwhelming to me," said Caza, who came with 19 family members. "I brought my (six) grandchildren. They've heard about my brother. But to them, he's just a name."

Hundreds of survivors, veterans and their supporters welcomed The Moving Wall to Westland, where visitors can view it 24 hours a day. On Thursday, veterans groups from Westland, Plymouth, Canton, Livonia, Garden City and other communities placed wreaths by the wall - wreaths that will be turned over to the Smithsonian Institution in the



Veteran Dale Luebke of Canton, member of the Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter 528 of Plymouth-Canton, places a wreath along side the Vietnam Moving Wall at the Honor and Remember Ceremony in Westland Thursday.



Members of the Honor Guard for the Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter 528 from Plymouth-Canton make their way inside the Vietnam Moving Wall ceremony outside Westland City Hall.

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nation's capital.

"This wall is a way to bring closure for those families who have not been able to see the names of their loved ones on the wall in Washington," said Joseph Tebor, a Livonia resident who served in military intelligence operations. He dropped Vietnamese-language leaflets over South Vietnam, North Vietnam, Cambodia and Laos.

Tebor, post commander of the VFW Bova Post 9885 in Westland, was a first lieutenant when he dropped leaflets trying to convince the enemy to desert their side and help U.S. troops. He retired as a major in 1991.

"This is a big deal for veterans and their families," Tebor, 59, said Thursday, recalling how he lost a high school friend, James Wilkins, in the Vietnam War.

Flags and flowers adorned the east lawn of City Hall along with The Moving Wall during an opening ceremony that had

a theme, "I Honor and Remember."

Westland Mayor Sandra Cicirelli called it "a distinct privilege and honor" for Westland to become the 1,021st community to host the wall. City officials expect tens of thousands of visitors.

NEVER FORGET

Thursday's ceremony included the raising of the U.S. flag, patriotic songs, a trumpeter playing *Taps* and a bagpiper performing *Amazing Grace*.

John Welchman, commander of the VFW Romanowski Post 6896 in Westland, rang a bell as he read aloud the names of the nine Westland servicemen who died in Vietnam - Caza's brother Stewart, Michael A. Blondin, Edward James Bova, Joseph M. Giusta, Steve Orris III, Dennis G. Prince, Arlie Spencer Jr., Refugio "Tommy" Teran and Joseph F. Willis. City Clerk Eileen DeHart

fought back tears as she pointed out survivors who had special seating for the ceremony. Later, DeHart remembered those who left their hometowns for Vietnam, and she paid tribute to "heroes who said goodbye - never suspecting that goodbye was forever."

As former Westland City Councilman David James sang *God Bless the U.S.A.*, the crowd spontaneously stood up, held hands and swayed. Some had tears in their eyes.

Steve Frazer, a 62-year-old

Vietnam veteran and retired Westland police officer, called The Moving Wall's visit "a real honor." He and many others worked on the effort with festival Chairman Kenneth Mehl, a decorated Vietnam veteran.

"I'm proud as a peacock to see this, but it's a little sad, too," Frazer said, adding that he personally knew 27 names on the wall.

As Mehl addressed the crowd, he paused as a Huey helicopter - like those used in Vietnam - flew several times over the opening ceremony. Mehl praised those who fought and who "arrived in a country far from home, always wondering whether they would see home again."

As the wall proved Thursday, many of them, like Caza's brother Stewart, didn't see home again.

"It's been nearly 40 years since he died," she said. "And it still makes me cry when I think about it."

The Moving Wall is on the east lawn of Westland City Hall, located on Ford Road between Newburgh and Wayne roads. Volunteers will be at the wall 24 hours through the morning of July 5, allowing visitors to view it any time of day or night. Visitors may give names from the wall to the volunteers, who can produce a computer printout detailing the location of names and other pertinent information about the deceased.

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League to host candidates' forum

Voters eager to get a look at the crowded field in the race to replace term-limited state Rep. John Stewart, R-Plymouth Township, in the state House's 20th District get their chance July 13.

That's when the League of Women Voters of Northwest Wayne County, along with the *Observer Newspapers*, sponsors a two-part candidates' forum at Plymouth City Hall.

All eight candidates have been invited to participate. The five Republican challengers — Beth Stewart, Mark Abbo, Don Schmettler, Jason Vorva and T. Cortez Spann, Jr. — will face off at 7 p.m. in the Republican forum.

The forum for the three Democrats — Joanne Lamar,

Joe Hawver and Marc Corriveau — starts shortly after 8 p.m.

The event will be taped for broadcast on local-access television several times before the Aug. 8 primary.

Candidates will be allowed a one-minute opening statement, one-minute responses to questions and a two-minute summation. The event will be moderated by a League of Women Voters member, who will read questions submitted by audience members.

The League of Women Voters is a non-partisan, political organization whose purpose is to promote political responsibility through informed and active participation of citizens in government. The League does not endorse or oppose candidates or parties, but it does work to obtain and distribute information to the public on candidates and their views.

Plymouth City Hall is located at 201 S. Main (at Church) in downtown Plymouth.

Library honored for health efforts

State Librarian Nancy R. Robertson praised the administrators and staff of Plymouth District Library, the recipient of a 2006 National Commission on Libraries and Information Science (NCLIS) Health Award for Libraries.

Plymouth District Library was recognized for its "Taking Life in Stride" program, designed to reach out to one of the community's underserved populations — "new" seniors between the ages of 50 and 65 — and positively address their concerns and challenges tied to the aging process.

Plymouth District Library was among outstanding libraries in 39 states and the District of Columbia — and the only library in Michigan — to receive this award, which distinguishes libraries' exemplary efforts to promote a healthy lifestyle in their communities.

Eligible programs included those that addressed one or

more of the following: Dietary choices, exercise, smoking cessation, alcohol and/or drug abuse prevention or cessation, immunizations and health screenings, and improved health literacy (the ability to understand and make use of health information).

"Plymouth's 'Taking Life in Stride' certainly addresses needs of a growing segment of the population and helps seniors learn how the library can help them cope with evolving health challenges," said Robertson. "Plymouth District Library staff should be commended for collaborating with a number of health institutions, for executing an excellent outreach campaign, and for creating a program with such easy replicability. This program will, I'm sure, serve as a model for other Michigan public libraries seeking to connect more meaningfully with their older customers."

According to Geraldine Barlage, adult service coordi-

nator at Plymouth District Library, "Taking Life in Stride" began to take shape after Ellen Stross, one of PDL's adult services librarian, attended several Public Library Association programs in Seattle. "Ellen said these programs significantly raised her awareness of the public role libraries can and should play in disseminating medical information to the public," said Barlage. "Since she fell into this category of 'new' senior herself, it was easy for Ellen to relate to the need for targeting this group."

Barlage said that PDL's role in the community made it a natural for creating and disseminating a program to residents most in need of it.

"The public library is in the unique position of serving every single person in a community and, thus, has the opportunity to serve as a source for medical education," she explained. Stross, Barlage and the rest of the "Taking Life in Stride" team

set about designing a series of programs to best address the health needs and concerns of their patron base.

They selected session names designed to not scare away potential attendees, while arranging for topic experts to deliver the latest information on nutrition and diet, mental and emotional health, vision aids, memory, spirituality, attitudes toward aging and more. Speakers were drawn from area educational institutions like the University of Michigan, the Eastern Michigan University, and specialists in gerontology, geriatric psychiatry and dietetics. Barlage said the programs eventually reached more than 300 seniors, many of whom didn't know their local library could provide such information.

For more information about Plymouth District Library's services for patrons of all ages, visit <http://plymouthlibrary.org>

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WEDNESDAY, JULY 12, 2006
7:00 P.M.
(734) 453-1234

A regular meeting of the Planning Commission will be held in the Commission Chambers of the City Hall to consider the following:

SITE PLAN:
SP06-07

Change of Use
Site Plan for Dental Clinic
190 Plymouth Road
Zoned: B-3, General Business
Applicant: Thorough Bred Properties, LLC

PUBLIC HEARING:
Zoning Ordinance Revision Concerning:
Residential Neighborhood Compatibility
Front Attached Garages
Percentage of Structure Width

All interested persons are invited to attend.

In accordance with the Americans with disabilities Act, the City of Plymouth will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services, such as signers for the hearing impaired and audio tapes of printed materials being considered at the meeting/hearing, to individuals with disabilities. Requests for auxiliary aids or services may be made by writing or calling the following:

Maureen Brodie, ADA Coordinator
201 S. Main Street
Plymouth, MI 48170
(734) 453-1234, Ext. 206

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LIBRARY PICKS

Every week, the Plymouth District Library staff provides the *Observer* with their list of Best Sellers based on the number of requests for titles by library patrons. The books are available by placing a request with the library at (734) 453-0750 or on-line at www.plymouthlibrary.org

NON-FICTION

1. "Godless," Ann Coulter
2. "Dispatches from the Edge," Anderson Cooper
3. "Wisdom of Our Fathers," Tim Russert
4. "Marley and Me," John Grogan
5. "Mayflower," Nathaniel Philbrick

FICTION

1. "The Husband," Dean Koontz
2. "Beach Road," James Patterson
3. "Terrorist," John Updike
4. "The Rapture," Tim LaHaye and Jerry B. Jenkins
5. "Saboteurs," W.E.B. Griffin

PARENTS' CHOICE NEW CHILDREN'S PICTURE BOOKS

1. "Just Kidding," Trudy Ludwig
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PARADE

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complimentary about the entertainment value, that there are a lot of things that aren't seen in other parades."

While for onlookers the parade runs smooth as silk, Hill said everything isn't always as it appears.

"I remember the year we had three skydivers to start the parade," he said. "The wind kicked up and only one landed on Main Street. Where the other two landed, we still don't know. I hope they've found them by now."

One of the most memorable moments, two years ago when a torrential downpour soaked the parade.

"Everybody but one group still marched," said Hill, still seemingly amazed by that. "And the bulk of the spectators stayed. That was a real compliment to the people in the parade and the spectators."

Hill said there are three criteria when it comes to designing each year's parade lineup.

"We serve our sponsors, who we're very grateful to, so we want to give them value for their investment," Hill said. "We want to serve the people who are in the parade. And we want to serve the spectators, so at the end they will say 'Gosh, I'm glad I went to that parade.'"

The Fourth of July will also mark the 10th anniversary of the Good Old-Fashioned



Kids had fun doing the limbo at last year's Good Old-Fashioned Picnic at Plymouth Township Park. This year's picnic is Tuesday.

Picnic, which begins shortly after the parade ends at Plymouth Township Park.

"It's called the Good Old-Fashioned Picnic because everything - hot dogs, pop, chips and ice cream - are only a nickel, just like the old days," said Plymouth Township Treasurer Ron Edwards, who has put together the event since it began.

"It's an opportunity where people can go out and have a great time. It's old-fashioned

fun, simple stuff."

The first year, the community picnic drew about 400 people. Edwards estimates last year nearly 3,000 people showed up to eat and enjoy games and contests.

Edwards said the picnic doesn't use township funds, and credits corporate sponsors and volunteers for the longevity of the event.

For the past five years, Tom and Pat Rener of Plymouth Township - along with

daughters Katie, 15 and Megan, 14 - spend hours handing out most of the 5,000 hot dogs to those who stand in line and pay their nickels.

"We originally got involved because we wanted to show the girls what it's like to give back to the community," said Pat Rener. "It's also nice to see our neighbors and friends."

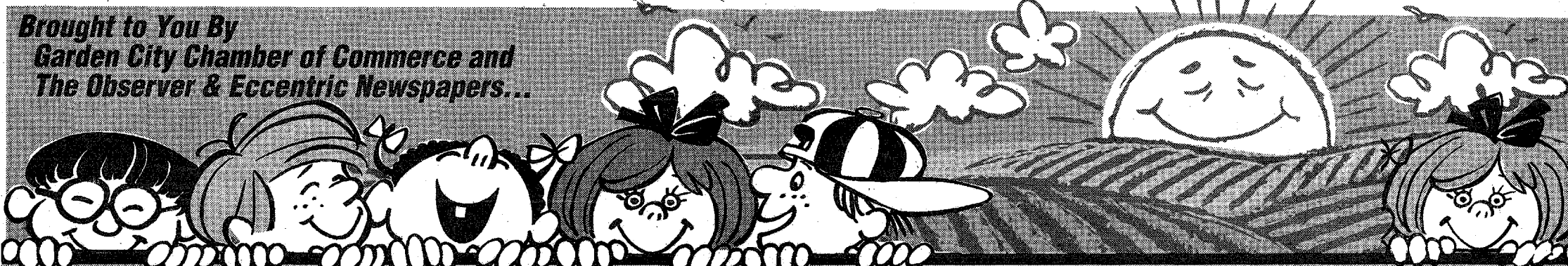
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The bike decorating contest is a popular attraction at Plymouth Township's Good Old-Fashioned Picnic, set for the Fourth of July holiday Tuesday at Plymouth Township Park.



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FELONIES

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driver's license infractions, speeding tickets, operating a vehicle under the influence of liquor and failure to pay child support.

If the district had employees on the list convicted of felonies, the superintendent and the Board of Education would look at each case to decide if the infraction was serious enough for termination.

Bihun said the district has always fingerprinted administrators and teachers during the hiring process, but now includes all employees as required by state law.

"The fingerprints aren't just filed with the Michigan State Police, but with the FBI, so we can find criminal records in other states," Bihun said. "When we interview, we check all references, and always give the applicant a form to fill out that allows for us to find records and do fingerprinting checks."

"We won't hire anyone that comes back with any kinds of concerns about them."

Bihun said even though fingerprints of prospective employees are sent to the Michigan State Police for background checks, the district performs a second check to make certain no one slips between the cracks.

"We've fingerprinted every new employee since Jan. 1," Bihun said. "We've done well over 100, and so far have done a great job."

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Local seniors among Walton winners

NEWS BRIEFS

Monica Patel, a student from Canton High School, and Plymouth High School student Alexander Harvey were among some 50 top-notch students to win \$1,000 scholarships from the Sam Walton Community Scholarship program.

In its 26th year, the Sam Walton Community Scholarship program is providing scholarships to more than 5,700 students nationwide to help pay for college expenses. In order to qualify for a scholarship, a student must be a high school senior, a U.S. citizen and meet minimum grade point average requirements. An independent panel of judges from Scholarship Program Administrators selects recipients on the basis of financial need, academic record, ACT/SAT test scores, and school and community involvement.

An additional 94 graduating seniors nationwide have been named Wal-Mart Associate Scholarship winners. This \$2,000 award is open to seniors who have been employed by Wal-Mart for one continuous year, have a good academic record and can prove financial need.

Wal-Mart is awarding more than \$175,000 in Sam Walton Community scholarships in Michigan. The name of each scholarship winner nationwide can be found under their state and hometown at www.walmartfoundation.org under "Community Scholarships."

"Supporting educational opportunities for students of all ages is a high priority at Wal-Mart," said Bob McAdam, vice president of corporate affairs, Wal-Mart Stores, Inc. "When we help anyone reach his or her dream of a college education, we are helping to

improve the standard of living for families and communities." Wal-Mart is one of the largest corporate supporters of education in the U.S., having provided more than \$100 million in scholarship assistance to schools and students across the country.

Winner's Circle award

Edward Jones investment representative John Birchler of Plymouth recently received the firm's Winner's Circle Award for sales and service efforts over the past year. Birchler was one of only 883 of the firm's more than 9,000 investment representatives to receive the award.

"When you work for a firm that is known for its outstanding service," Birchler said, "it's quite an honor to be singled out for your service record."

Birchler has been serving the Plymouth area since 2001 and is active in several local groups.

"John is an outstanding member of the Edward Jones team who personifies the ideal Edward Jones investment representative, a representative who is 100-percent dedicated to serving the financial needs of his clients."

Water report

The Plymouth Township Water and Sewer Department has sent out its annual drinking water quality report to consumers.

Among other things, the report discloses the amount of various materials in the water, including microbial and inorganic contaminants, pesticides and herbicides.

The annual report has been required by law since the U.S.

Congress passed the 1996 Safe Drinking Act Amendment.

Most of the Detroit metro area, including Plymouth Township, gets its drinking water from the Detroit river. The Detroit Water and Sewerage Department operates the water treatment facilities and pumping stations that supply water to the township, which operates the pipeline infrastructure and acts as the retailer to area businesses and residents.

Residents or business owners who have not received the report or have further questions can contact the Plymouth Township Water and Sewer Department, (734) 354-3270.

Trip winners

Joy Brietzke and Tara Locklear of Plymouth were among local residents and advisers with lia sophia who earned an all-inclusive dream vacation to Aventura Spa Palace on the Riviera May in Mexico in May.

The award was earned by more than 600 lia sophia advisers who reached a personal sales goal and who introduced new advisers to the business during 2005.

Lia sophia is a unique direct-selling opportunity offering fashion jewelry through personalized in-home demonstrations.

"I'm very proud of the advisors who were able to meet their goals in order to earn this fantastic vacation," said Bonni Davis, vice president of sales for lia sophia. "I truly appreciate all the hard work and dedication they have demonstrated."

For more information on lia sophia visit the company's Web site at www.liasophia.com or call (800) 487-3323.

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH LEGAL NOTICE

CLOSE OF REGISTRATION FOR THE AUGUST 8, 2006 PRIMARY ELECTION

PLEASE NOTE: that July 10, 2006, is the last day to register for the Primary Election to be held on Tuesday, August 8, 2006. Registration for Plymouth Township Electors will be taken at the Office of the Clerk, 9955 Haggerty Road, or at any Secretary of State Office. The Clerk's Office is open from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. If a resident is unable to register during regular office hours a call to the Clerk can set up a convenient time for the resident. The Township Clerk's phone number is (734) 354-3224.

MARILYN MASSENGILL, CMC
Clerk, Charter Township of Plymouth

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ART IN THE PARK

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Stoneyfield, which will sponsor an interactive farm display for kids in Kellogg Park.

If you plan to attend any of the three days at Art in the Park, smile, you may be on camera. Raychel Rork, Quinn's daughter, said michiganliveevents.com will be broadcasting streaming video of happenings during the art fair.

"People at home will be able to see some of the live entertainment, and some of the other activities of the fair with the roaming cameras," Rork said. "After seeing what's going on downtown, they'll want to come out and enjoy the activities."

Rork said New York artist Kristen Dillenbeck, formerly of Canton, will be featured on the live cams as she paints portraits of live models into a "living mural," as will street painting by artists with chalk.

As has been the practice for a number of years, children will be able to paint part of a mural that will be given, this year, to the Plymouth YMCA.

Art in the Park is larger than any one of the several events that collectively make up the Ann Arbor Art Fairs. For Quinn, it's no secret as to why Art in the Park, which started 27 years ago with 30 artists, has been so successful.

"People just love to come to downtown Plymouth," she said.

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CITY OF PLYMOUTH, MICHIGAN NOTICE OF CLOSE OF REGISTRATION MONDAY, JULY 10, 2006

TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF PLYMOUTH - WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN:

Notice is hereby given that Monday, July 10, 2006 is the last day to register to vote or change your address for the Primary election, Tuesday, August 8, 2006.

If you are not currently registered to vote or have changed your address in the above stated jurisdiction in which you live you may do so at the following location and time listed in this notice.

Qualified electors may also register to vote or change their address in the following manner:

IN PERSON:

At your City Clerk's office from 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, or at the office of any County Clerk during their normal business hours.

At any of the Secretary of State Branch offices located throughout the State during their normal business hours.

At the specified agency for clients receiving services through the Family Independence Agency, the Department of Community Health, Michigan Jobs Commission and some offices of the Commission for the blind.

BY MAIL:

By obtaining and completing a Mail Voter Registration Application and forwarding to the election official as directed on the application by the close of registration deadline. Mail voter registration applications may be obtained by contacting:

Linda Langmesser, CMC, City Clerk
(734) 453-1234, ext. 234 or 225
201 S. Main Street
Plymouth, MI 48170

Note: A person who registered to vote by mail is required to vote in person in the City where they live, unless they are at least 60 years of age or handicapped.

LINDA LANGMESSER, CMC, City Clerk

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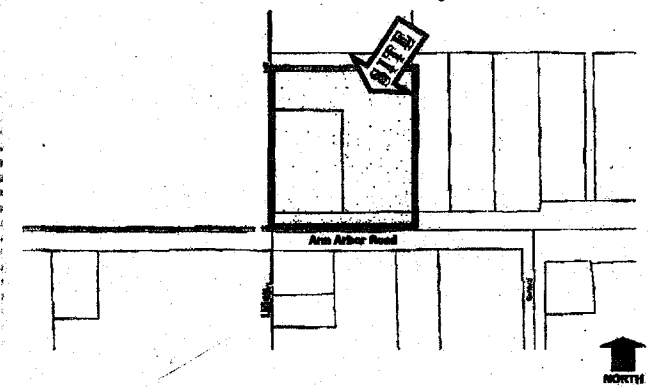
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH PLANNING COMMISSION

PROPOSED ACTION: Request Approval of a Special Land Use
DATE OF HEARING: Wednesday, July 19, 2006
TIME OF HEARING: 7:00 P.M.
PLACE OF HEARING: Plymouth Township Hall, 42350 Ann Arbor Road

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Planning Commission of Plymouth Charter Township has received an application requesting Special Land Use Approval for a Temporary Storage of New Automobiles in the Ann Arbor Road Corridor District (ARC), on Tax IDs R-78-060-99-0027-002 & R-78-060-99-0025-000, (property addresses are 42350 Ann Arbor Road and 42370 Ann Arbor Road) pursuant to Zoning Ordinance No. 99, Section 14.2-3 (j)

Application 1933 Applicant, Charter Township of Plymouth



LEGAL DESCRIPTION: For parcel descriptions, see tax records based on Tax ID Nos. R-78-060-99-0027-002; and R-78-060-99-0025-000

The application may be examined at the Plymouth Township Community Development Department, during regular business hours from 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM. Written comments will be received prior to the meeting and may be mailed to 9955 N. Haggerty Rd, Plymouth, MI 48170-4673 or call 734-354-3270 ext. 6. The meeting will be held in the Meeting Room at Township Hall which is located at 42350 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth Township, MI 48170

PLEASE TAKE NOTE: The Charter Township of Plymouth will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services, such as signers for the hearing impaired and audio tapes of printed materials being considered at all Township meetings to individuals with disabilities at the meetings/hearings upon one week notice to the Charter Township of Plymouth by writing or calling the Supervisor's Office, 9955 N. Haggerty Rd, Plymouth, MI 48170. Phone 734-354-3201. TDD users: 800-849-3777 (Michigan Relay Service).

KENDRA BARBERENA, SECRETARY
PLANNING COMMISSION

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ON CAMPUS

U-D Mercy

Mike & Wendy Dupuis of Plymouth Announce that their daughter, Amy Dupuis, received her doctor of dental surgery degree in May 2006

from the University of Detroit Mercy. Amy was a 2000 graduate of Canton High School.

Madonna University

The following Plymouth residents were among the gradu-

ates from Madonna University in Livonia:

Jaclyn DeZell, psychology; Kyle Farr, nursing; Aaron Hall, criminal justice; Maureen Hare, interdisciplinary studies; Kimberly Holda, nursing; Jeffrey Holloway, criminal justice/private investigation; Kevin Kline, secondary provisional program; Landon Perry, Interdisciplinary Studies, Gregory Perttunen, criminal justice; James Spittle, secondary provisional program; Patricia Vaquera, Interdisciplinary Studies; Kimberly Wilkie, biochemistry; Adam Woloszyk, computer information systems.

Olivet College

Heather Michalsen of Plymouth was among 239 students named to the Olivet College 2006 spring semester Dean's List.

To make the Dean's List, a student must be full-time and earn a grade point average of 3.5 or higher.

Alma College

Junior Laura Bryan of Plymouth gave a presentation titled "Distorted Reflections of Love in the Faces of Beatrice and Francesca" during Alma College's 10th-annual Kapp Honor's Day program. The day provides a forum when traditional classes are canceled and students share their original research, creativity and talents with an audience of their peers.

Bryan, a 2003 graduate of Salem High School and the daughter of Rev. Michael and Denise Bryan of Plymouth, is majoring in English.

She was also among three local students were among more than 325 students named to the Dean's List for the winter term at Alma College. The others were:

Freshman Christine Wheatley of Canton, a 2005 graduate of Salem High School, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David Wheatley of Canton.

Sophomore Kathleen Hammerschmidt of Plymouth, a 2004 graduate of Salem High School, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Hammerschmidt Jr. of Plymouth.

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The American Dream: Is it slipping away?

"What is at stake is more than our paychecks and benefits. What's at stake is our shared vision of an America that lives up to its promise of freedom, opportunity, dignity and social and economic justice for all. That's our American Dream."

— Ron Gettelfinger, president,
United Auto Workers, June 12, 2006

Gettelfinger's comments at the UAW convention in Las Vegas will be a rallying cry for UAW members and their blue-collar working colleagues. It should also serve as a powerful message to everyone.

Michigan and America are clinging to the precipice of life-altering change. This is the time for us to come together in search of a shared vision and common agenda that will preserve a quality, middle-class living for those who have reached that rung of the economic ladder and to lift up those that strive to achieve this status.

There are unprecedented global, disruptive, transformational shifts taking place today. The question, as Gettelfinger articulates, is not how to wish away the collateral damage of globalization, but rather, to exploit it to optimize opportunities for the largest possible proportion of the world's humanity.

Our American Dream must transcend the waters that surround us. We must also focus on lifting up the countless millions who exist on less than \$2 per day and who are grateful for water to drink and a shelter to call home.

We are living in an age of massive turbulence. Today, our reality revolves around instant communication, globalization, technology morphing, offshoring and outsourcing. Ours is a world where ideas and work can and do move around the world instantaneously and effortlessly.

John P. Kotler, author of the book *Leading Change*, offers this advice in his followup book, *The Heart of Change*.

"People change what they do — less because they are given analysis that shifts their thinking, than because they are shown a truth that influences their feeling." He goes on to say, "This is especially so in large-scale organizational change, where you are dealing with new technologies, mergers and acquisitions, restructuring, new strategies, cultural transformation, globalization and e-business."

Our challenge is that we are confronting these changes simultaneously.

As Kotler says, "In an age of turbulence, when you handle this reality well, you win. When you don't, you lose."

It will rest on our leaders to help; not simply by giving information and analysis to shift our thinking, but to show us and model the way that will influence our feelings and help guide our

actions.

A clear test in how this view of change will play out is the 2006 gubernatorial election.

The reality of our anemic economy looms large with 7.2 percent unemployment. The second shoe of pending layoffs at Ford, GM, Delphi and other manufacturers has yet to fall. We are shedding good, middle-class jobs faster than many of us can shed a few pounds.

Do we look into the rear view mirror and long for the days when Russia, India and China had closed economies, when China was not a member of World Trade Organization, when NAFTA and CAFTA were just letters in the alphabet and when U.S. automakers held a healthier portion of auto market share and Japanese and Korean cars were viewed as junk?

Will our politicians simply blame Washington, rail at unfair trade agreements, complain about low wages in China, whine about the SBT or the fact that the Michigan Legislature is controlled by the Republicans and the governor's office by a Democrat? Complaining about these realities will not produce a job for the 50-year-old who has been laid off or the 20-something looking to begin his or her career.

The candidate or leader that can show the people the truth and help them envision a different and better future and model the way with productive actions and will garner the most votes.

This is the vision Gettelfinger was invoking when he spoke to the men and women of the UAW. While his speech was directed to his membership, the message should be heard by all of us. Yes, our new reality is hard, painful and extremely disruptive.

We need leaders to acknowledge these truths and help forge a new reality. Our world has changed. Different times require new scripts. As Gettelfinger reminded his members, "40 years ago, at our 1966 (UAW) convention, Walter Reuther said, 'We can't solve the challenges of tomorrow with the tools of today.'"

Who will be the Abraham Lincoln, Winston Churchill, FDR, JFK or Ronald Reagan who will inspire us to preserve a nation, save the world, place a man on the moon and remind us better days lie ahead? Who will bridge the gulf from fear to security, from looking back to looking forward, from despair to hope? The candidate that can help us imagine a better future, will be there with us when we arrive.

We need to pay attention and vote as if the American Dream, which Gettelfinger passionately spoke about, lies in the balance — because it does.

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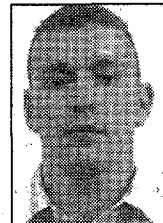


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Ballot proposal will advance a society based on merit

The Michigan Civil Rights Initiative is a proposal on which the people of Michigan will vote in November. If passed, the MCRI will amend the Michigan Constitution by adding Section 26 to Article I which will prohibit state and local government discrimination or preferential treatment in the areas of public employment, public contracting and/or public education to any individual or group based on race, sex, color, ethnicity or national origin.

Our current system is one which gives preferential treatment based on race. If any preference must be given, it should be based on something more viable, such as socio-economic status, which would not neglect the thousands of non-black and non-Hispanic students who grow up with various disadvantages. For example, under our current system of granting college admissions due to racial preferences, the grandchildren of Jesse Jackson (a millionaire who wears \$1,000 dollar suits and flies in a private jet) are given preference over the



Ben
Gurk

poor non-black/non-Hispanic child whose father was killed fighting in Iraq. Similarly, the black/Hispanic student at Brother Rice, Country Day, and Catholic Central is given preference over the non-black/non-Hispanic student at John Glenn, Taylor Truman, and Annapolis High School.

Opponents of the MCRI claim race is only one of many factors taken into account when students apply to colleges. However, if two students have nearly identical credentials but are different races, then race does become the decisive factor regarding whom to admit. A comprehensive admissions policy which includes race as one of many factors is not acceptable because it is still discriminatory in nature. Proponents of racial preferences and racial discrimination attempt to quantify their policies by hiding under the guise of diversity.

While there may be an educational aspect to having a diverse student body, this does not justify racial discrimination. Furthermore, it is lamentable that unity does not receive the solicitude diversity does. Michigan has always been rich in diversity; should not unity instead of diversity be the altruistic goal?

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research into breast cancer or other gender-specific diseases may be affected, domestic violence shelters may be eliminated, and breast cancer screening centers may be eliminated. The truth is that the MCRI only affects public employment, public contracting, and public education. Breast Cancer screening and domestic violence shelters still exist today in California where Proposition 209 passed. They will still exist in Michigan if the MCRI passes.

Opponents of the MCRI have failed to justify their use of racial preferences and racial discrimination. Their rebuke of the MCRI is tantamount to paranoid scare tactics. Contrary to what some opponents of the MCRI claim, the MCRI will not prohibit females and minorities from taking math and science classes nor will it deny blacks/Hispanics any civil rights. If the MCRI is passed it will not "turn back the clock on Title IX." Sadly, many MCRI opponents have also resorted to ad hominem character attacks in addition to their litany of unsubstantiated claims.

Voting "Yes" on the MCRI this fall will advance our society by making it one in which merit and achievement, not the color of a person's skin, are the ultimate indicators of success. This ballot proposal poses a simple question: Will we continue to tolerate racial discrimination or will we choose to live in a more equitable society? By voting "Yes" on the MCRI we can end the bizarre, racist, and antiquated practice of treating people differently because of the color of their skin.

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Deputy, sheriff warn of Internet predators, fraud

BY JULIE BROWN
STAFF WRITER

The Internet has brought benefits to many lives, but Deputy Ray Johnson of the Wayne County Sheriff's Department sees its downside.

"We have to be careful what kind of information we provide on the Internet," Johnson told members and guests Thursday at a Westland Rotary luncheon. He cited the work he and colleagues do in the Internet Crime Unit, founded in 1998.

"We're a model for other agencies across the United States," Johnson said during the meeting at the Sgt. S. Romanowski VFW Post. The sheriff's department worked with the Westland Police Department on a recent case involving a local Internet predator who owned a tobacco shop.

"Do I look like a 13-year-old girl?" Johnson said, explaining that chat rooms are popular with young people who often share personal information.

With instant messaging, predators can isolate victims one-on-one for conversation. "For some reason on the com-

Sheriff Warren Evans and others in law enforcement attended the Thursday meeting. Evans noted increased deed fraud at the county Register of Deeds office.

puter, people answer this question on a regular basis," Johnson said of age/sex/location inquiries.

He described Internet profiles which include photos. Johnson noted the popularity of MySpace.com, a Web site he believes should be limited to those age 18 and older.

Johnson showed Web cams, which have beneficial uses for distant family and business teleconferencing. Unfortunately, some people disrobe on Web cams.

He cited the Public Sex Offender Registry of the Michigan State Police, a good tool but not totally accurate.

Johnson warned against "phishing" in which spam, popups and junk mail are used online to obtain personal information. "Nobody will ever ask you for your ATM PIN number," he said in displaying a

fraudulent inquiry he received. Mail theft, stolen purses and wallets and discarded trash are other sources of personal information which can lead to identity theft. "People get credit card applications all the time" and discard them, the deputy said.

Thieves can grab trash and apply for a bogus card. Johnson recommended reporting theft of your identity to the credit reporting bureaus, Equifax, Experian and Trans Union.

"Let them know you've been a victim," Johnson said.

Sheriff Warren Evans and others in law enforcement attended the Thursday meeting. Evans noted increased deed fraud at the county Register of Deeds office.

"Check to make sure your house still belongs to you," Evans said. "If someone is

messing with your title, let's get on it earlier." Criminals have been filing fraudulent quit claim deeds and obtaining mortgages.

Information is available online at waynecounty.com.

Evans praised Westland Police Chief Daniel Pfannes and his department, noting sheriff's personnel can extract from computers material the user thought had been erased.

The sheriff said there have been nearly 70 Internet cases, and his department is proud of the 100 percent conviction rate. "We know we're only getting the tip of the iceberg."

Pfannes was pleased to have the sheriff's department in town. "I thought he did a fantastic job," the chief said of Johnson's presentation, which he said was thorough and easy to understand.

"I think it's definitely a generational thing," Pfannes said of parents who grew up without the Internet. Parents monitor stranger danger for kids.

"And yet we seem to be not as careful when they're surfing the Internet."

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Man dies in county jail

BY JULIE BROWN
STAFF WRITER

The Wayne County Sheriff's Department is investigating the death of a 46-year-old Lincoln Park man Thursday in the Dickerson jail facility in Hamtramck.

"It was a drunk driving-related violation," department spokesman John Roach said. The man's name wasn't being released Thursday, pending notification of family.

According to Roach, an officer discovered the inmate unresponsive in his cell, and staff tried CPR without success.

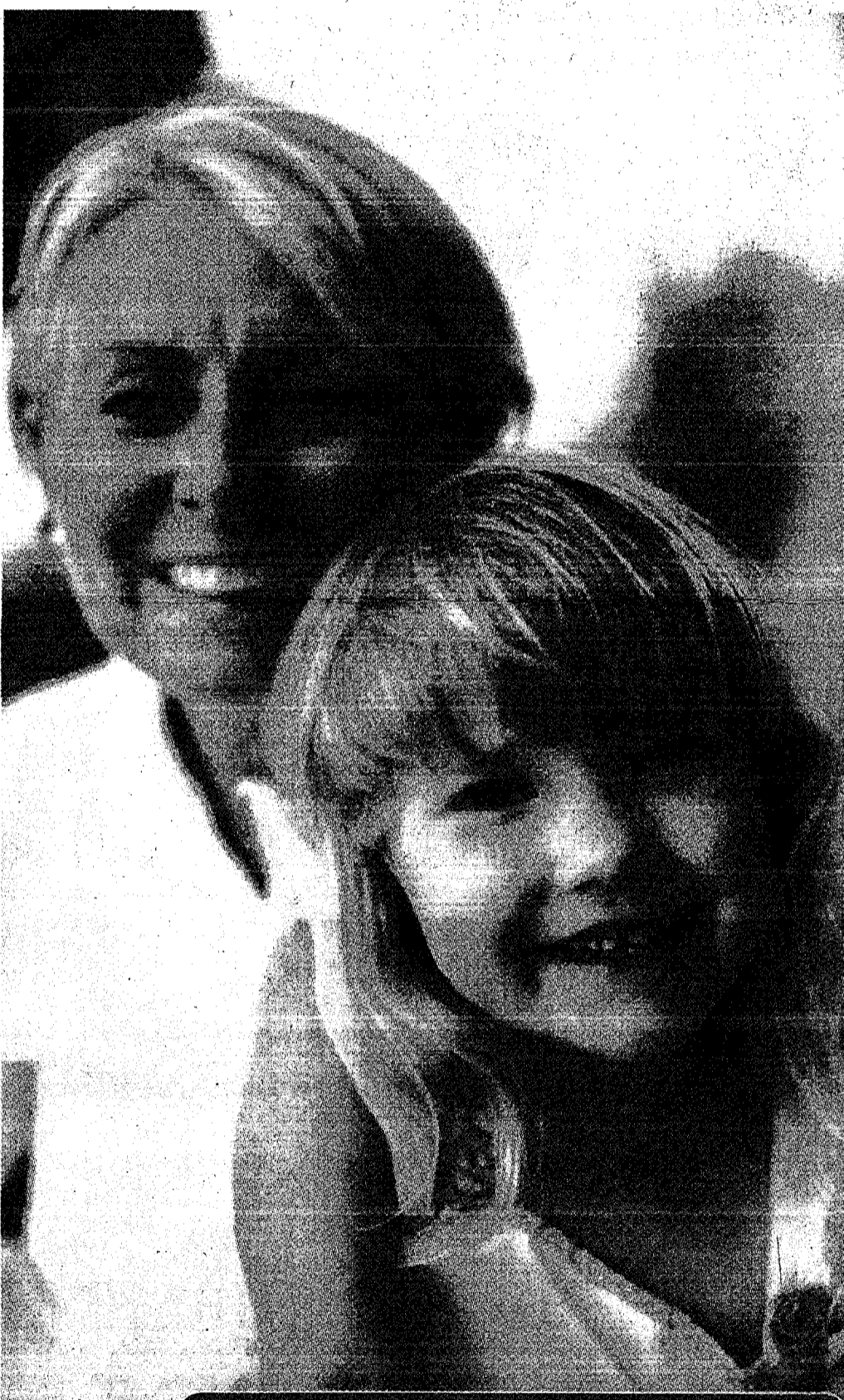
"He was pronounced dead at the scene," Roach said.

The county medical examiner's office is involved, Roach said, and the sheriff's department will investigate as a possible homicide, a routine practice.

"We're trying to figure out if it's natural causes," he said.

The Lincoln Park man was alone in his cell when found shortly before noon Thursday.

"As the investigation proceeds, hopefully we'll know more soon," Roach added.



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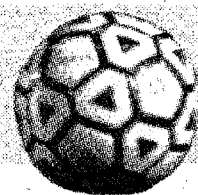
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Local soccer fans get a kick out of 'Cup'

BY ED WRIGHT
STAFF WRITER

Local interest in the World Cup soccer tournament hasn't taken a detour in the wake of a quick exit by the United States.

That's the unanimous observation of some of the area's most-knowledgeable soccer aficionados, who agree that a large number of metro Detroiters still care about who's going to win what's widely considered the world's

most-popular sporting event. "It seems like the adults are getting into the World Cup this year as much as the kids," said Bryan "Goose" Finnerty, the lead owner of High Velocity Sports in Canton. "Eight years ago when the World Cup came on, the kids would ask their mom or dad if they could watch it, then there would be a little moan before the parent would say, 'Oh, I guess, if you really want to.' "This year, from what I've seen, the adults are watching

it more. They're getting together in groups and watching it together. When the kids see this, it's almost like getting permission from their parents to get excited about it." Through Saturday, there were only four teams remaining in the World Cup field, which started with 32 two weeks ago. The United States failed to reach the round of 16 after compiling an 0-2-1 record.

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WHO'S GOING TO WIN?

Following are the predictions of a few area soccer experts and media representatives who were asked to pick the winner of the 2006 World Cup soccer tournament. The predictions were made prior to Saturday's games:

- High Velocity Sports lead owner Bryan "Goose" Finnerty - Brazil;
- High Velocity Sports general manager Drew Crawford - Brazil;
- Detroit Ignition president Greg Bibb - England;
- Plymouth/Canton sports editor Ed Wright - Italy;
- Livonia/Westland sports editor Brad Emons - Brazil; and
- Farmington sports editor Dan O'Meara - Germany.

Sidelines

Ignition tryouts

The Detroit Ignition professional soccer team, which will begin playing games at Compuware Sports Arena in Plymouth Township in November, will be holding open team tryouts at Canton's High Velocity Sports facility from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 23. For more information, visit www.detroitignition.com or contact Lindsey Gamrod at Lindsey.gamrod@hantzgroup.com. The Ignition will open the 2006-07 season at home on Nov. 4.

Cubs win

The Canton Cubs recently placed first in the Canton Little League's Major Division (11- and 12-year-olds) with an impressive 9-3-1 record. The team consisted of Ryan Sietlger, John Etienne, Justin Thompson, Derek Gielarowski, Craig Solarz, Irene Pool, Michael Pool, Ty McMahan, Joey Etienne, Chris New and Nathan Michalik. The team was coached by Dave Solarz and Greg Etienne.

Golf outing

The 2006 Plymouth Wildcat Football Golf Outing will be held Saturday, July 29 at Hickory Creek Golf Course, located at Ford and Napier roads in Canton. The check-in time for the four-person scramble is 1 p.m. with a 2 p.m. shotgun start. The \$110-per-player fee includes a post-outing steak dinner. The cost to attend just the dinner is \$35.

For more information, contact Paul Gilbert at (734) 735-2661.

X-C conditioning

The Plymouth High School boys cross country team will be holding non-mandatory summer conditioning workouts at both 7 a.m. and 7 p.m. throughout the summer. The team will meet at Plymouth High School near the junior-varsity stadium.

Hole-in-one

Plymouth resident Scott Lock, 35, aced the 168-yard sixth hole on the Fox Hills' Golden Fox layout on June 18. Lock, who shot a 44 for the round, used a seven iron to record his memorable shot.

YMCA tennis

The Plymouth Family YMCA is offering tennis lessons with the assistance of a local tennis professional. The two-week sessions, for kids with varying skill levels between the ages of 7 and 14, will run on Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays July 10-19, July 24 to Aug. 2 and Aug. 14-23.

For more information, contact the YMCA office at (734) 453-2904.

In search of Observerland's Best Miniature Golf Holes



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James Hammons and grandson Marlon Johnson, both of Canton, tackle one of the toughest holes at Sportway, a downhill shot from the highest point on the course.



Chad Pounders hits his tee shot on the 18th hole at Ford Rd. Miniature Golf in Garden City on Thursday as (from left) Jacob Erme, Kevin Nisun, Brian Nisun, Mason Wypych and Torin MacGregor look on. The kids were celebrating Kevin Nisun's birthday.

Mini golf, major fun

Five-course, five-day journey reveals area's ultimate miniature-golf holes

I thought it would be fun to set out on a week-long trek to find the best 18 miniature golf holes in Observerland. OK, it wasn't quite as awe-inspiring as playing Pebble Beach, Spyglass, Winged Foot and Oakland Hills on four consecutive days, but it was fun.



Ed Wright

It was also challenging (too many snowmen on the scorecards), embarrassing (I lost a ball in a McDonald's restaurant parking lot; details below), frustrating (one hole was so difficult, I finally just wrote the word "infinity" under my name on the scorecard), and exhilarating (when my only ace of the week found the bottom of the cup).

Accompanied by my 5-year-old son, Ben, I played five courses (90 holes) in five days. The layouts ranged from '60s retro (Oasis Golf Center in Livonia) to

glow-in-the-dark modern (Glo-Golf in Canton).

The difficulty of the 90 holes ranged from hazard-less, straight-down-the-middle, I-could-ace-this-in-my-sleep easy to even-Phil-Mickelson-would-get-a-12-on-this-insane-hole difficult.

When I explained what I was doing to Cara Gray, an employee at Oasis, she smiled and said, "What a fun job!"

She was right — for the most part. Approximately 20 minutes after I talked to her, my first shot on the 12th hole of her course hopped off the fairway, through a 12-foot-high Cyclone fence and into the adjoining McDonald's parking lot. The shot gave new meaning to the term "drive-thru."

The situation really got embarrassing when I had to shout "Fore!" at a family walking from the fast-food restaurant to their car.

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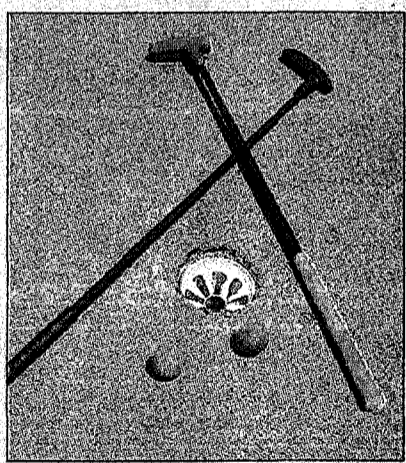
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WHERE TO PLAY

Following are the five miniature golf courses located in the Observerland vicinity:

- Armstrong's Funland, 8787 Belleville Rd., Van Buren Township (18 holes);
- Ford Rd. Miniature Golf, 29060 Ford Rd., Garden City (18 holes);
- Oasis Golf Center, 39500 5 Mile Rd., Livonia (18 holes plus driving range)
- Sport-Way of Westland, 38520 Ford Rd., Westland (36 holes)
- Glo-Golf, 42130 Ford Rd., Canton (18 holes).



King's gymnastics moves turn to gold

BY ED WRIGHT
STAFF WRITER

Canton gymnast Samantha King had a few jitters while competing at the USAG Eastern National Championships April 21 in Nashville, Tenn.

You never would have known it by her performance.

King, an eighth-grader-to-be at Discovery Middle School, captured gold medals in the Level 9 Junior B Division's all-around and balance beam competitions with scores of 37.325 and 9.525, respectively.

King was competing against 49 other top-notch gymnasts from throughout the United States.

The first-place showings at the Vanderbilt University-hosted compe-

dition were King's first as a Level 9 competitor.

Judging by her scores, they won't be her last.

"I was pretty nervous the whole time," admitted King, who trains at the Westland-based Michigan Academy of Gymnastics. "But I just tried to concentrate and do what my coaches taught me to do."

King, who moved to Canton from Stratford, Ontario, Canada, when she was 6, was introduced to her first set of uneven bars and a balance beam at the age of 3.

"I've always liked gymnastics because it's always challenging," said King, who trains up to 25 hours a week during the summer. "Plus, it lets me get my energy out, and I have a lot of energy."

King is coached by Doug Rowe and Kami Gotchev.

"The coaches are the main reason I chose Michigan Academy of Gymnastics over the other places when I moved here," said King. "They push me to get better, plus they make it fun."

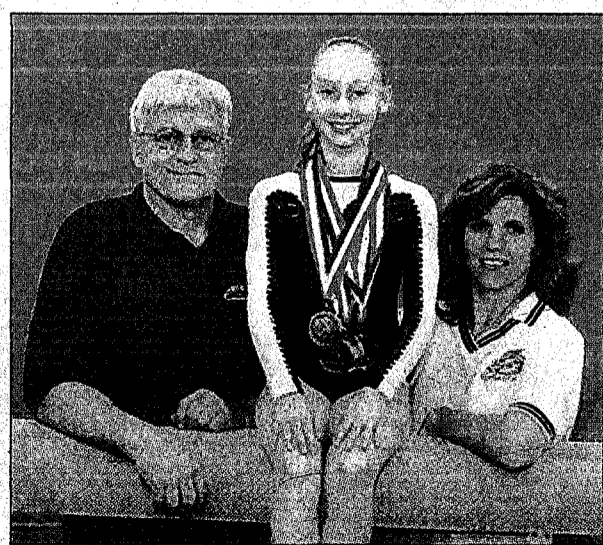
Although she realizes it's a lofty goal, King has her sights set on making the 2012 U.S. Olympic team that will compete in London.

"That's my dream," she said.

King also posts high scores in the classroom.

She has studied her way to a 4.0 grade-point average at Discovery with one year of middle school to go.

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Samantha King is flanked by her Michigan Academy of Gymnastics coaches Doug Rowe and Kami Gotchev. King, 13, was the Eastern U.S. Level 9 all-around and balance-beam champion in a national meet held at Vanderbilt University in Nashville, Tenn., in April.

CUP

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"I think the interest was extremely high, especially before the United States got eliminated," said Andrew Crawford, the general manager of High Velocity. "I think some of that had to do with the amount of TV coverage it's been getting. Even now, with the U.S. out of it, we'll have the World Cup games on our TVs during camps and the kids still seem to have an interest in who wins the games."

"If the United States would have advanced further, there would have been an explosion of interest, probably equal to the way it was when the U.S. hosted the World Cup in 1994," said Greg Bibb, the president of the Major Indoor Soccer League's Detroit Ignition, which will open its inaugural season at the Compuware Sports Arena in November.

Bibb said a strong U.S. run through the tournament would have indirectly aided the Ignition and every other professional soccer team playing in this country.

"Any time soccer takes over the world stage and the United States' team is on that stage, it helps all of the professional teams to some degree because the media pays more attention to the sport and the fans follow it more," said Bibb.

All three soccer buffs agreed that youngsters can learn a lot by watching the remaining World Cup matches, which will be broadcast live by ABC and ESPN.

"The biggest things the young players can learn from

watching the World Cup games are the ball movement and the unselfish play by the players," said Crawford. "I would advise youngsters to pick out the player on the field who is playing the position they play and watch what they do. It's a great way to learn."

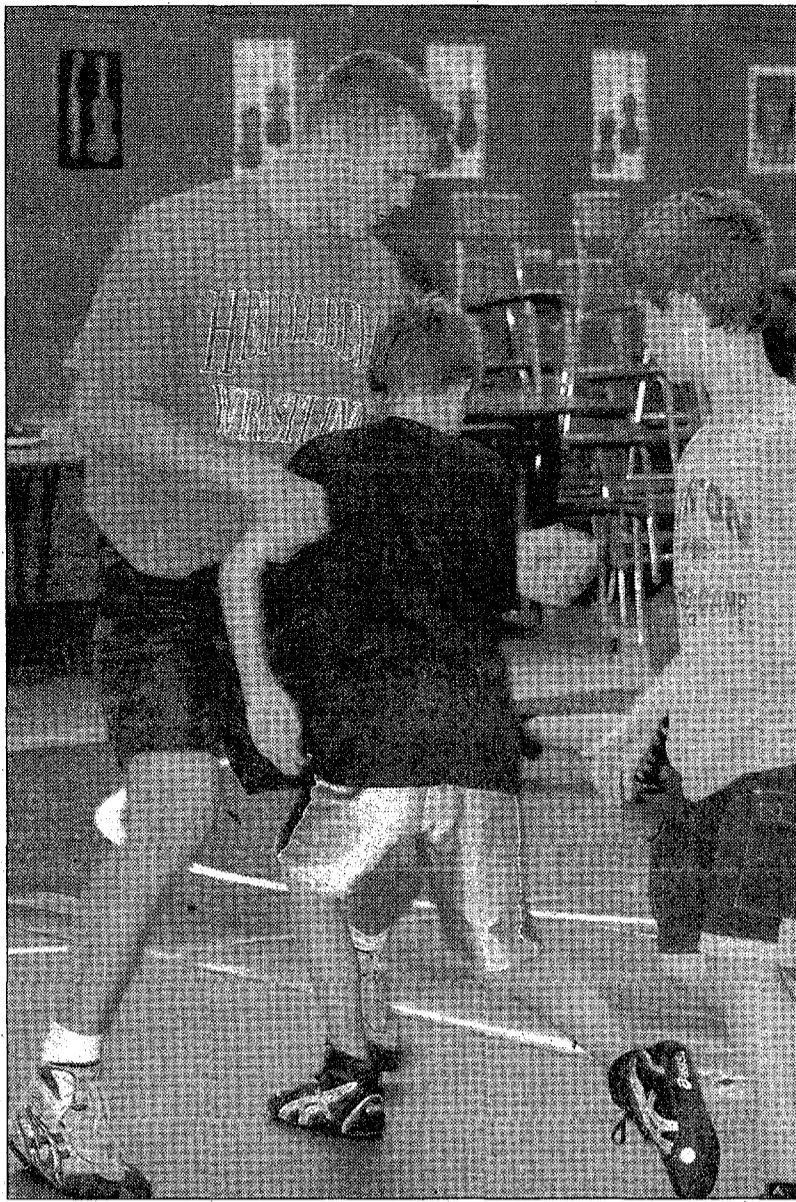
"Any time you have the best of the best coming together at one place and one time to play in a tournament like this, it's a great opportunity for young players to watch and learn," said Bibb. "This doesn't happen very often — once every four years — so the young players should take advantage of the chance they have to watch the best players in the world."

Finnerty said young players can learn valuable lessons by watching things beyond the players' skills.

"You have the best-of-the-best players out there for 90-plus minutes playing for their teams and their countries in some pretty fierce competition," Finnerty said. "But when the games are over — no matter how rough the game got — they get together and shake hands."

"I think it's important that young players realize the sacrifice a lot of these players are making, too, for their team and country. Each player on each World Cup team is a superstar on the teams they play for before and after the World Cup. But they quickly learn what their roles are once the tournament starts and they adjust so that they can help their team win."

"That's an important thing for young kids to see," ewright@hometownlife.com | (734) 953-2108



BRIDGET KONSITZKE

Mat moves

A member of the Heidelberg (Ohio) University wrestling team displays a move to a youngster at the Canton Wrestling Camp last week. The camp drew 50 youngsters between the ages of 8 and 18.

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 Mich. Bulls vs. Det. Eagles, 5:45 p.m.
 Oakland Cubs vs. Park Athletic, 8:15 p.m.
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 Mich. Monarchs vs. Mich. Rams, 6 p.m.
Sunday, July 9
 (at Livonia's Ford Field)
 Det. Eagles vs. Mich. Monarchs (2), noon.

Mich. Rams vs. Oakland Cubs (2), 5 p.m.
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 Park Athletic vs. Mich. Bulls, 6 p.m.
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W-LEAGUE
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 Mich. Hawks vs. W. Mich. Firewomen at Holland West Ottawa H.S., 7 p.m.
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 Mich. Hawks vs. Cleveland Internationals at Coughlin Field (Ohio), 2 p.m.

SPORTS ROUNDUP

SOCCER WORKOUTS

The Salem boys soccer team will begin optional summer conditioning sessions soon for all players who plan on playing on one of the Rocks' three teams in the fall. Sessions will begin 6-8 p.m. July 5 and continue every Monday, Wednesday and Friday through July 21. The workouts will be held in front of Canton High School's Phase III facility. Players should bring soccer shoes, shin guards and water.

For more information, contact Salem soccer coach Ed McCarthy at (248) 561-2846.

CANTON X-COUNTRY

Nonmandatory summer conditioning sessions

have begun for anyone interested in trying out for the Canton boys cross country team in the fall. The team will meet at 8 a.m. on weekday mornings outside Canton High School's Phase III facility. Training sessions will consist of a warm-up run, stretching, workout run, cool down and more stretching. Runners are encouraged to bring their own water. Contact one of the team's captains: David Catalan at (734) 455-3045, Derek Hoerman at (734) 454-5746 or Aaron McClellan at (734) 981-7438. Interested participants are encouraged to send an e-mail to mclellan1982@wowway.com with their name, phone number and e-mail address so that they can be kept updated.

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LESSON ON GOLF
 by Jeff Lesson
WHO'S NUMBER ONE?
 It all seemed so simple. Just a par four on the 18th hole of the 106th US Open Championship was all Phil Mickelson needed to win his third consecutive major and assume the title of "The best golfer in the world." Even a bogey would guarantee him a playoff with eventual winner Geoff Ogilvy.
 What happened next was golf infamy. It was reminiscent of Lefty's tee shot at Oakland Hills in the 2004 Ryder Cup. There he was paired with Tiger Woods and sliced a tee shot so far left that only a fence kept it on the property.
 The look on Tiger's face as he watched will forever be in my mind. Tiger had to play that shot from there in the alternate shot format at the Ryder Cup.
 The only difference this past Sunday at Winged Foot was there was no Tiger. Woods had missed his first cut at a major since turning professional. Mickelson's tee shot however was a carbon copy.
 His drive traveled over the trees and hit a building. A building. And no they did not erect that building in the middle of his backswing.
 What ensued was what NBC's Johnny Miller called "maybe the biggest collapse in US Open history." Lefty then hit a tree, a bunker, and the rough once again. It was a double bogey six, hand delivering the championship to Ogilvy, who watched with astonishment from the clubhouse.
 Tiger Woods has yet to blow any tournament, let alone a major in such fashion. Let's be honest here. Mickelson just flat out choked. He had a chance to change the way he is perceived as the "second or third best". He may never recover from this.
 Until someone proves otherwise, Tiger is still the best.
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MINI GOLF

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a ball on a miniature golf course, I quickly walked toward Ben in an effort to snatch his ball and make it look like the 5-year-old was the one who hooked his drive onto the asphalt. But as soon as I got to within grabbing distance, he put a death grip on his ball and flashed a "Don't even think about it!" look at me.

Earlier that week, at Glo-Golf, my ball got wedged under the foot of a triceratops. Now, that's something that doesn't happen every day at Fellows Creek, Hilltop or Pheasant Run.

Yes, there were mishaps along the way, but overall, it was an enjoyable experience.

WINDMILLS ARE GOOD

My criteria for ranking each hole worked like this: In order to be ranked highly, the hole had to be both fun and challenging. Holes could earn a possible 20 points — or, since we're talking miniature golf here — 20 windmills. Holes were rated on both a "Fun Factor" and a "Difficulty Factor." The scale for both was 1 to 10 windmills, with 10

being the best.

The five courses I played were: Armstrong's Funland in Van Buren Township, Glo-Golf, Sport-Way in Westland, Ford Road Miniature Golf in Garden City and Oasis. They were all in great shape and challenging in their own way.

Here are my final rankings. The 18th-best hole is listed first with the best hole bringing up the rear.

THE TOP 18

No. 18 — The 5th hole at Armstrong's Funland: Amazingly, this was the only hole of the 90 I played that had a windmill. Everybody knows you can't have a "Best 18" miniature golf hole list without a windmill hole. **FUN FACTOR: 6.0** windmills; **DIFFICULTY FACTOR: 2.5** windmills; **TOTAL: 8.5** windmills.

No. 17 — 9th hole at Glo-Golf: In order to reach the tee, you have to step through the mouth of a huge shark. In order to reach the hole, you have to hit the ball squarely through a smaller shark's jaws. It must have been designed by that great miniature golf course architect, Peter Benchley. **FUN: 6.0; DIFFICULTY: 3.0; TOTAL: 9.0.**

No. 16 — 3rd hole at Glo-

Golf: This may be the coolest-looking hole of the 90 I played. The only thing keeping it from appearing lower on the list is that it's not real challenging. The tee shot goes up a 10-foot ramp and into a huge pyramid. The ball then disappears briefly before falling onto a lower level to the left. **FUN: 8.5; DIFFICULTY: 1.0; TOTAL: 9.5.**

No. 15 — 10th hole at Glo-Golf: Very similar to the pyramid hole, but on this one the tee shot disappears into a 20-foot high volcano before reappearing on the other side. **FUN: 7.5; DIFFICULTY: 2.5; TOTAL: 10.0.**

No. 14 — 5th hole at Ford Road Miniature Golf: Players have to hit their drive over a two-foot-high mound then onto a ramp that leads to a narrow ledge 20 feet away. The hole is situated on the ledge, making it difficult to reach. Comparable to the island-green hole at the Tournament Players Championship. **FUN: 4.0; DIFFICULTY: 6.5; TOTAL: 10.5.**

No. 13 — 8th hole at Sport-Way: Be advised to barely tap your first shot on this curving, downhill, dog-leg left or it will sail past the hole faster than Randy Moss running a fly pattern past the Lions' free safety. **FUN: 5.0; DIFFICULTY: 6.0; TOTAL: 11.0.**

No. 12 — 8th hole at Oasis: Shaped like a hairpin, this hole is un-aceable. If you get a hole-in-one on this one, send me the video and I'll personally buy you a lifetime supply of miniature golf pencils. **FUN: 3.5; DIFFICULTY: 8.0; TOTAL: 11.5.**

No. 11 — 4th hole at Oasis: A hook comes in handy on this one-of-a-kind hole that requires a 360-degree shot around a rocket. **FUN: 7.0; DIFFICULTY: 5.0; TOTAL: 12.0.**

No. 10 — 1st hole at Armstrong's: A 20-something-pound, four-foot-high weight attached to a string hangs within a half-inch from the top of the hole. When the player is ready to hit, his or her partner swings the weight back and forth over the hole. If the player mis-times his shot, the weight hits the ball and sends it sailing onto a runway at Willow Run Airport two miles away. Props to whoever thought of this hole. **FUN: 6.5;**

DIFFICULTY: 6.0; TOTAL: 12.5.

MAKING THE TURN...

No. 9 — 12th hole at Oasis: This is the hole I lost my ball on in the McDonald's parking lot. Enough said. **FUN: 4.0; DIFFICULTY: 9.0; TOTAL: 13.0.**

No. 8 — 16th hole at Armstrong's: This was — by far — the most difficult hole I played. If Tiger Woods plays this hole, I guarantee you he launches his putter into the adjoining mobile-home park within 30 seconds of his tee shot. Since I have more composure than Tiger, it took 45 seconds before my putter took flight (just kidding!). The hole is located on top of an ant hill. You have to play it to believe it. **FUN: 4.0; DIFFICULTY: 10.0; TOTAL: 14.0.**

No. 7 — 14th hole at Sport-Way: If you hit your tee shot too far left on this straight downhill hole, it hits a rock and is directed into a fast-moving stream before coming out of a pipe 20 feet downhill and onto the green. It's the only time I've enjoyed hitting a golf ball into water. **FUN: 8.5; DIFFICULTY: 6.0; TOTAL: 14.5.**

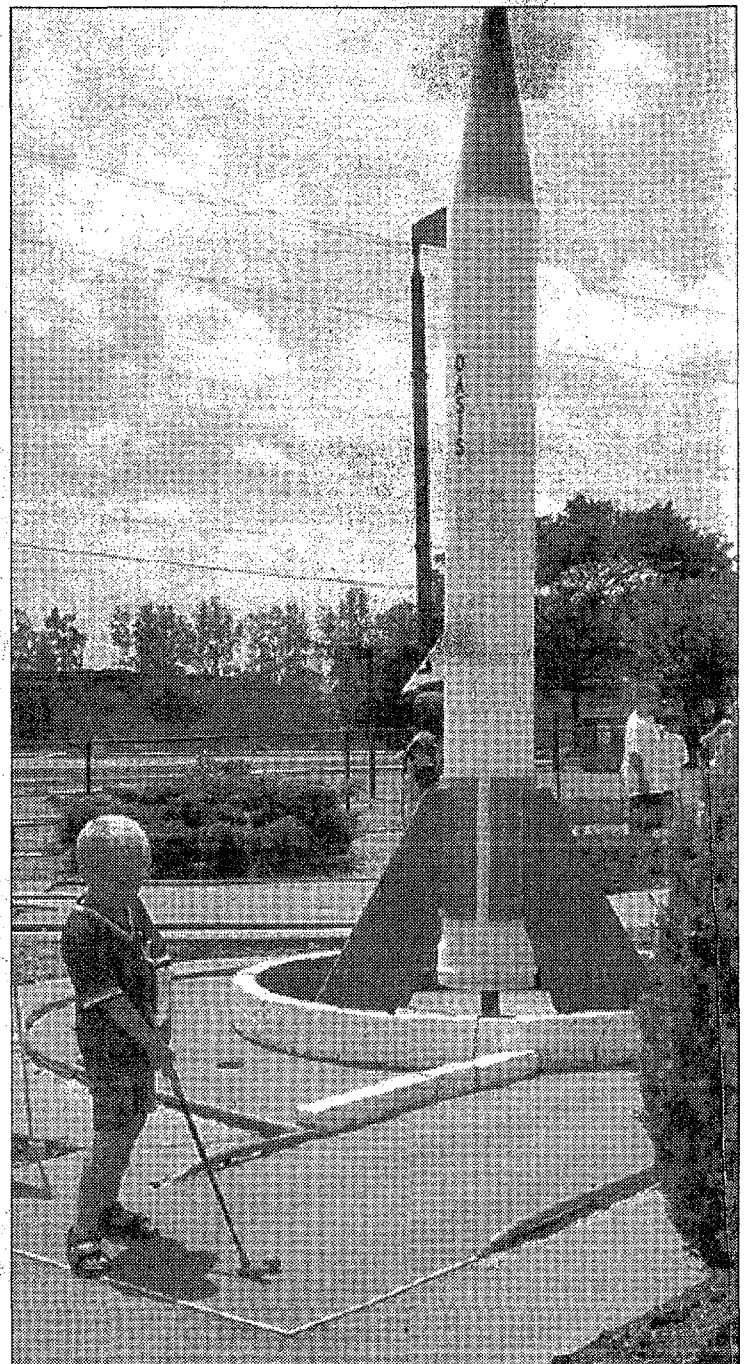
No. 6 — 6th hole at Ford Road Miniature Golf: This one is called the "Big Dipper" and for good reason. Use your imagination. **FUN: 7.0; DIFFICULTY: 9.0; TOTAL: 16.0.**

No. 5 — 14th hole at Ford Road Miniature Golf: This one is much like the ant hill hole at Armstrong's only it has a larger cup. You won't ace it, but you won't get a 12 either. **FUN: 8.0; DIFFICULTY: 6.0; TOTAL: 16.5.**

No. 4 — 16th hole at Glo-Golf: As a pair of pterodactyls circle overhead, this spacious hole requires you to maneuver around a large, snake-infested tree and find the cup, which is on an elevated green close to 30 feet away. Parring this hole is more difficult than trying to spell pterodactyls. **FUN: 9.0; DIFFICULTY: 8.0; TOTAL: 17.0.**

No. 3 — 6th hole at Sport-Way: You hit your tee shot from inside a castle down to the hole that is situated 30 feet below. If you hit it too hard, your ball goes into "Black Bart's Brink," which is almost as bad as a McDonald's parking lot. **FUN: 9.0; DIFFICULTY: 8.5; TOTAL: 17.5.**

No. 2 — 18th hole at



The fourth hole at the Oasis Golf Center course takes players for a 360-degree trip around a rocket.

Armstrong's: There's something about the "put-the-ball-in-the-clown's-nose-and-you-win-a-free-game" hole that gets everybody's adrenaline flowing. **FUN: 8.5; DIFFICULTY: 9.5; TOTAL: 18.0.**

Drum roll please...

No. 1 — 18th hole at Ford Road Miniature Golf: Again, a hole in one wins a free game. The only catch is, you have to hit it up a steep, 15-foot ramp that gets narrower as it gets higher. Win a free game on this one and you've earned it. **FUN: 8.5; DIFFICULTY: 10.0; TOTAL:**

18.5. Good luck with your miniature golfing this summer.

Remember: Hit it straight and hit it far. On second thought, just hit it straight.

Oh, one more thing: If you stop by the McDonald's on 5 Mile just east of Haggerty and you see a blue golf ball laying near the drive-thru order window, could you please return it to the Oasis clubhouse for me? Thanks.

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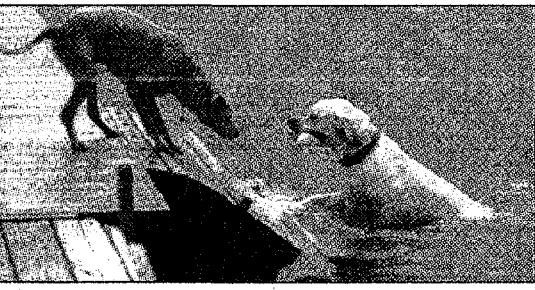
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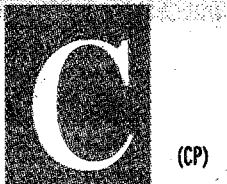
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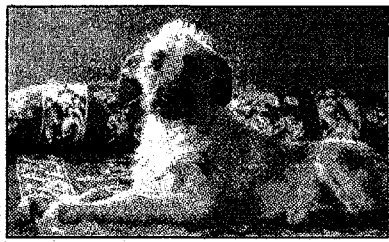
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Clancy Callahan is pictured during his first night with his new owners at the Super 8 Motel in Claremore, Okla. He slept in the back seat of the car for most of the 1200 mile trip from Gainesville, Texas to Michigan.

Raising a companion animal can be costly

Raising a puppy can be costly. The rolls of eaten toilet paper are minimal compared to the money I spent to drive 2,400 miles to Texas and back for a puppy from the same blood line as Shamrock, our Irish Wolfhound who died in November. My sister, Gwen, and I tried to adopt one of the lovable gentle giants by calling Irish Wolfhound rescue organizations around the country, but none were available so I

purchased Clancy because we knew no one else would make sure he received the necessary dental care necessary for an overbite.

One of my co-workers shook his head in disbelief when I told him we went to Texas for a

new puppy, saying he would have warned me about the trials ahead. This comes from a man who just spent \$1,000 on veterinary bills to save Sam, a rescued flat-coated retriever mix from a mysterious autoimmune disorder.

So far, Clancy's bills for treatment from Dr. Ben Colmery, the doggy dentist at Dixboro Dental and Medical Center, have totaled about the same amount, but eliminated the problem caused by his two lower canines cutting into the roof of his mouth. There's nothing worse than a cranky Irish Wolfhound puppy with a sore mouth.

That brings us back to the eaten toilet paper. We think the pain is what causes him to put everything in his mouth. He really hasn't done too much damage except to his teeth. Clancy loves to chew on rocks so it was back to the dentist for a \$224 Clancy-proof restoration to protect the canines that were shortened.

None of the dental work, including the pulpectomy, has stopped Clancy from eating his food or stealing my kale plants before I could plant them in the garden. Of course, he loves Dick Van Patten's Organic Natural Balance dog food at \$25 for a 12 and 1/2 pound bag, and the organic ground turkey, rice and broccoli meal that I cook for him every night. My sister and I want to do everything possible to ensure he lives a long life, and that costs money.

Of course, the toys and grooming add up as well as his constant need for larger collars. Clancy is growing fast. At nine months, he weighs more than 115 pounds and doesn't realize his size. Since my sister and I already knew it was important to learn the right way to control a big dog, the three of us went to obedience school. Clancy graduated but I guess my sister and I still need more training. In the next couple of weeks we'll sign up for advanced classes.

I'm not complaining about the money or time I've invested in Clancy. Every morning he wakes me up because he wants some loving. Several tummy rubs and good boys later he's ready to start his day, and I

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After picking out a patriotic Fourth of July bandanna for Casper, 15-months, at the Farmington Hills Pet Supplies 'Plus' store, employee Debra Jackman (left) and his puppy sitter, Kaitlyn Shariak, introduce him to new toys.

They're golden

Booming pet business ranges from day care to sports gear

BY SUSAN STEINMUELLER
STAFF WRITER

On the Fourth of July, Suzy Fucini's dog Casper will wear a patriotic red, white and blue bandana. When she and her husband go out on their boat, she'll make sure the 15-month-old Bolognese wears his own special life jacket.

Dressing up Fido and Fluffy is one of the growing trends in today's pet market. It's part of a larger trend in which people are giving their beloved pets the same kinds of things they would give each other.

Fucini knows a lot about that. Not only she is a pet owner, but she works in public relations for Pet Supplies "Plus," a Farmington Hills-based chain.

"Pets are being viewed as more part of the family," says Fucini, of West Bloomfield. "They're included on



Kaitlyn Shariak of Waterford and Casper of West Bloomfield shop for toys.

vacations and holiday get-togethers, at picnics and parties. They have their own travel gear."

She credits some of the change in the way pets are treated to today's smaller families. "There are more childless couples than a couple of generations ago, and couples having babies later," Fucini said. "There are more empty nesters."

For them, and for singles delaying families while they establish

a career, "The pet takes the place of a child."

It all contributes to a pet retail and service industry, which she says "has been growing at an astronomical rate."

American Pet Products Manufacturers Association statistics say that pet spending has more than doubled since 1994, to an estimated \$38.4 billion in 2006.

APPMA's 2005-06 national pet owners

survey shows pet ownership is at its highest level, with 63 percent of all U.S. households owning a pet, or more than 69 million households. The numbers show that Americans own 73 million dogs, 90 million cats, 139 million freshwater fish, 9 million saltwater fish, 16 million birds, 18 million small animals and 11 million reptiles.

More households own dogs, however: 43.5 million compared to 37.7 million owning cats. "The steady increase in pet ownership confirms that a growing number of us are realizing pets truly enhance our lives," said Bob Vetere, managing director of APPMA. "Pets not only provide unconditional love and affection, research now shows they also provide significant health benefits."

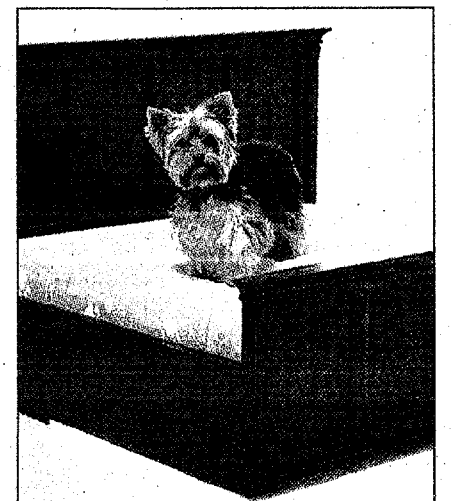
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CANINE CRAZY - PART II

This is the second in a two-part series on the popularity of pets, with dogs leading the way. Today's section looks at how the pet business is booming, from premium retail items to individual services and pampering.

FEATURED PRODUCT



A fluffy customer tries out the mattress on this mahogany-finish dog bed at Art Van Furniture.

A dog's dream bed

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"It's an emotional tie" that leads to the purchase as much as a decor one, Macdonald said of the beds. He said these days, pets are considered part of the family and owners want them to have the same amenities as other family members.

As Art Van caters to the "heart and home," it's a perfect fit, he said.

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How do I love thee? With doggy parties, special chow, clothes



Nancy Redilla's late dog, Casey, celebrated her birthday with hat, bib, cake and treats. Redilla also has parties for her current dog, Max.

Good dog ownership runs the gamut.

It generally includes giving the dog a good diet, regular vet visits, daily exercise and loving attention.

But some dog owners go above and beyond for their pets by saying "I love you" in some unusual ways. Meet a few:

BIRTHDAY DOGS

Turkey and garlic cake with mashed potato frosting, homemade fire hydrant-shaped treats, water bowls and party hats.

Nancy Redilla of Troy knows exactly what it takes to make her dog, Max, feel special on his birthday.

"It's just a love of animals," Nancy said of why she and husband, Bob, throw parties for their dog and their friends' dogs. "You know how you get a crazy idea and you just get going?"

It all started when Redilla offered to bake a cake and treats for the pet blessing at her church, Unity of

Rochester, about five years ago.

"As soon as we found out there were people there who are animal lovers — look out!" she said.

She threw her first party for their dog, Casey, who has since died. Redilla baked food for both pets and owners, bought hats and decorative plates and tablecloths.

"Just about anybody that had a dog that I knew came. They all came — 16, 17 dogs maybe. Some people had two dogs. One person had three," Nancy said.

"And they were pretty quiet, too. They didn't fight or anything," Bob added. "They were more interested in eating that cake."

After playing, the dogs settle down or snooze. There's no pin-the-tail on the kitty cat, or other party games, although guests sometimes bring gifts for the birthday dog.

In winter, the parties move indoors from the Redilla's spacious backyard to their modest-sized house.

"When it turns gray outside, we

have lasagna and they have their treats and we can all enjoy each other's company," Nancy said.

HOME COOKIN'

Haley, a 7-year-old Australian shepherd, loves her duck jerky. She wouldn't miss a homemade duck and potato dinner. And she'll eat a home-baked cookie treat just about anytime.

Haley lives with Mike Dolkowski and his wife in Troy. The couple own a business in Canton Township, have two grown children who no longer live at home, and two furry children, Haley and Shelby, a 13-year-old papillon.

Dolkowski started making dog food from scratch when he discovered that Haley had developed allergies to pre-packaged fare.

"I took her to the allergist and we spent \$1,500 giving her tests," he said.

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CONCERT SCHEDULE

MUSIC IN THE AIR

Here's the schedule for the Music in the Air concert series, sponsored by the Downtown Development Authority; concerts are 7 p.m. Fridays in Kellogg Park:

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- Aug. 23 - Matt Watroba

AROUND TOWN

Grub crawl

The Northville Chamber presents the second-annual Northville Grub Crawl 6-10 p.m. Tuesday, July 25. Join 300 hungry patrons as they make their way through some of the best restaurants in the Northville area. Twelve restaurants are offering free samples of appetizers and signature items along with cash bar specials for our "Crawlers". Participating restaurants are Bahama Breeze, Bonfire Bistro & Brewery, Brann's Steakhouse & Grill, Deadwood Bar and Grill, Edward's Cafe and Caterer, Sive Restaurant, Genitti's, George's Senate Restaurant, Little Italy Ristorante, MacKinnon's, Poole's Tavern, and Uno Chicago Grill. Highlights: Free event T-shirt, free shuttle transportation courtesy of Independence Village of Plymouth, grand prize drawing for Char-Broil Barbecue Grill courtesy of The Home Depot. Tickets are \$35 (must be 21 or over) and can be purchased at Gardenviews, Good Time Party Store or the Northville Chamber of Commerce.

Northville parade

The Northville Community Foundation hosts Northville's Independence Day Parade 10 a.m. Tuesday, July 4 in downtown Northville. Parade organizers welcome Scout groups, neighborhood groups, church groups, car clubs, clowns, classic and vintage cars. Anyone wishing to get into Northville's parade can call (248) 374-0200 to register. Cut-off is June 30.

Stewardship network

The Stewardship Network's Invasive Plant Control Certificate Workshop Series allows whomever takes all three workshops and completes 10 hours of volunteer invasives removal to receive the Stewardship Network's "Invasive Plant Control Certificate." You may also take any of these workshops individually. Anyone interested in learning more about invasive plants - their origin, their impact, best control practices and anyone who cares about our natural areas and wants to learn more will find these workshops valuable - should take the workshops: Saturday, July 15, Workshop 1, Invasive Plant Identification, Island Lake State Recreation Area field component, workshop may begin indoors at Kensington Metropark, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.; Saturday, Aug. 19, Workshop 2, Site Assessment, Brighton State Recreation Area, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.; Saturday, Sept. 9, Workshop 3, Hands-on Invasive Plant Control Techniques, Brighton State Recreation Area, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. For additional information visit www.stewardshipnetwork.org

Camping lessons

Northville Community Foundation sponsors "The Fine Art of Camping," 2-3 p.m. Saturday, July 8, presented by Gander Mountain Sports. Gander Mountain's camping pro will demonstrate the basics of camping, such as pitching a tent and choosing a sleeping bag. Admission is \$3 for adults, \$2 for children ages 3-11; children under 3 admitted free. For more information, call (248) 374-0200.

Movies in the park

Wayne County Parks and Recreation announced the schedule of movies for its popular Movies in the Park series, sponsored in cooperation with



Pageant hopeful

Eighteen-year-old AmiAnn Bobo of Plymouth Township is Michigan's representative in the American Junior Miss competition - a college-bound scholarship program for high school girls - after winning the Michigan Junior Miss title in March.

Dearborn Heights, Inkster, Northville, Redford, Trenton, Livonia and Westland Parks and Recreation departments. The schedule: Friday, July 14, "Looney Tunes: Back in Action," Inkster Park in Inkster; Friday, July 28, "Madagascar," Bell Creek Park in Redford; Friday, Aug. 11, "March of the Penguins," Canfield Community Center in Dearborn Heights; Friday, Aug. 18, "Racing Stripes," in Elizabeth Park in Trenton. For more information, call (734) 261-1990.

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

Genealogical societies

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.

Healthy living

St. Mary Mercy Hospital offers a class called "Healthy Solutions for Living," 10-11:30 a.m. Tuesdays beginning Aug. 1 at the St. Mary Mercy Community Outreach Department, Marian Professional Building, Suite 412. The program is designed to help partici-

pants lose up to four pounds per week and teach how to keep it off. For more information, or to register, call (734) 655-1783.

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 home-made 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.

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 festivities, which kicks off at 4 p.m. To register for this event, please contact Arbor Hospice & Home Care at www.arborhospice.org, email iafen@arborhospice.org, or call 734-662-5999, extension 120. Registration can also be done through the Michigan Tournament of Charities website, www.mtocgolf.org and indicate supporting Arbor Hospice & Home Care.

Hospice training

Heartland Hospice is looking for caring and dedicated people with an interest in serving terminally ill patients and their families in Washtenaw, Livingston and western Wayne counties. Volunteers provide services such as friendly visiting, patient transport/patient outings, errand running, grief support and clerical services. Spring volunteer training is approaching. For more information contact volunteer coordinator Candice Jones at (888) 973-1145.

Literacy Council tutors

The Community Literacy Council (CLC) is looking for volunteer tutors in Western Wayne County to help adults improve their reading, writing and communication skills. The CLC will provide training to interested volunteers. Previous experience or a bachelor's degree is not required. The council will provide free training and materials, and then match you with an adult student in your area, Call (734) 416-4906 for more information.

Grief support

New Hope Center for Grief Support is a Christian-based bereavement outreach and resource center located in Northville. Age appropriate groups for widows and widowers are provided in various locations in southeastern Michigan including groups for young widows and widowers and their children between the ages of 4 through the teen years. Groups for parents who have lost a child, adults who have lost a

parent, pet loss, and other specialized groups are offered at various times of the year. All services for adults and children are offered at no cost to the participants. If you are grieving or know someone who is, please call the office at (248) 348-0115 for further information about services provided by New Hope Center for Grief Support, or visit www.newhopecenter.net.

CLUBS

Rotary A.M.

The Plymouth Rotary Club of Plymouth A.M. meets at 7 a.m. every Tuesday at the Plymouth Cultural Center, 525 Farmer. New members are always welcome. Contact Mark Hammar, president, Rotary Club of Plymouth A.M., by calling (734) 455-6620.

MOPS meet

MOPS (Mothers of Preschoolers) meets twice monthly from September-May, for moms and their children, newborn-kindergarten, at Lakepointe Bible Church in Plymouth. For more information, call Crystal Johnson, (734) 459-1861.

Mosaic

MOSAIC is a group where Moms come together to be refreshed and equipped for the important task of mothering. It presents speakers on child and family issues, has small-group discussion time, crafts and brunch. Child care is provided. It meets at Plymouth Baptist Church, 42021 Ann Arbor Trail, on the first and third Tuesday mornings of each month, September to May. Contact Resha at (734) 207-0658 or resha@juno.com

Moms Club

Moms Club of Livonia-S/Plymouth, Canton and Westland offers a variety of activities for stay-at-home moms and their children. For more details, call Birthe at (734) 458-8143 or Kimberly at (248)231-6120.

DAR

The Sarah Ann Cochrane Chapter-Daughters of the American Revolution meets the third Monday of each month except January, July and August. A group with ancestors who fought in American Revolution. Members participate in community work involving veterans' hospitals, schools and community service. Call (734) 420-2775 for further information.

German/American Club of Plymouth Meets on the third Thursday of the month at the Knights of Columbus Hall, located at 39100 Schoolcraft Road, Plymouth. Call Mary Ann at (734) 420-0857 for further information.

American Legion

Beasley-Zalesny Post 112 meets at the I.O.O.F. Hall on the third Monday of each month at 7:30 p.m. All veterans that served during any of the wars are eligible. Contact (734) 459-7324 for further information.

Women's Farm and Garden Club-Plymouth Meets every second Monday of each month from September through June. Persons interested in joining may contact club president Linda Coughlin at (734) 459-7478.

Plymouth-Canton Civitan Club Looking for energetic new members to participate in community service projects. This club meets the first Thursday of each month at 7 p.m. at the Plymouth Salvation Army Building on Main Street. The third Thursday is a dinner meeting with a speaker. Call (734) 981-7259 for further information.



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He began searching for a food that contained adequate protein, but no wheat, soybean or corn.

"It was difficult. We said, let's just make our own. We tried fish, chicken and duck. The duck worked for her," he said.

Dolkowski adds vitamins to his mix of duck and potatoes. He often grinds the duck and dries the mixture, adding water when he's ready to serve it. He makes duck jerky as a treat and bakes his own dog cookies.

"Probably every other weekend I spend Saturday morning baking," he said.

Dolkowski said Shelby benefits from eating the same food as Haley. The pair spend their days together at Camp Bow Wow, a doggy day-care center in Troy.

A DOG WITH EVERYTHING

Truffles may be the best-dressed, most chauffeured, well-equipped bichon frise in all of metro Detroit.

"He's my first-born and only child. Even Truffles' vet said he's too much of a prince to be around another dog," said owner Patty Livernois, of West Bloomfield.

A closet full of clothing, two strollers, a wagon, backpack and car seat, indoor bathroom, customized doggy dinner table designed to ease neck strain and a specialized diet would make any dog feel a bit like royalty.

But Livernois says she has a good reason to pamper her pet.

"He's allergic to about 90 percent of life," she said, explaining that his immune system was weakened, the result of too-close breeding.

She feeds him a vegan diet, consisting of "people grade" food and chooses homeopathic and holistic medical treatment. She worked with a chemist for months, developing a skin-soothing shampoo that she tested on herself before using it on Truffles.

"He's always dressed and that started because of his allergies," Livernois said.

Livernois began altering baby clothes and dressing him in outfits when he was 1 year old, a technique that prevented him from chewing on itchy skin.

"His business suit is my favorite," she said, noting that he has "jammies" and more casual looks as well.

Truffles occasionally strolls outdoors in shoes, called Gooby Boots.

But most of his romping is limited to inside their condo, where his paws won't touch dirty sidewalks or chemically-sprayed lawns. He even relieves himself indoors on potty-training pads placed over tiled flooring, behind a privacy screen.

"He's the reason I'm single," Livernois said, with a laugh, explaining that he has the run of



CAPTURED EXPRESSIONS

Patty Livernois, the co-owner of The Uppity Puppy in Royal Oak, and her dog, Truffles. The Bichon Frise has his own closet full of clothing in their West Bloomfield condo.

the condo. "He loves it that I pay the mortgage."

DOG ON THE GO

Susie X and her vegetarian, 9 1/2 -year-old poodle, Baby, do everything and go everywhere together.

And that's why the Birmingham resident requested anonymity for this piece.

"In non-restaurant situations, I do carry her in my arms. Most retailers actually look forward to seeing her and know her by name," she said.

When she goes "under cover" Baby travels in large purses that her owner has converted to carriers with color-matching mesh screen from an awning supply company. It's her "ticket to the world."

Susie said togetherness saved Baby's life. The poodle began having seizures at age 1. When they worsened six years later, Susie was there to rush Baby to the vet.

"My friends all knew from the very beginning that I fully intended to bring Baby with me everywhere. I have taken her to every coffee shop, country club, charity event, black-tie affair, restaurant, hotel, wedding, funeral, party, bar, hospital, flea market, theater, movie, audition ... and not to be forgotten, dates that I've been on."

Baby "knows the game" and sleeps quietly in her bag when her owner needs absolute silence, although recently while in a high-end restaurant, she "did a 'jack-in-the-box' style pop up from her bag."

"Thankfully, the manager laughed and proclaimed, 'I never saw that!'"

COMPANION

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get up happy. At lunch time and after work, we repeat the routine. For years people have asked me why I'm always in such a good mood. I tell them, "if you lived with a wolfhound puppy you would be smiling too."

It's the silly things they do.

Shamrock used to turn on the hall light by flicking the wall switch with his tail. At first we didn't realize he was shutting off the light as we were going up and down the stairs. My sister and I accused each other of being inconsiderate until we figured out the culprit was our big, gray shaggy dog.

In the years to come Clancy will distinguish himself with different antics. And hopefully

by next year, I can plant kale in my garden. The attraction to eat everything green should have worn off by then, but you can never tell. It took Shamrock three years to mature.

Linda Ann Chomin is the health and community life reporter for the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers. She can be reached at (734) 953-2145 or lchomin@hometownlife.com.

Pets love summer too but safety precautions needed

According to a recent survey conducted by the Pet Supplies "Plus" chain, 67.5 percent of pet owners say summer is their pets favorite season.

A highlight is the Fourth of July. According to the 275 pet owners who took the survey, 40.6 percent of pet owners will dress their pet with a patriotic bandana for the Fourth of July and 37.9 percent will involve their pet in Fourth of July celebrations.

On the down side, 60.4 percent of pets are frightened by fireworks.

Pet Supplies "Plus" offers some summer safety tips for pets:

1. If pet owners plan on taking their pets to see a firework display make sure that the dog is on a leash at all times. The loud bangs and colors may disorient even a calm dog.
2. If a pet has to be outside for a long period of time make sure they have access to shade.
3. Whenever possible walk dogs on a grassy area rather than on hot pavements. Hot pavements can burn pads of a dog's feet in no time.
4. Never leave your dog in a parked car. This is the number one cause of heatstroke. On an 80-degree summer day,

the inside of a car can reach far above 120 degrees within minutes.

5. The most important thing to remember is to make sure that your dog has plenty of fresh water. A ceramic or clay bowl is ideal to keep water cooler for longer periods of time during the hot days of summer. Place ice cubes in the bowl to keep it cold longer.

6. Always supervise a dog while they are swimming; they get tired just like humans. Always rinse off your dog with fresh water after swimming. Water has bacteria and parasites that can cause a dog to become severely ill.

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Nathan's, the top-selling premium all-beef hot dog in the United States, has made the same taste available to dogs with Nathan's Hot Dog Treats for Pets. It's the first and only "human" beef brand to enter the market as a beef treat for pets, according to its producers.

It comes in smoked, cheddar and bacon flavors.



Meanwhile Lassie Natural Way launched in May.

The products contain high-quality lamb or chicken meal and no animal byproducts, artificial flavors, colors, preservatives or sweeteners.

To tout the merits of the high-quality fare, Lassie is taking her own veterinarian, Dr. Jeff Werber, who

developed the food, on a road trip. She'll be in the Detroit area July 19 and July 20 at Meijer and Spartan stores to be determined, where she will also host pet adoption events.

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REUNIONS

Bishop Borgess High School Class of 1976

A 30-year reunion 6:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 30, Fifth Avenue Ballroom and Billiards (second floor), 25750 Novi Road in Novi. You must reserve a spot in advance, contact reunion committee at bb76reunion@yahoo.com for ticket information and details.

Clarenceville High School Class of 1956

A 50-year reunion is planned for Sept. 29-Oct. 1. Sept. 29 - football game and party; Sept. 30 - banquet at Vladimirs of Farmington, \$45/person, open bar; Oct. 1 - breakfast at Leon's in Livonia. For more information call Sharon Byrnes Hawk at (248) 529-3016.

Farmington Harrison High School Class of 1986

A 20-year reunion is planned for July 29 at the Northville Hills Golf Club. Contact the website www.hhs1986.com for details. Registration is required. Deadline is July 7.

Class of 1966

A 40-year reunion is planned for Saturday, July 29, 2006, at the Sheraton Detroit-Novi, 2111 Haggerty Road (I-275 at Eight Mile Road) Novi. To register send check for \$75 per person to Ferndale High School 1966 Class Reunion, c/o Joan Rockett Horner, 951 W. Oakridge, Ferndale 48220

Franklin High School Class of 1969

Planning a reunion for 2007. Please contact Kathy Nisun (248) 363-5679 or e-mail: Kaynini@aol.com or Kathy Shoebridge @ Klivingston@nu-core.com.

Garden City West Class of 1981

Garden City West Class of 1981 A 25th class reunion is scheduled for Saturday, Nov. 4 at Summit on the Parkway in Canton. For more information, please email to: gcwestclassof1981@yahoo.com



Maycock-Banfield

Phyllis and Russ Maycock of Canton announce the engagement of their daughter, Tracie Marie Maycock of Garden City, to John Leslie Banfield, son of Arlene and Steve Crampton of Fowlerville.

The bride-to-be is a 1996 graduate of Salem High School. The prospective groom is a 1998 graduate of Fowlerville High School.

A Sept. 16, 2006 wedding is planned in Plymouth.

ANNOUNCEMENTS



Miller 60th anniversary

Donald and Avis (nee Curfman) Miller of Las Vegas, Nevada, formerly of Livonia, will celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary July 20.

The couple were married in Pittsburg, Kansas on July 20, 1946.

Mr. Miller is a General Motors retiree. Mrs. Miller is a homemaker. They have five children - Nancy (Rick) Dery of Holly, Dennis Miller of Hartland, Steve Miller of Las Vegas, Leonard Miller of Dearborn, and Al (Cyndi) Miller of Howell - along with 15 grandchildren, and 5 great-grandchildren.

The Millers are former members of Ward Presbyterian Church in Northville and still have many friends in Livonia. They are enjoying their retirement in Las Vegas, and plan to celebrate their 60th anniversary with family.



Olson-Van Proyen

Stephen and Janet Olson of Canton announce the engagement of their daughter, Catherine Lydia, to Aaron William Van Proyen, son of William and Bonnie Van Proyen of Canton.

Aaron is a 2004 graduate of Canton High School. Catherine is a 2004 graduate of Salem High School. Both are students at Calvin College in Grand Rapids.

Aaron proposed to Catherine March 10, 2006 along the shore of Reeds Lake in East Grand Rapids. They plan to marry in Summer 2007 in Grand Rapids.



Segal-DeMoines

Nadine Suzanne DeMoines and Jeremy Gordon Segal were married Feb. 24, in a private ceremony in The Chapel at VFW Post 3941 in Livonia. Rev. Donald Blasingame officiated.

The bride is the daughter of Sherryl DeMoines of Madison Heights. She graduated from Avondale High School in Auburn Hills in 2001. She works as a dental assistant at Professional Endodontics.

The groom is the son of Gordon and Carol Segal of Livonia. He graduated from Stevenson High School in Livonia in 2001. He works as a sales associate at Belle Tire.

Attendants were Theresa Ayers (maid of honor) and Jarrett Wilbanks (best man).

They will honeymoon in Florida in July.

They are residing in Livonia.

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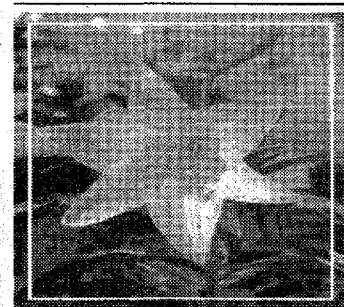
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MR. PAUL H. BINNS

Age 81, died Wednesday June 28, 2006. He was born in Muskegon on December 19, 1924. On April 1, 1950 he married the former Margaret Kline in Three Rivers, Michigan. Mr. Binns was a 1942 graduate of Whitehall High School. He earned his Bachelors in Science Degree from Western Michigan University in 1950 and his Masters in Science from the University of Michigan. Mr. Binns was a school teacher in the Birmingham and Royal Oak Public School Districts, teaching 5th and 6th grades, until his retirement in 1987. Paul received the Teacher of the Year Award from the Birmingham Public Schools. He served his country in the US Army Air Corps, teaching aerial gunnery, during WW II. Paul was a member of the Northville United Methodist Church and the Oceana Eagles Club. He also was a volunteer at the New Morning School of Plymouth, MI, where his granddaughters attended school. He is survived by his wife of 56 years, Margaret of Meats; their children, Lizabeth Binns of Novi, MI and John Binns of Sevierville, TN; 3 grandchildren, Robert Plane, Alicia and Angela Binns; 2 great grandchildren, Emma and Evan Plane; 1 sister, Gerrie (Ted) VanderBol of Mason, MI. He was preceded in death by his parents, 2 sisters and 3 brothers. A Memorial Service for Mr. Binns will be held at a later date. Memorial contributions may be given to the Northville United Methodist Church.

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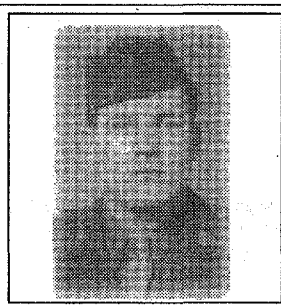
Of Farmington. Age 48, June 22, 2006. Beloved daughter of Willa and the late Ernest. Dear sister of Cheryl, Ernest and Raul. Susan was an active member of the First United Methodist Church of Farmington and was courageous and determined in the face of many obstacles. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the First United Methodist Church of Farmington, 33112 Grand River Avenue, Farmington, MI 48336. A memorial service will be planned for later this week. For service time and place, please contact Thayer-Rock Funeral Home downtown Farmington (248-474-4131)
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MARK GLOWACKI

Age 52, June 27, 2006. Beloved father of Josh & Leah. Loving brother of David (Carol) Glowacki. Dearest brother-in-law of Carol Glowacki. Proud uncle of Steven. Beloved son of Corinne and the late Stanley. Predeceased by brother, Greg. Interment White Chapel Cemetery. Family suggests memorials to: American Heart Association. Arrangements by E.J. Mandziuk & Son Funeral Directors, Inc., 22642 Ryan Road, Warren.

DOUGLAS W. LOBB

Passed peacefully in Ann Arbor, Michigan on June 27, 2006. He was Born August 12, 1936 in Royal Oak, Michigan. Doug is survived by his loving wife Babz (Barbara) Henkel-Lobb, his mother Helen Curro and sister Karen Belling of Royal Oak, as well as three nieces and nephews and two grandnieces who live nearby. A celebration of life will be held on July 1, 2006 for family and close friends at Doug's house.



NORBERT J. FLECKENSTIEN

"Sonny" to close family, "Fleck" by most, age 82 of Westland passed away peacefully June 22, 2006. He was preceded in death by only 25 days by his wife of 57 years, Shirley. Survivors include two daughters, Susan Jo and Barbara Ann (John Vaughn) both of Canton, three grandchildren Maxwell, Jackson, and Mitchell, and two sisters, Carla (Jack Mills) and Ann, both from Virginia. He was also preceded in death by another sister, Teddy from Union Lake. Fleck was born on July 9, 1923 in Muskegon, Michigan to Norbert and Elsa (Meeske) Fleckenstein and raised entirely in the area. Norbert's family heritage has a link to the historical Fleckenstein Castle in Germany and he is the grandson of Muskegon patriarch Gustav Meeske. His family ran many businesses in the Muskegon area including a brewery, tannery, and banking. The only Fleckenstein business to survive the depression was the tannery, which Norbert help run during his teenage years. He was a multiple sport letterman for the Big Reds of Muskegon High School from 1939 - 42 playing football, basketball, wrestling, and track. He qualified for the state finals in shotput his junior year and was elected captain of the football team his senior year during the fall 1941 season. Upon graduation in 1942, Fleck was recruited by and joined the Michigan State (University) College football team. Norbert left the college prior to the football season beginning his freshmen year to join the war efforts. He served in the Army Air Force earning the rank of sergeant as a lead flight mechanic for the 398th bomb group of the 8th Air Force working on the famous B-17 Flying Fortress. Norbert was stationed in Nuthampstead, England and earned battle stars for Normandy, Northern France, Ardennes, and Air Offensive Europe. After VE day and returning home on the Queen Mary, he was shipped off to be trained on B-29's but the war ended prior to completion. Norbert returned to college, attending Western Michigan (University) Teaching College where he earned a varsity letter playing football for the Broncos. Fleck began a long career in the financial loan industry with Seaboard Finance in Muskegon. During the 1950's Fleck played semi-professional football in the Lions' organization while continuing his finance career. After many company mergers and acquisitions, he eventually retired from Chrysler Financial in 1988. During his retirement years, he tinkered with VCR and other electronics repair work and continued to follow Muskegon football, but his primary focus was helping to raise his three grandsons. He was a member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars and the American Legion. Please share a "Memorial Tribute" with the family to Norbert at griffinfuneralhome.com. Care and services have been entrusted to L.J. Griffin Funeral Home 734-981-1700. Contributions can be made to Angela Hospice of Livonia in the name of Norbert Fleckenstein.

MADELINE E. MILLROSS

Age 99, of South Lyon, formerly of Plymouth, died June 30, 2006. Madeline was very loved by her family, especially her grandchildren and great grandchildren. Survivors include her loving children, Janet (Jack) Renwick of South Lyon, and David (Kathleen) Millross of Traverse City; her dear daughter-in-law Clara Millross of AZ; her adoring grandchildren Steven (Sue) Renwick of South Lyon, Pamela Haggerty of New Hudson; Carrie (Don) Sattler of Traverse City, Julie (Kurt) Katt of Traverse City, Amy (Nate) Alger of Kingsley, and Sara Millross of Traverse City; and eight beloved great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband, Leonard E. Millross, son Leonard C. Millross, her parents, and three sisters. A graveside service will be held Wednesday, July 5, 2006 at 11:30 a.m. at Riverside Cemetery in Plymouth. Rev. David Brown of Fellowship Evangelical Presbyterian Church will officiate the service. The family would appreciate memorial contributions to American Cancer Society, 18505 W. 12 Mile Rd., Southfield, MI 48076. Arrangements entrusted to Casterline Funeral Home, Inc. of South Lyon.



SCOTT SMITH

Age 47, a 26 year resident of Oakland Twp., passed away on Tuesday, June 27, 2006, at his home. Scott currently worked for the Rochester School System in maintenance and had been there 22 years. Scott is survived by his wife Suzy of Oakland Twp., children Samantha and Scott, both at home, and his mother, Joyce Kleehammer. Siblings surviving include Terry (Linda) Smith of Florida, Jay (Sharman) Smith of Oakland Twp., Beth Kleehammer of Rochester, MI., Tom (Ann) Kleehammer, and Jerry (Karalee) Kleehammer. Funeral services were held Friday at Sts. John & Paul Catholic Church, Washington, MI., with Fr. David Buersmeyer officiating. Arrangements by the Henry M. Malburg Funeral Home, Romeo. Donations to their children's college scholarship fund would be appreciated.

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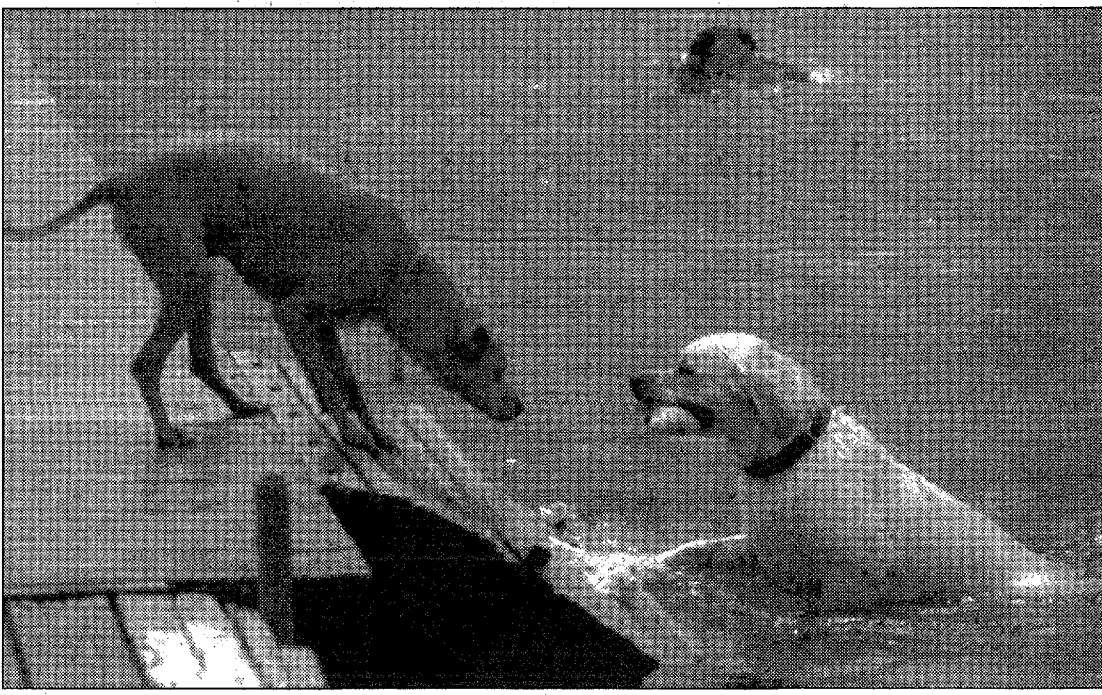
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May You Find Comfort in Family & Friends



Canine friends meet at one of three ramps on the dock in Lake Sixteen in the Orion Oaks Bark Park in Orion Township.

Dogs romp, socialize, play at bark parks

Karen Gorman tells her clients that "a tired dog is a good dog."

"So many people give their dogs up to shelters. If their dogs just had regular exercise, they'd go home and sleep at night."

Gorman, a dog trainer, keeps her E-Z Dog Park in Howell open 24-7, 365 days a year, giving owners every opportunity to let their dogs run, romp and wear themselves out on her 8-acre canine playground.

"The difference between me and other dog parks in Michigan is that I'm private. I charge \$7 a visit or \$30 a month. I've got a separate area for small dogs. I don't allow children in. And there are some dogs and people I don't let in."

She checks out each dog to make sure they're suitable for dog park play. And play is just what she says dogs need.

"Let the dog have fun. That's the idea of a dog park," she said.

Although customers must watch their dogs and clean up after them, Gorman suggests they also "relax" and socialize with other adults while allowing their dogs to have fun together.

"I've got seating, a pavilion. Some people come here for five or six hours. I get people from all over the metro area. On Friday nights we have happy hour. We cook hot dogs, order pizza. We always like to see if the pizza man will walk into the bark park," she said. "They usually do, but we have these visions of him walking in and the dogs ending up with all the pizza."

E-Z Dog Park and Training Center is located at 230 Norlynn Drive in Howell. Take I-96 west, exit at 145 (Grand River), and turn right. In less than a mile, turn right onto Hacker. Go 3.3 miles to the facility. (810) 229-7353.

A few other fenced parks: ■ Birmingham - Free and open to the public, the park is fenced and located at Springdale Golf Course. From Woodward Avenue, make a right on Strathmore, a block north of Big Beaver, and follow it to its dead end at Springdale



Erica Weaver of Lake Orion (left), Tina Caldwell of Auburn Hills and Jill Williams of Orion Township watch from the dock as dogs play in the canines-only lake at Orion Oaks Bark Park in Orion Township.



Cooling off in Lake Sixteen in Orion Township.

Park. (248) 644-1807.

■ Clinton Township - Annual cost is \$20 annually for non-residents and \$10 for residents. Locked and located at 40700 Romeo Plank Road at the Clinton Township Civic Center. Dog owners receive a park pass card when they pay and register. (586) 286-9336.

■ Lake Orion - The 14-acre Orion Oaks Bark Park is located on Joslyn about three miles north of I-75. Vehicles parked in the lot must have an Oakland County parks sticker. The park consists of three fenced areas and includes meadow, trails through forested areas, a lake with diving dock (dogs only), drinking water, benches, tables, waste bags and receptacles. (248) 858-0906 or www.oak-gov.com.

■ Lyon Township - The 13-

acre Lyon Oaks Dog Park requires an Oakland County parks permit for vehicle entry. It's similar to Orion Oaks but has no lake access for dogs. Located on Pontiac Trail between Wixom and Old Plank roads. (248) 432-7345.

■ Pleasant Ridge - The half-mile long by 150-foot wide dog run has benches, some parking and a water fountain. \$50 annual fee for non-residents; \$25 for residents. From Woodward, take Sylvan east to Indiana and turn left. Indiana dead ends at the park. Dog owners receive a park pass card when they register and pay. (248) 542-7322.

■ Warren - The 350-foot by 150-foot Ann Fracassa Memorial Dog Park has waste bags and receptacles, water, benches, toys and two doggy pools. \$20 annually non-residents; \$10 residents. Located at the end of Pauline, just south of 12 Mile, between Mound and Van Dyke. Owners get a code to unlock the gate after paying and registering. (586) 751-0168.

■ West Bloomfield - The 3-acre park, located at Karner Farms, 5911 Halstead, is open to residents only. A \$20 annual fee, mandatory meeting and registration required. (248) 738-2500.

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WOMEN SEEKING MEN

SCHOOL BUS

SF, 5'4", 189lbs, light-brown complexion, average build, Capricorn, seeks man, level-headed, goal-oriented, for friendship, possible romance. ☎986357

LOOKING FOR ME?

SWF, 5'6", 130lbs, 64, great SOH, N/S, enjoys life, dining, dancing, holding hands, music, boating, quiet times, etc. Seeking a SW/HM, N/S, sincere and humorous. ☎901378

NIGHT TIME DATA ENTRY

SWF, 72, 5'6", full-figured, gray-brown/blue, Sagittarius, N/S, enjoys movies, puzzles, seeks WM, 65-75, N/S, active, romantic, passionate, for LTR. ☎988424

LET'S TALK SOMETIME

SWF, 38, mother, enjoys Harley's, rock-n-roll, good talks, classic cars, sports, amusement parks, casinos, meeting new people. Seeking outgoing, sweet, fun man w/spontaneous streak to share new adventures with. ☎962910

LET'S HANG OUT...

Loving, caring, easygoing SF, 37, not a homebody but do enjoy a quiet evening with the right person. ISO special SM, 35-50, for friendship first, possible LTR. ☎815673

SEARCHING FOR YOU

SBF, 36, attractive, trust-worthy, down to earth, likes walks, movies, dinners, park, music, seeks BM, 36-70, for friendship, possible romance. ☎990369

ENJOY SOME FUN

SWF, 48, Virgo, N/S, enjoys dining out, dancing, seeks WM, 49-57, N/S, outgoing, for friendship, possible romance. ☎975683

JERSEY TRANSPLANT

SWF, 50, slender, blonde, Virgo, N/S, enjoys foreign travel, wine tasting, and working out. Seeking WM, 40-53, N/S, for LTR. ☎885454

ONE GOOD WOMAN

BBW, SWF, attractive, compassionate, down-to-earth. Enjoys movies, comedies, long walks, romantic evenings and more. Seeking employed SM, 38-55, to do and share things together. Must like pets. ☎947175

TAKE ME GOLFING

Tidy SWF, 60, enjoys fine dining, traveling. Seeking golfer, best friend, confidante, 58-70, widower a plus. Honesty, trust, a must to make a relationship work. ☎976914

SINGLE PROFESSIONAL WOMAN

SWPF, 45, 5'9", average build, educated, Capricorn, N/S, loves golf, reading, gardening, dining out, movies, seeks SWPM, 38-55, N/S, similar interests, for LTR. ☎983176

LET'S ENJOY LIFE

Female, 51, 138lbs, seeks independent, respectful male, 45-52, D/D free, who likes outdoors, walks, movies, for LTR. ☎987475

LOOKING FOR ME ?

Affectionate, sincere SWF, 63, 5'2", dark hair and eyes, employed part-time, enjoys travel, movies, dining out, more. ISO tall, active, open-minded, lovable man to share a little fun, possibly romance. ☎959193

SWEETHEART

Sweet, attractive SWF, 21, petite, blonde/blue, loves sports, music, travel. Seeking fun, intelligent SWM, 22-28, with traditional values, and SOH. Charm and manners a must. ☎985224

QUEEN SIZE

SWF, 44, attractive, full-figured, Capricorn, N/S, active, seeks man, 40-65, for friendship, possible romance. ☎980919

BEAUTIFUL INSIDE/OUT

Warm-hearted, sincere, nice-looking SBF, 39, 5', 130lbs, optimistic, healthy, secure, enjoys concerts, park walks, dancing, boating, bowling, dining. Seeking romantic, light-hearted, compatible man, race open, child-friendly, to share life with. ☎979954

GREAT COMPANION

SF, 65, looks 55, 5'2", unique, bright, w/many talents and interests. I'm well-traveled, very attractive, health-conscious. How about you? Seeking non-smoking counterpart, 62-70. ☎633527

FORMER MODEL

SWF, 50, 5'6", slender, intelligence, creativity, passion for music and dancing. Seeks partner 38-50, who is attractive and fit, to share this interests and more. ☎600106

STOP HERE

Professional, attractive SBF, 57, 5'5", warm, sincere, high morals and principles. Enjoys cooking, outdoors, camping, music. Seeking BM, 49-60, N/S, with same qualities, for LTR. ☎965529

ISO GOOD FRIEND?

Possible relationship? Read on. SWF, 47, N/S, enjoys cooking, dining out, art museums, plays, reading, and traveling. Seeking honest WM, 42-57, N/S. ☎857253

SEEKING COMPANION

SWF, 42, queen-sized, outgoing, enjoys walks, music, life, open to new ideas. Looking for SM who wants to do things together. Must be employed and like pets. ☎909140

FRIENDS FIRST

SBF, 37, 5'6", black/brown, easygoing, Aries, N/S, enjoys bike riding, long walks, travel, and cooking. Seeking WM, 30-50, N/S, for fun. ☎933970

WHERE ARE YOU?

Very attractive, sexy SBPF, 35, 5'2", medium build, enjoys dining out, jazz, plays. ISO SBM, 40-52, commitment-minded and sincere, for LTR. ☎950732

HI THERE!

Loving, easygoing, sweet SF, 19, 5'5", long brown/blue, morn, looking for an easygoing, child-friendly SM, who can love me for me. ☎978786

FAMILY-ORIENTED

Beautiful, shapely SBF, 34, 5'4", likes reading, long walks, working out, movies, plays, concerts, spontaneous trips, traveling, seeks patient, understanding BM, 34-46, N/S, with similar interests. ☎971687

MUST BE HONEST

SWF, 45, 5'4", 125lbs, blonde/blue, Cancer, N/S, likes outdoor activities, rollerblading, festivals, biking, seeks WM, 37-47, honest, same interests, for LTR. ☎979514

LIFE IS BEAUTIFUL

Attractive SWF, 50s, 5'7", 125lbs, loves all life, animals, arts, family, nature, spirituality. Masters helping professional. Seeking big-hearted, financially/emotionally secure, intelligent DPM, 48-68, for fun, friendship, depth, etc. ☎892242

DIE HARD ROMANTIC

Classy SBF, hoping to meet mature SBM, 45-60. I'm a very passionate, affectionate, loving person, who enjoys a variety of activities. If you're seeking your soulmate, why not try me? ☎985794

COULD YOU BE MR. RIGHT?

Are you a big, tall, handsome man? DWF, 47, very attractive, loving, fun, seeks SWM to share life together. ☎443339

SOULMATE SEARCH

Slim, attractive, 57-yr-old JF looking for her soulmate, any sincere, successful JM, between the ages of 54-64, please respond. ☎589875

LOVING LEO

Widowed WPF, 53, 5'9", brown/brown, N/S, nursing home activities coordinator, enjoys boating, swimming, and Michigan State football games. Seeking WM, 50-62, with similar interests. ☎759316

ASIAN MAN WANTED

Pretty, blue-eyed blonde, 55, plus-sized, warm and bright, seeks intelligent, handsome man for dating. Troy area. ☎827007

SOMEONE SPECIAL

Fun-loving, attractive SWF, 70, 5'5", 135lbs, blonde, retired, N/S, seeks well-groomed WM, 65-72, N/S, to share life, romance, and possible relationship. ☎891247

A GOOD FRIEND

SWF, 57, full-figured, 5'4", likes movies, dancing, good company. Seeking a nice guy to enjoy a friends first relationship. ☎916193

ARE YOU THE ONE?

SF, 25, 5'7", shoulder-length medium blonde hair, bright green eyes, outgoing, fun, loves fitness, outdoors, boating, cycling, camping, concerts, auto racing. Seeking active, fit, caring man who appreciates the same. ☎953694

FABOLOUS FIT FUN

Petite, 50s, young at heart, female, looking for one good guy, with SOH. Enjoys biking, water, working out, and life. ☎970277

LOOKING 4 GENTLEMAN

Attractive, professional, educated WF, 55, 5'2", slim, N/S. Interest include movies, concerts, comedy clubs, jazz, dancing, dining out, family ties. Seeking WM, 48-55, HWP, for lasting, loving LTR. ☎973365

WILL IT BE YOU?

Widowed female, 61, likes dining out, seeks very nice, kind, caring, affectionate gentleman, 58-68, for friendship, companionship, and more. ☎977399

RECENTLY DIVORCED

SWF, 27, 5'5", 105lbs, Leo, N/S, LD, enjoy outdoor activities, karaoke, seeks WM, 29-37, career-minded, outgoing, possible LTR. ☎976279

NEW ADVENTURES

SF, 33, 5'6", 130lbs, mother, sociable, sincere, open-minded, into extreme sports. Looking to meet cool, fun-loving, honest, energetic SM, who knows how to be respectful and have a good time. ☎799338

WHY NOT CALL

Very attractive SWF, 62, 5'2", blonde/blue, loves animals, seeks handsome WM, 55-70, for companionship, maybe more. ☎987124

59 YEARS OLD ENTREPRENEUR

Pretty, charming SWF, successful, kind, compassionate, lots of fun, looking for her knight in shining armor. Any sincere, caucasian gentlemen, 55-80, please respond. Hopefully we'll be each others soul mates. ☎592074

REFINED AND FULL OF LIFE

Very attractive blonde, fit, energetic and happy, professionally employed, very youthful 60s, 5'3", trim and shapely, enjoys dining, travel, dancing, theater, family and friends. Seeking honest, handsome, fit, 55+, college grad, N/S, with youthful passion for life. Serious replies only. ☎652360

LET'S ENJOY LIFE

SWF, 57, N/S, seeks intelligent, kind-hearted, young-at-heart WM, 57-68, N/S, who enjoys traveling, camping, boating (Great Lakes or ocean), music book stores, and laughter. ☎759907

SHALL WE DANCE?

I am a SBF, 58, 5'3", 170lbs, attractive, intelligent, creative, articulate, seeks SWM, 57-73, who is kind-hearted, articulate, who enjoys dancing, walking, traveling, movies, dining out. ☎812098

PETITE & SEXY...

SBF, sensitive, affectionate, loving, 51, looks 35, 5'1", 105lbs, N/S. Seeking healthy SBM, 5'10"-6'1", to work out with. ☎912553

NATURAL BBW

SBF, 32, 5'5", 240lbs, N/S, N/D, N/kids, employed. Seeking a SM, 18-60, who is open-minded, N/S, N/kids and can appreciate a strong woman. ☎924352

ALL OF ME

SWF, 50, 5'10", big beautiful woman, 300+ pounds, easygoing, N/S, light drinker, enjoys nights out or in. ISO loving, happy, commitment-minded man to share a happy, lasting, loving relationship. ☎956929

A GOOD FRIEND

SWF, 50, N/S, looking for SWM, 50-55, who loves movies, dining out, long walks. Must be employed. ☎969547

I LISTEN WITH MY HEART

Attractive DWF, late 40s, Cancer, N/S, seeks special, no games WM, 45+, N/S, for caring, quality committed relationship. Let's create sparks and watch them fly. ☎639272

CANADIAN

Male, 35, 5'11", 186lbs, built, tattoos, enjoys music, dancing, singing, cooking, camping, fishing, animals, seeks female, 18-50, who knows what she wants. ☎989793

OUTDOORSY KINDA GUY

DWM, 64, 5'11", 190lbs, self-employed, N/S, socially drinker, great SOH. I am looking for the right lady to spend time with, get to know and maybe develop a lasting relationship. ☎891796

YOU WON'T BE DISAPPOINTED

SBM, 6', HWP, handsome, confident, Engineer, N/S, likes concerts, plays, travel, dining, seeking SF, 33-54, attractive, passionate, loving, affectionate, possible romance. ☎984967

TRY THIS ONE

SWM, 21, 190lbs, bald head, blue eyes, seeks woman, 18-40, for friendship, possibly more. ☎987875

MAYBE US?

Warm-hearted, honest SM, 37, 5'11", 200lbs, sandy brown hair, hazel eyes, N/S, father, employed, ISO a special lady with similar qualities and interests. I enjoy outdoor activities, animals, simple fun. ☎981530

POSITIVE GUY

Happy outgoing SBM, 48, likes boating, traveling, music, fishing, seeks woman, 35-48, with similar interests, for friendship, and more. ☎988829

HOPE YOU CALL

Educated SWM, 64, likes outdoors, biking, festivals, seeks athletic WF, 50-66, with similar interests, for companionship, friendship, and more. ☎987912

MUSCULAR AND ATHLETIC

SWM, 46, 6'2", 209lbs, brown/blue, degreed, outgoing personality, enjoys outdoors, workout, new activities, seeks friendly SF, age/location open. ☎531308

SERIOUS WOMAN WANTED

SBM, 46, looking for that special persona for LTR, someone who enjoys walks, movies, sporting events, cuddling at home. Please be shapely, independent and know what you want in life. ☎692418

SECURE

WM, 58, tall, slim, good-looking, would like to meet a nice, sweet, kind woman to go out with and see what happens from there. ☎828139

HOPE TO HEAR FROM YOU

Independent, self-sufficient DWM, 45, sturdy build, carpenter, sociable, affectionate likes boating, walks, drives, cycling, cooking. Seeking a special lady to share the good things in life. ☎855207

CALL ME AND SEE

DWM, 45, 5'9", 140lbs, father, N/S, N/D, employed, honest and fun, likes music, movies, bowling, family/friends, more. Looking for SWF with similar interests and qualities. ☎950678

WORTH A CALL

SWM, 48, 6', 175lbs, N/S, homeowner, auto worker, easygoing, honest, secure, enjoys hunting, the outdoors. Seeking honest, secure, attractive slim/fit woman, 30-50, N/S, D/D-free. ☎956910

FANTASY/REALITY?

SBM, 50, 5'8", med-build, N/S, fun-loving personality, teach dancing, likes jazz/blues, quiet times, traveling. Seeking passionate SF, 20-50, slim-to-med build, race open, kids ok, for sharing time with and romance. ☎946417

LOOKING TO SETTLE DOWN

SWM, 28, 5'11", 150 lbs, slim build, brown/hazel, Capricorn, smoker, seeks woman, 18-40, for friendship, possible romance. ☎984360

FIT THE DESCRIPTION

SBM, 50, 6' 2", 200 lbs, light-skinned, home body, Capricorn, smoker, likes concerts, cooking, seeks WF, 25-45, smoker, lady-like, independent, trustworthy, possible romance. ☎984764

SHARE THE FUN

SBM, 34, 6'3", 285lbs, likes having fun, going to the movies, seeks tall woman, 23-45, for friendship, and more. ☎985508

CALL ME

Male, 27, 300lbs, enjoys fishing, walking, dining out, parks, movies, seeks woman, 18-38, for LTR. ☎985897

FUN IN THE SUN

SWM, 34, 5'9", 150lbs, enjoys working out, seeks WM, 30-55, physically fit, for friendship, and more. ☎987458

HARD MAN TO FIND

Fit, affectionate SM, 5'10", 180lbs. Seeking attractive female, 35-55. Enjoys outdoor activities, movies, cooking, camping. Looking for same qualities, and interests, for LTR. Sharon, please call back. ☎972650

NICE GUY

SWM, 66, 5'6", 150lbs, manufacturers' representative, Libra, N/S, works out, enjoys movies, restaurants, and summer festivals. Seeking SWF, 50-65, N/S, Shirley, please call back. ☎708126

JOIN ME?

Honest, secure SWM, 73, 5'9", 200lbs, N/S, homeowner, enjoys karaoke, oldies music, dancing, keeping active, meeting new people. ISO sociable, sweet, sincere lady to share the special moments in life. ☎982461

SIMPLE REQUEST

WM, 59, 5'8", 170lbs, dark/blue, looking for an attractive woman to go out and have a good time with. Age open. ☎833911

LONELY & READY

SWM, 49, Italian, heart of gold, Virgo, N/S, seeks WF, 45-55, with a nice build, ready for LTR. Serious replies only. ☎860305

TRUE GENTLEMAN

SBM, 52, 5'8", 185lbs, looking for a medium to full-figured SBF, 46-54. Someone who is worldly, nice, loves to laugh and just enjoying life to the fullest. ☎912726

LET'S BUILD

Fun-loving SBM, 47, seeks BF, 32-54, N/S, financially stable, likes romantic evenings. ☎982744

LET'S TALK

SBM, 58, 5'10", medium brown complexion, brown eyes, mustache, medium build, 190lbs, enjoys fishing, movies, music, sports, dining, cooking, travel. Seeking A loving lady for friendship and more. ☎952241

LIFE IS BEST SHARED

SM, 53, tall, 230lbs, muscular, brown hair, enjoys weekend getaways, smuggling, quiet romantic times, motorcycling, simple fun. Seeking SF, 25-55, slender, sweet and sociable to share the special times. ☎955106

HIT ME UP

SBM, 26, seeking SBF, 20-29. Must like going to movies, reality t.v., church, and having fun. ☎967301

TURNER SEEKS FONDA

Brash, outspoken, attractive, educated, trim, salt and pepper businessman, 64, NW suburbs, seeks liberal lady, whose interests include art, architecture, classical, jazz, good conversation, 46-56. ☎970990

SWEET GUY

Good-looking SWM, 52, 6'1", 197lbs, college graduate, financially secure, homeowner, bodybuilder, seeks petite SWF, 35-50, sexy, attractive, to enjoy dining out, movies, for serious relationship, maybe marriage. ☎255073

Long-term care

Everything you need to know about living in a nursing home

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN
STAFF WRITER

Lynn Dickinson's first reaction to learning that Xenia Vosen owned three nursing homes was "that's gross," but then her family was faced with seeking a long-term care facility for her mother-in-law. Until that time, Dickinson had never set foot in a nursing home. Her chance meeting with Vosen was about to change her negative opinion.

Dickinson met Vosen, who holds a doctorate in social gerontology, while attending a conference on an unrelated topic in Florida in January 2004. Vosen began telling her positive stories about the nursing homes she operated in Germany. The emotional issues surrounding the decision to place a parent or loved one in a nursing home are similar in Germany where nursing homes bear the same stigma as in the U.S. Before long the two were working together on *Living Well in a Nursing Home: Everything You and Your Folks Need To Know*. The book was published about one month ago by Hunter House.

COPING WITH GUILT

Check lists and quizzes help determine which option is right for the elderly person and their family. Dickinson's mother-in-law had Alzheimer's and no longer knew where she was anymore so she needed 24-hour-a-day care.

Dickinson started to tour nursing homes to find "a good one." She says, the biggest mistake people make when deciding on long-term care is going with their first instinct to bring mom or dad home to live with them. In the book, she goes into the feelings of guilt about the decision to place a loved one in a nursing home.

"The first instinct is it's always bad to go to a home. The book helps to evaluate whether or not home care is right for you, why a nursing home might not be such a bad option in certain cases," said Dickinson, who grew up in

Redford and now lives in Santa Monica, Calif. She holds a master's degree in spiritual psychology and a bachelor's degree from Wayne State University. "We talk about emotions that will come up. This can tear apart a family. Often the families seem more troubled than the loved one."

Throughout the book, Dickinson and Vosen describe elderly people living in difficult circumstances. The names have been changed, but the suffering of one 82-year-old woman who lived in a third-floor walk-up apartment in Dickinson's building was real.

"Every now and then I saw a face looking down at the kids playing," said Dickinson, 46. "It's really hard for people to participate in community when they can't get out. They're isolated in their homes."

After a friend encouraged the woman to move into a nursing home, she not only received the medical care needed but now has a boyfriend and participates in the facility's activities. She is happier and no longer isolated.

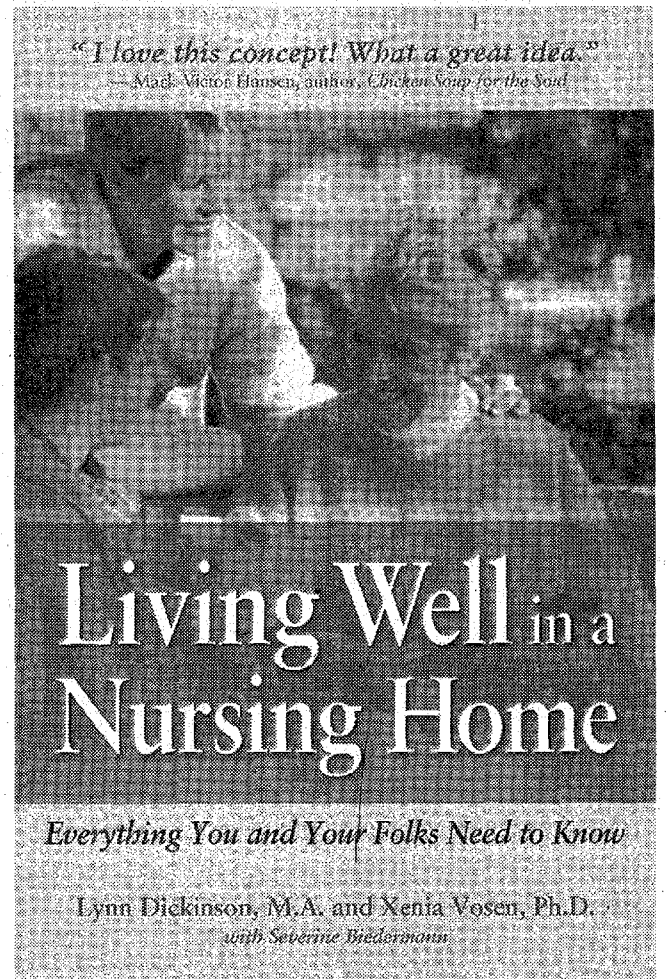
NOT AN EASY CALL

It is difficult to know when a loved one needs help with everyday living. As long as a parent is mentally capable, it's always his or her choice to stay in their home or move. If they're not mentally able, their family can use the guide in the book to decide what's right for everyone involved. When Dickinson's mother-in-law needed five full-time caregivers around the clock and she was sitting in her own living room asking to go home, the family knew it was time to look for a long-term care facility.

Depending on an elderly person's health, the options include retirement communities, assisted living facilities, nursing homes, and rehabilitation centers if there is hope for recovery after suffering a stroke or heart attack.

"We dropped Clyde's mother off at night. She was coming from Missouri and woke up in California. We worried she would wake up in a strange environment and we weren't there, but we need not have. When we walked in the next morning she was in the middle of the room hitting a balloon back and forth with the other residents," said Dickinson.

"It's knowing what your parent or loved one needs. We're not saying all nursing homes are great. Nursing home reform is something we need to get to that needs help to improve and can improve through voluntary means with pet therapy, gardening



Lynn Dickinson and Xenia Vosen wrote this book to make the decision of moving a loved one to a nursing home easier.

then they'll be there when we need them. We wouldn't think of not going to plant a flower at a parent's home, but hesitate when it's at a nursing home."

Communication with staff is even more important to obtain the proper care for a loved one. The second part of the book deals with life and problems in a facility. If a loved one is complaining of cramps, he or she might tell family but not the staff. Dickinson covers when and how to approach staff for help and how to tell if a resident is being neglected. The nursing home where her mother-in-law lives was recently sold so the family is watching to see what changes, good or bad, new ownership will bring.

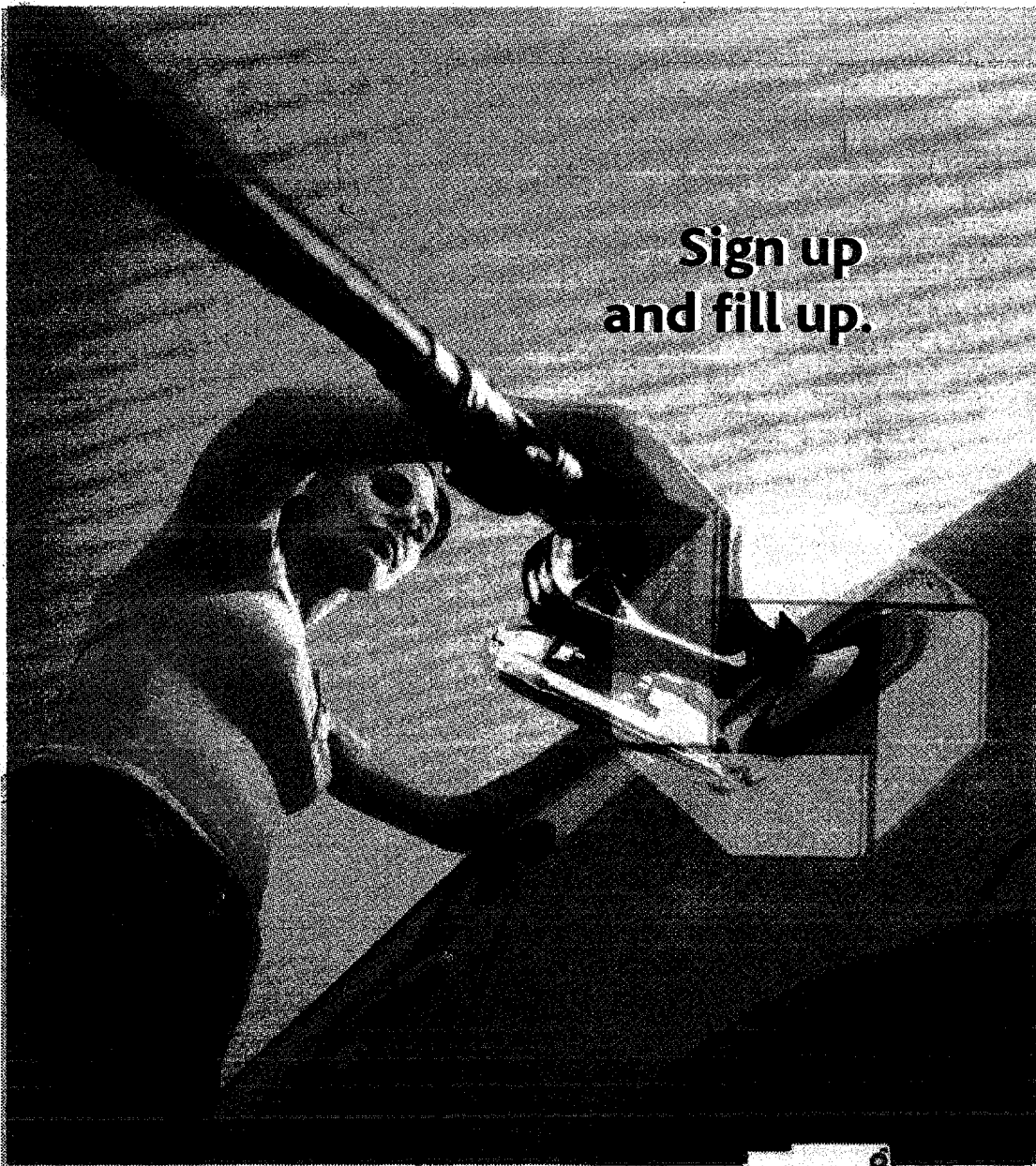
"The most important thing is to know that they have options. The book is an educate campaign to let people know. I've now even thought about my own self in that position since writing the book," said Dickinson. "More than 50 percent of the diseases of aging are lifestyle-related. I've started eating healthier, working out regularly. It got me thinking about my body. When people died in older days they used to spend 1 percent of their lives incapacitated or infirm. Now they spend at least 10 percent of their lives infirm or incapacitated."

Living Well in a Nursing Home: Everything You and Your Folks Need To Know is available at www.amazon.com, and major bookstores such as Barnes & Noble.

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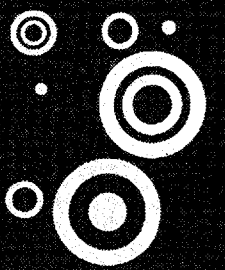


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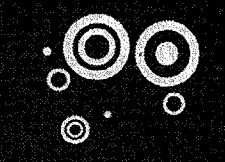
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PET

FROM PAGE C1

Pet Supplies "Plus" has grown to meet the demand. It started with one store in Redford in 1988, as a pioneer in bringing supermarket-style merchandising to the field. It's now a franchise chain with more than 200 stores in 20 states.

PET PRODUCTS, SERVICES

As the industry grows, never before seen products and services are appearing on the market. A sample of trends and offerings follows:

GOING TO THE DOGS

Big-name companies are adding pet product lines. A new example: Nathan's hot dog treats. Known as a premium hot dog for people, the dog treats are premium too, using "human grade" ingredients.

Scott Samet of Petbrandz.com, which offers the product, says, "I think people are just more aware that it's probably better for their pet to give them higher quality items."

Fucini of Pet Supplies "Plus" says another trend, as with people, is supplementing food with medicinal ingredients. "A big trend is treating

arthritis and joint conditions, because as the average age of pets is increasing with better care it is leading to more senior conditions like arthritis," she said.

"Also, pets are not being kept outside and it's creating overweight animals. So there are lots of foods on the market that are weight control type products."

GOOD DOG

Vladae Roytapel is a Troy-based dog trainer and co-owner of Alternative Canine Training, which offers home-based training and approaches behavior problems from the dog's point of view. He also writes a column for the Eccentric, and is the "Dog Wizard" for local television's Fox 2. Roytapel started his business here four years ago. "It's a tremendous market," he said. "When we started we charged \$60-65 a lesson. Now, it's \$120-130 a lesson. Even

though the economy has slowed down dramatically, we still have a waiting list."

"In the U.S., dogs are like kids," said Roytapel, who previously resided in the Soviet Union and Europe. But he added he has trainer friends in India and China who report the same tendencies. "Before the dog would live outside, now they take it inside, treat it like a child."

Like children, however, they need to learn obedience. So much of his business is helping people understand how to get the best behavior out of their beloved pets, just as a canine parent would.

Roytapel is now going to franchise his business.

HOME ALONE NO MORE

One of the most recent doggy day care centers to open is the Canine Campus in Farmington Hills, providing dog day care, boarding, grooming and training. And now

your dog can go to camp, too. Camp Bow Wow in Troy, part of a national franchise company, provides "premier doggy day and overnight camps" with live "camper cams" for families to see their dog while they're away, certified camp counselors, campfire treats, indoor and outdoor play areas and overnight cabins.

MUST LOVE DOGS

For the single looking for a partner who "must love dogs," Canine to Five, a doggy day care in Detroit, hosts Hot Dogs, a monthly singles social at which dogs and dog lovers can meet — although dogs get the bonus of a play-space.

THE BEST MEDICINE

Medical advancements in pet care include canine dialysis, brain surgery, hip replacements, cancer treatment and cataract surgery. Michigan Veterinary

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Holistic medicine is also available for pets, such as acupuncture and massage.

Pet insurance is also gaining in popularity.

One might wonder: What do the pets think about it all? For instance, what does Casper think of wearing a lifejacket?

"They're your best friend and they're going to trust you and think whatever you do is normal," Fucini said.

As for her, she loves pets and loves the business.

"It's a happy business. The people in the industry are happy people."

"Of course, it's for the money," Roytapel said, "but also for the love of animals."

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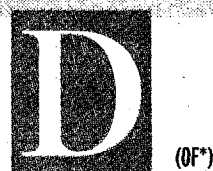
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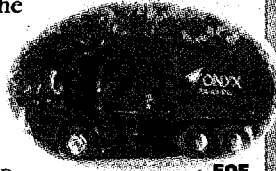
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Production Supervisors

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Help Wanted-General 5000

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Attorneys P.C.
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Suite 101
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Executive Assistant

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Help Wanted-General 5000

RESIDENTIAL MANAGER
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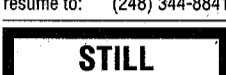
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Position available for individual with accounts receivable experience or degree in accounting or finance. Direct resumes to: Accounting Manager, P.O. Box 9154, Farmington Hills, MI 48333 or fax to (248) 539-2135 or email to acctjobs@edwardrose.com

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LEGAL SECRETARY

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LEGAL SECRETARY
Part-Time. 10 yrs. + experience. Bingham Farms Call: (248) 594-0009

Help Wanted-Office Clerical 5020

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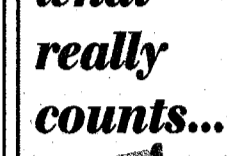
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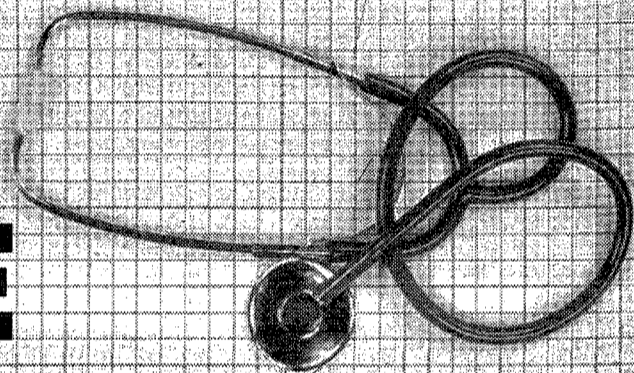
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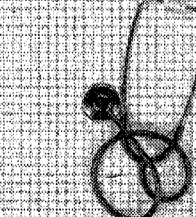
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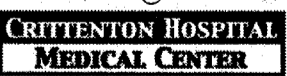
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Curb appeal counts in selling

(NewsUSA) — You've decided to move, but the housing market is more competitive than ever. To get an edge on your competition, it's important to make your home as appealing as possible so that you can sell it quickly and at its maximum value.

Home improvement experts provide the following tips to increase the resale value of your home:

■ **Give it curb appeal.** A home's exterior is one of the most important selling points. During the warmer seasons, have colorful flowers and potted plants adorn your yard and entryways. Repaint your front door and replace welcome mats that appear worn or dirty. Also, have the grass cut and trim bushes and shrubs regularly.

■ **Improve or replace siding.** If the outside of your home is looking a bit dull, re-siding can be a dramatic and cost-effective way to improve its appearance. Companies now offer siding that replicates the beauty of real cedar, brick and stone yet requires less maintenance. If you are not looking to replace the siding on your entire home, choose certain areas for accent siding.

■ **Remove the clutter.** Excess furniture can make a room seem smaller. Rearrange or remove furniture to give your home a feeling of openness.

■ **Address any imperfections that can be easily fixed.** Look at carpets for stains; walls and ceilings for paint scuffs or marks; floors for chips or cracks; and any other noticeable flaws. Replace fixtures and hardware to improve the appearance of the kitchen and bath-



Making your home look more attractive will boost its curb appeal, making it easier to sell.

rooms.

■ **Brighten it up.** Lighting is essential because it can portray a certain mood and accentuate fea-

tures of a room. Open the blinds and drapes to let as much natural light in as possible, and consider installing accent lighting.

■ **Make it sparkle.** Your home should be thoroughly clean and tidy to ensure potential homebuyers see it at its best. Burn candles or scented

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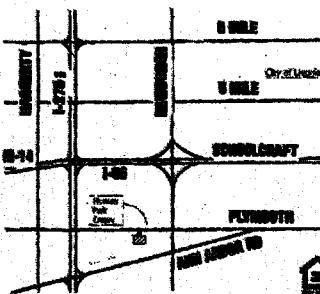


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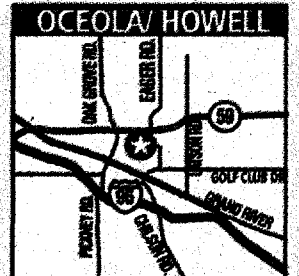


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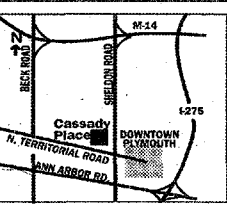
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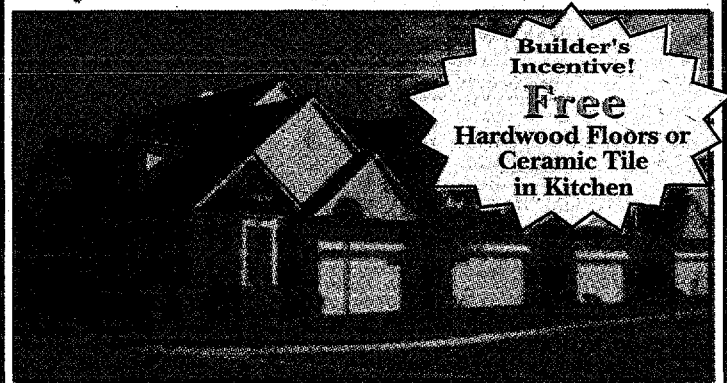
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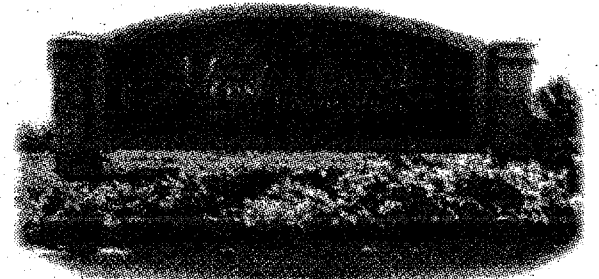
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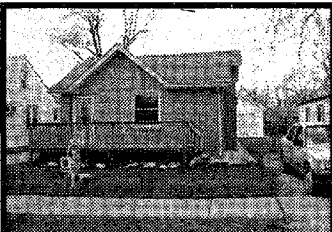
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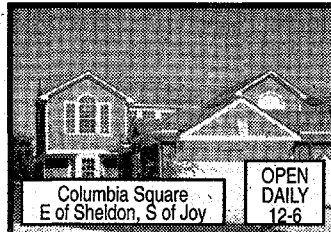


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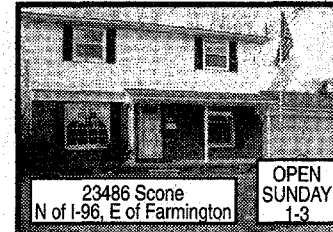
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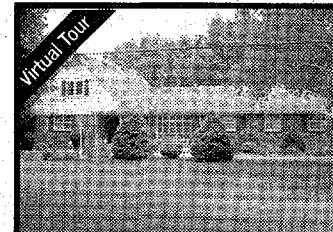
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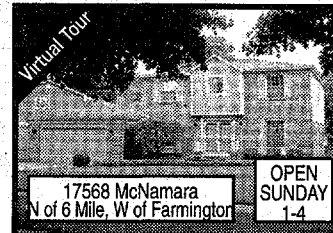
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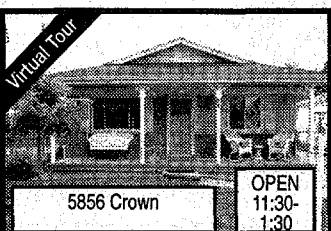
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Tuesday/Thursday, July 11, 13, 18 and 20, at Henry Ford Community College, Dearborn Heights campus, 22586 Ann Arbor Trail.
The course is for those who want to subcontract construction of their own homes, real estate investors and

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Time to sell: What you need to do when holding an open house

What are some basic rules I should know regarding having an open house?

An open house is a great opportunity to expose your house to the neighborhood. Here are some general things to keep in mind when holding one open:

■ The house should be immaculate. This is your chance to present your house to the public. I have seen buyers get turned off about a house because of dust. Although, the house after it's sold can be cleaned it creates a bad feeling if the house is perceived by buyers to be dirty.

■ Just about all the lights should be on. There is a different feeling walking through a house that is dark, rather than one that is lit up. The dark house creates a gloomy feeling. You are selling your house. It needs to be as presentable as possible.

■ You should not be there. You want buyers to feel comfortable walking through the



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house and checking out closets. It makes most buyers uncomfortable to closely look inside a house if the owners are there. If they don't carefully examine the house there is less of a chance they will write an offer on it. Generally the more time they spend in the house, the greater likelihood that they are interested in buying it.

The best thing you can do is stay away. Go visit relatives, see a movie, do some shopping, etc. It's the job of your Realtor to sell the house during the open house.

■ All the people whom visit your house should sign in on the guest register. This is a security precaution. Complete

strangers are coming into your house. There should be a way to monitor who the visitors are.

■ Often there are nosy neighbors who will visit your house because they are well, nosy. It is still good for the sales process for them to come and see your house. They may have friends or relatives who are interested in moving in next to them.

If they see the inside of your house, assuming they like what they are seeing, there is more of a chance that they will sell the house for you. The more people who see your house the better. Also, nosy neighbors talk a lot more to others than non-nosy types, so they may be your best salespeople.

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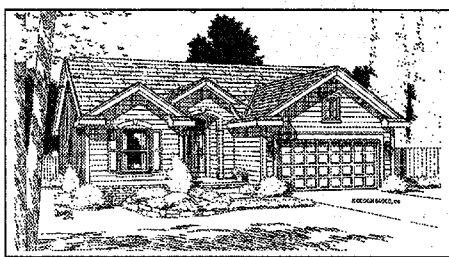
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An eating bar facing the nook. A corner sink is adjacent to the eating bar and a pantry is across the walkway.

At the end of the kitchen is a door leading to the utility room. An extra storage closet has been added to the utility. Another door opening into the two-car garage makes bringing in groceries or kids easier. An extra jog in the garage provides a possibility of storage or a workbench for the weekend do-it-yourselfer.

The Kirby Farm has two bedrooms, the master suite in the left rear area, and the secondary bedroom (ideal as a kid's room or nursery) in the left front. A full bath is located between the two bedrooms, along with a linen closet in the hall. This is easily accessible from the rest of the home through an arched doorway.

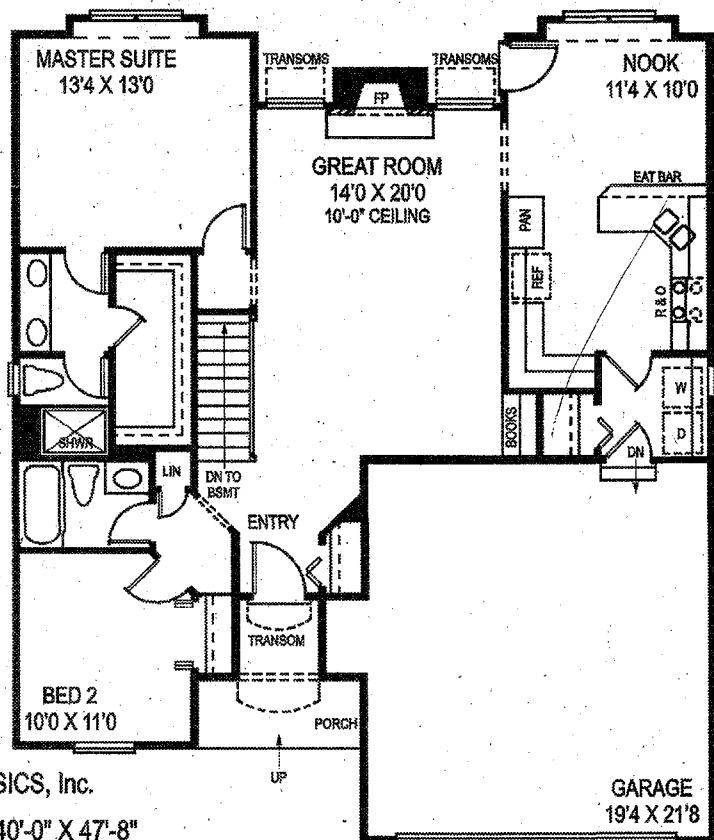
The master suite has a large walk-in closet with twin sinks directly across the walkway. This is ideal for getting ready for work in the mornings. There is an oversized shower conveniently located beside the closet.

Entry into this suite passes through an arched doorway, and over the basement stairwell.

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For a study plan of the KIRBY FARM (D8093), send \$15 to Landmark Designs, 33127 Saginaw Rd. E., Cottage Grove, OR 97424 or call (800) 562-1151. Be sure to specify plan name and number.

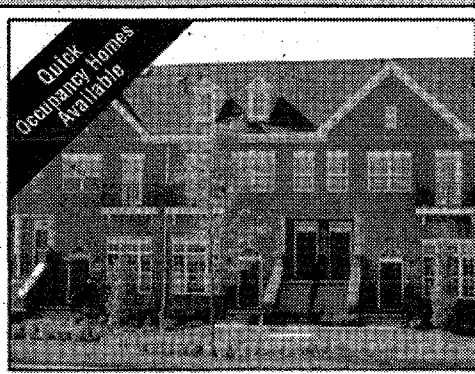
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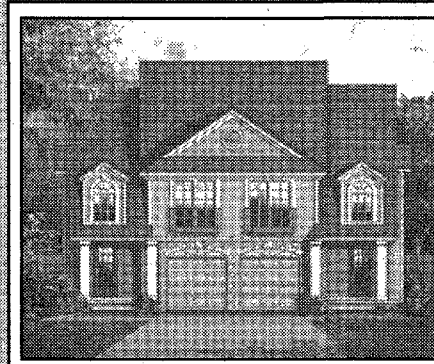
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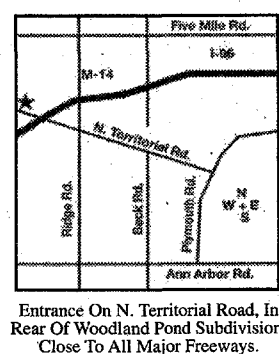
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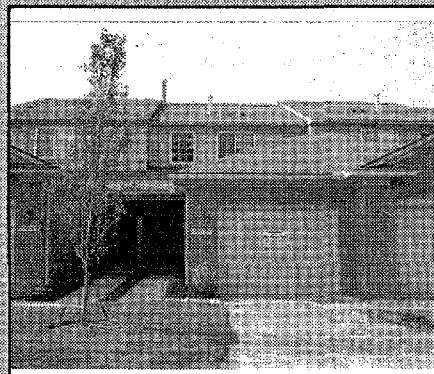


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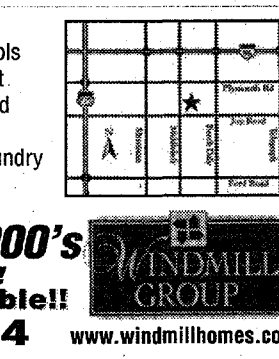


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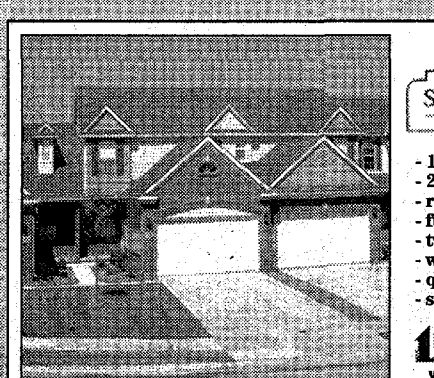
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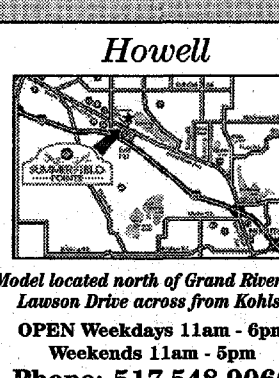


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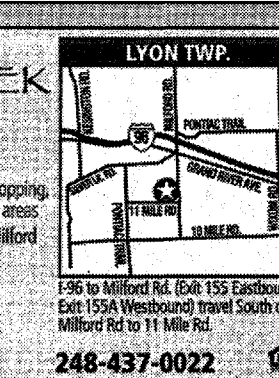
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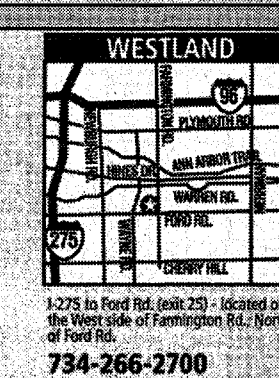
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- 5 Friendly advice
- 8 South African people
- 12 Try to influence
- 13 Fish roe
- 14 Gossip tidbit
- 15 "Ha!"
- 18 Enter data
- 17 Half-moon tide
- 18 "Bad, Bad — Brown"
- 20 Wine category
- 22 Removes, as a hat
- 24 Unlatch
- 27 Heavy sound
- 30 Floral offering
- 32 Pillow cover
- 33 Evergreen
- 34 Decays
- 35 Castle wall
- 37 Crude metals
- 38 Blow away
- 39 Sky-high
- 41 Boxing's greatest
- 42 Different
- 46 Kind of lens

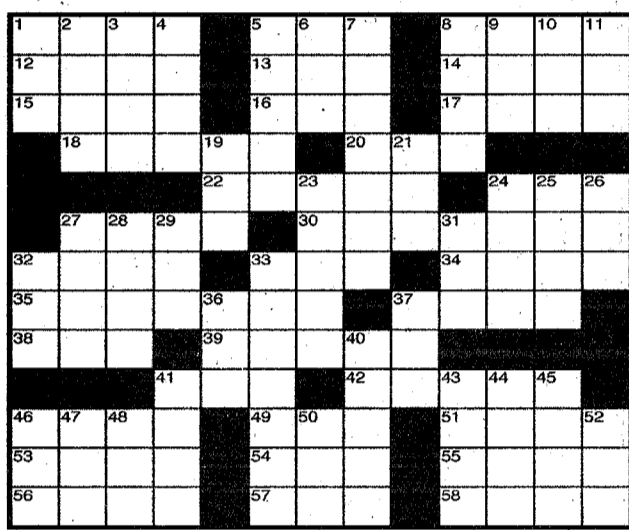
DOWN

- 1 Tavern
- 2 Face-to-face exam
- 3 Give a wolfish look
- 4 Whodunit suspect
- 5 Ginza locale
- 6 — been robbed!
- 7 Forks over (2 wds.)
- 8 Nonrust coating
- 9 Sporty truck
- 10 Actress
- 11 Thompson
- 14 Foul ball caller
- 19 Unmatched

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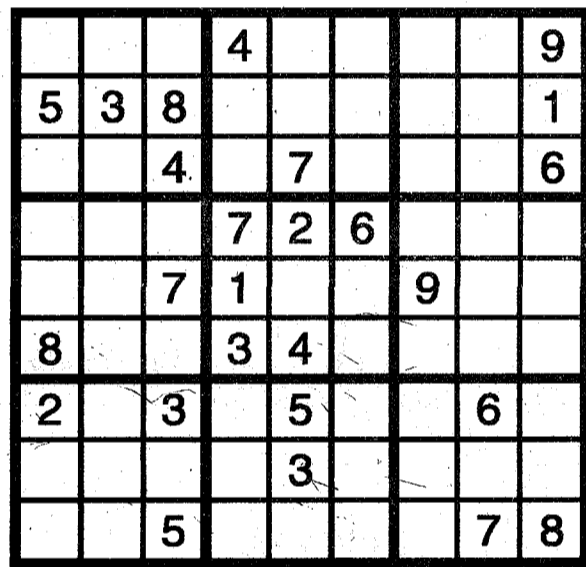
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- 21 Mountain curve
- 23 Corn-chip name
- 24 Reed instrument
- 25 Stock options
- 26 Newspaper execs
- 27 Take out of the freezer
- 28 Mad Hatter guest
- 29 Thuman of the screen
- 31 Slip up
- 32 Luxury resort
- 33 Many pets
- 36 Buddy
- 37 New York Giants hero
- 40 The "I" in f-stop
- 41 Town near Des Moines
- 43 Scurries along
- 44 Como — used?
- 45 Bogle role
- 46 Use a remote
- 47 Osaka sash
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- 52 That vessel

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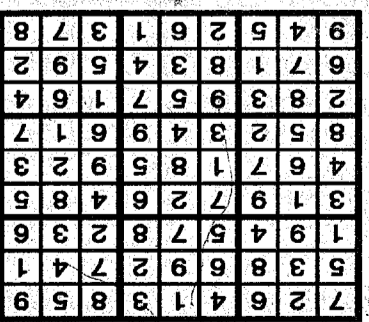
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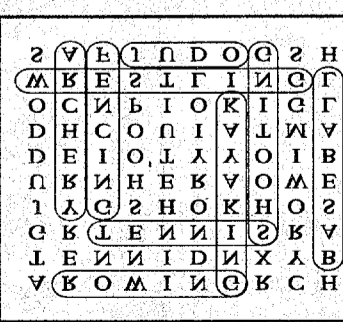
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By Dave Menard
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People that know what I do ask me the question all the time. What car do you really like best? It's a hard question to answer. There are a lot of different vehicles I like for a lot of different reasons. Somewhere in my top five, though, has got to be the 2006 Mercedes-Benz E350 sedan.

It's a new model, replacing the not-too-shabby E320, and it's nice to look at and fun to drive. The E350, which also comes in a wagon configuration, is what I call a personal sedan—not so large as to lose all road feel and be difficult to maneuver, and not so small that its ride is uncomfortable and its space too tight. It just feels like a part of you when you drive it.

You can tell it's a Mercedes right away. It's got the distinctive front fascia of a Mercedes, larger outside headlamps with smaller inside lamps and the classic Mercedes hood ornament. The lines are sharp and clean. Although there wasn't one on the test car, you can get an AMG Sport package for the E350 that includes an ANG-design sculpted front air dam and rear apron, dual polished chrome exhaust tips and 18-inch wheels with performance tires. Even without the sport package, though, the E350 looks nice.

The E350 is powered by a 3.5-liter V-6, featuring four valves per cylinder, double-overhead camshafts and variable valve timing for both intake and exhaust valves. The engine is rated at 268 horsepower, which is an increase of 20 percent over the 3.2-liter engine it replaces, and 258 lb.-ft. of torque.

The good news is that six cylinders are enough to give you a nice shot of power off the line (0-60 in 6.5 seconds) and more-than-adequate passing power, and it's rated at 19 mpg city and 27 on the highway. The bad news is that it takes premium fuel.

It's mated to a very smooth transmission. It's a seven-speed automatic with touch shift. You can do the shifting yourself, if you care to, but I never felt the need. With seven gears to choose from, the shift points always seemed to be properly spaced and, at times, almost unnoticeable.

Where the E350 really shines, though, is in how it handles. It seems to almost anticipate the road ahead and quickly compensates for twists and turns. It corners very well—you almost look forward to them.



2006 Mercedes-Benz E350 (sedan). Vehicle class: Midsize car. Power: 3.5-liter V-6 engine. Where built: Sindelfingen, Germany. Mileage: 19 city / 27 highway. Base price: \$50,050. Price as tested: \$54,465.

The suspension is a four-wheel independent system, with coil springs up front and a five-link system with gas shocks and stabilizer bar in the rear. The ride is smooth and quiet without losing road feel. There is an optional air suspension system available, which uses sensors to monitor road conditions to select suspension settings.

Power-assisted rack-and-pinion steering, electronic stability program and traction control are standard, and the power-assisted four-wheel ABS brakes are excellent.

Inside, Mercedes has given the E350 a nice combination of sportiness and luxury. The standard 10-way power-adjustable leather seats (which can be heated as part of an option package) provide great support, and it's easy to find a good driving position.

The cockpit features woodgrain inserts and a center console that's also woodgrain. The console opens to reveal two cupholders and a storage area (there's also a small storage bin that slides out of the passenger's side of the dash).

The instrument panel is well laid-out and features a computer message center in the middle. While I'm old school enough to prefer an analog fuel gauge, the vertical bar gauge is fine.

There's plenty of leg room, even for tall drivers. Hip and shoulder room are not a problem, either. The trunk area is roomy and you can drop the rear seats down for even more cargo space.

The E350 comes with automatic climate control, power tilt steering wheel, power windows, cruise control, and an integrated garage door opener. A sunroof is

optional. The standard audio system on the E350 is an AM/FM/weatherband/CD system with nine speakers and surround sound. As impressive as it is, you can opt for an even more impressive harmon-kardon LOGIC7 system, with seven-channel digital surround sound, 12 speakers and 420 watts of total power.

You can also add a DVD-based navigation system. It's not as intuitive as some others I've seen, but it provides an attractive display and will do the job for which it's intended.

The E350 comes with adaptive dual-stage front airbags; in less severe crashes only the first stage of the air bag will deploy, while both stages will deploy in more serious crashes. Side airbags are also included and the E350 has a rollover sensor that will deploy the side airbags in the case of an imminent rollover. Also included are active front head restraints. In the event of a rear collision, the head restraints move forward to support the head and help reduce whiplash injuries.

As much as you might love the E350, it does come at a price. It starts at about \$50,000. Add the sunroof, navigation system, heated seats and rear sunshade (it's all part of a package) and you're up around \$54,500. And this doesn't include the AMG sport package. Not cheap—but you get a lot of car for your money.

At the beginning of this story I said I really liked the 350. I never said I could afford it.
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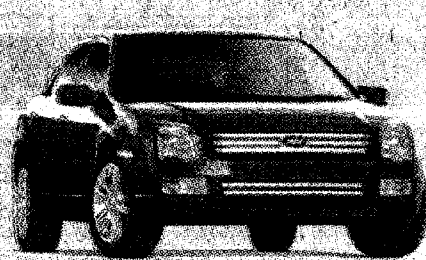
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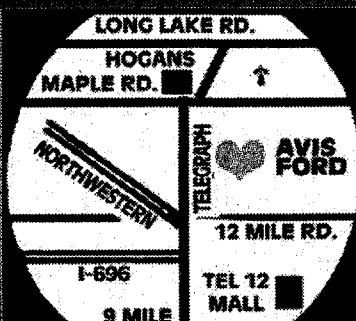
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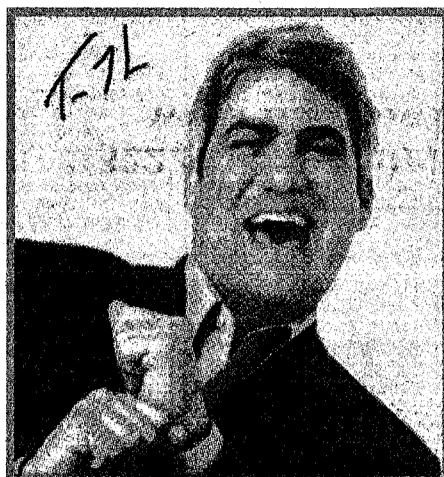
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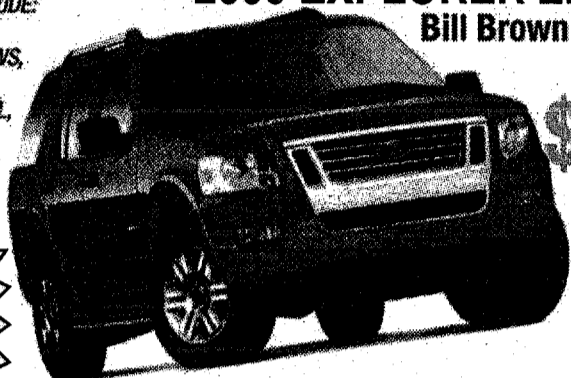
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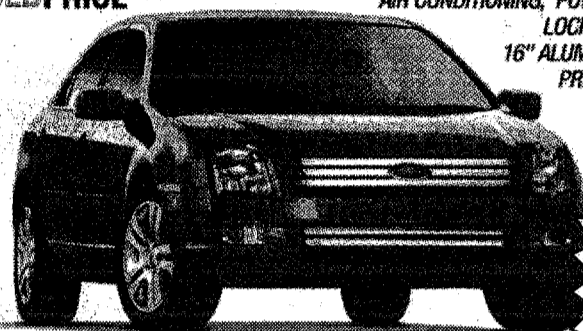
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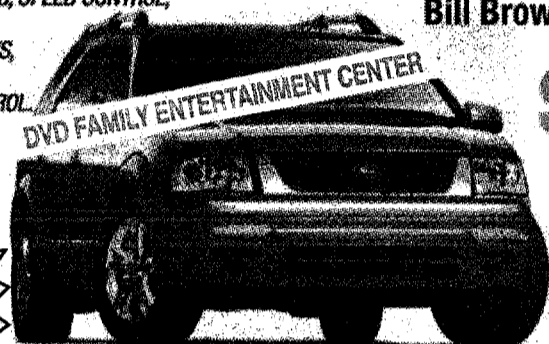
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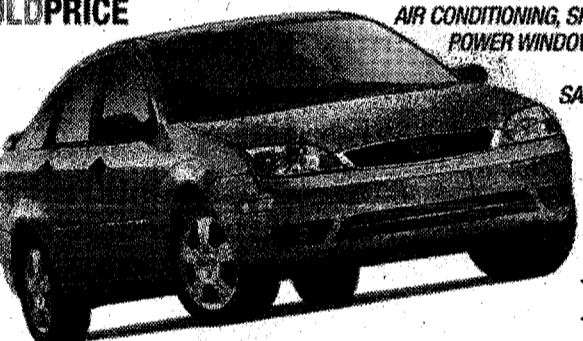
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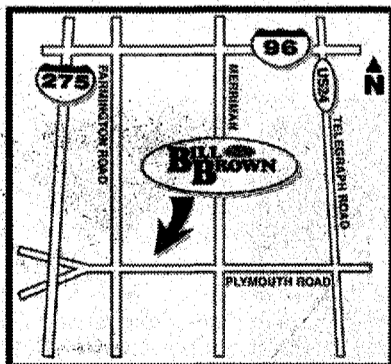
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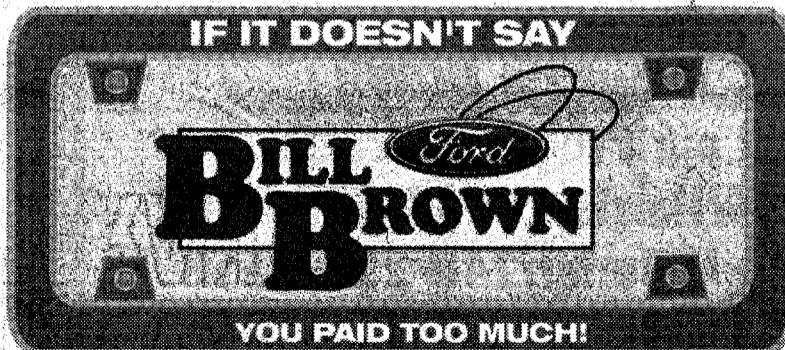
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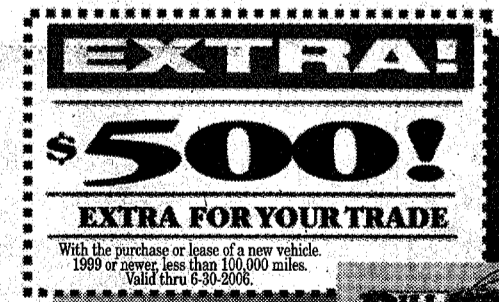
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