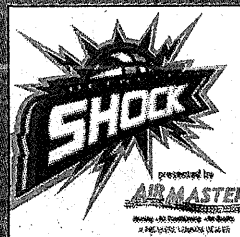


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## Bathey buyer wants lower tag

BY TONY BRUSCATO  
 STAFF WRITER

A year after the Plymouth City Commission agreed to sell the 16-acre parcel off Mill Street commonly known as the Bathey site for \$3.1 million to Connektiv Communities of Royal Oak, the developer is attempting to renegotiate the deal for a lesser amount of money.

"This couldn't have come at a worse time, with the economy the way it is," Plymouth Mayor Dan Dwyer said. "I can understand why the builder isn't going at lightning speed. Minimally, we need to get the buildings on the property torn down. It's a terrible eyesore."

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

Connektiv bought the parcel in March 2006 after 21 Century Holdings of Southfield pulled out of a deal that would have given the city \$4.5 million, citing market conditions and environmental costs associated with cleanup of the property.

At that time, Connektiv's Dennis Griffin announced plans for 180 condominium units that would sell for about \$200,000 each, with about 30,000 square feet of commercial space.

"Connektiv continues to collaborate with the city," Griffin said. "We're still under purchase agreement and are working to redevelop the site."

Dwyer said Connektiv is currently paying \$5,000 a month for the site.

"Our intent, all along, has been to recover the cost the city has incurred along the way, and get the builder to move on the project," said Mayor Dan Dwyer. "The No. 1 goal is to get the property on the tax rolls and make it a viable part of Plymouth again."

Dwyer said he remains hopeful the project will become as successful as the Daisy Square development on Hamilton Street.

"Vacant lots have homes built on them, and people in the neighborhood are fixing up their homes," Dwyer said. "That part of town has been refreshed by that development. It's an awesome part of town."

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## Big splash

Three-year-old Lucas Tafelsky of Plymouth liked to jump up and splat down in the mud at Wayne County Parks' Mud Day at the Nankin Mills area of Hines Park in Westland. For more on the muddy fun, please turn to Page A6.

## Jackson gets school board appointment

BY TONY BRUSCATO  
 STAFF WRITER

The Plymouth-Canton Board of Education Tuesday night named John Jackson of Plymouth Township to fill a one-year appointment to the school board.

However, the selection didn't come without some controversy as one of the four candidates for the vacancy, Kurt Heise of Plymouth Township, said "the fix was in" to keep him from being chosen.



Jackson

Jackson was given the nod by five of the six trustees, who asked nine questions of the candidates before making their selection. John Nichols of Canton Township received the other vote. Heise and Greg Morrison of Plymouth, who didn't participate in the interviews, did not receive any votes.

The vacancy was created when Mark Slavens resigned at the May 8, 2007, board meeting to accept an appointment from the governor as a Wayne County Circuit Court judge.

"First and foremost is to figure out how to maintain the level of student achievement we have now, and maintain that during these tough financial times," Jackson said after being selected. "How do we operate more efficiently and smart?"

"The superintendent search will be big, and another is

communication," he added. "We have to figure out a way to get out the successes of the district."

Heise, in his opening statement, told board members they should follow the lead of the voters in the May election.

"It's time for new blood and new perspective on the school board," said Heise, who moved into the district last fall. "Over 2,500 voters selected me as their choice for school board in May. It is time to set the record straight on the past election and let's do the right thing, and let's elevate the third-place person to that vacant seat."

However, in the end, trustees said they wanted someone who has some history in volunteering in the district, and selected Jackson, who has been a Plymouth-Canton Music Boosters president, a member of the bond steering committee and finished third in last year's election.

"My plan, all along, was to run in 2008, but when Mark Slavens resigned it became the time to do it now," said Jackson, who indicated to the school board he would run to keep the position in the May 2008 school board election.

Afterward, Heise claimed he was told by Trustee Dianne Gonzalez two weeks ago not to pursue the appointment.

Please see **JACKSON, A5**

## Crafting a fine fair – art festival brings new, old back to town

**ARTS AND CRAFTS TIME**  
**What:** Plymouth Art in the Park  
**When:** Friday, noon to 8 p.m.; Saturday, 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.; Sunday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.  
**Where:** Downtown Plymouth  
**Featuring:** More than 400 exhibitors with a wide variety of arts and crafts on display

BY TONY BRUSCATO  
 STAFF WRITER

Paula Robarge and her family have been making furniture out of tree branches for nearly 20 years, displaying their handmade goods at art fairs around metro Detroit.

However, this will be the first time Robarge will be selling her wares at Art in the Park, scheduled for Friday, Saturday and Sunday in downtown Plymouth.

Robarge wanted to be part of the festivities so badly she and her family drove from their Livingston County home to deliver a chair for Art in the Park founder Dianne Quinn to personally view. Quinn liked it so much she bought the chair and gave Robarge one of the show's nearly

Map of festival site, A4.

400 exhibitor booths. "It has a lot of people, and so we went for it," Robarge said. "Plymouth looks like a friendly place to do a show, and I've heard from other people how nice a fair it is."

Quinn said she received about 1,000 applications from exhibitors who wanted to be part of the three-day show, with fewer than half getting an invitation.

"We have a committee that looks at photos and slides from every application, and when we say 'wow,' those are the ones that get in," Quinn said. "Nobody is guaranteed just because they were in the show before. This year we have over 100 new artists."

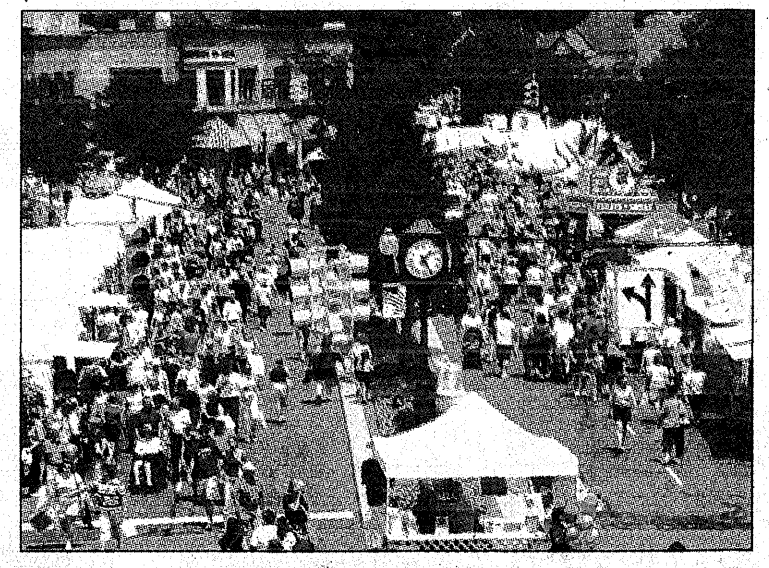
There will also be 20 child artists who go through the same process.

"They'll be around the fountain with the things they've made all year, from handmade soap to rhinestone dog collars to painted rocks," Quinn said.


Quinn, whose father was the director of nurses for a former state home in Northville Township, said she's particularly pleased to have developmentally disabled exhibitors from Services To Enhance Potential (STEP) in Livonia selling their goods.

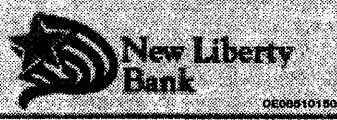
"They were involved in his life for many years, and we were always aware of people with special needs, and learned to respect

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Scores of spectators are expected to fill the streets of downtown Plymouth for this weekend's annual Plymouth Art in the Park.

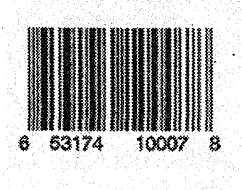
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# Movie makers more than just 'video guys'

BY TIFFANY L. PARKS  
STAFF WRITER

They aren't "the video guys" — they're movie makers. That's how Mark Salloum views his VideoMagic Productions team.

The company, of which Salloum is the executive producer, recently moved from downtown Plymouth to 7990 Lilley Road in Canton.

The 20-year-old business got its start filming weddings and events but has broadened its repertoire to include other services such as commercials, corporate presentations and instructional and promotional videos.

Salloum, who dreams of creating a major motion picture, credits Martin Scorsese and Frank Capra as two of his favorite directors.

"It's always (amusing) when someone says 'Hey, the video guys are here,'" Salloum chuckled. "We aren't the video guys. We're creating feature-length films, really, that's what

## VIDEOMAGIC PRODUCTIONS

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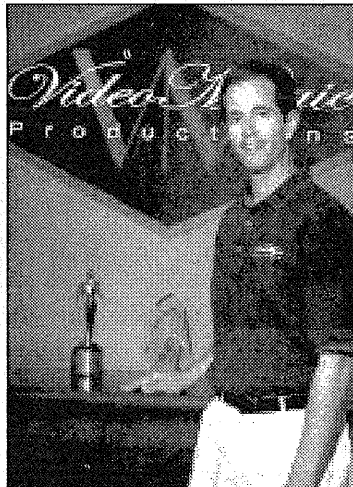
VideoMagic is an award-winning company that offers corporate, promotional, industrial, instructional and sports videos. They also film commercials, weddings and other special events.

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With a host of corporate jobs and more than 1,000 weddings under their belts, VideoMagic doesn't use a standard formula in their filming. The crew includes two full-time and several part-time producers.

Each client, Salloum said, gets personalized treatment.

"We stay as fresh as we can by studying movies and (television shows)," he said. "If we have two weddings on the same day, we compete with



Mark Salloum recently moved his VideoMagic Productions team from downtown Plymouth Lilley in Canton.

each other to see who came up with the most clever idea or who got the best footage. We love it."

The staff has begun viewing movies together to drum up creativity.

"We are not cookie cutter," Salloum said, adding that they don't add "cheesy" graphics to

their products.

VideoMagic has garnered several honors for its work, including a Telly Award for producing a bilingual instruction video. The company offers sports resumes for hopeful college athletes to send to universities, life biographies, memorial videos and has filmed the Detroit Tigers Fantasy Camp for 15 years.

On the corporate side, Salloum said VideoMagic is able to work with customers whose budgets range from "shoe string to sky as the limit." He declined to release the pricing of the company's wedding video packages.

Salloum, a married father of three, said he's pleased with his choice to put down roots in Canton.

"I love the area and I love the building," he said, adding that he's excited about the future of the business. "We want to exceed the expectations of every client."

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# Michigan waits in line to charge cemetery owner in embezzlement

BY ALEX LUNDBERG  
STAFF WRITER

Michigan's case against an Oklahoma businessman accused of mishandling millions of dollars in cemetery trust funds will have to wait until he faces similar charges in Tennessee.

Clayton Smart, who owns cemeteries and funeral homes in three states, is being held in a Tennessee jail on a \$4.2 million bond. Michigan will have a crack at Smart after Tennessee has had its turn.

Attorney General spokesman Matt Frendeway said Smart is facing much tougher charges in Michigan than he is in other states.

"He's still there," he said. "We're still waiting for his arraignment there to extradite him. That may not be until August."

Smart is facing 39 charges in Michigan including 10 for embezzlement, one for racketeering and 28 for failure to trust cemetery funds. In all, the attorney general's office wants to get an accounting of more than \$70 million it believes Smart mis-handled.

"There are two trust funds a cemetery has to keep: one for merchandise (monuments, caskets) and one for endowed care," Frendeway said. "Both are handled differently."

If someone puts down \$1,000 toward a casket and headstone before his or her death and the bill comes to only \$900, the cemetery operator can keep the difference. The endowed care fund pays for cemetery maintenance forever and the only funds a cemetery operator can touch from that fund are through investments — and there are state-generated guidelines for what constitutes acceptable investments.

Prosecutors say Smart took \$61 million in care and trust funds for investments in off-shore hedge funds, something that is illegal under Michigan law.

A total of 28 Michigan cemeteries are affected in the case including Cadillac Memorial Gardens in Westland, Mt. Hope Memorial Gardens in Livonia and United Memorial Gardens in Plymouth. The Michigan Attorney General's office filed an injunction against Smart in 2006 removing him as the operator of the Michigan cemeteries and putting them in the care of a conservator. People who have already purchased services (plots, care) will not see an interruption in their contracts.

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**Music boosters fund-raiser**

The Plymouth-Canton Music Boosters and the Plymouth-Canton Marching Band are launching a summer fund-raising drive to raise enough money to purchase a new semi-trailer to replace the 50-foot trailer currently used by the nationally acclaimed band to carry all the large, front-ensemble instruments and equipment.

The public is welcome to purchase the \$10 tickets for the special fund-raising raffle being held in conjunction with Plymouth Motorsports. Raffle tickets will be sold all summer long to win buyer's choice of a waverunner, motorcycle, snowmobile or four-wheeler.

The tickets will be on sale at the upcoming Art in the Park festival held in downtown Plymouth July 13-15. The Plymouth-Canton Music Boosters will have two booths at the event, where bottled water and the raffle tickets will be on sale. Band members will be on hand to meet with members of the community.

Raffle tickets will be sold throughout the summer, with the final winner announced at the Great Lakes Invitational Marching Band Competition hosted by the Plymouth-Canton Music Boosters at Canton High School Oct. 13. All proceeds will benefit the Plymouth-Canton band programs. To purchase raffle tickets, visit [www.pcmb.net](http://www.pcmb.net)

**Senior Olympics**

Canton Township is the host for the 2007 Western Wayne County Senior Olympics, set for Aug. 20-24.

Registration forms are available at the Plymouth Community Council on Aging office, Friendship Station and township hall.

Deadline is July 31st for registration, most events are \$2 with the exception of golf (\$10) and bowling (\$5). Opening Day (Aug. 20) will feature a light breakfast with Wayne County Executive Bob Ficano, the opening ceremony, Fun Walk and much more.

For more information, call (734) 453-1234, Ext. 236.

**Improv classes**

The Plymouth Community Arts Council offers Improv Classes July 16-20 and July 30 through Aug. 3.

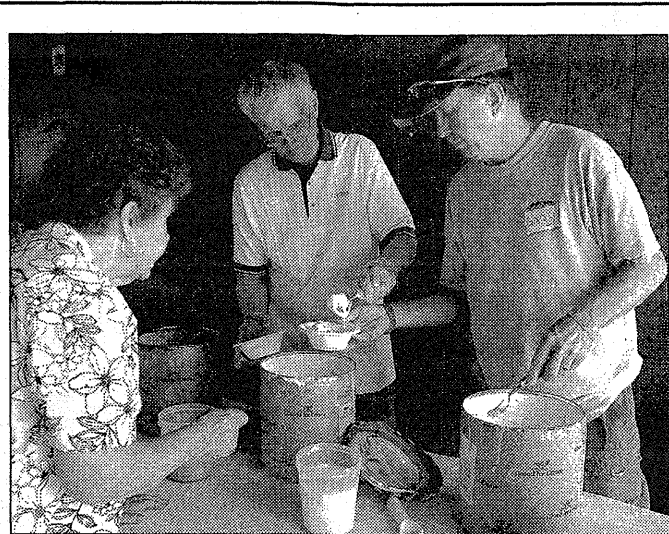
The classes are open to students ages 13-17, and meet 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. each day. Classes will culminate in a performance on the fifth day. Instructor is John J. Madonna. Cost is \$175 for members, \$200 for non-members.

For more information, call the PCAC at (734) 416-4278.

**Kiwanis moves**

The Plymouth Canton Kiwanis Club is moving its weekly meeting to the Canton Coney Island at 8533 N. Lilley Road in Canton.

Club officials say the new meeting spot offers a very



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**Getting the scoop**

Sam Detrich and Gary 'Scoop' Turnquist serve rapidly softening ice cream to Dorothy Matta. Luckily for Matt, soft is just the way she likes her ice cream. The scoops were dished out at the annual ice cream social sponsored by the Plymouth Community Council on Aging.

central location just south of Joy Road that is convenient to both the Plymouth and Canton communities. In addition to an excellent location, the restaurant has several rooms for various meeting sizes and offers the opportunity for breakfast for the "early birds."

To kick off the new location, the club will host Brian Sullivan as a breakfast speaker July 17. Sullivan is the Director of Sales, Marketing and Communications for the Tooling Manufacturing & Technologies Association. He will discuss the "state of manufacturing" in the Michigan economy.

The meeting starts at 7:15 a.m. and coffee is provided. Breakfast is available for purchase prior to and during the meeting. The club would like to encourage interested parties to attend. RSVP via e-mail at [info@pckiwamis.org](mailto:info@pckiwamis.org) or call (734) 981-0460.

**Senior Fest**

Tickets are now available for the Plymouth Senior Fest Picnic, sponsored by the Plymouth Community Council on Aging.

The picnic takes place 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 12, at Waterford Bend Park, Six Mile and Northville roads.

Tickets must be purchased by Sept. 6 at the PCCA office. Tickets cost \$6 for members, \$7 for guests. A box lunch, entertainment, prizes and vendors are included.

For more information, call (734) 453-1234, Ext. 236.

**Delta Kappa Gamma show**

Delta Kappa Gamma's 21st annual scholarship craft and home show will be held 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 20 at West Middle School, 44401 W. Ann Arbor Trail (southwest corner of Sheldon and Ann Arbor Trail) in Plymouth.

The show will feature more than 100 juried crafters and home vendors. Admission \$2. Call (734) 254-0849 or e-mail [sweisz59@comcast](mailto:sweisz59@comcast).

net for more information on the show or about exhibiting crafts.

**Senior social**

The Plymouth Community Council on Aging hosts the Senior Social 3:30-6 p.m. Monday, Aug. 6, at the Plymouth Cultural Center.

This free event, sponsored by Heartland Plymouth Court, features dinner, live entertainment by "Jackson French Quarter Band," door prizes and more.

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**Entertainment Books**

The Plymouth Symphony League is selling Entertainment Books as one of its fund-raisers.

For only \$20, buy the 2008 Entertainment Book and receive a 2007 Book free. The book offers 50-percent discount coupons at hundreds of restaurants and discounts for many other services and events.

Buyers wishing to support the Plymouth Symphony and Orchestra Canton can purchase a 2008 Entertainment Book at the Plymouth Symphony Office, located next to the Cozy Cafe in downtown Plymouth, (734) 451-2112, or call Mary Thomas at (734) 453-3016. The 2008 Entertainment Book will be available for pick up in August.

The BeckRidge Chorale is also selling the books for \$20 to support their educational and charitable activities. Buyers who pre-order now get a 2007 book free.

The 2008 books will be available Aug. 12. Call (734) 459-6829 to order.

**Historical walking tours**

The Plymouth Historical Museum, in partnership with the Plymouth Preservation Network, continues their historical walking tours with:

July 14, 10:30-11:30 a.m. - The History of the Railroads in Plymouth. Plymouth is the only place in Michigan where you can find railroad tracks that travel in all four

directions of the compass. Gary Stone, member of both the Plymouth Historical Society and the Plymouth Preservation Network, discusses how the railroads changed Plymouth forever. This tour will also cover historical sites located in the north end of Old Village. Tickets are \$10 per person.

July 21, 10:30-11:30 a.m.

The Penn Theatre & The Albert E. Patterson House. Ellen Elliot, from the Friends of the Penn, will be the personal tour guide inside the historic Penn Theatre. Then it's just a short walk to the Albert E. Patterson House. Built circa 1930, this beautifully restored arts and crafts home is a treasure of the historic district. Due to small places behind the scenes at the Penn, this tour is limited to 10 people. Tickets are \$15 per person.

Tickets can be purchased at the Plymouth Historical Museum during museum hours (1-4 p.m. Wednesday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday) or through PayPal at [www.plymouthhistory.org/walking-tours.html](http://www.plymouthhistory.org/walking-tours.html)

**Child seat clinic**

The Plymouth Township Police Department hosts a free Child Safety Seat clinic 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday July 14, at the Plymouth Township Police Department, located at 9955 N. Haggerty.

The inspections will be by "appointment only," and limited space is available. If you would like to have your child's seat inspected by a national certified Child Passenger Safety Technician, please make an appointment by calling Officer Jamie Senkbeil at (734)354-3243.

**Yo-yo contest**

The City of Plymouth, Rotary Club of Plymouth A.M., Duncan Toys and other yo-yo manufacturers are sponsoring the Mideast Regional Yo-yo Contest, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Saturday, July 28, in front of the Penn Theatre in downtown Plymouth.

Recent Catholic Central High School graduate and future CMU student Jake Maloney ([www.yojake.com](http://www.yojake.com)) is organizing this event. Jake, one of the top 10 yo-yo players in the world, is a member of the Duncan Crew ([www.yo-yo.com/](http://www.yo-yo.com/)).



**Missing Pixie**

Pixie, a 3½-pound female Yorkie, disappeared from Bella Mia, the downtown Plymouth shop where she served as the kind of 'mascot,' for owner Arlette Stobbe. Pixie was last seen the night of July 3. She has a little braid in her hair. Stobbe is offering a \$1,000 reward. Anyone with information can call Stobbe, (734) 656-0057.

Children of all ages are encouraged to compete. There will be a sports ladder division with winners from all age groups - ages 2-10! Talented players may freestyle (one or three minutes to music) to show their best tricks and compete to win prizes. People are also invited to watch or learn these tricks.

The Mideast Regional Yo-yo contest is part of the League of Regional Yo-yo Contests and includes the following states: Michigan, Indiana, Ohio, western Pennsylvania, Kentucky, West Virginia and Tennessee.

The winner of the single yo-yo three-minute freestyle competition will get a seed to the National Yo-yo Contest in Chico, California.

Jake can be reached at [www.yojake.com](http://www.yojake.com) or by calling (734) 451-0115.

**Webkinz raffle**

Rotary Club of Plymouth A.M. Foundation is sponsoring a Webkinz Raffle, with the drawing set for 6 p.m. Friday, Nov. 23 in Kellogg Park in downtown Plymouth.

More than 30 Webkinz will be raffled off, with proceeds to benefit Rotary projects and Tanager School. Tickets are \$1 each or seven tickets for \$5. Winners need not be present to win.

Tickets and Webkinz are available at Gabriel's, 322 S. Main, Plymouth and from Plymouth A.M. Rotarians.

For more information, contact club president Beth Stewart, see the Rotary Web site at [www.plymouthrotaryam.org/](http://www.plymouthrotaryam.org/), Gabriel's Web site at [www.gabrialas.com/](http://www.gabrialas.com/) or the Webkinz site at [www.webkinz.com/](http://www.webkinz.com/)

**Summer cinema**

The Penn Theatre in downtown Plymouth plays host to a variety of summer cinema matinees.

Sponsored by Plymouth District Library, Wolverine & Spartan Shop, Michigan Made & More, Signature Audio Services, Book Cellar & Café, Bennigan's Grill & Tavern and Cold Stone Creamery, movies play Tuesdays at 1 p.m. and Thursdays at 10 a.m. and 7 p.m. Tickets are \$3.

The schedule: July 17 & 19 - *The Goonies*; July 24 & 26 - *Mary Poppins*; July 31 & Aug. 2 - *Chronicles of Narnia*; Aug. 7 & 9 - *Spy Kids*; Aug. 14 & 16 - *The original Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory*; Aug. 21 & 23 - *Harry Potter and the Sorcerers Stone*.

**Grief support workshop**

Ward Presbyterian Church sponsors a one-day grief seminar, From Grief to New Hope, 9 a.m. to noon Saturday, July 21.

The workshop will be presented by Cathy Clough of Plymouth, director of New Hope Center for Grief Support. All adults who are learning to cope after the death of a loved one are encouraged to attend.

There is no charge for the seminar. Ward Church is located in Northville at 6 Mile and Haggerty. Registration is not necessary, but if further information is needed call Barb Brace at Ward Church, (248) 374-5943. For information about New Hope Center for Grief Support's other age and loss specific groups call (248) 348-0115.

**Train ride**

The Plymouth Community Council on Aging sponsors a two-hour dinner/train ride aboard the Michigan Star Clipper Dinner Train on Sunday, July 22, 2007.

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# Classic car show benefits Angela Hospice

Livonia Church of Christ continues its support of Angela Hospice's caring programs for the terminally ill, sponsoring its sixth-annual Classic Car Show to benefit Angela Hospice 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, July 14, on the church grounds.

Spectators are invited to attend for free, and classic car enthusiasts can enter a car for just \$15, which includes a meal ticket. Judging will take place from noon to 2 p.m. with class trophies, plus "Best of Show" and "People's Choice" presented at 3 p.m. Dash plaques and goodie bags will also be provided to the first 100 entrants.

"The Car Show charity event is a fun way to provide outreach to the community and get our members involved," said Mike Bennett of Livonia Church of Christ. "LCC has a number of members who've had personal experiences with people spending their final days with Angela Hospice, so we feel a real connection between our 'extended family' and theirs."

The Livonia Church of Christ congregation has also supported Angela Hospice through its prayer shawl ministry. Women from the church make hand-knitted and crocheted shawls for Angela Hospice patients to represent the love of Christ and their prayers while they create the shawls.

Judy Foulk of Wayne explained she thought of the idea for the prayer shawl ministry while her father received hospice care at home in Pennsylvania.



Sue Howard of Garden City, Elvera Brown of Plymouth, Susan Smith of Walled Lake, Carole Wright of Plymouth and Judy Foulk of Wayne display prayer shawls they crafted for Angela Hospice's home care patients.



Livonia resident Paul Schroeter took first place for Cars and Trucks 1958-1963 last year with his 1963 Chevy Impala.

"My mother and father both got prayer shawls and it just meant so much that they received them," said Foulk. "I

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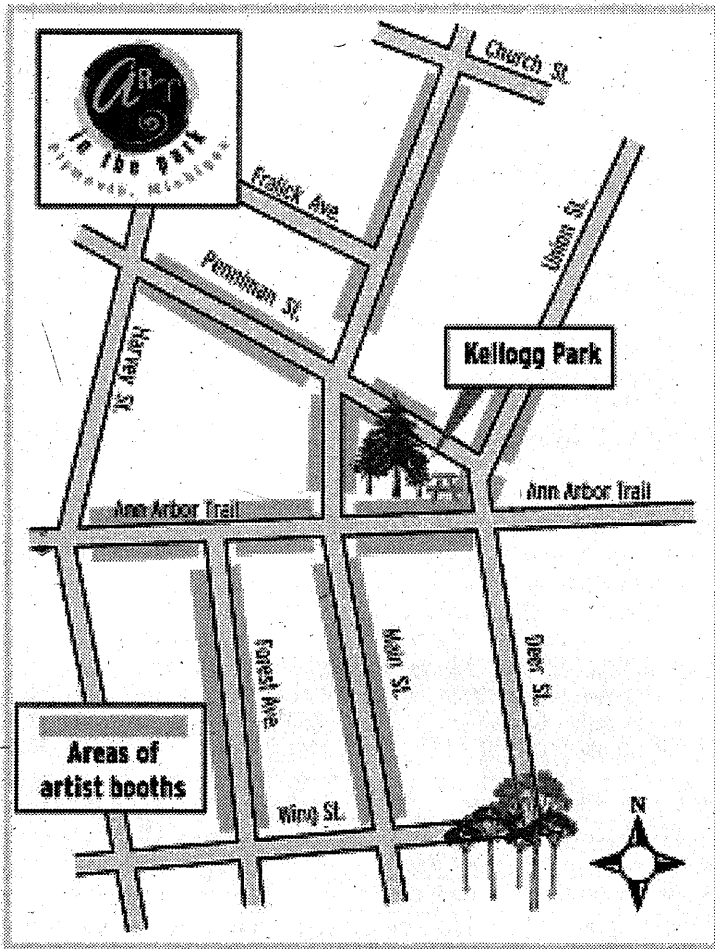
MIKE BENNETT, Livonia Church of Christ

thought it would be a wonderful ministry for us."

Through the past five years, the church has raised almost \$4,000 for Angela Hospice.

"We are so appreciative of Livonia Church of Christ's loyalty to our mission," said Mary Beth Moning, executive director of Angela Hospice. "It is only through the generosity of the community that we are able to continue to provide our caring services. It means a lot to us to have their support."

Livonia Church of Christ is located at 15431 Merriman, just north of Five Mile. For more information about the car show or the programs of Angela Hospice, visit [www.angelahospice.org](http://www.angelahospice.org) or call (734) 464-7810.



## FESTIVAL

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them and their families," she said. "It will be special to have a whole new group of people sharing in this experience and getting people excited about what they're doing."

Quinn started Art in the Park 28 years ago with 28 booths in Kellogg Park. Now the event is spread throughout most of downtown and draws 300,000 people over three days.

"I could have never imagined this," said Quinn. "It's truly remarkable."

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### CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON INVITATION TO BID

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Charter Township of Canton, 1150 Canton Center S, Canton, Michigan will accept sealed bids at the Office of the Clerk up to 3:00 p.m. Thursday, July 26, 2007 for the following:

#### CANTON POLICE GUN RANGE STORAGE BUILDING IMPROVEMENTS

Bids may be picked up at the Finance and Budget Department, on our website at [www.canton-mi.org](http://www.canton-mi.org), or you may contact Mike Sheppard at: 734/394-5225. All bids must be submitted in a sealed envelope clearly marked with the proposal name, company name, address and telephone number and date and time of bid opening. The Township reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals. The Township does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age or disability in employment or the provision of services.

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### CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON ACCESS TO PUBLIC MEETINGS

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

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# Plymouth man breaks arm, leg in hit-and-run accident

BY TONY BRUSCATO  
STAFF WRITER

Michigan State Police are investigating a hit-and-run accident on I-96 near the Southfield Freeway that left a 36-year-old Plymouth man hospitalized at Sinai-Grace Hospital. "The victim apparently ran out of gas and cut across the free-

way, where he was struck by a vehicle that kept going," said Lt. Roderick Williams of the Taylor post. "The victim suffered a broken leg and broken arm."

The incident occurred about 7:30 Monday evening. State police did not release the name of the victim.

Williams said witnesses, including a woman who was

in the stalled car, gave different descriptions of the vehicle involved in the hit-and-run accident. The vehicle was alternately described as a blue van, a dark van and a car, perhaps a Grand Prix.

Anyone with information is asked to call Michigan State Police Trooper Marcus Wise at (313) 456-6600.

# JACKSON

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"She repeatedly told me to take my name out of consideration so I wouldn't be embarrassed, that another candidate would surface and she wouldn't support me because of the people I associate with," Heise said. "I think the vote was designed to keep me out. The fix was in."

Gonzalez said she met privately with the three candidates, but denied telling Heise

the full board wouldn't support him.

"I pride myself on doing my homework and met with all three candidates," Gonzalez said. "I cast my vote for who I thought would do the best job. I think John Jackson will do the best job in these difficult times."

Heise said he would not run again if the next school board election is held in May "because the forces that are assembled against the minority viewpoint are overwhelming."

"Following tonight's decision, I will remain in the pub-

lic arena," Heise said. "We will need to look to Lansing for the real education reforms our kids and taxpayers need, and that is where I will be focusing my efforts in the coming years."

After selecting Jackson, trustees elected Judy Mardigian as board president for the 2007-08 school year, her second stint as president. They also elected Barry Simescu vice president, Steven Sneiderman secretary and Tom Wysocki treasurer.

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## COMMUNITY CALENDAR

### AROUND TOWN

#### Genealogical society

The Livingston County Genealogical Society meets 7 p.m. July 12 at the Hamburg Historical Museum, 7225 Stone, Hamburg. A member of the Hamburg Historical Society will talk about the history of the Hamburg area and a visit to the museum. The public is invited. For more information, call Margaret, (810) 227-7745.

#### Academic Pathways preschool

Academic Pathways Cooperative Preschool, at 30330 Schoolcraft in Livonia, offers classes Tuesday and Thursday mornings for 3-year-olds, and Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings for 4-year-olds. Kindergarten readiness class will meet afternoons, Monday to Friday. Potty training not required. (734) 459-6689 or visit academicpathways.tripod.com

#### Real estate expo

The Greater Detroit Real Estate Expo featuring Taniya Nayak of HGTV's popular show "Designed To Sell," shares valuable information from real estate experts, including professional home stagers, real estate agents, mortgage brokers, home insurance agents and many more, on everything there is to know about buying and selling a home to get the most for your money. The free expo takes place 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, July 28, and noon to 5 p.m. Sunday, July 29, on the Lower Level, Center Court at Fairlane Town Center, Dearborn. For more information, call (313) 593-1370 or go to www.shopfairlane.com.

#### Blood drive

Divine Savior Catholic Church will hold an American Red Cross blood drive 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sunday, July 22, at the church, 39375 Joy, west of Hix, in Westland. Walk-ins are welcome or donors can call (734) 455-3620 and leave their name.

#### Mercy scholarships

Mercy High School is granting \$170,600 in scholarship money to students for the 2007-08 school year. Ten full-tuition scholarships from the Sisters of Mercy and 19 named scholarships are being awarded along with \$20,000 in scholarships provided by the Mercy Alumnae Association. Scholarships are awarded based on applications and student-written essays. For information on donating to the Mercy High School Tuition Assistance Fund, or establishing a new named Mercy scholarship, contact Director of Development Nadine Maynard at njmaynard@mhsni.org or call (248) 893-3538.

#### Travel clinics

When traveling to a foreign country, a vaccination and travel consultation could be just as important as a passport. From diseases you may have already heard of such as hepatitis, to the more exotic illnesses like Japanese encephalitis, Visiting Nurse Association of Southeast Michigan's TravelWise Travel Clinic can provide the vaccinations and information you need to consider. This new service from VNA provides inoculations for many common diseases including influenza, pneumonia, meningitis, tetanus and diphtheria, in addition to vaccinations specific to your travel destinations such as hepatitis A and B and typhoid. Additionally, VNA is a certified provider of the yellow fever vaccine. In order to prepare for VNA's travel consultation, individuals should bring their anticipated travel dates, itinerary and lodging plans. Past immunization records and a list of allergies and current medications will also help. For appointments, cost, on-site clinics and general information, contact the VNA TravelWise Travel Clinic at (248) 967-8755 or visit www.vna.org.

#### Heartland Hospice

Heartland Hospice, located in Southfield and serving the tri-county area, is looking for caring and compassionate individuals to register for volunteer training. Evening and day-time classes are available for anyone interested in being a support person for clients and their families during their end-of-life journey. Office support is also needed. To register, call Mary, (800) 770-9859.

#### Register for St. Genevieve School

St. Genevieve Catholic School is accepting applications for the 2007-08 school year. The school, preschool through eighth grade, is accredited by the Michigan Association of Nonpublic Schools. It's at 28933 Jamison in Livonia, east of Middlebelt, south of Five Mile, and offers full academic curriculum, full- and half-day preschool and kindergarten, extended-day program before and after school, CYO program and more. (734) 425-4420.

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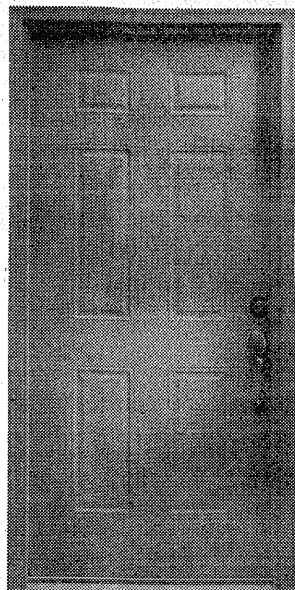
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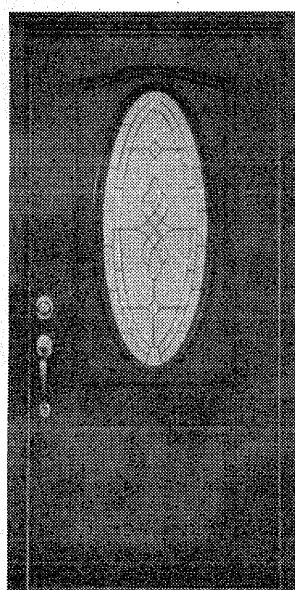
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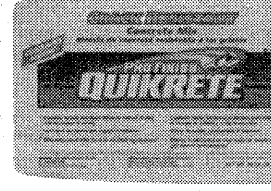
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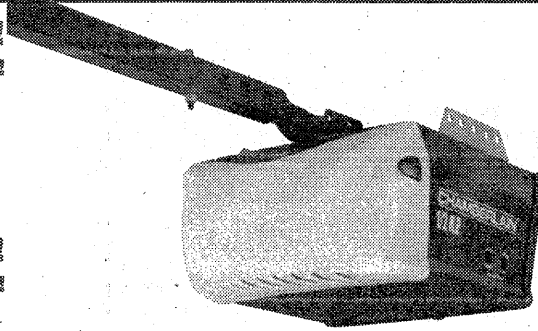
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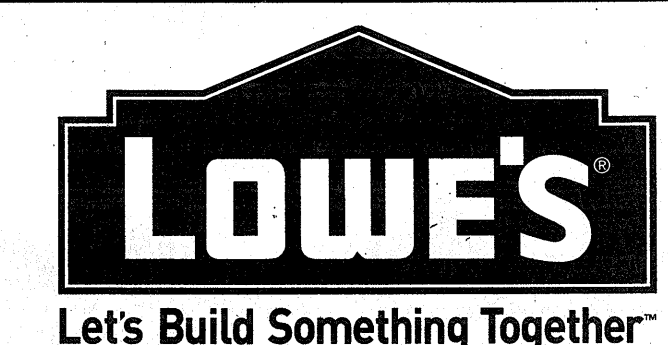
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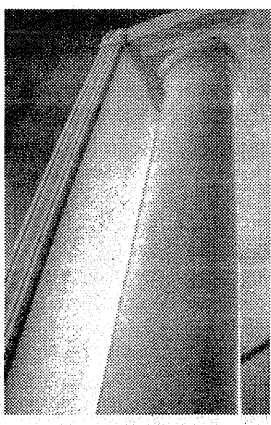
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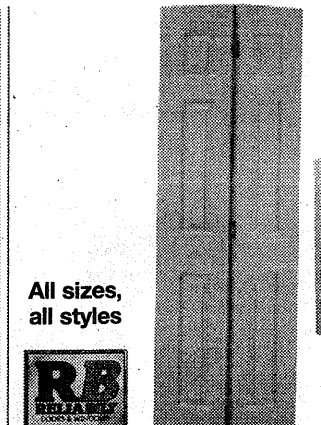
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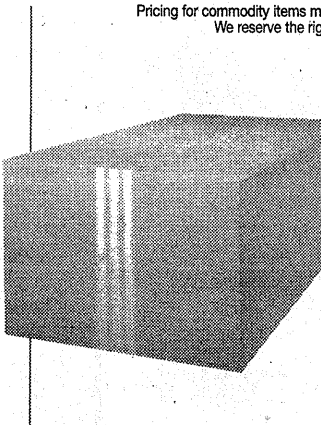
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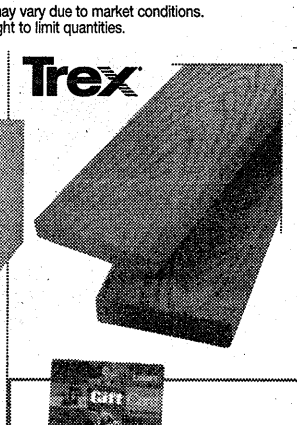
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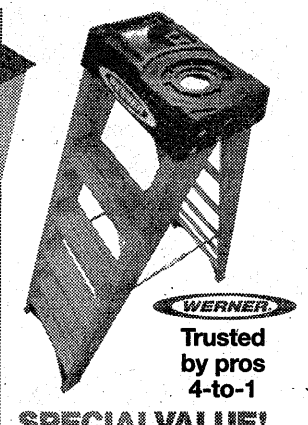
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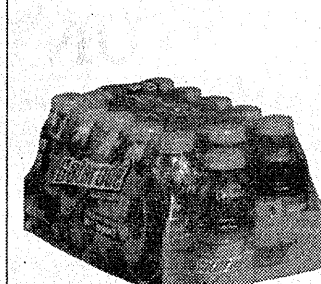
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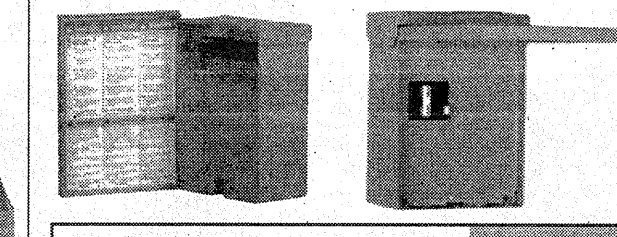
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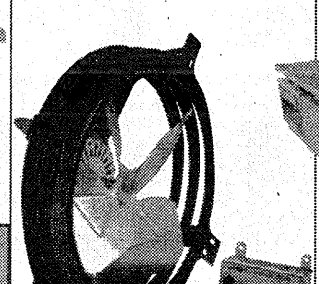


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# Parents give 'muddy' OK to this Tuesday in the park

BY JULIE BROWN  
STAFF WRITER

Carrie Burch of Canton was with sons Kyle, 11, and Noah, 8, just waiting for the fun to start Tuesday at Wayne County Parks' Mud Day.

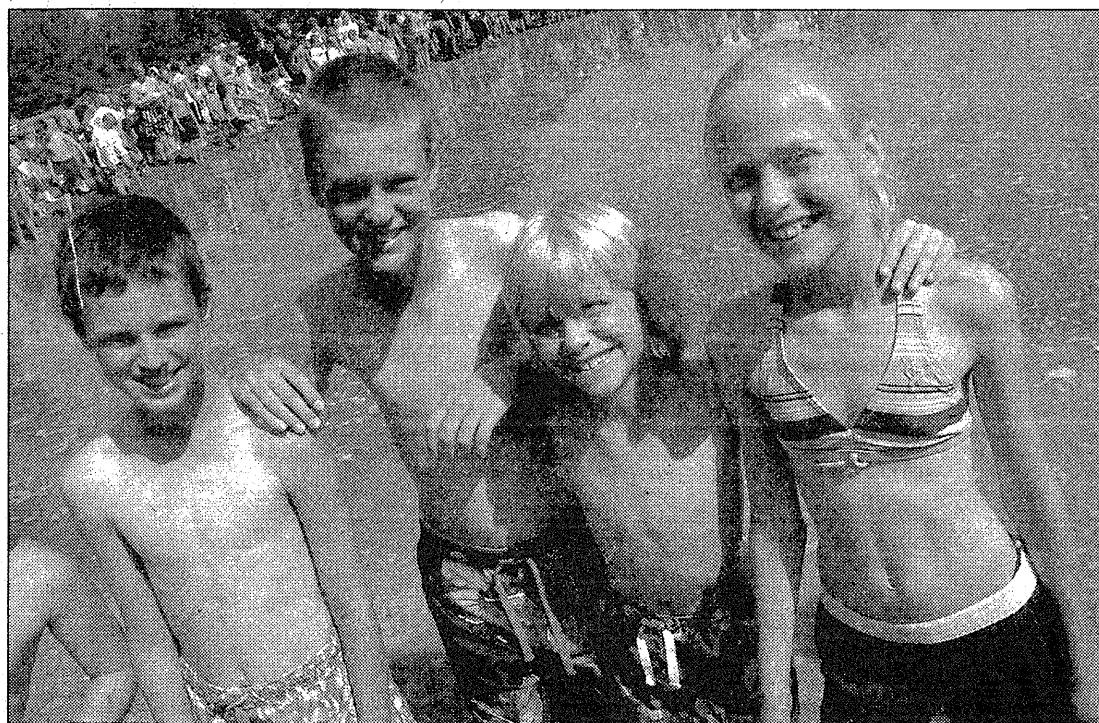
"Cause I want to get muddy," Noah said of his reason for showing up at the Nankin Mills area of Hines Park in Westland. Big brother Kyle said, "Pretty much because it's really rare for me to go in and get drenched with mud."

The park was flooded to just the right muddy consistency and at 11 a.m., with TV news crews and other photographers at the ready, the countdown from five started. Kids, divided by age up to 12, rushed into the mud, some doing belly flops.

"It's OK for today," mom Carrie Burch said of the mess. "It's fun once in a while."

With her was Pam Siesel of Canton with sons Matthew, 8, and Michael, 6, who showed up "so I can get all muddy." They were attending for the first time the event held yearly since 1988.

Nearby, Beth Olson of Canton was with daughter



Chris Roman, Joey Roman, Alec Olson and Mackenzie Olson, before Mud Day begins.

ter Mackenzie, 12, and son Alec, 9, traveling with Joe Roman's family, also of Canton, including sons Joey, 11 going on 12, and Chris, 10. "To get muddy," Beth Olson said of their first-time attendance, "get as dirty as we can. They have been wanting to go for years and we have

been out of town."

As *Who Let the Dogs Out?* blasted over the park loudspeakers, kids dove and rushed in. Watching with her camera was Michelle Gordon of Garden City who brought daughter Anne Buford, 10, and friend Savanna Turner, 10. It was

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Chris Roman, Joey Roman, Alec Olson and Mackenzie Olson, after Mud Day festivities.



Westland resident Tom Traub spent his day off from the Livonia Family YMCA with his younger cousin, Fox Everett. It was Fox's first Mud Day. He's a Birmingham resident.

"It's one of those things the kids enjoy. All in good fun. It's a nice break."

BOB FICANO, Wayne County executive

the first time for both girls at Mud Day.

"This is awesome," Michelle Gordon said. She brought trash bags for muddy clothes, and the kids wore old things. "When I read it, I was like 'Oh, my God, that would be totally awesome.'" The woman clerk at Walgreens when they stopped for film was envious they were going to Mud Day, Gordon added.

Cleaning up the kids

fell to the Westland Fire Department firefighters, and Wayne County sheriff's deputies were on hand to help keep things orderly. Mud Day was sponsored by Fox 2 News.

"It's one of those things the kids enjoy," said Wayne County Executive Bob

Ficano. "All in good fun. It's a nice break."

Around noon on a sweltering Tuesday, the cool fun continued with relay and wheelbarrow races through the mud. The day was nicely capped off by the crowning of Mr. and Mrs. Mud, Troy Watson and Isabella Letts.

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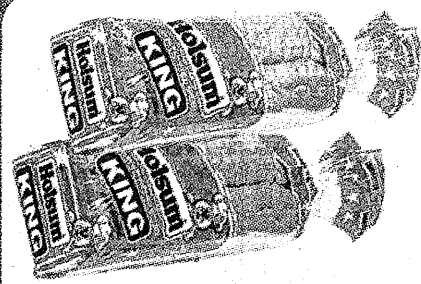
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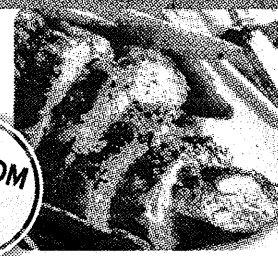
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OUR VIEWS

## Board chooses, hubbub must stop

To the surprise of absolutely no one, the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools Board of Education Tuesday chose John Jackson to fill the open seat created by the resignation of Mark Slavens.

Jackson was chosen over Kurt Heise and John Nichols, both of whom had applied for an earlier opening and neither of whom apparently drew much interest from the six board members, who voted 5-1 for Jackson.

We think Jackson will do a fine job mixing in with the current board. He's a bright, intelligent man who has had plenty of involvement in the district. Board members liked him, obviously, at least in part because he was an ardent supporter of the failed bond issues and worked tirelessly to get the word out to voters.

John Jackson is a stand-up guy, active in the community and in his church. As a "band parent" he's been not only active, but a leader in one of the most active, ardent support groups in the school district.

The uproar over Jackson's appointment was never personal; no one thinks he's the "wrong" pick or that he won't do well in the job. The ruckus has been more about the manner in which his name surfaced.

He declined to run for election in May, he said because there were two quality candidates — incumbent Mark Slavens and Nancy Eggenberger, who were eventually elected — whom he could support. He didn't apply for the first opening after Slavens resigned (it went, and rightly so, to Eggenberger).

Jackson didn't enter the discussion until it became apparent Heise and Nichols were going to be the only other choices (a fourth candidate, Greg Morrison, applied but won't be interviewed because he's out of town). Board members don't like Heise because he's only lived in the district a short while and he apparently hangs out with the wrong crowd; no one is really sure why they didn't pick Nichols.

Did board members recruit Jackson? Although admitting board President Barry Simescu and Vice President Judy Mardigian are friends, Jackson says he went to them, not the other way around.

While we take him at his word — he's an up-front, honest guy — we concede it's an easy leap for conspiracy theorists to make that he was hand-picked, that the "fix was in," as former board candidate Larry Martin put it.

No one will ever know for sure, and you won't convince anyone on either side of the argument they're wrong. With huge challenges ahead — replacing a superintendent and shaving millions from the budget — it's time to put the arguments away and allow the board to get down to business.

## Universities key to state's success

The key to a strong Michigan economy is a strong system of higher education.

Everyone agrees that for Michigan to remain competitive, it needs to maintain its reputation for solid research and teaching universities. Yet in the recent effort to balance the 2006-07 budget, Michigan's public universities took another hit. The governor and the state Legislature agreed to shift a scheduled \$139 million August payment to state universities with a promise that it would be repaid by Oct. 1. This followed an earlier \$26 million cut in an attempt to balance the 2007 budget.

Universities have to make tuition decisions this month and many say they can't wait for the Legislature to act. Higher tuition rates are squeezing many prospective students from pursuing postsecondary education at the universities, even as the state's economic future hinges on a highly trained workforce.

Michigan is blessed with a wide range of postsecondary educational opportunities, from innovative community colleges to excellent private liberal arts colleges to private technical institutes. But it is the state's diverse field of 15 state universities that offers most students the best chance to become competent professionals and well-rounded citizens.

But just as the need for higher education becomes more critical, the state's budget problems are putting our state schools in a bind. Without adequate state funding, they must turn to their students for higher tuition and fees, even as those students and their families are strapped by Michigan's troubled economy.

In addition to training the next generation of leaders, several state universities are engaged in critical research in the social sciences, sciences and technology.

The state must make good its commitment to fund our public universities fully and the Legislature needs to move quickly before the universities make it cost-prohibitive for many young Michigan students to attend.



### EMU leadership responsible

As the father of a current Eastern Michigan University student and the husband of an alumna of the same, I have been following the investigation of EMU regarding potential violations of the Clery Act with keen interest.

While I have been appalled by the initial results of the investigation regarding the lack of timely release of information, I am even more appalled by the potential punishment.

It seems unbelievable to me that the punishment for the university leadership's violation of this law is to fine the university or withhold federal funding. The only people punished by these sanctions will be the students.

This type of punishment will simply result in less money being available for education instead of punishing those responsible for the violation of the law.

I would ask our entire community to use the power of your collective pens to encourage our elected officials to minimize the impact to the students of Eastern Michigan University and instead hold accountable the leadership responsible for these actions.

It seems to me that fining the university or withholding federal aid is analogous to holding depositors responsible for a bank robbery. It is time to hold the leadership of EMU responsible and deprive them, not the students, of their money or their liberty to send a clear message that violation of federal law will not be tolerated.

Mark Horvath  
Canton

### Fix was in

Congratulations to John Jackson for his appointment to the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools Board of Education.

As I wrote this on July 3, I believed the appointment was a forgone conclusion. My condolences to the rest of the candidates. You never had a chance. Mr. Jackson is one of three foils the board could bring forward to beat the "appoint Heise" crowd.

Consider what Mr. Jackson brings to the table. He ran for school board in 2006, netting third place with over 3,300 votes (15 percent). That's more votes, but a smaller percentage than Kurt Heise received in this year's race (18 percent).

His unofficial "running mate" from last year is a sitting trustee. That endorsement is still posted at <http://electseven.com>. Mr. Jackson's campaign treasurer was the husband of the current board secretary. He also had the endorsement of the local MEA political action committee. His resume also includes being a past president of the music boosters. A position that at least one current board member has also held.

This isn't sour grapes. I ran twice for the position and lost twice, once to Mr. Jackson. I'm sure he will fit in perfectly with the current board.

The point of this letter is to point out the hypocrisy of those that lament that politics is forcing its way into school board races, and the only way to stop it

### LETTERS

is to keep elections in May. What worries those people is the potential loss of control of the board to those that don't share their ideological background.

Tip O'Neill said, "All politics is local." You can't get much more local than a school board race.

Who is served most by keeping school board elections in May? The status quo.

What is more important to education? A May election or busing children? The music boosters will maintain their board majority and make sure the \$120,000 art coordinator position stays around. This administrator position was added last year, while critical teaching positions are being cut. Meanwhile, one athletic director has been cut, with another to come. Local politics. Band vs. athletics. Band wins.

Who is the largest contributor in school board races? The MEA. Local politics.

The chairman of the Democratic National Committee, Howard Dean, founded Democracy for America with the mission of supporting "socially progressive candidates at all levels of government — from school board to the presidency." The local Plymouth-Canton chapter president ran for P-CCS school board in 2006. Local politics.

Michiganliberal.com was ecstatic on May 8, reveling in all their candidates winning school board races.

These examples aren't good or bad politics, but they are politics. Don't pretend politics doesn't exist in school board races. It is there. It has always been there. It will always be there. It is OK for politics to be there. Move the election to November where the true representative voice of the people can be heard.

Larry Martin  
Plymouth Township

### Support is tainted

Apparently there is a snowball surviving in Hades, because I am writing a letter defending the Plymouth-Canton school board from your dismal editorial regarding the replacement of Judge Slavens on the school board.

Personally, it makes no difference to me who gets the appointment, because the current board is going to do whatever it wants, and one dissenting voice won't change their mind. Even if one brilliant voice was appointed, I do not believe the power structure of the board would care.

That being said, here is my defense. In paragraphs four-seven of your editorial, logic and decency are discarded for rumor peddling and the insinuation of political misdeed. You report accusations made by Kurt Heise and his supporters as if they are fact. Maybe Mr. Jackson was handpicked, but do we know for sure?

Mr. Heise says that a board member told him directly that he had no chance because of his political association? Which board member? If anyone in office had the nerve to tell me that to my face, I would definitely expose that person. Do we really know for sure what is going on? The answer is no.

Since we do not know for sure what is going on, it was highly irresponsible

to print such things in your editorial. Personally, I would not mind seeing more political diversity on the board.

Clearly, members who are favored by the MEA get elected, which is why they have decided to keep elections in May. But my personal feelings aside, it is wrong to use space in your paper to print political rumors, and I feel you owe the PCCS board a very sincere and public apology.

You know, if you had just made the case based on Mr. Heise's votes in the election, you would have been on fair and firm ground. But you taint your advocacy of him, and help him tarnish his own reputation, by printing careless rumors in your editorial.

Jason Vorva  
Plymouth

### Impeach Bush

I thought the president had gone too far when he blamed Iraq for 9/11. I thought he had gone too far when he appointed a torture advocate as attorney general. I thought he had gone too far when he set up the biggest, most wasteful department in U.S. history, so-called Homeland Security. I thought he had gone too far when he forced scientists to lie about global climate destabilization. I thought he had gone too far when he cut taxes for the obscenely rich for the fourth or fifth time while starving our public schools and veteran's hospitals of basic funding.

I thought he had gone too far when he signed his 500th "signing statement" declaring that everyone but the president himself must obey the law, he has now signed over 750 of them. This week he has "commuted the sentence of" (read pardoned) Scooter Libby, yet another criminal member of his administration. He must be impeached. The vice president, secretary of defense, and attorney general as well. We have no excuse to delay and no time to waste. Unconstitutional laws passed during the tenure of this criminal president must be reviewed and repealed as soon as possible. I call on every member of the House of Representatives, regardless of party, to put democracy ahead of sycophancy and launch the impeachment process immediately. Thank you for your time.

Gwen Foss  
Farmington

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## State's leaders must protect our (Great) Lakes resources

I've just returned from a week at my cabin on the south shore of Lake Superior. And as usual, I've come away bowled over at how extraordinarily fortunate we are to have the remarkable natural resources we do in this beautiful state.

Sure, there are lots of wonderful, lovely places in this country. The East Coast is historic and rock-ribbed, but very expensive and terribly overcrowded. Florida is warm and sunny, but it's very expensive, also overcrowded and much too humid for my taste. The Pacific Northwest is blessed with tall pines, great views and delicious seafood, but it's ever so chi-chi and getting more and more trendy and pricey every day.

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That's important to remember in charting our economic future. It is a maxim that any economic development strategy worth considering, whether for a business or a state, requires identifying and preserving that entity's distinctive and competitive assets — and then investing in their promotion and development.

Our North Coast assets represent the best of what we've got going for us. They have to be an essential part of any economic strategy we develop, and must be seen as essential to the firm foundation we must construct to create Michigan's future prosperity.

But so far, the news is decidedly mixed. On the down side, the Legislature — in its frenzy to "balance" the state's budget without raising taxes — has managed to cut support for travel advertising promoting "Pure Michigan." This year, Gov. Jennifer Granholm and the lawmakers added \$15 million to the Michigan Economic Development Corp.'s travel promotion budget. But next year, we're back to \$5.7 million, which puts us in the bottom third of competing states. Promotion expenditures pay off big-time and quickly, so it's hard to understand why the Legislature is so hell-bent to pull money out of a program that's been proven cost-effective.

On the plus side, Democrats in the Michigan House last week introduced a package of bills calling for much improved water conservation practices for big users such as utilities and cities. The proposed legislation also gets into the complex issue of bottled water: How much should bottling companies be allowed to take from springs and rivers? How much should be export-

ed away from the Great Lakes basin?

All this raises another big question: Why don't we have better statistics on water use, when the task of writing a sensible policy demands a solid base of factual information?

While we're at it, Michigan needs to formally ratify the Great Lakes Basin Water Resources Compact with our fellow Great Lakes states and Canadian provinces — as soon as possible.

This past February, bipartisan bills to do that were introduced in both houses of the Legislature, but they've gone nowhere. (One of the Democrats' water protection bills also calls for ratification.) Minnesota and Ontario have both moved forward, while Illinois awaits nothing more than the governor's signature. Come on, lawmakers! We should be ahead of the pack on this, not dragging up the rear.

Lastly, and maybe most importantly, the National Wildlife Federation, whose Great Lakes Office is located in Ann Arbor, led a group of conservation organizations last month in planning to file a suit against shipping companies that operate in the Great Lakes.

They will demand compliance with the Clean Water Act. The lawsuit is aimed at stopping the flow of aquatic invasive species such as the zebra mussel, the lamprey eel and a score of others that enter our lakes when ocean-going ships dump their ballast water in our harbors. The result is ruining the ecology of our waters.

"We're initiating legal action today because invasive species are killing the Great Lakes," says Andy Buchsbaum, the director of the wildlife federation's Ann Arbor office. "The threat is urgent, the solution is clear and the law is straightforward."

He says the federal Clean Water Act prohibits vessels from discharging pollutants, including biological materials, into U.S. waters without a permit. The suits will charge that the shipping companies have illegally dumped ballast water into the lakes for years.

According to the National Wildlife Federation, there are at least four effective, commercially available treatments available for ballast water, including chlorine treatment similar to that used in municipal water treatment plants. "There is absolutely no reason why ships cannot treat ballast water," says Joel Brammeier, associate director for policy for the Alliance for the Great Lakes.

Here's hoping they start — and that our lawmakers make sure they do so. Our Legislature needs to move now to treat our precious North Coast resources with the respect they deserve.

The courts — and the rest of us — need to move quickly to say enough, and stop ships from implanting unwanted species and fish-killing diseases like the new VHS virus, all of which are destroying our most priceless asset.

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## Even school buildings are an experiment in education

Few things raise the ire of parents as much as the concept that schools are experimenting with their children. Any new program, technique, technology or change in curriculum runs the risk of being labeled as "experimental."

But in fact, education is a constantly evolving experimental process that is reflected in a lot more ways than we think.

That even shows up in building design, which is a rather hot topic these days in the Bloomfield Hill Schools. The district maintains that Lahser and Andover high schools are obsolete and need to be replaced.

You can debate the merits of that argument, but there is no question that schools do become obsolete. That was evident from the earliest days of public education. Officially public education began in Michigan in 1837 when we became a state and adopted a constitution, which called for a superintendent of public instruction and the creation of school districts.

Among other things, the superintendent was to oversee school building design.

Even in those primitive days (although folks were remarkably sophisticated in many ways then) it was evident that the old one-room school houses common at the time were inadequate.

Also at that time were a vast number of tiny school districts, some 7,000 by 1912, and the state began a program to combine districts. That led to the creation of "union," or unified schools. These often were two- or four-room buildings with movable dividers between walls which provided a degree of separation of different age groups.

By the 1850s the state's population was growing steadily and more attention was given to the specific educational needs of children of different ages. "Ward" schools were developed, which were essentially elementary schools. By the 1860s, high school were separated and kids were divided into grade groups of 1-6, 7-9, 10-12.

With the dawn of the 20th century, educators were becoming alarmed with the dropout rate of young teens, and determined that this group needed its own grouping, which became known as junior high schools, and now middle schools.

Also at this time more emphasis was being placed on health and safety issues. As

Further refinements of school design came with the development of vocational schools, the addition of gyms, pools and physical education facilities, and later, the establishment of media centers, with classrooms clustered around them at the building core. Some schools in the early 20th century even had medical facilities, including doctors and dentists.

schools grew to multi-floor structures, staircases were moved to be alongside the outside walls so they would be near exits in case of fire.

It was even decided that the most effective lighting would come from windows located over the left shoulders of the students, so classrooms were designed with windows only along one wall and seats oriented to get light in that angle.

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Following World War II, with the Baby Boom, new schools were needed. While early 20th century schools were often ornate examples of Art Deco and Art Moderne styles, the then new schools were simple, straightforward usually squat buildings.

But they were not haphazard. Different designs were tried, like the "finger," plan in which the school is shaped like the letter "E" with outdoor spaces separating the lateral wings. Some schools incorporate interior courtyards; other have flexible designs so walls can be removed to change the floor plan.

We have come a long way from the old one-room school house, like the stone school at the corner of Wing Lake and Maple.

And while you may not approve of a district's plan for a new school building, you can least appreciate that there is logic to the plan.

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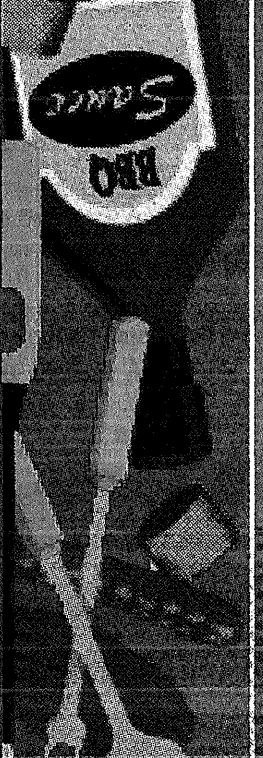
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# Dine With the Stars in style

The *Observer & Eccentric* and *Mirror Newspapers* are teaming up with Buddy's to present "Dining With the Stars" featuring Jay Towers, Shila and Bill McAllister host of Motor City Middays, on Live 97.1 FREE FM.

In 100 words or less, tell us why you're a fan of the Motor City Middays crew and would like to have lunch or dinner at Buddy's Pizza in July with the trio from 97.1 FREE FM.

Send your fan letter to [BuddysDiningStars@gmail.com](mailto:BuddysDiningStars@gmail.com) and be sure to include your name, address, daytime phone number and e-mail address.

Deadline to enter the July contest is 5 p.m. Tuesday, July 17.

A photograph of you and your favorite stars will be published in the *Observer & Eccentric* and *Mirror Newspapers* and online at [www.hometownlife.com](http://www.hometownlife.com).

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with stars include August: CoCo of WJLB-FM (97.9); and September: Chuck Gaidica of WDIV-TV (Channel 4).

No purchase is necessary to enter. Buddy's Pizza will review all entries and select the top four "fan" letters. The stars featured for the month will make the final selection. Lunch and/or dinner date is to be determined with the winner and star by Buddy's representatives.

# Bonds are an important part of portfolios

I am frequently asked why someone should stay with bonds in their portfolio as opposed to increasing the investment in equities.

The last few years have been difficult for bonds. When you compare the returns of stocks vs. bonds, stocks have outperformed bonds the last few years. However, bonds play an important part of an overall portfolio.

Unfortunately, most people invest in what is hot at the time. It is this strategy — chasing returns — that has led many investors to unsatisfactory returns.

Chasing returns is a fool's game. In theory, it sounds great; however, in the real world, it doesn't work. People who follow this strategy saw a complete meltdown of their portfolios back in 2000 and 2001. These investors tended to have the bulk of their portfolio invested in technology-based investments. When the tech sector had its downturn, these investors were severely hurt.

On the other hand, investors who held bonds found that their losses were not nearly as severe. The bonds were able to cushion the loss.

Bonds are an important part of a portfolio.

One analogy is the recipe for chocolate chip cookies. You need a variety of ingredients, including chocolate chips, flour, sugar and eggs. The key to the perfect choco-



Money Matters

Rick Bloom

late chip cookie is to have the right ingredients in the proper measurements.

The same can be true about a portfolio. The key to a successful portfolio is the sum of ingredients, which is all the different mutual funds. When all the pieces are put together, you have one portfolio that will protect you and grow for the future.

Investors who constantly chase returns tend to let greed dictate short-term decisions. The key is to allocate your portfolio into a variety of different areas. Bonds are an important part of that diversification.

When it comes to bonds, it's important to diversify into different classes. I recommend international, Treasury Inflation-Protected Securities (TIPS), GNMA and even some high-yield bonds. Just like in a stock portfolio, you need to diversify in the bond portfolio in order to protect yourself.

When purchasing a bond fund, pay attention to costs and fees. After all, when the yield on bonds is the 5-percent range, an extra 1-percent fee can cost an investor at least 20 percent on the

return side.

The return on bonds — just like stocks — has two separate components. In stocks, you have dividends and, hopefully, appreciation in value. In bonds, you have interest and appreciation in value.

In regard to interest paid, a general rule is the lower the investment quality of the bond, the higher the return. That is why high-yield bonds, or junk bonds, pay higher rates of returns than U.S. Government bonds.

In selecting bonds based upon maturity, there are three typical types of bonds: short-term, intermediate-term and long-term bonds. Long-term bonds will have the greatest volatility when it comes to value of the bond, while short-term bonds will have less volatility. In today's market environment, I am keeping my exposure in short- and intermediate-term bonds.

In order to protect one's portfolio, an asset allocation strategy that will allow you to protect and grow your portfolio is needed.

Rick Bloom is a fee-only financial adviser. *Observer & Eccentric* readers can submit questions at [moneyatters@hometownlife.com](mailto:moneyatters@hometownlife.com). For more information, visit Rick's Web site at [www.bloomassetmanagement.com](http://www.bloomassetmanagement.com). You can hear Rick from noon to 3 p.m. Sundays on WDTK-AM (1400).

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RELIGION CALENDAR

If you want to submit an item for the religion calendar, fax it to (734) 591-7279 or write: Religion Calendar, Observer Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI 48150. The deadline for an announcement to appear in the Thursday edition is noon Monday.

JULY

**Worship service**  
The Free Church of Scotland [Continuing] will hold a weekday worship service 7 p.m. Friday, July 13, at the Cherry Hill School, 50440 Cherry Hill road at Ridge, Canton. The Rev. Sean Humby of Dayton, Ohio, formerly of Australia, will preach at service. All are welcome to attend. For more information, call Margaret Waldecker at (313) 530-6170, visit [www.westminsterconfession.org](http://www.westminsterconfession.org), or e-mail [www.psalms12verse6@yahoo.com](mailto:www.psalms12verse6@yahoo.com).

**Rummage sale**  
9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday-Saturday, July 13-14, at Timothy Lutheran, 8820 Wayne Road, Livonia.

**Blessing of the chariots**  
Sacred Heart Byzantine Catholic Church, 29125 Six Mile, Livonia, will host a Blessing of the Chariots: Motorcycles & Car Cruise 9 a.m. Saturday, July 14, at the church. Music, food, dash plaques to the first 100 who attend, vendors and more. Admission is \$5, includes one beverage/food token. For details, call Roger Ratkowski at (734) 546-7279.

**Classic car show**  
Livonia Church of Christ holds its 6th annual Classic Car Show to benefit Angela Hospice 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, July 14, on the church grounds at 15431 Merriman Road, north of Five Mile. For more information about the car show or the programs of Angela Hospice, visit [www.angelahospice.org](http://www.angelahospice.org) or call (734) 464-7810. Spectators are invited to attend for free, classic car enthusiasts can enter a car for \$15 which includes a meal ticket. Judging will take place noon to 2 p.m. with class trophies plus "Best of Show" and "People's Choice" presented at 3 p.m. Dash plaques and goodie bags will be provided to first 100 entrants.

**Special mass**  
The Native American community invites the people of the Archdiocese of Detroit to a special Mass in honor of blessed Kateri Tekakawitha noon Saturday, July 14, at Blessed Sacrament Cathedral, 9844 Woodward, Detroit. Tekakawitha, known as Lily of the Mohawks, is the first Native American to be declared Blessed. Her life was devoted to prayer, penitential practices and the care of the sick and the aged in the village of Caughnawaga near Montreal. She died in 1680 at age 24. Her feast day is July 14.

**Blood drive**  
9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sunday, July 15, in the Parish Hall at St. Edith Catholic Church, 15089 Newburgh, Livonia. Walk-ins welcome. Call (734) 464-1222, Ext. 309.

**Wellness lecture/healing workshop**  
With Dr. Saul Shaye, a chiropractor, presents the message: A Funny Thing Happened on my Way to Disprove God during services 9:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. Sunday, July 15, workshop 1-4 p.m. (suggested donation \$15), at Unity of Livonia, 28660 Five Mile, between Inkster and Middlebelt. Shaye has demonstrated a special gift of spiritual healing. Personal appointments with him are available during the week. For more information, call (734) 421-1760.

**Cooking classes**  
Are you tired of feeling sick and tired? Eating well, and feeling bloated afterwards? Suffering from acid reflux? So many different diets, how can you tell what is really healthy? Join in for a NEWSTART (Nutrition, Exercise, Water, Sunshine, Temperance, Air, Rest and Trust in God) cooking classes with lessons based on the 8 principles for Good Health with a complete vegetarian meal based on the nutrition guidelines recommended by NEWSTART 5-6:30 p.m. Sunday, July 15, and Tuesday, July 17, at Cherry Hill Seventh Day Adventist Church, 33144 Cherry Hill, east of Wayne Road, west of Venoy, Garden City. Call (734) 524-0880. Every class includes cooking demonstrations, samples, handouts and lectures at no charge. Other materials will be available for purchase. Seating limited, reservations requested. For reservations only, call (734) 326-6998. For more information

and reservations, call Juanita at (313) 580-9081.

**Strength and Company**  
The group will be at Living Waters Tabernacle 3 p.m. Sunday, July 15, at New Beginnings Church on Dequindre, north of 15 Mile, Sterling Heights, where Living Waters is meeting. Pastor Daniel Strength leads the new Pentecostal Church of God congregation. For information, call (734) 812-1099.

**Carillon series**  
10:10 a.m. to 12:10 p.m. Sunday, July 15, July 29, Aug. 5 and 12, and Sept. 2, at Kirk in the Hills, 1340 W. Long Lake, Bloomfield Hills. No charge. Call (248) 626-2515.

**Women of the word**  
Women of the Word Bible Studies offers a choice of 2 studies this summer at Calvary Baptist Church, 43065 Joy Road, Canton. To register, call (734) 455-0022, ext. 4 or download a registration form at [www.vchurches.com/cbcwomen](http://www.vchurches.com/cbcwomen). The first study is on 1 Samuel, a Precept Ministries study began 6:45 p.m. Tuesday, July 10. Video lectures by Kay Arthur will expand on the material covered in the discussion group. Cost for workbook is \$15. Second study is Loving Well, a four-week of heart-to-heart messages from Beth Moore 9:30 a.m. Tuesdays. Cost for workbook is \$8.

**Women's retreat**  
St. Michael Catholic Church of Livonia invites all area Catholic moms to a Mom's Summer Retreat on Wednesday mornings this summer to enjoy prayer and adult discussion of topics relevant to their daily life. A Children's Ministry will be offered while moms enjoy Mass, a continental breakfast and conversation with other moms 8:30-11 a.m. July 18, Aug. 1, and Aug. 8, at the church located on the southwest corner of Hubbard and Plymouth roads. Discussion topics are Motherhood and Mary, July 18; Teaching Your Children the Virtues, Aug. 1, and Living your Faith Every Day, Aug. 8. Moms may register for as few or as many sessions as schedules permit, each at \$5 per meeting. Children's Ministry activities are \$2 per child per session. Contact (734) 261-1455, Ext. 207 or e-mail [williams@livonistmichael.org](mailto:williams@livonistmichael.org) for information and registration details.

**Vacation Bible school**  
Lift Off! Soaring to New Heights with God! takes place 9:30 a.m. to noon Monday-Friday, July 16-20, at St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, 27475 Five Mile, one block west of Inkster, Livonia. The sessions, for age 3 to children entering 5th grade, include story time and lesson, music, crafts, recreation and snack. The children will also learn about the sponsored mission - Heifer International, a charity that through donations, helps children and families around the world receive training and animal gifts to help them become self-reliant. All are welcome to attend. The cost is \$18 for the first child in the family, \$12 for any additional children. After July 8, there is an increase to \$20 for the first child and \$14 for additional children. For more information or to register, call (734) 422-1470 or e-mail: [christianeducator@sppc-email.org](mailto:christianeducator@sppc-email.org).

**Rummage sale**  
8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Thursday, July 19; 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday, July 20, and 8 a.m. to noon Saturday, July 21, at Emmanuel Lutheran Church, 34567 Seven Mile, one-half mile west of Farmington Road, Livonia.

**Rummage sale**  
Community Rummage Sale 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, July 21, at Hosanna-Tabor Lutheran Church and School, 9600 Leverage Redford. Call (313) 937-2424 or visit [www.hosannatabor.org](http://www.hosannatabor.org). Rummage sale will be outside in our parking lot if the weather is nice. Otherwise, it will be held indoors in the gym. A concession stand will be available. Cost is \$10 per space, \$5 per table. To register, call (313) 937-2424 to request a form.

**Noah's Ark week**  
July 18-21, Pet Blessing on Saturday July 21. This should be a fun time for ages 1-100. Registration not necessary. Various presenters will show us their animals in action. Experts will speak and/or show and tell animals, facts and stories. Joining us will be Rainbow Feathers Bird Club, Garden City Canine Patrol, Certified Bee Keeper, Jill Andra Young Pet Photographer, 4-H club with sheep and rabbits, Dearborn Animal Shelter dog training expert, Regap rescued greyhounds, VCM Veterinary Centers, Wayne County Mounted Horse and Sheriff, Petco Pet Supply Company, and a Detroit Zoo docent. Handouts from various animal type organizations will be also available. Each evening will be different. This event will be both indoors and outdoors. Hours are 7-9 p.m. Wednesday-Friday, and 9 a.m. to noon Saturday. Bring your pet on Saturday for the 10 a.m. Pet Blessing Ceremony, at Garden City First United Methodist Church, 6443 Merriman. For details, call (734) 421-8628 and leave a message.

**The Donut Man**  
A Jesus Kids Concert starring The Donut Man will be held 10:30 a.m. Saturday, July 21, at Sacred Heart Banquet Hall and Conference Center, 29125 W. Six Mile, Livonia. Tickets \$6 per person and available at the door.

**Patriotic concert**  
Ward Evangelical Presbyterian Church

hosts a Patriotic Concert featuring the Motor City Brass Band 7 p.m. Sunday, July 15, in the Sanctuary, 40000 Six Mile, Northville. Call (248) 374-7400. Veterans will be honored so come in uniform. The concert will be followed by an ice cream social. There is no charge but a free will offering will be taken.

**Soccer mini-camp**  
6:30-8 p.m. July 23-26, for boys and girls ages 5-12 (any skill level), at Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church, 14175 Farmington road, north of I-96, Livonia. Cost is \$20 per student, includes instruction, snacks and soccer ball to take home Fee payable at time of registration. Students may bring their own soccer ball or shin guards if desired. Items not required to enroll. Call (734) 522-6830.

**Avanlanche ranch**  
Vacation Bible School 9 a.m. to noon July 23-27, at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, 39020 Five Mile, Livonia. \$25 for first child (includes music CD, \$20 each additional child (no CD). If you have western theme items we can borrow or for more information, contact Laura Kloiber at (248) 348-9675 or send e-mail to [lfkloiber@ameritech.net](mailto:lfkloiber@ameritech.net).

**Vacation Bible school**  
Bible stories, crafts, games, puppets, snacks and prizes 6:30-8:30 p.m. Monday-Friday, July 23-27, at Grace Baptist Church, 280 E. Lincoln at Edgewood, Birmingham. Bring your friends ages 2-17 and join us each day. For more information, call (248) 646-2000, Ext. 16.

**Messiah**  
Come sing in instant performances of the world's greatest choral music in Summer Sings 7:30-9:30 p.m. Wednesday, July 25, (Messiah by George Frideric Handel), and Aug. 29 (Saint Nicholas by Benjamin Britten), at First Presbyterian Church, 1669 W. Maples, Birmingham. No entrance fee or preparation necessary, no auditions required, no long-term commitment. For more information, call (248) 644-2040, Ext. 136.

**Media mania presentation**  
On Protecting Our Children who are overexposed to sex by way of television, music, magazines, and the Internet, often communicating the wrong message. As part of the presentation Dr. Kevin Barber will give tips on how parents can protect their children. Barber is a Neurological Psychologist who owns God! takes place 9:30 a.m. to noon Monday-Friday, July 16-20, at St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, 27475 Five Mile, one block west of Inkster, Livonia. The sessions, for age 3 to children entering 5th grade, include story time and lesson, music, crafts, recreation and snack. The children will also learn about the sponsored mission - Heifer International, a charity that through donations, helps children and families around the world receive training and animal gifts to help them become self-reliant. All are welcome to attend. The cost is \$18 for the first child in the family, \$12 for any additional children. After July 8, there is an increase to \$20 for the first child and \$14 for additional children. For more information or to register, call (734) 422-1470 or e-mail: [christianeducator@sppc-email.org](mailto:christianeducator@sppc-email.org).

**Vacation Bible school**  
July 28 to Aug. 1, at Bethel Baptist, 29475 Six Mile, Livonia. For more information, call (734) 525-3664 or visit [www.betheloflivonia.com](http://www.betheloflivonia.com).

**Anniversary Mass**  
50th anniversary of Fr. Solanus Casey's death 5 p.m. Saturday, July 28, and 9 a.m., 11 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. Sunday, July 29, at St. Bonaventure/Solanus Casey Center, 1780 Mt. Elliott, Detroit. For information, call (313) 579-2100, Ext. 140 or Ext. 169.

**Song ministry**  
The Rev. Bob Herriman, song evangelist, appears 10:45 a.m. Sunday, July 29, at Riverside Park Church of God, 11771 Newburgh at Plymouth roads, Livonia. Call (734) 464-0990. All are invited to witness this ministry through word and song.

**Summer Bible studies**  
Continue 9:45-10:45 a.m. Sundays in the gym at Christ Our Savior Lutheran (14175 Farmington road, north of I-96, Livonia). The public is invited to the a presentation of Answers with Ken Ham, a 12-part DVD series on the authority of the Bible. Visit [www.christsavior.org](http://www.christsavior.org) for more information.

**Summer camp**  
Hosanna-Tabor Lutheran School, 9600 Leverage, Redford is accepting applications for their summer camp. Care is offered for infants through 8th grade from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. Call (734) 646-4857 for more information.

**Summer camp**  
The camps continue 10:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday-Thursday, through Aug. 24, for students in grades K-8, at The Lutheran Church of Our Saviour, 29425 Annapolis, Westland. Camps include Bible study, literacy lessons, field trips, games, activities. No charge. All invited. To register, call (734) 728-3440.

**Sunday school classes**  
New adult Sunday School classes began July 1, at Riverside Park Church of God, 11771 Newburgh at Plymouth roads, Livonia. Call (734) 464-0990. Classes include The Joy of Signing (sign language), Inside the Middle East, and Keys to Spiritual Freedom.

UPCOMING

**Choral concert**  
The Holman-Climax Male Voice Choir from Cornwall, England, as part of their second Michigan tour, performs 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 4, at Rosedale Gardens Presbyterian Church located on the corner of West Chicago and Hubbard, south of Plymouth road, between Farmington and Merriman, Livonia. Members of the church and community will be hosting the 70 people

touring with the choir. A committee has been established to plan Detroit area activities as well as to house and feed the group. A Free Will offering will be taken that night. For more information contact either Ken or Ruth Allen at (734) 427-6268 or at [Rallen7468@aol.com](mailto:Rallen7468@aol.com).

**Special services**  
9:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. Sunday, Aug. 5, with Rev. Ron Scott, at Unity of Livonia, 28660 Five Mile, between Inkster and Middlebelt. Call (734) 421-1760.

**Vacation Bible school**  
6-9 p.m. Monday-Friday, Aug. 6-10 (for ages 3-11 and an adult small group class, at Trinity Church of Livonia, 34500 Six Mile, Livonia. The theme is Dreams and Schemes, learning to deal with family issues and getting along with family members. Crafts, dinner, music, small groups, music, lots of fun and prayer. For more information, call (734) 425-2800.

**Vacation Bible school**  
Lift Off! Soaring to New Heights with God 6-8:30 p.m. Aug. 13-17, with a church picnic finale on Aug. 19, at Riverside Park Church of God, 11771 Newburgh at Plymouth roads, Livonia. Call (734) 464-0990. All kids age 2 through fifth grade are invited. For more information, call (734) 464-0990. All are welcome to join us.

**Rummage sale**  
9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Thursday-Friday, Aug. 23-24, and 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 25, at Garden City Presbyterian Church, 1841 Middlebelt. For details, call (734) 421-7620.

**Church Women United**  
Next meeting for Suburban Detroit-West is 12:15 p.m. Friday, Oct. 5, at Farmington First United Methodist Church (please bring 1 salad for every 3 persons attending), and Area 2 Meeting: Stepping Up to the Plate with Mind, Body and Soul Friday, Sept. 28, at Smith Chapel A.M.E. Church, 3505 Walnut Street at Beech, south of Michigan Ave., Inkster (cost is \$10, call (248) 646-9574). Deadline for registration is Friday, Sept. 21.

**Crafters needed**  
For Riverside Park Church of God's Fall Arts and Crafts show noon to 6 p.m. Friday, Oct. 19, and 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 20, at the church, 11771 Newburgh at Plymouth roads, Livonia. Rentals \$20 Saturday only, \$30 for both days, \$5 additional for table rentals. Applications now being accepted at (734) 464-0990.

**Cruise**  
St. Aidan Travelers embark on an 11-day cruise of the Mediterranean on Nov. 3. Cruise departs Rome for Genoa, Monte Carlo, Valencia, Spain, LaValletta, Malta, Tunis, Tunisia, returns to Rome for two additional days. Cost is reasonable and includes airfare, many meals and all accommodations. For brochure and details, call (734) 425-5950 or stop at church office, 17500 Farmington, Livonia. Space limited.

**Uplifting church services**  
Want a unique church experience? Join us Sunday mornings at 10:45 a.m. for a service that will lift your entire family, but be prepared for what will happen after just one service. Can't wait for Sunday? Come to our open discussion 7 p.m. Wednesdays as we examine the Word of God. Classes available for all ages, child to adult. Riverside Park Church of God is at 11771 Newburgh Road (corner of Plymouth roads, Livonia). Call (734) 464-0990.

ONGOING

**J.O.Y. meeting**  
The J.O.Y. Builders (Just Older Youth, ages 50 plus) meet 11:30 a.m. the third Thursday of the month for lunch, fellowship and fun, at Riverside Park Church of God, 11771 Newburgh at Plymouth roads, Livonia. Call (734) 464-0990. All are welcome to join us. There is no charge, although we ask that you bring a luncheon dish to share.

**Higher Rock Cafe**  
Second and fourth Friday of the month, doors open at 7:30 p.m., live bands begin at 8 p.m. presented by Salvation Army of Wayne/Westland, 2300 S. Venoy, between Michigan Ave. and Palmer. For information, call (734) 722-3660 or visit [www.tsa.higherrockcafe.4t.com](http://www.tsa.higherrockcafe.4t.com).

**Worship service**  
10 a.m. Sundays, at The Lutheran Church of Our Saviour, 29425 Annapolis, Westland, Sunday School for children. For information, call (734) 728-3440.

**Youth wanted**  
Twins and teens age 12 and up are invited to join in various youth activities held at Riverside Park Church of God, 11771 Newburgh Road (corner of Plymouth), Livonia. Come to one of our regular classes on Sundays at 9:30 a.m. or Wednesdays at 7 p.m. For details, call (734) 464-0990.

**A healthy you**  
Join with others as we discover ways to keep our minds and bodies healthy through a four-week class that is open to the public and free of charge at Riverside Park Church of God, 11771 Newburgh Road (corner of Plymouth), Livonia. Day and night classes available. To register, call (734) 464-0990.

**Summer worship**  
Summer schedule for worship to Sept. 2, is 10 a.m. Sunday services (with nursery), and 7 p.m. Wednesday Contemporary Service, at Holy Cross

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**ALMA L. WRIGHT**  
Age 81 of Rochester, passed away peacefully Thursday, July 5, 2007, in her home at Harbor Chase of Auburn Hills under the loving care of her family, facility staff and Hospice of Michigan. Beloved wife of the late David J. Wright; Loving mother of Diane (Scott) Insley; Dearest Gram of Lisa, Kari and Sara; Loving Great-Grammy to surviving great-grandchildren Sally, Ray & Kaelyn; Dear sister of Charles O'Brien of Maryland and Janet (Sam) Gallaher of Uniontown, Pennsylvania; Loving Aunt of Laura & Sam Gallaher and Dennis O'Brien. Alma was a very loving and caring woman who touched the lives of everyone around her. She will be missed dearly but held closely in our hearts forever. Family and Friends will gather at Harbor Chase of Auburn Hills, 3033 North Squirrel Road, Building 3, at 4pm on Friday, July 13, 2007 for a memorial service. At family's request in lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society, envelopes available at Harbor Chase.

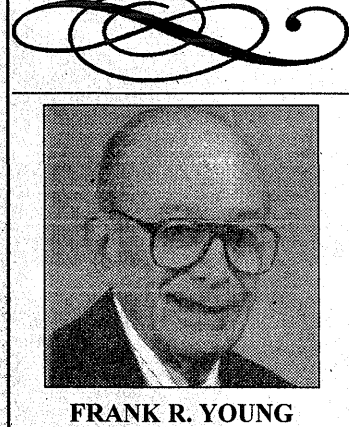
**MARILYNN Y. LAMBERT**  
Age 75, of Farmington, died July 4, 2007. Dear mother of Linda Luoma (Paul) and Carla Minotas (Jay). Cherished grandmother, Paul, Erik, Samantha and Tim. Memorial Service 11:00 a.m. July 14, 2007 at First Presbyterian Church of Farmington. Family will receive family and friends 10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. In lieu of flowers the family has asked memorial gifts be sent to the American Diabetes Association and American Heart Association.

**VIVIAN BRADBURN**  
Age 76, of River Ranch Florida, formerly of Plymouth, passed away July 10, 2007. Born Feb. 3, 1931 in Duluth, Minnesota and later moving to the Plymouth community in 1963. While in Duluth, she worked as a telephone operator. She became very active in the Plymouth community by volunteering in the Catholic Social Services, working in the soup kitchens every Tuesday in Detroit. Gardening gave her much joy in life, she served as past president of the Plymouth Garden Club. The most important part of her life was her family and her faith. She will be missed by all who knew and loved her. She is survived by her husband Warren; her loving children: Beverly (Philip) Venables, Peggy (Michael) Akrigg, Terri (Douglas) Young, Richard (Polly), and Beth Ann (Michael) Murphy. Proud grandma "B" of 12 and great-grandma of five. Also survived by many nieces and nephews. Friends may visit at Schrader-Howell Funeral, 280 South Main, Plymouth Friday 3-9pm, with a Rosary service at 7:00pm. Funeral from Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church, 47650 North Territorial Rd, Plymouth, Saturday 10:30am with visitation beginning at 10:00am. City of Plymouth is hosting the "Art in the Park" fair, if you need assistance in getting to the funeral home, please call 734-453-3333. Share memories at: [schrader-howell.com](http://schrader-howell.com)

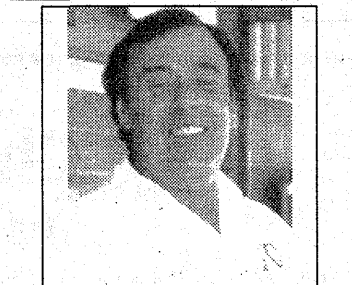
**MARKE A. KNAPP**  
July 8, 2007, Age 76. Beloved son of the late Keith and Marion Knapp. Dear brother of the late Julie Ratkus. Brother-in-law to Carl Ratkus, cousin of Linda Nolan and Susan Alexander. Uncle to Keri Vaught and Amy Ratkus. Great-uncle to Chloe, Cole and Ava Vaught. Services were held at the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home on Wednesday. Share memories at [schrader-howell.com](http://schrader-howell.com)

**RICHARD H. RICE**  
Age 91, formerly of Plymouth, died Friday July 6, 2007 in Kalamazoo. He was born March 12, 1916 in Galesburg, Michigan, the son of Harry and Eula (Griffith) Rice. He was employed in human resources for 29 years with state and local governments. For many years, he was a resident of Plymouth, MI, where he was a member of the First United Methodist Church of Plymouth, Plymouth Optimist Club, Plymouth Historical Society and a 30 year member of the Boy Scouts of America where he received the Silver Beaver Award. As a resident of Kalamazoo since 1995, he renewed old friendships and was currently a member of the Westwood United Methodist Church. Richard had an avid interest in history and genealogy. On October 17, 1943, he was united in marriage to the former Adina Faye (Miller) Rice who preceded him in death on November 8, 2003. He was also preceded in death by his parents; a sister, Darlene Scramlin; and by a son, Donald Rice in 1979. Surviving are his children, David (Kay) Rice of Ossining, NY, Steven (Susan) Rice of Paw Paw, MI and Brian Rice of Ann Arbor, MI; four grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; a brother, Robert (Anne) Rice of Three Rivers, MI; two sisters, Veryl Swanson of Bear Lake, MI, Helen Daniels of Plainwell, MI, and many nieces and nephews. Services were held Tuesday at Langeland Memorial Chapel, 622 S. Burdick Street, Kalamazoo, MI 49007. Memorials in Richard's memory may be directed to the Plymouth Historical Society, 155 S. Main St., Plymouth, MI 48170. [www.langelands.com](http://www.langelands.com) 269-343-1508

**DOROTHY QUEEN**  
Age 74, July 8, 2007. Beloved wife of Ruben. Dear mother of Marie Elena (Kevin) Stulp, Judy (Lionnie) Deck, Joseph (Debbie), Renee (Jim) Anderson, David, Timothy, Thomas (Sibrina), Edmund (Sabrina) and Suzanne (Bill) Green. Grandmother of 21. Sister of Eleanor (Merritt) Engberg and Jerilyn (Jim) Lobb. Visitation Wednesday 2-4pm and 6-9pm and Thursday 1-4 and 6-9pm with 7pm Rosary at the John N. Santeu & Son Funeral Home, 1139 Inkster (between Ford Rd. and Cherry Hill). In state Friday 9:30am at Saint Dunstan Catholic Church, 1515 Belton (2 blocks west of Inkster, 2 blocks south of Ford Rd.) until 10am Mass. Memorials suggested to Saint Dunstan Catholic Church.



**FRANK R. YOUNG**  
Suddenly July 10, 2007 Age 90 of Franklin. Retired engineer with Chrysler Missile and SCANS Associates. Beloved husband of the late Phyllis for 63 years. Loving father of Laurie Ann, Jenni Jo Nelson (Jerry) and the late Alan R. (Alice). Dear grandfather of Debbie Spencer, Bryan R. Young (Shawn), Jennifer Nelson and Dana Nelson. Also survived by three great-grandchildren. Brother of Marie Devine (David). Family will receive friends at A.J. Desmond & Sons (Vasu, Rodgers & Connell Chapel), 32515 Woodward Ave. (btwn 13-14 Mile) Friday 4-8pm. Funeral service Saturday 11am at Franklin Community Church, 26425 Wellington, Franklin. Visitation begins at church 10am. Interment Franklin Cemetery. Memorial tributes to Franklin Community Church or the Franklin Firefighters Benevolent Fund, c/o Chief Tony Averbuch, 32707 Franklin Rd., Franklin, MI 48025. View obituary and share memories at [www.DesmondFuneralHome.com](http://www.DesmondFuneralHome.com)



**ROBERT K. MORRISON**  
Age 65, passed away on July 3, 2007 at Southwest Regional Hospital in Ft. Myers, FL of acute pulmonary disease. Bob is survived by his mother, Elaine Morrison of Ft. Myers; sister, Diane Patton of Beverly Hills, MI; niece, Marci Frederickson of Grosse Pointe Park, MI; nephew, Michael Patton of Oakland, CA. He is predeceased by his father, Robert L. Morrison of Naples, FL. Memorials may be made to the American Lung Association.

**WILLIAM JOHN DALLAS**  
Beloved husband of the late Gertrude. Loving father of Diane, Mary (Bob) Fletcher and the late Donna Jean Cudney. Dear brother of Carol Luden. Loving grandfather of Jeff (Julie) Fletcher, Greg (Hollie) Fletcher, Nicole Matthews and Joseph (Charlotte) Matt hews Great-grandfather of Kyra, Anna, Alan, Stefanie, Ryan, Ian, Nathan, Daniel and Lorelai. Memorial service 11:00a.m. Friday at Newburg United Methodist Church, 36500 Ann Arbor, Trail (E. of Newburgh). The family has entrusted care and service to the L.J. Griffin Funeral Home, 734-522-9400. Share a "Memorial Tribute" with the family at [griffinfuneralhome.com](http://griffinfuneralhome.com)

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RELIGION

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**Evangelical Lutheran Church (ELCA)**  
30650 Six Mile, Livonia. Call (734) 427-1414 or visit www.holycrosslivonia.org. Visitors welcome.

**Sunday worship**  
10 a.m. at Lutheran Church of Our Saviour, 29425 Annapolis, Westland. For information, call (734) 728-3440.

**Preschool registration**  
Ward Preschool now enrolling children for the 2007-2008 school year. Morning and afternoon sessions available for ages 3, 4 and 5 by Dec. 1. Preschool is at 40000 Six Mile, west of Haggerty, Northville. Schedule and tuition information can be viewed at www.wardchurch.org. For information, call (248) 374-5911 or send e-mail to carol.nowacki@wardchurch.org.

**Sunday services**  
Pastor Dan Strength leads services at Living Water Church (Pentecostal Church of God), 11663 Arcola, one

block west of Inkster road on Plymouth road. Sunday School is 10 a.m. followed by worship at 11 a.m. Bible study 7 p.m. Wednesdays. Call (734) 425-6360.

**Worship services**  
Regular church services 9:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. Sundays with Nursery, Sunday School during 9:30 a.m. service, at Holy Cross Evangelical Lutheran Church (ELCA), 30650 Six Mile, Livonia. Call (734) 427-1414. Adult Bible Study weekly on Tuesday and Sunday at 11 a.m. Visitors welcome. Visit www.holy-crosslivonia.org.

**Bible study**  
7 p.m. on the first and third Thursday of each month in the rectory at St. Michael the Archangel Parish, 11441 Hubbard, south of Plymouth Road, Livonia. The current study is the Gospel of St. John. For more information, call (734) 261-1455.

**Farmington Women Aglow**  
Meets 7-9:30 p.m. (doors open at 6:30 p.m.) on the second Monday of the month in the Visitors Center (old

Spicer House) at Heritage Park on Farmington Road, between 10 Mile and 11 Mile roads. For more information, call Linda Boone at (248) 476-1053 or (248) 890-5494.

**Worship services**  
Praise and worship 10 a.m. Sunday, at Westwood Community Church, 6500 Wayne Road and Hunter, Westland. Contemporary music and casual dress. Children church and nursery. Call (734) 254-0093. Doughnuts and coffee served.

**Classes**  
NorthRidge Church Women's Ministry invites you to participate in a variety of exciting groups and classes that began Thursday, March 8, at the church, 49555 North Territorial, Plymouth. Choose from a self defense class, Scrap-booking, Mops, Bible studies, cooking and nutrition, quilting, book club, and much more. Register on line at http://www.northridgechurch.com/Women/.

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3- and 4-year olds, at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, 39020 Five Mile, Livonia. Call (734) 464-0211.

**Recovery program**  
Ward Evangelical Presbyterian Church in Northville launches Celebrate Recovery, a Christ-centered recovery program helping men and women find freedom from their hurts, habits and hang-ups (addictive and compulsive behaviors), meets every Friday evening for 6 p.m. dinner (optional), 7 p.m. praise and worship, 8 p.m. small group discussion, 9 p.m. Solid Rock Cafe (optional coffee and desserts). Child care during Celebrate Recovery is free and available by calling (248) 374-7400. For information, visit www.celebraterecovery.com and www.wardchurch.org/celebrate.

**Bible study**  
The Gospels and You Bible Study began 7 p.m. Monday, Feb. 5, at The Basilica of St. Mary Orthodox Church activity center on the lower level, 18100 Merriman, Livonia. No charge. The study focuses on applying

the Gospel of St. Luke to daily life. Sessions will be led by Rev. George Shalhoub and Jim King, the church's director of youth and outreach ministry. For information and to register, call (734) 422-0010.

**Sunday service**  
All are welcome to attend worship service at 10 a.m. Sunday in the sanctuary at St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, 27475 Five Mile, one block west of Inkster, Livonia. For more information, call (734) 422-1470.

**Worship service**  
All are welcome to attend 11 a.m. worship service Sundays, at Good Shepherd Reformed Church, 6500 N. Wayne at Hunter, Westland. Join us at 7 p.m. Tuesdays in November and December as Pastor Louise Monacelli introduces The Jesus Experience, a series of videos offering insight into the people and situations God used to expand the church around the world. For more information, call (734) 721-0800.

**Worship services**

Explore your destiny God's wonderful plan for your life. Sunday Worship services are at 8 a.m. (traditional) and 10:30 a.m. (contemporary), at Grace Lutheran Church, 46001 Warren, between Canton Center and Beck), Canton. For more information, call (734) 637-8160. Sunday School and Adult Bible Study at 9:15 a.m. Adult Bible Study series: Heaven Can't Wait.

**Worship service**  
At 10:30 a.m. Sundays at New Beginnings United Methodist Church, 16175 Delaware at Puritan, Redford. Congregation is hearing lessons from 1 Peter. For more information, call (313) 255-6330.

**Adult literacy classes**  
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Anthony Candito (from left), Ron Barck and Chris Walis stand by the cars they race occasionally at Milan Dragway. All three said the time and money they invest in the hobby is well worth the adrenaline rush that comes when the starting light turns green.

## ADDICTED TO SPEED

Racing is a 'drag' for local drivers who compete at Milan

*"I'm still playing with Hot Wheels, only now mine's a 2,400-pound Mustang."*

—pro drag racer Eric Medlen  
BY ED WRIGHT  
STAFF WRITER

Canton resident Chris Walis' "Hot Wheels" car is a jet black, looks-like-new 1966 Chevrolet Chevelle that roars like a lion and runs like a cheetah.

On a good day, it can go from zero to 136 miles per hour in the time it took you to read this sentence.

Walis, who steered the vehicle he has nicknamed "Nighthawk" to a class championship at Milan Dragway in 2002, is one of several area drag-racing aficionados whose primary hobby consists of seeing how fast they can push their cars over a quarter-mile stretch of asphalt.

"There was one point in my life, when I was younger, when I would race at either the Detroit Dragway (which has since closed) or at Milan every weekend of the summer," said the 58-year-old Walis. "It's almost like an addiction; it's a lifestyle — keeping the car running as fast as it can."

"I've always enjoyed sports and competing, so the combination of going fast and trying to win has always been

very exciting for me."  
**Need for speed**

Anthony Candito can relate to Walis' passion for speed. The 28-year-old Plymouth resident has invested close to \$20,000 (and maybe as many hours) into his 1992 Mustang, which he entered into the "Pinks" competition two weeks ago at Milan.

All the time he spent leading up to the event tweaking the car — he guesstimates it was close to 30 hours per week — was well worth it, he stressed.

"I was bitten by the racing bug when I was young and it hasn't gone away," said Candito, who first learned how an engine works in an automotive class he took at Canton High School over 10 years ago. "It's such a big adrenaline rush when you're sitting there and the yellow lights start to light up on the tree. Plus you have to remember everything you need to do to get down the track as fast as possible. There's nothing else quite like it."

### Starting young

The racing fire in 36-year-old Canton resident Ron Barck's belly was lit more than 20 years ago when he first laid eyes on his older brother's '68 Camaro.

### SPEED RACERS

Following is a list of Observerland residents who have competed at Milan Dragway this season:

**Plymouth/Canton:** Mickey Adams, Ron Barck, Mark Bone, Brian Butler, Anthony Candito, John Cassar, Michael Kelley and Chris Walis;

**Garden City:** Mike Bowersock, Robert Haist, Ryan Murphy, Roxanne Shepard and Todd Thibeault;

**Livonia:** Lori Deuby, Richard Deuby, Drew Edwards, Marlon Howes and Kurt Urban;

**Redford:** Robert Batha, Steve Heidt, Myron Hill, Keith Groves and Mike O'Rourke; and

**Westland:** Karri Beebe, Jamey Carey, Jeff Christ, Jason Gibbs, John Kummer, Kevin Lithgow, John Oleynik, Orb McCoy, Chris Robinson, Tracy Robinson and Dennis Spears.

He was too young to drive at the time, but not too young to dream about what it would be like to put the pedal to the metal.

"I loved how fast that car could go and I couldn't wait until I was old enough to get one for myself," said Barck, who purchased his first car — a '68 Chevelle — when he was 17. "I grew up loving cars, loving speed and the adrenaline that went along with it."

"Racing at Milan is an unbelievable feeling. When you're sitting at the starting line, you get so pumped

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## Lady Ocelots find recruits for '07 class

BY BRAD EMONS  
STAFF WRITER

Deepak Shivraman's first recruiting class appears to be already getting high marks.

The new Schoolcraft College women's soccer coach has commitments from nine new players that will join six returnees off last year's squad, which finished 16-2-2 overall and reached the semifinals of the NJCAA National Tournament.

"I have a good feeling after watching them," said Shivraman, who takes over for Bill Tolstedt. "I think the personalities will click well with the players that are remaining."

Among the new area players in the fold include Clare Baptist, a forward from Plymouth; Ally King, a midfielder-forward who played two seasons ago at Livonia Stevenson; Emily Navas, a defender from North Farmington; and Margaret Mayer (formerly Margaret Wirth), a defender from Livonia Churchill.

Mayer, now 26, played two seasons for Shivraman when he coached at Farmington Hills Mercy before transferring to Churchill. Mayer got a full-ride scholarship to the University of Toledo and played a season before taking off to work full-time and get married.

"She has a child and a family, but we'll make it work with her schedule," Shivraman said. "She's the perfect fit and she looks phenomenal. Her work ethic is phenomenal and she'll be seen as a great role model."

King, meanwhile, took classes at Schoolcraft last year, but did not play.

"She (King) was playing on a co-ed team when I ran into her at Wixom (Indoor Soccer Facility) and she said she missed it so much," Shivraman said. "She asked me 'is there anyway I can play again.' She's a great player who brings a high level of skill, experience and leadership to the team."

Among the other prized recruits for the Lady Ocelots include center midfielder-forward Adrienne Guerrero (Dearborn High), forward-midfielder Amanda Bailey (Fenton), forward-midfielder Michelle Dowdey (Gibraltar Carlson), midfielder-defender Katelyn Gilbert, forward Kayleigh Maurer (Southgate Anderson) and midfielder Sam Harrington (Ypsilanti Lincoln) and Sally L'Esperance (Brighton), a defender who played for Shivraman in the spring.

Guerrero moved to the area from Texas and competed on the Under-18 Mexican National team, while Bailey played for the prestigious Michigan Hawks club team.

"She (Guerrero) is a special

Please see **RECRUITS, B2**

## Sidelines

### Ignition add pick

The Detroit Ignition acquired the playing rights to defender Chad Dombrowski from the Milwaukee Wave with the second overall selection in the 2007 Major Indoor Soccer League Expansion Draft.

Detroit acquired the pick in a previous trade with the California Cougars for netminder Sanaldo on June 5.

The 26-year-old Dombrowski recorded eight goals and three assists for 20 points as a member of the Wave during the 2006-07 regular season. The 6-foot-11, 175-pound defender from West Allis, Wis. was selected as a second-team All-American by the National Soccer Coaches Association of America in 2002 and named first-team All-Horizon League during his final two collegiate seasons at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee.

During the Expansion Draft, the Ignition lost forward Carlos Farias (Round 2) to the Chicago Storm as well as veteran defender Bill Sedgewick (Round 4) and midfielder Miodrag Djersilo (Round 5) to the Orlando Sharks. The second-year club, based at Plymouth's Computware Arena and owned by the Hantz Group of Southfield, also lost the playing rights to Gary Sullivan and Mauricio Salles to the New Jersey Ironmen.

### Hole-in-one club

On June 8, Dave Rucinski, of Plymouth, used a pitching wedge to ace the 137-yard, No. 7 hole at Birchwood Farms Golf Club in Harper Springs.

Rucinski, who hit the tee shot from a 65-foot of elevation, was able to witness the ball go into the hole. He shot 89 for 18 holes.

### Glenn football

Westland John Glenn will stage a varsity football camp stressing fundamentals from 6-8 p.m., Monday through Friday, July 16-20, at the high school.

The cost is \$50. For more information, call Todd DeLuca at (734) 419-2329 or (734) 751-0015.

### Rocks football

The Salem School football program will be hosting a youth camp for Plymouth and Canton kids between the ages of 7 and 14 years old on Saturday from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. on the grass practice fields behind Salem High School.

For the \$10 fee, youths will receive a T-shirt, lunch, certificate and instruction focusing on the fundamentals of every position.

Registration begins at 8 a.m. at the field. For more information, contact Salem varsity coach Parker Salowich at (313) 820-2889.

## Lured from Day 1 Bass angler Barrows casts lot on FLW Tour

BY BRAD EMONS  
STAFF WRITER

Redford's Kevin Barrows has been hooked since he was 16.

"I played baseball, but I've been fishing ever since my dad (Lynn) took me out," said the 37-year-old maintenance worker, who is among 200 co-anglers who will compete starting today in the Wal-Mart FLW Tour's Chevy Open on the Detroit River for a top award of \$40,000 cash. "Bass fishing is a challenge because it changes every day. I fish both bass and walleye, but I really don't like bass, unless I'm practicing for a tournament."

In FLW Tour competition, pros and co-anglers are randomly paired each day, with pros supplying the boat, controlling boat movement and competing against other pros.

Co-anglers fish from the back deck against other co-anglers. The full field of 400 anglers competes in the two-day opening round for one of 10 slots in Saturday's competition based on their two-day accumulated weight. Weights are cleared for third day, and co-angler competition concludes following Saturday's weigh-in. The top

10 pros continue competition on Sunday, with the winner determined by the heaviest accumulated weight for days three and four.

"I'm really excited," Barrows said. "I hope to get a good draw and finish high."

The total purse for the Chevy Open is \$1.5 million, including \$10,000 through 60th place in the Pro Division. It's the most lucrative tour-level bass tournament ever hosted in Michigan.

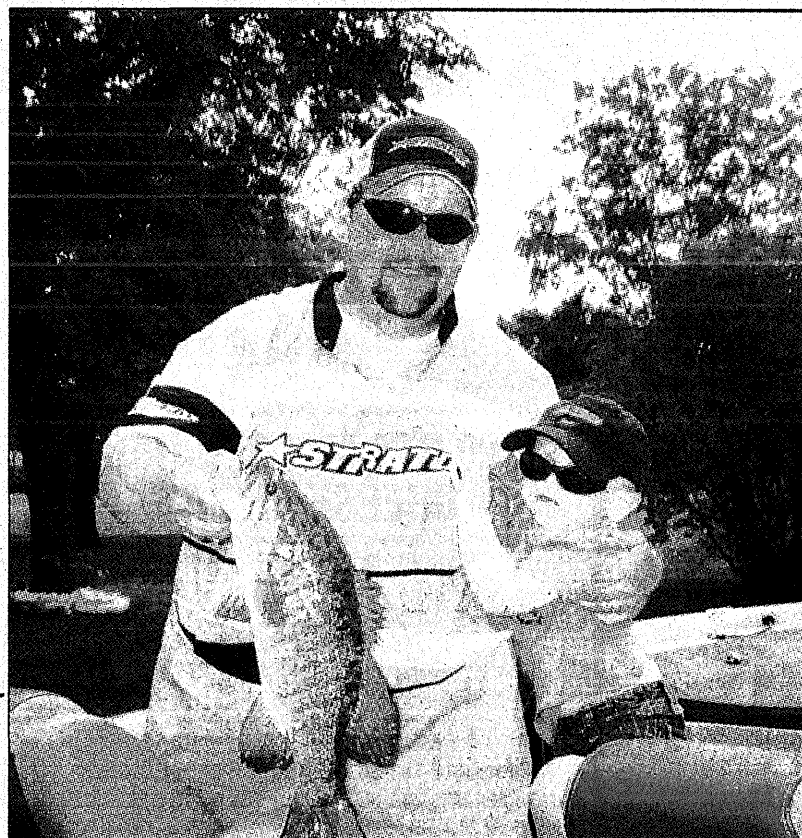
The Chevy Open offers anglers the chance to fish a wide area all the way from Lake St. Clair through the Detroit River and up through Lake Erie.

Barrows knows the waters well, but he's still considered an amateur.

Over the weekend, Barrows hit the water with two well-known regulars on the FLW Tour, Stacey King (Reeds Spring, Mo.) of Pro Bass Shops and Charlie Ingram (Santa Fe, Tenn.), the latter whom is host of Fishing University televised on the Versus network.

"Every time out you learn something, it helps because they know how to fish," Barrows said. "I

Please see **ANGLER, B2**



Bass fisherman Kevin Barrows of Redford, with son McClain, hopes to someday compete full-time on the Wal-Mart FLW Tour.



# No-hitter sends Rams reeling as Cubs sweep weekend set

The lovable first-place Cubs weren't so lovable as far as the Michigan Rams were concerned.

The weekend series started Friday at Livonia's Ford Field with James Teas throwing a no-hitter as the 22-and-under Cubs earned a 6-1 victory.

The series was completed Sunday with the Cubs sweeping a Livonia Collegiate Baseball League doubleheader at Ford Field, 12-3 and 15-4.

The Cubs improved to 18-4-2 in the LCBL, five points ahead of the second-place Michigan Bulls, who are 15-5-2. The third-place Rams, a 20-and-under team, fell to 10-12-2, followed by the last-place Detroit Eagles at 0-22-1.

An 18-hit attack carried the Cubs to the first-game victory as Teas went 3-for-5 with four RBI. Matt Nickels added three hits and two RBI, while Bill Matoch went 2-for-2 with three RBI and two runs scored. Rod Helson and Jeff Digati also chipped in with two hits apiece.

Frank Persichino, Andrew Stafford and Nick Urban each collected two hits for the Rams.

Persichino, Kyle Hurtt and Max Kelmigian all knocked in runs despite the loss.

Winning pitcher Lafe Burnett scattered seven hits

over six innings. He struck out three and walked two.

Losing pitcher Sam Yashinsky lasted 2.1 innings, allowing four runs on six hits and three walks. Reliever Mike Kaiser fared no better, giving up seven runs on 12 hits and two walks in 3.1 innings.

In the nightcap, Jon Zalenski went 4-for-5 with two runs and Nickels added three hits, including a double and triple to go with four RBI in a 14-hit Cubs attack.

Helson and Jeff Bultnick each contributed two hits and one RBI. Helson also scored three runs.

Mike Wiseman and Urban led the Rams with two hits and one RBI each. Kyle Gendron added two hits, an RBI and scored two runs, while Nick Plinka and Stafford also knocked in runs.

Winning pitcher Kevin Sabol worked the first four innings, allowing four runs on seven hits and three walks for the Cubs.

Losing pitcher Justin Mazur gave up six runs on four hits and four walks in just 1.2 innings.

On Saturday, the Cubs rolled to an 8-1 victory over the Rams at Ford Field as winning pitcher Josh Lewis tossed a complete-game six-

hitter. Lewis struck out eight and did not allow a walk.

Dustin Joffries led the Cubs with two hits and one RBI. Teas and Bultnick each contributed RBI doubles, while Nickels, Zalenski and Brian Tellish also knocked in runs.

Persichino and Stafford had two hits apiece for the Rams.

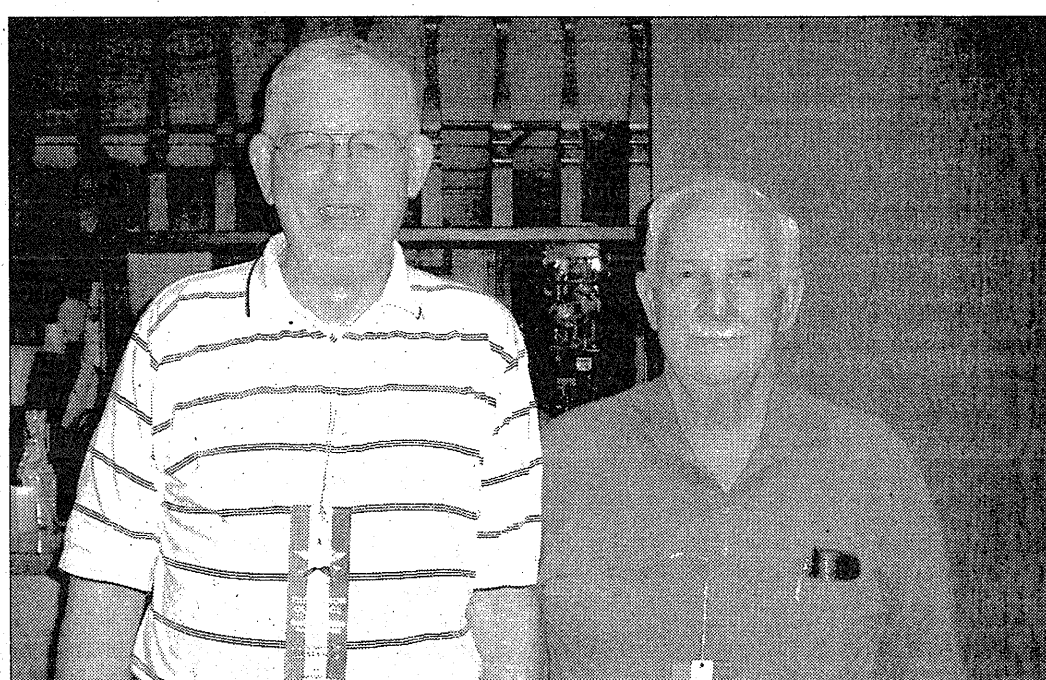
Losing pitcher Justin Collop (University of Toledo), went 6.1 innings, allowing seven runs (four earned) on six hits and five walks. The Wayne Memorial grad struck out five. Yashinsky walked three and gave up a run in two-thirds of an inning of relief.

In the no-hitter Friday, Teas struck out four, walked two and hit two batters in seven innings.

Losing pitcher Shane McCatty gave up six runs on six hits and seven walks in 5.2 innings for the Rams. Closer Steve Karchefski allowed three walks and fanned one in finishing up.

Kelmigian's RBI groundout scoring Nick Urban, who was hit by a pitch and stole a base, accounted for the lone Rams runs in the first inning.

Nickels had two hits for the Cubs, including a home and three RBI. Bultnick went 2-for-2 including a double and RBI. Helson also knocked in a run.



## 5th in Seniors

Livonia Ed Carew (left), pictured with fellow qualifier Ed Leavy (right) of Roseville, earned a fifth-place finish among 39 competitors in men's 75-79 singles bowling competition at the National Senior Olympics held July 2-4 in Louisville, Ky. During the qualifying rounds, Carew opened with an uncharacteristic 505 series on games of 161, 135 and 209, but rebounded the next day for a 608 series on games of 237, 191 and 180. During his 237 game, Carew opened with a couple of spares before reeling off seven consecutive strikes to earn a berth among eight national finalists, which included bowlers from Minnesota, New York, New Jersey, Tennessee, Delaware, Utah and Ohio. Carew eventually wound up fifth overall with a 569 series and received a Senior Olympics ribbon during the medal presentation ceremony. The overall champion, meanwhile, finished with a 666. It was Carew's second trip to the National Senior Olympics. He also placed fourth in the 1999 men's doubles with partner Ken Gage, a longtime Livonia resident. Carew earned a spot in the nationals after winning a gold medal in state competition last summer in Kalamazoo. Carew continues to plan to compete at the state level with hopes of qualifying for the 2009 National Senior Olympics in San Francisco, Calif.

## Canton Sports Center hosts USSSA world series

Canton will be the gathering place for more than 100 youth baseball teams from 10 different states next week when the Canton Sports Center hosts the USSSA 10U, 12U and 14U Boys World Series.

The event, which is expected to attract 2,800 people to the area, will kick off Sunday at 6 p.m. with an opening ceremony that will feature the first ball thrown out by James Wisniewski, a Canton resident and defenseman for the Chicago Blackhawks. Sunday's ceremony, which is free, will also include a parade of teams, an honor guard and the National Anthem.

Games will be held Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. On Friday, July 20, and Saturday, July 21, games will be held from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. The championship contests on July 22 will run from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.

A weekly admission pass for those 13 years old and up is \$25 (\$7 per day). Children 7 to 12 years old will be charged \$20 for the week or \$5 daily while kids 6 and under are free. The fee for seniors (65 and older) is \$20 for a week-long pass and \$5 per day. Schedules, lists of teams and results will be available this weekend on the www.miussa.com Web site.

## ANGLER

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can offer advice, but they do it for a living. Just the way they practice — they don't spend a lot of time in one area. They catch one and move to another area. You can't be lazy. Hopefully I'll hit as much water as I can. You have to think outside the box and apply the things that they do all over the country."

Barrows uses a drop shot bait called Goby, along with a soft plastic artificial lure, the Tube (made by Nemesis Bait of Wixom).

Barrows, who grew up in Garden City, is a member of the Wayne County Bass Anglers and is a regular on a regional tour called Fishers of Men, a Christian-based fellowship group. Barrows and teammate Mark Clark of Taylor recently finished seventh during a tour-

name held in May in Lake Murray, S.C.

Barrows is also a member of the pro staff at Wonderland Marine West in Howell (where he recently bought a Stratus 285 boat).

He also receives support at home from his wife, Shawn, and 3-year-old son McClain.

"He (McClain) loves fishing with dad," Kevin said. "My wife will go out and do book reading, she sits in the sun. I couldn't do it without her encouragement and help. She's been my biggest supporter."

Barrows dreams someday to be controlling the boat from the front end in a co-angler event.

"That's why we've gone down south to tournaments — to gain better knowledge," he said. "Some day I'm hoping to be at the (FLW Tour) level. My goal is to be at the pro level."

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## RECRUITS

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player who I feel strongly about," Shivrman said. "I got lucky with Amanda (Bailey). She verbally committed to Oakland University, but she decided Division I (NCAA) is not for her right now."

Among the returnees will be forward Jessica Austin (Livonia Franklin), defender Ashley Erickson (Walled Lake Central), forward-midfielder Megan McCabe (Pinckney), forward-midfielder Nicole Polite (Troy Bethany Christian), forward-midfielder Gloria Soyad (Harper Woods Regina) and goalkeeper Jessica Tuggle (Livonia Ladywood).

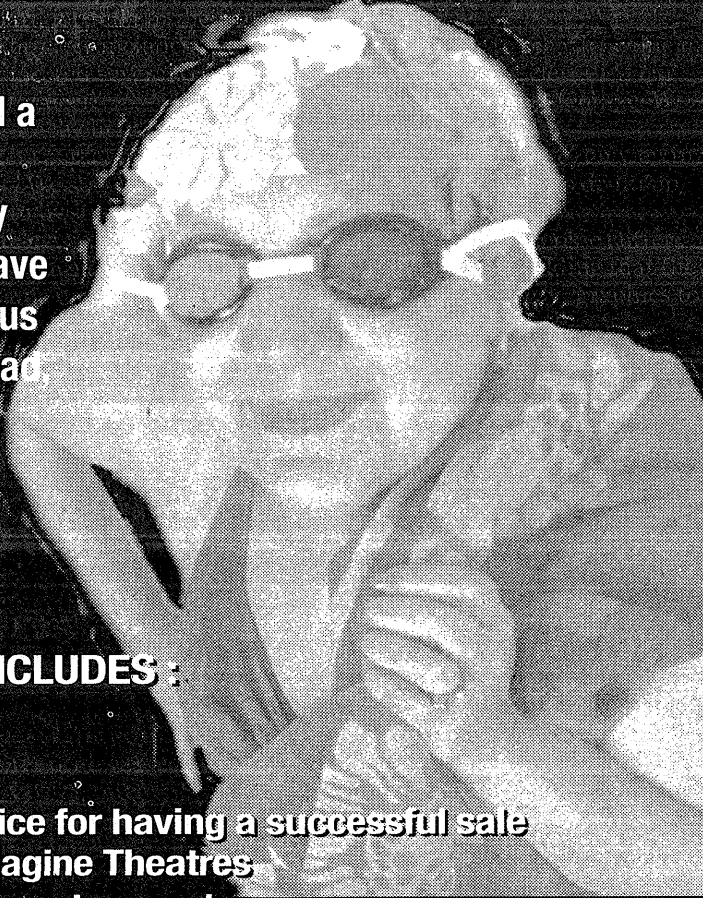
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# Red Sox claim third tournament crown

Three times this season the Michigan Red Sox have stepped up to the plate and delivered.

The Oakland County-based Red Sox, an 18-and-under Connie Mack travel baseball team, has won three championships in as many tries this summer.

The Red Sox captured all seven games in the Motor City Pride Tournament, June 22-24, in Adrian, beating the Michigan Dawgs out of Macomb County in the semifinals and the North Columbus (Ohio) Bruins in the championship game.

The following weekend took the Sox to Grand Rapids to the Midwest Showcase Tournament.

Michigan won all six games in this tournament, finishing the weekend against the U.S. Athletics out of Indianapolis in the championship contest, played at Fifth Third Ballpark, home of the Michigan Whitecaps.

This past weekend in Battle Creek, the Red Sox took the prestigious Gold Division championship of the Mayors Tournament. The Red Sox beat the Ypsilanti-based A Green team, 7-1, to advance out of their pool and face the Central Michigan All-Stars for the championship. The Red Sox jumped all over the Stars and won the crown with a 7-1 triumph.

The Red Sox were put

together by Bill Hardin of the Waco Wolves and Mark Sackett, who founded the Michigan Red Sox organization. Sackett is assisted by field coaches Michael Kaline, Joe Horvath and Phil Magsig. Sackett and Kaline started the team 10 years ago.

The Red Sox consists of players from all over the state and includes seven players of All-State or Dream Team status.

All players except for the underclassmen have signed letters of intent to play baseball at the next level.

Members of the team include Colin Kaline (Birmingham Groves), Jay Sackett (Birmingham Groves), Adam Bodary (Birmingham Groves), Joe Yourchock (Royal Oak), Norm Eichner (Royal Oak), Derrick Weiss (Troy), Kyle Horvath (Madison Heights Lamphere), Luke Harding (Troy Bethany Christian), Josh Rebandt (Birmingham Brother Rice), Bill Hardin (Livonia/Novi-Detroit Catholic Central), Taylor Younce (Livonia Churchill), Anthony Savone (Allen Park), Ben Magsig (Okemos), Josh Wedesky (Fowlerville), Tyler Loehr (Brighton), Zach Strauss (Toldeo Scott), Brandon Lindquist (Windsor Villanova), Mitch Delaney (Windsor Villanova), Walled Lake; Brent Reichle (Walled Lake Central), Brandon Eckerle (Corunna) and Rick Dodridge (West Branch Ogemaw Heights).

## RACING

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up and the adrenaline starts flowing because you don't know what's going to happen. I've never been in a wreck, knock on wood, but I've seen some pretty bad ones."

### Danger lurks

All three local racers acknowledged the element of danger that accompanies their hobby like a dark shadow. They're all well aware of what NASCAR driver Boris Said meant when he quipped: "When a race car hits a wall, the wall always wins."

"The cars we drive can break loose at any time and hit the wall," said Candito, talking about the fear factor that all drag racers must encounter. "I've never crashed, but a good friend of mine had the rear-end of his eight-second car lock up and he smacked the wall hard."

"You can die when you're going as fast as we are. You just have to be able to control the car and know what you're doing when you're going this fast."

One of the beauties of racing at Milan is that just about anyone can do it — as long as you have a relatively fast car and the \$40 per-race entry fee. The faster your car goes, however, the more stringent the rules become, Barck said.

"Once your car goes 11.49 seconds (over the quarter-mile track), you have to add a roll cage to it," he said. "At that point, you also have to wear a fire jacket for safety reasons."

"The faster you go, the more money it costs," Walis said, chuckling. "I just retired after 40 years at Ford, so I have more time to put into racing. The problem is I don't have as much money. It's kind of a Catch-22."

### Support at home

Candito, Walis and Barck all said their significant others are supportive of their speed-seeking hobby — to a point.

"My wife (Christina) is cool about it," Candito said. "But at the same time, I don't think she'd mind it if I spent a little less time working on my car."

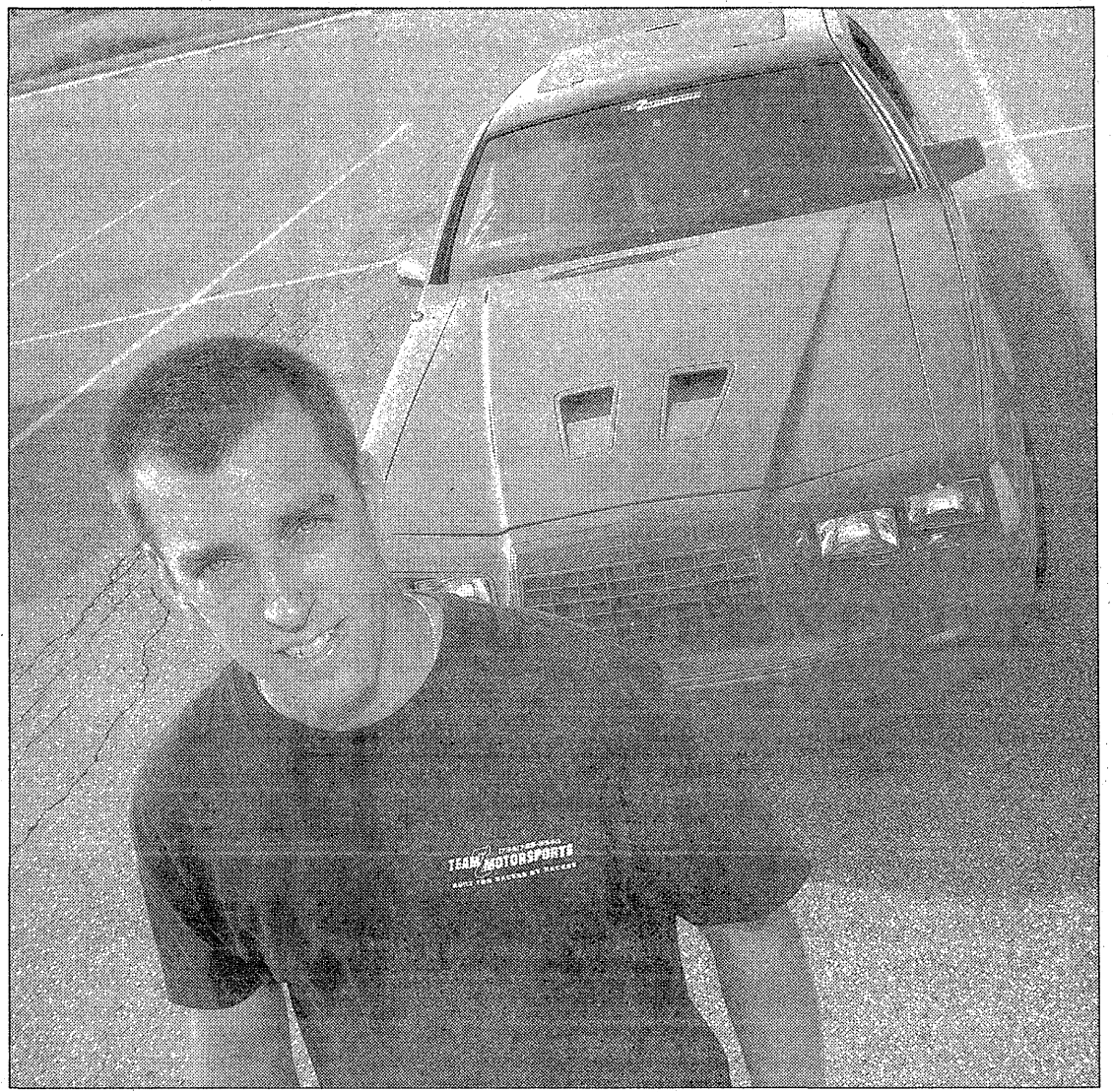
Walis' wife, Denise, shares his love for racing. In fact, several years ago she raced the Chevelle at Milan.

"My daughter, and son-in-law are really into racing now," he said. "They're over at Milan just about every weekend."

What advice would Barck give to an aspiring, part-time drag racer.

"Don't worry about how fast you go," he said. "Just make sure you have fun and be safe."

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Canton resident Ron Barck has been racing his 1983 Ford Thunderbird periodically at Milan Dragway since 2001.



The interior of Anthony Candito's 1992 Ford Mustang is functional and designed for racing the quarter-mile stretch at Milan Dragway.



Canton resident Chris Walis steered his 1966 Chevrolet Chevelle to a class title at Milan Dragway in 2002. The classic car has reached speeds of 136 miles per hour.

## CAMPS/CLINICS

### Franklin pom camp

The Livonia Franklin varsity pom team will stage a clinic for girls ages 6-14 from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. Saturday, July 28 at the high school gym.

Included in the \$35 cost is a T-shirt and pizza lunch. A parents and friends performance will follow at 2:15 p.m. You must pre-register by July 10 because space is limited.

For more information or to pre-register, call Nancy Kuzura at (734) 502-0877.

### Livonia Soccer Club

The Livonia Soccer Club will stage a soccer camp, Monday through Friday, July 23-27 and July 30-Aug. 3.

For registration information, visit WWW.Livoniasoccer.org.

### MU cross country

Madonna University will stage a base camp for the serious high school cross country runner from 8 a.m. to 10:30 a.m., Monday through Friday, July 30-Aug. 3, at Cass Benton Park, part of the Hines Park system just south of Northville on Hines Drive.

The cost is \$95.

MU will also stage a series of long runs from 7:30-9 a.m. on Saturdays, July 14, 21, 28; Aug. 4 and 11, at Cass Benton. The cost is \$2 each Saturday.

For more information, call camp director and MU head

coach Patrick Daugherty at (734) 658-0226 (evenings) or the MU cross country office at (734) 432-5634. You can also e-mail pdaugherty@madonna.edu.

### Hawks soccer camps

The Michigan Hawks Women will offer a series of camps, 9:30-11:30 a.m., Monday through Thursday, July 23-26; and July 30-Aug. 2, at the Total Sports Complex, 30990 Wixom Road, Wixom.

The cost for each session is \$125 (includes T-shirt and season pass to all University of Michigan women's games). Those organizing a group of six or more campers is \$115 per player.

For more information, visit www.michiganhawks-women.com; or e-mail Doug Landefeld at dlandefeld@michiganyouthsoccer.org.

### C'ville mat camp

The 2007 Trojan Wrestling Camp will be from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., Monday through Friday, July 16-20, at the Livonia Clarenceville High School gymnasium.

The camp is open to any Clarenceville student presently in grades 1-7.

The cost is \$60.

Checks should be made payable to Clarenceville Wrestling (c/o Anthony Saliccioli) and sent to: 20155 Middlebelt Road, Livonia, MI 48152.

Call Saliccioli at (248) 719-3273.

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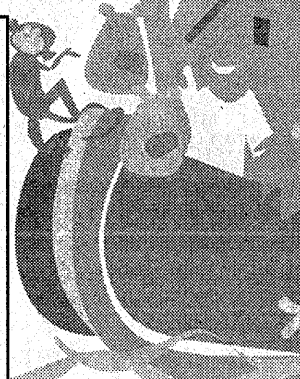
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# Road Runner Classic returning to twilight

BY BRAD EMONS  
STAFF WRITER

The 2007 Road Runner Classic is undergoing a change of seasons.

The 1-mile fun run-walk and 8-kilometer event, which has been held past five years during mid-fall, has been moved up to Saturday, July 28 at Maybury State Park, located in Northville off the Eight Mile Road entrance, one mile west of Beck Road.

"We replaced a cold, fall day for a summer fun run in the park," Northville Road Runner member Gary Haf said. "This year we decided to mix a great run with a party. We're going back to our roots being it's the twilight. Maybury is a perfect setting for a run and party. We also want to give back to the community and its nature area."

All proceeds will benefit the Friends of Maybury State Park.

Formerly called the Redford Road Runners, the Classic became a mid-summer staple

during the club's hey-days of the 1980s and 1990s. It was part of the old triple crown of races staged in the Detroit area which included 8K races at Allen Park and Trenton.

The group, now known as the Northville Road Runners, will be celebrating its 25th anniversary next month. It was decided that an early-evening event would satisfy the needs of many in the local running community.

"We want to integrate family activities, too," NRR member Bart Gregoroff said. "Everybody's a winner because we'll have a story hour, face-painting and hands-on activities for the kids. It's also chance to upgrade the park and restore its history."

Benny and the Jets will provide musical entertainment. The Classic will also serve pizza (from the Starting Gate), libations, baked goods and a stage a raffle.

Awards will go to the overall and masters (40-and-up) male and female winners. The top three finishers will also

receive awards for the following men's and women's age groups: under-19, 20-29, 30-39, 40-49, 50-59, 60-69 and 70-and-up.

The 1-mile run-walk, all on paved trail, starts at 5 p.m. The 8K run-walk, a combination of dirt and paved trails, follows at 5:30 p.m.

"The trails are not technically hard," Gregoroff said. "We've made it a fun run, yet it's competitive, too."

Pre-registration (through July 26) is \$4 for the 1-mile run-walk and \$15 for the 8K run-walk.

Late registration (July 27-28) is \$5 for the 1-mile and \$20 for the 8K. Race day registration starts at 3 p.m. Collectors T-shirts are also available for \$8. A Michigan State Parks motor vehicle permit is also required to enter the park.

Runners and walkers can also pay directly or register online at active.com.

Visit [www.northvilleroadrunners.org](http://www.northvilleroadrunners.org); or call Gary Haf at (248) 231-6114.



## Clean sweep

The Rangers captured the title in the Greater Canton Youth Baseball & Softball Association's 14U division when they finished with a 14-0-1 record. Pictured (front row from left) are Coach Dave McBride, Ryan Washburn, Joey McBride, Brad Panek, Andrew Yoder, Thomas Afetian, Sam Scott, Thomas Dean, Jeremy Kohtz, (back row from left) Assistant Coach Glenn Scott, Cody Sheeler, Sean Harte, Phil Schultz, Ryan Brown, Mitch Yoder, Assistant Coach Tom Dean, Sean Fitzpatrick and Assistant Coach Pat Fitzpatrick.



## Treasured title

The 10U Pirates recently closed out an undefeated season when they captured their division in the Greater Canton Youth Baseball & Softball Association with a 12-0-1 record. Pictured are (back row from left) Head Coach Angelo Lanava, Assistant Coach Lee Gross, Assistant Coach Gary Hodgson, (second row from left) Connor Lewis-Campbell, Mitchell Gross, Lucas Callahan, Nick Boka, Andy Gregor, Greg Williams, (front row from left) Zach Rhodes, Adam Hodgson, Sean Meagher, Nick Lanava, Nathan Abbott, Bowen Burdette, Zach Nelson and (sitting) Josh Smith.

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By Jeff Lesson

Golf is one of the few games where players of all ability levels can play in the same game. Multiple sets of tees makes it possible for a scratch golfer to play in the same group as a 20 handicapper without missing a beat.

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when they are frustrated. And if someone cheats on a golf score, will they cheat you in business as well?

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O&E Golf Open

The men's and women's Observer & Eccentric Open will be Saturday-Sunday, Aug. 11-12, at Whispering Willows and Fox Creek golf courses.

The men's 36-hole medal play is 18 holes Saturday at Whispering Willows and 18 holes Sunday at Fox Creek.

Maximum handicap is 20 and you must have a current USGA index to participate. The women's 18-hole medal play is Saturday, Aug. 11 at Whispering Willows. The fee is \$50.

Entries close at 6 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 4. For more information, call (248) 476-4493.

2-woman scramble

The Michigan Women's Golf Association two-women scramble is Saturday, July 14 at Sugarbush Golf Club in Davison.

The shotgun start is slated for 9 a.m. The entry fee is \$64 for MWGA members; \$84 for non-members. Included in the cost is golf, cart, range, continental breakfast and prizes.

For more information, call tournament director Deb Horning at (248) 642-7834; or e-mail clubchaser@comast.net.

CYO golf outing

The 2007 Catholic Youth Organization Friends Athletic

golf outing will be Monday, July 16 at St. John's Golf Center in Plymouth.

Hole sponsorships are also available.

For more information, call CYO athletics at (313) 963-7172, Ext. 149.

Judo juniors

The 2007 U.S. Judo Federation Junior Nationals will be Saturday-Sunday, July 14-15, at Eastern Michigan University's Convocation Center in Ypsilanti.

For more information on the Junior Nationals, visit www.MichiganJudo.org.

Motor City Jr. Golf

The Motor City Junior Golf Championship for ages 12-17 is scheduled for Wednesday, July 25 at Whispering Willows Golf Course in Livonia.

The 18-hole event is sponsored by Caddy Shack and Top Flite Golf.

Included in the \$49 entry fee is one practice round (prior to the event), one bucket of driving range balls (the day of the event), lunch ticket and gift pace.

Entry forms must be fill out in full, signed and returned by Wednesday, July 18 to Whispering Willows, located on Newburgh Road just south of Eight Mile Road.

Tea times will be announced after noon on Sunday, July 22. For more information, call

(248) 476-4493.

Soccer openings

The Waza FC Soccer Club has open positions for the following teams: under-8 (boys and girls), under-10 (girls); under-11 (boys); under-12 (boys and girls); under-13 (boys).

Practices will be held at Livonia's Bryant Field, located on Merriman between Six and Seven Mile roads.

For more information, call Jim Debolski at (734) 637-1730; or visit www.WazaFC.com.

3-on-3 hoops

The first annual Hoopin' for the Sal' 3-on-3 double-elimination basketball tournament will be from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Aug. 10-11 at Salvation Army parking lot, 2300 Venoy, Westland.

The cost is \$80 per team. Registration starts at 5 p.m. Friday, Aug. 11.

Divisions for co-ed include Open (adult ages 18 and up), Middle (15-17) and JV (12-14). Awards included a 20-inch

flat screen TVs to the Open Division winners; trophies and T-shirts to all other divisions.

For more information, ask for Captain Matt at (734) 722-3660.

Baseball lessons

The Bernie Carbo Pro Secrets Baseball Academy will be staging individual, small group and team skill sessions in power pitching, hitting and fielding.

Marketing showcase sessions for high school players are available.

Former Phillies minor league All-Star Mark Rutherford will be the featured instructor.

For more information, call (734) 421-4928.

High Velocity soccer

High Velocity Sports in Canton will be offering summer soccer clinics after the 4th of July.

The clinics are once a week for eight weeks.

The cost and day of the week for each class varies per class from \$60 to \$90. All classes

include a free T-shirt.

Schedules and fees are available on www.hvsports.com.

The available clinics include "Future Stars" (2- and 3-year-olds), "Small Stars" (3-4), "Kicks With Kids" (4-5 and 6-7), a Skill Acceleration Camp (8-9 and 10-12), "Beginning Booters" (8-11) and a women's clinic for adults.

Call (734) HV-SPORT.

HVS will also offer skill development classes with Detroit Ignition players from 6:30-7:30 p.m. Thursdays. The cost is \$5 for those who are already registered for spring or summer clinics at HVS or \$10 for anyone else. Finally, HVS will offer a summer soccer camp for kids between the ages of 5 and 12 June 25-29 from 9 a.m. to noon. The cost is \$110.

All HVS summer camps are buy one, get one half off.

WMGA tourney

The Michigan Women's Golf Association 22nd annual

state championship is set for Saturday-Sunday, July 28-29, at Hunter's Ridge Golf Course in Howell, voted in 2005 as the top "female friendly" public golf course in southeastern Michigan.

Players of all experience levels are welcomed, especially junior girl golfers. There will be three division of competition, including Regular, Senior and Junior.

Juniors will play only on Sunday, July 29. The fee is \$59.

The Regular and Senior divisions will have a 9 a.m. shotgun start on both Saturday and Sunday. The cost is \$140 for MWGA members; \$160 for non-members (includes golf, cart, range, prizes, continental breakfast both days, and lunch after play on Sunday.

Call tournament director Sonia Pysh-Denison at (586) 212-6639; or e-mail Pysh-Denison@wmgolf.org. An entry form is online at www.mwgf.org.

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS THURSDAY, AUGUST 2, 2007 6:00 P.M.

PLEASE NOTE that the Zoning Board of Appeals will hold its Regular Meeting on Thursday, August 2, 2007 commencing at 6:00 p.m., to consider:

- The applicant is proposing a 779 square foot garage addition. The required maximum is 7% or 650 square feet, which ever is larger. The applicant is requesting a variance of 129 square feet.

The meeting will be held at Plymouth Township Hall, 9955 N. Haggerty Road in the Town Hall Meeting Room.

For further information contact Plymouth Township Building Department, 734 354-3210.

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Notice of Public Sale of Personal Property.

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to Section 4 of the Self Service Storage Facility Act, State of Michigan, **PS Orangeo, Inc. and/or Shurgard TRS, Inc.** will conduct sale(s) at Public Storage (formerly Shurgard) located at 41889 Joy Rd Canton MI 48187 (734)254-0243 on 7/30/07 at 11:00 am. Sales are for cash only. Removal within 24 hours. For sale and storage units in which rent and fees are past due.

- Personal property described below in the matter of:
- 1006 - Jeffery Marshall - Desk, 8 Boxes, Lamp
  - 1044 - Richard Kelp - 3 TV's, Couch, Trunk
  - 1056 - Keith Urban - Freezer, Couch, Desk
  - 1059 - Angela Miller - 20 Boxes, Cabinet, Dresser
  - 2029 - Michael Mockeridge - Trailer, Leaf Blower, Power Tools
  - 2030 - Mary Owens - Washer, Dryer, Couch
  - 3020 - Marcy Mckinnon - Desk, 9 totes, table
  - 4003 - Gerald Cherwalk - Power tools, stereo, misc items
  - 4028 - Renee Peoples - Mattress, Box, TV
  - 9244 - Michele Robinson - 20 Boxes, Bookcase, Misc Items

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Personal property described below in the matter of:

- 2016 - Leroy Scott - File Cabinet, Air Hockey Table, Big Screen TV
- 3006 - B & B Builders - Fan, 3 Ladders, Misc Items
- 4027 - Jason Brodie - 10 Boxes, Couch, Toolbox
- 4120 - Grant Young - Mattress, 2 Dressers, Coffee Table
- 4132 - Ben Kennedy - Refrigerator, Stove, Washer
- 4142 - Shavaughn Frye - Couch, 5 Boxes, Microwave
- 4145 - Kevin Steele - 10 Boxes, Microwave, TV
- 4264 - James Gordon - Dresser, Kids Bike, Mirror
- 4274 - Betty Bryant - 4 Office Chairs, 20 Boxes, Microwave
- 5202 - Crystal Berezny - 20 Boxes, 3 Totes, Misc Items

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Personal property described below in the matter of:

- 3047 - Jennifer Keenan - Sofa, dresser, love seat
- 4056 - Frieda Greenshields - 5 boxes, 10 totes, misc items
- 4251 - Barbara Kamper - 11 totes, 1 box, misc items
- 4294 - Diane Jacobs - 10 totes, 5 boxes, misc items
- 5006 - Kirk Surface - Aquarium, Loveseat, Guitar
- 5202 - Nyesha Penn - 10 bags, 50 totes, toys
- 5208 - Tracy Causey - Mattress, sofa, misc items
- 5240 - Debra Charnoske - keyboard, tool box, 15 boxes
- 5268 - Mike Zehel - recliner, sofa, loveseat
- 5270 - Ronald Bonzack - Dresser, 4 Chairs, 5 Totes
- 6012 - Gaylyne Wall - Dresser, Sofa, Misc Items
- 6017 - Kenneth Armstead - Ladder, Bicycle, Dresser
- 6048 - Nadeem Ahmed - Grill, Ice Machine, 20 Chairs
- 6203 - Rachel Knighton - Cedar Chest, Dresser, TV
- 6205 - Mary Pitts - TV cabinet, Mattress, Box-springs
- 6222 - Laura Smith - 20 Boxes, Misc Items, Basket

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CANTON POLICE DEPARTMENT 1150 S. CANTON CENTER RD. CANTON, MI 48188

The following vehicles have been deemed abandoned and will be sold at public auction, July 17, 2007 at 10:00 AM. The auction will be held at Westland Car Care Towing, 6375 Hix Rd., Westland, MI 48185. The vehicles will be sold as is, starting bid is for towing and storage.

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CANTON DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON INVITATION TO BID

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Charter Township of Canton, 1150 Canton Center S., Canton, Michigan will accept sealed bids at the Office of the Clerk up to 3:00 p.m. Thursday, July 26, 2007 for the following:

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Project includes the widening of 571 feet of Ford Road (M-153) west of Canton Center Road. This widening consists of removing existing pavement and curb & gutter, placing 543 square yards of HMA pavement, placing 121 square yards of non-reinforced concrete pavement with curb & gutter, and placing drainage structures as necessary. Also, the removal of existing traffic signals and replacement with new mast arms at six locations along Ford Road.

MDOT pre-qualification is required for all prime and sub-contractors performing work associated with the removal and replacement of the traffic signals.

Bid documents are available to pick up at Northwest Consultants, Inc. (NCI), 44978 Ford Rd., Suite A, Canton, MI 48187. A nonrefundable fee of \$65.00 will be charged for the bid packet. A 5% bid bond will be required.

Bid documents are on file and available for review at Canton Township Hall- Engineering 2nd Floor, NCI, Construction Association of Michigan, Reed Construction Data, McGraw Hill Construction Dodge, and Construction News Service of Michigan, Inc.

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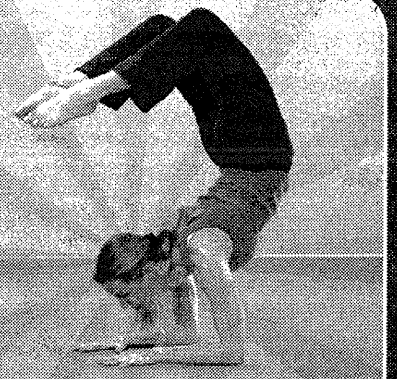
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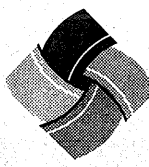
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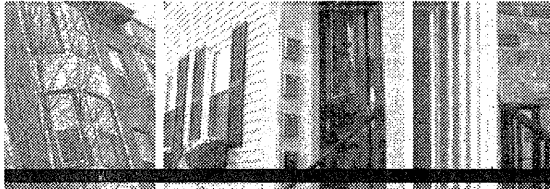
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# HOW LARGE COMPANIES APPEAL



**WORKWISE**  
by Mildred L. Culp

You might think that large companies appeal to employees because of greater perceived

opportunity. That isn't always the case.

Corie Raquel is a (virtual) health coach at the headquarters of The Regence Group in Portland, Ore. This \$8 billion not-for-profit health insurance carrier has 6,500 employees in the Pacific Northwest and Utah. I support individuals with health issues, whether alcohol, depression, insomnia, diet or exercise, on the phone, he says. In his previous company, he was one of five employees. There, as a personal trainer in a gym, he helped seniors with problems ranging from strokes to joint replacements.

Rick Faulk, in corporate sales, moved from a company with 100 employees to another with 2,200 and now Cisco, with 30,000. He is chief marketing officer at the intermediate company, WebEx. Faulk commutes from Boston to Santa Clara, where he manages 150 employees on four continents marketing collaboration applications. He enjoys the greater resources typical of a large organization and, through the use of the collaboration tools, access to innovation. Faulk concedes, however, that he works longer days.

Raquel feels as if he's at a

banquet at Regence. I have a lot more resources to use, and many more people to work with, he says, including health coaches and supervisors. In my previous company, people said I was more talkative.

I'm in my cubie the whole time, he adds. Some co-workers are virtual. When we interact, it helps a lot. I find them more supportive. I get information from them when I have a problem. He also enjoys company-sponsored training leading to certification for work coaching.

### SIDE-BY-SIDE

Andrea, who asked not to use her name, works almost full-time with two part-time jobs in a governmental agency. One has well over 3,000 employees; the other, fewer than 100. This puts her in a unique position for comparison, because she gathers and generates information in both.

She says that navigating in large organizations is extremely difficult. For example, she recently felt like a tiny cog in a very large wheel when her organization went to D.C. for training.

It was pretty much impossible to develop a relationship with anyone but my immediate co-workers, she explains. It's not a situation of being chummy. It's of understanding who people are, what their functions are, what department you need to go to for information you need.

She points out that titles often mislead people about a function. If you want to ask a question about an organizational issue, you have to look at

an org chart to determine where to get the information, she states. A really large org can be difficult for people who value information. The government bureaucracy isn't the problem. She faced a similar predicament when she worked for a major retailer.

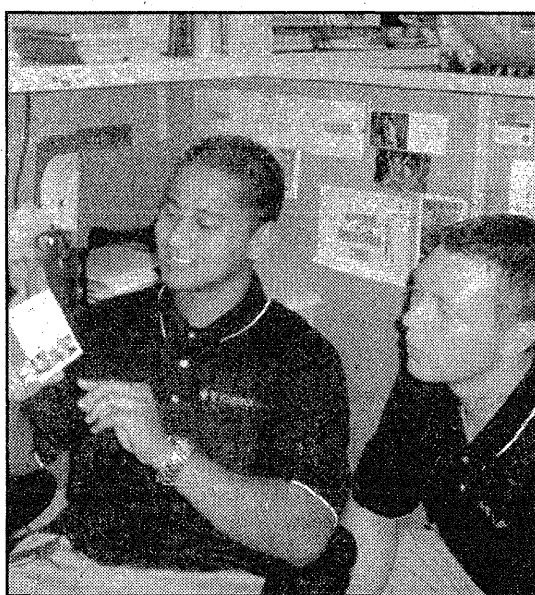
Andrea maintains that the work in a larger organization is more difficult, although the rules are clearer. It's much more detail-oriented, she states.

The bar is higher. The smaller one is a stress-reliever, but I'm glad I have the two to complement each other.

### LEFT BEHIND

What do people miss about small environments when they're working in larger ones? Raquel misses the client interaction in his previous company, the face-to-face, one-on-one. I find myself seeking out my co-workers more.

Faulk comments that, in a large company, there is a whole new set of priorities. You have to figure out how to make sure you can deliver on your core business priorities while leveraging the resources of the larger organization. That is the key issue. He likes the fact that smaller companies are a more



PHOTOS: Corie Raquel (left) finds himself seeking out people in his large organization, The Regence Group, in Portland, Ore., where he is a health coach. His colleague, Steven Landers, is also a health coach.

Credit: Denise Townsend

culture-centric team environment. He notes that his days were shorter there.

Faulk also comments that in smaller companies, you may experience the evolution of a culture rather than be required to adapt to one that exists in a larger company. He says that one goal of large organizations can be to operate as nimbly as their smaller counterparts.

Andrea concurs with him about the general esprit de corps in smaller organizations. If there ever were a conflict between her two, she'd work for the large one -- which pays almost twice as much -- and volunteer at the small one.

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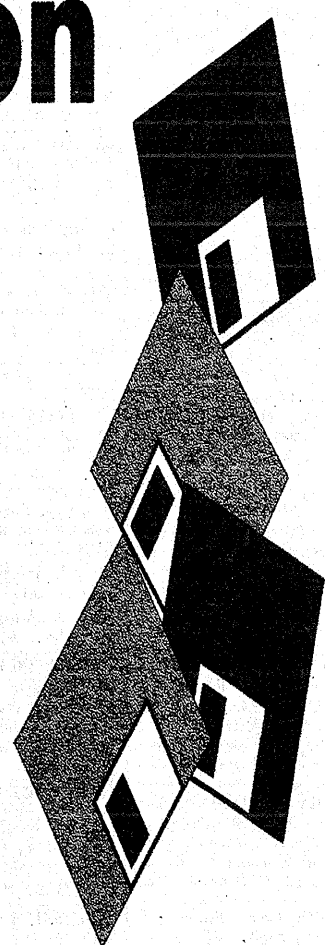
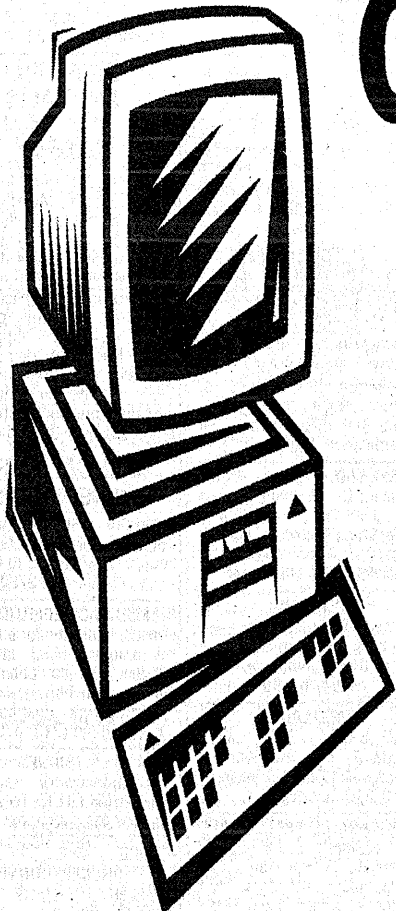
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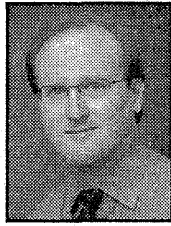
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By Dale Buss

The crossover segment of the auto market is still a fairly new one. Auto makers have only consciously been trying to field various hybrids of a car, SUV and minivan for a few years now, a trend that developed as a reaction to three different sets of consumer preferences.

The first was their hesitance to put up with the truck-like handling and awful fuel economy of large SUVs. The second trend in consumer thinking illustrated by the rise of crossovers was their desire to get more room and higher seating positions than those afforded them in most sedans. And, third, American car buyers were simply bored with minivans even though, arguably, they represented a very effective crossover concept in the first place.

And yet the relatively youth of the crossover segment means that there still aren't too many automakers who've gotten it quite right yet. One that has, fortunately, is the 2008 Tribeca, just on sale by Subaru.

The updated Tribeca sports a new six-cylinder engine, a curvaceous interior and exterior, spry ride and handling, and (at least nominal) seating for seven — more on that later. Moreover, Tribeca, like all Subarus, only comes in an all-wheel-drive configuration, a mode that is rapidly becoming an industry standard anyway.

And yet, Subaru clearly has aimed this vehicle at the mainstream ranks of consumers who don't have any notion whatsoever of traversing offroad but, rather, want to use their crossover to perform any number of mundane tasks of urban and suburban living. That's partly reflected in the fact that the Tribeca name comes from Triangle Below Canal (Tribeca), a trendy district of lower Manhattan that also has spawned a film festival and many other "brand extension" of the area.

Styling-wise, Tribeca is Subaru's best execution yet. Subaru designers have never before come up with such a sleek, swept-back design, one that clearly positions Tribeca at the forefront of defining exactly what a crossover is supposed to look like. Unlike rivals' previous clumsy executions, such as the schizophrenic-looking Pontiac Aztek and the too-bulky Chrysler Pacifica,



Subaru's new, windswept 2008 Tribeca represents a major news advance in the crossover segment.

Tribeca strikes just the right exterior stance between sleek and substantial.

Inside, too, there is a resemblance to Chrysler's Pacifica. In this case, Subaru's artistically striking interior motif is a positive echo of the curvy design of the interior of the Pacifica. The 2008 Tribeca sports a front dash that echoes the exterior's wingspread design, arcing around the occupants and converging in a well designed, curved center stack. Everything is so well executed that it doesn't seem gimmicky at all.

Electroluminescent dials and subtle ambient interior lighting provide a sophisticated touch, illuminating the front and rear footwells, the center console and cup holders. The center console is dominated by an information center that groups the readouts for the audio system, clock, fuel economy and outside temperature.

With the optional navigation system, Tribeca drivers get a seven-inch touch-screen information center, a feature that exceeds previous expectations for this category. The screen also doubles as a display for the backing camera, which activates whenever you shift into reverse with a remarkably sharp image that is shielded from solar glare.

One feature of the 2008 Tribeca that Subaru likes to tout is the fact that it actually can seat seven passengers

when you fold up a third row of seating in the rear. However, a "field trip" with members of my extended family gave me an unfortunate demonstration of how well Tribeca's three rows of seating work in actual experience.

Our conclusion: the third row is so tight that it's of little practical value when adults are involved, perhaps being suitable only for a couple of children. The space is so confined by Tribeca's admittedly sleek exterior lines that it really restricts the practical value of the third row. Moreover, to fit the third row in, it seems that Tribeca's designers may have cheated the second row of a little space, because my second-row passengers found the Tribeca's seats to be too small to be comfortable for average-sized people.

In any event, there's lots more about Tribeca to recommend itself. The 3.6-liter engine is new, with a goal of improving low-end torque and also lowering operation costs with a change to regular unleaded fuel. The larger engine displacement has increased engine torque to 247 lb.-ft., Subaru says, up from 215, and horsepower to 256 from 245, providing the desired extra low-end torque without sacrificing high-rpm power. And on our short family trip, Tribeca came through for me exactly as Subaru was hoping.

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## Stream music to any room

Last week I introduced you to services like Lala.com and nutSie, which allow you to access your digital music library from any Web-connected PC (and even a smattering of cell phones).

That's fine for connected travelers, but what if you're a home-body? What if you just want to fill your living room with the music that's housed on the PC in the den?



**Tech Savvy**  
Rick Broida

You need a media streamer, a device designed to bridge the gap between rooms and devices.

If money is no object, look no further than the Sonos Digital Music System (sonos.com). It's just a phenomenal product, but the \$1,000 price tag (for a basic hardware bundle) puts it out of reach for most buyers.

Instead, consider the \$299 Apple TV (apple.com/appletv). This crafty little box connects to your PC via a wired or wireless network and syncs with your iTunes library.

You interact with Apple TV via your widescreen TV (a requirement - it won't work with regular tubes) and a small six-button remote, which operates a superbly simple interface.

Indeed, it's not unlike operating an iPod writ large. And, like the iPod, the Apple TV does more than just music: It also serves up podcasts, photos and iTunes-purchased movies and TV shows.

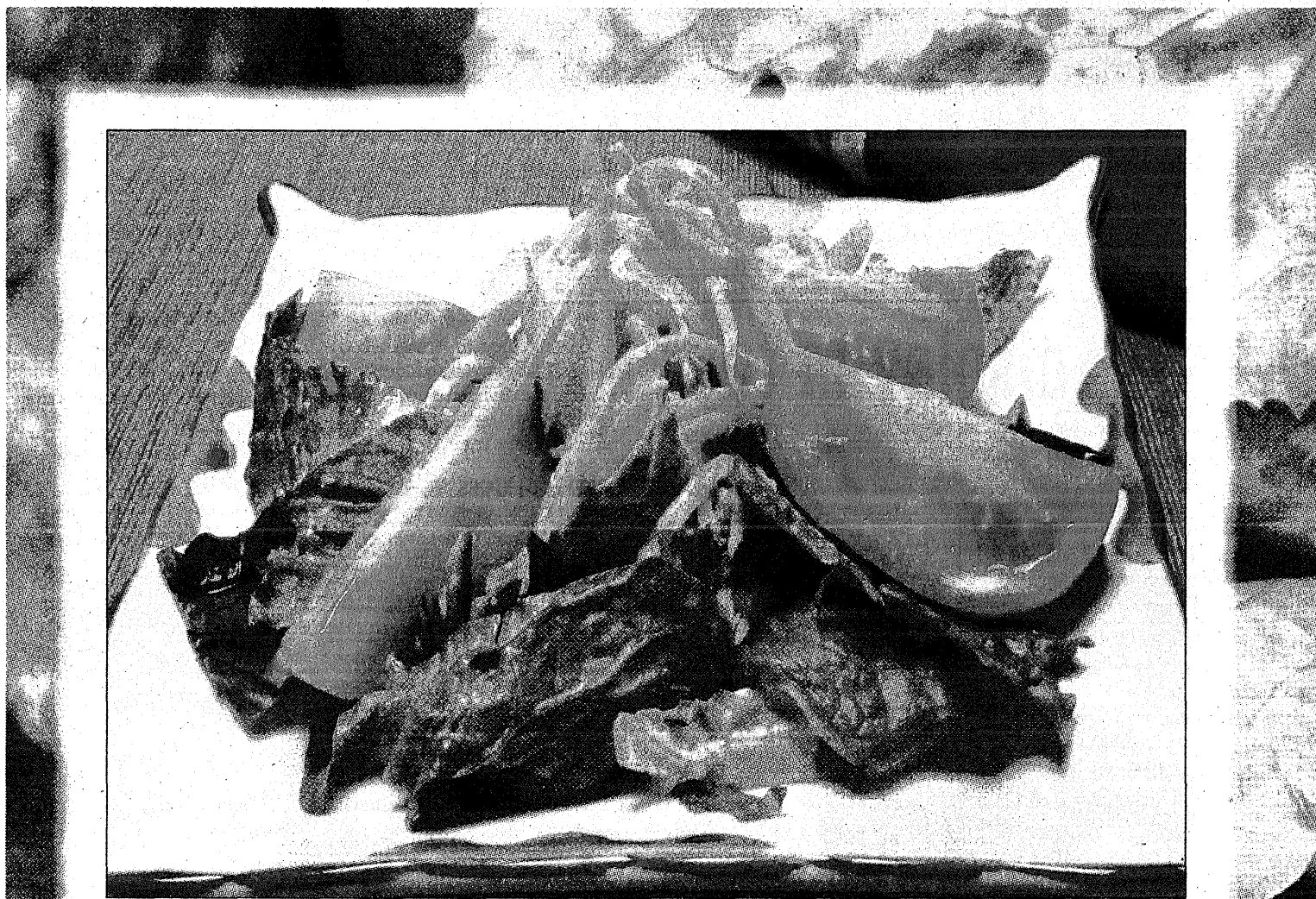
Furthermore, a recent update added YouTube viewing to the mix, and let me warn you: Surfing those videos from the comfort of your couch is insidiously addicting. It's one of my favorite Apple TV features.

There are a couple of catches. First, you need to be an iTunes user. The software is free, but if your music library lives in a different program, you'll have to migrate (and be prepared: Songs bought from most other services won't play in iTunes).

Second, you can't use the Apple TV to buy stuff from iTunes; for that you need your PC. Of course, you may not want to bother with videos at all, as they look a bit fuzzy when played via Apple TV.

But for playing your tunes, it's an absolutely killer product. It's easy to set up, effortless to operate and a decent deal at \$299.

Please see **SAVVY, D3**



Toss up this Mixed Greens With East-West Fusion Dressing, courtesy of the American Institute for Cancer Research.

## Cool off with a crisp summer salad

BY STEPHANIE ANGELYN CASOLA  
STAFF WRITER

In the sweltering heat of a summer day around metro Detroit, there is no good reason to start up the oven.

Instead, chef Freeman Gunnell suggests it's the perfect time of year to experiment with the fresh ingredients in your fridge, and whip up a cool, crisp salad.

"In the summer I really like to eat light," he said. "We don't use the stove as much."

### OUT OF THE KITCHEN

Gunnell suggests taking the cooking outdoors. Try grilling vegetables or roasting tomatoes. Grill up some salmon or chicken and add it to fresh greens like spinach or romaine lettuce. With so many options, it's easy to make this appetizing side dish into a healthy entree.

For those baffled by bagged lettuce or stumped by salad dressings, The Community House in Birmingham has you covered. This month, Gunnell will teach the tricks of the trade 7-9 p.m. Monday, July 16, during his class, *Salads and Vinaigrettes*.

Gunnell has worked with renowned chefs including Wolfgang Puck and handled everything from cuisine to pastry in gourmet restaurants like Detroit's Roostertail.

By day you'll find him in the Bakery Department at Royal Oak's Holiday Market. At night he teaches culinary classes like this one.

When making a salad, Gunnell said, he prepares all of the vegetables first. Then he moves on to grilling or sautéing a protein, like shrimp or chicken, which is added as a last step.

For a veggie-friendly option, he suggests using white beans or chickpeas in the salad, or in the dressing.



Chef Freeman Gunnell opts for a roasted vegetable salad on a summer day.

### SALAD SMARTS

Choose dark green lettuce and spinach for your salads. Both have far more nutrients than iceberg lettuce, especially valuable antioxidants, which may provide protection against cancer and heart disease. Remember, the darker the color, the more nutrients.

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### HOT AND COLD

Gunnell shared a few salad tips that promise to keep the greens from wilting right away when working with hot ingredients.

For a chicken Caesar salad, for

example, he steers clear of using one type of green. Instead of sticking to just spinach, Gunnell adds a few other greens, perhaps endive and romaine.

That way, he said, "When the chicken hits it, it won't deflate."

When using a heated dressing, he opts to coat some of the salad and incorporate it into the rest of the bowl, to cool it off.

"It does wilt on the plate, but it's a nice technique," he said.

When choosing ingredients for a salad, Gunnell said, you can't go wrong with an onion. Grill or sauté a vidalia or red onion, or finely chop a raw onion to add tang to the dish. Leeks make a nice addition to a dressing, he said.

As far as local produce is concerned, it's a good time to snag the last few spears of asparagus for a salad. Or, try grilling an eggplant. Tomatoes are almost ready, too.

Salads aren't confined to vegetables, either. Think about a roasted corn salad or a fruit salad for a change. Add cherries or apples for a hint of summer.

### DRESSING FOR THE OCCASION

Gunnell doesn't keep bottled dressing on hand, except maybe a bottle of ranch. Instead he uses fresh ingredients to tailor a vinaigrette dressing to his salads.

Whatever he has in the fridge might be fair game, from red pepper hummus to mustard, orange marmalade to herbs. He chooses the flavor and adds in vinegar - often a balsamic or a red wine - and oil, preferably olive.

Fresh dressings forgo preservatives and make it easier to control the

Please see **SALAD, D2**

## ACCENTS



### Sample Sale

Michigan Design Center (MDC) in Troy will open its doors to individual consumers during its Sample Sale, Friday-Saturday, July 27-28.

The design center is at 1700 Stutz, north off Maple between Coolidge and Crooks. Call (248) 649-4772. MDC is usually open only to interior designers and their clients.

Sale hours are 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. July 27 and 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. July 28. Admission is \$7, with a portion of the proceeds to benefit Gilda's Club.

Design seminars will be offered both days. Sample Sale participants may attend the seminars at no additional charge.

The topics include Mini-Makeover: Easy-to-implement Solutions to Revitalize a Tired Room (1 p.m. July 27, and noon and 2 p.m. July 28), and Developing An Action Plan For Your Kitchen Remodel (2 p.m. July 27, and 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. July 28).

During the sale, professional interior designers will be available to answer consumer questions and give advice.

Sample Sale visitors will find savings of 60 to 70 percent off list prices on thousands of designer-quality home furnishings, including furniture, rugs, lighting, original art and accessories.

For example, the eight-piece dining room set shown here is from the English Manor Collection from Hickory White, available through the R.J. Thomas Ltd. showrooms at MDC. Regularly retailing at \$23,655, all eight pieces (table, bookcase curio, four side chairs, and two arm chairs) will be Sample Sale priced at \$9,459.

Merchandise will be sold as is, and all sales are final. Payment may be made by cash or check. Most showrooms will also accept Visa or MasterCard. A delivery service will be available, and arrangements may be made at the customer's expense. Delivery must be accepted within 10 days of purchase.

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Linda and Karl Stuecher's water garden is featured on this year's pond/water garden tour of the Michigan Koi and Pond Club. The tour will take place Saturday in the Rochester area.

## Water gardens on display in tour

BY MARY KLEMIC  
STAFF WRITER

Personal water wonderlands will be on display this weekend when the Michigan Koi and Pond Club (MKPC) presents its 10th annual pond/water garden tour.

The tour, showing water features and gardens at eight homes in the Rochester area, will take place Saturday, July 14, rain or shine (see related item).

It's a popular event," said Livonia resident Bruce E. Modetz, MKPC treasurer.

"It's a great tour," he said. Volunteers will be at each site to answer questions.

The tour could give visitors "an idea of something they might be able to do" at their own home, said MKPC member Gil Orris of Richmond.

The club, a not-for-profit organization, sets the tour in a different area each year. Locations of past tours include Westland/Garden City, Bloomfield Hills and Milford.

And every year the group donates some of the profits from the event to a different charitable organization or cause. This year's donation will go to the Older Persons Commission (OPC) in Rochester.

Over the years, the MKPC has given more than \$15,000 to Corner Stone Schools in Detroit, the Hurricane Katrina relief fund for animals, koi

### POND/WATER GARDEN TOUR

**What:** 10th annual tour, presented by the Michigan Koi and Pond Club. Water features and gardens at eight homes in the Rochester area will be featured. Part of the proceeds will be donated to the Older Persons Commission (OPC) in Rochester.

**When:** 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, July 14, rain or shine.

**Tickets:** \$10 for adults, \$5 for ages 5-15. Tickets are available at the OPC (east off Second Street at 650 Leticia Drive in downtown Rochester), Bordine Nursery in Rochester, Barson's Greenhouse in Westland, The Pond Place in Milford and Weigand's Nursery in Macomb Township. Saturday, tickets may be bought only at the OPC.

**Information:** Bruce Modetz, (734) 425-7490.

herpes virus research, Special Olympics and the Red Cross, among other recipients.

"We try to give back to the community," Orris said.

Saturday's self-guided tour will start at the OPC, 650 Leticia Drive, east off Second Street in downtown Rochester.

Featured water gardens include one designed around a large rock, and one that draws a variety of wildlife including ducks and deer.

Not all of the ponds are in

back yards, or even outdoors - one is in a two-story conservatory.

Modetz has had a water garden for six years.

"I absolutely love it," he said. "Having a water garden is soothing, very relaxing. You go out there and it's beautiful."

Orris, founder of the MKPC, got involved with ponds and water gardens about 12 years ago when he tried to make a pond out of a hole left after some construction work at his house. He got the idea for the organization when he couldn't find information on the topic.

"I thought, there's got to be somebody who knows something about this," Orris said.

About 100 families from throughout southeast Michigan are in the club. Not every member has a pond. Many people attend the meetings to learn about building a water garden from members and the visiting experts.

Meetings take place every month, usually between March or April and October at a member's home. Membership is \$25 a year (June 1 to May 31).

"We try to educate the general public," Modetz said.

The organization has developed educational presentations about pond design and construction.

For more information about the Michigan Koi and Pond Club, visit [mkpc-se.com](http://mkpc-se.com).

## Hanna lets its wines express the vineyard

Christine Hanna, eldest daughter of Dr. Elias Hanna, founder of Hanna Winery in California's Sonoma County, is Hanna Winery's president and runs the day to day operations with winemaker Jeff Hinchliffe.



**Focus on Wine**  
Ray & Eleanor Heald

"We do everything from growing the grapes and making the wine, plus sales and marketing," Hanna said. Because Hanna Winery grows all the fruit needed to produce 37,000 cases of wine from four vineyards totaling 250 planted acres, we asked Hanna to explain the uniqueness of each vineyard and why each is planted to the selected grape varieties.

### VINEYARD EXPRESSIONS

Red Ranch vineyard is located around Hanna Winery's Hospitality Center in the rolling hills of Alexander Valley.

Since the appellation is warm enough to support red varieties, it's planted to cabernet sauvignon, merlot and zinfandel.

"Cabernet grown on the valley floor tends to have black cherry and plum components with a very soft tannin profile," Hanna said. "Cabernet grown on Red Ranch soils with its higher elevation, tends to have more structure and complexity with notes of anise."

Slusser Road vineyard in the Russian River Valley is planted to sauvignon blanc, chardonnay and pinot noir.

"All three of these varieties thrive in the cool climate of the Russian River," Hanna said.

"These varieties like the marine layer in the morning, warm afternoons and a fog return in the evening. This ensures good acid levels and a long growing season. All three varieties are thin-skinned and present high-toned aromatics and that's the reason they thrive there."

"Chardonnay, for instance, shows a pineapple, green apple aromatic component that I identify with Russian River fruit. Without a strong aromatic profile, new French oak aging would dominate the wine."

"It's possible to grow sauvignon blanc in Dry Creek Valley where it's a solid 15 degrees warmer in August than the Russian River. The wines

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■ 2005 Dutton Goldfield Dutton Ranch Russian River Valley \$35

■ 2005 DeLoach Russian River Valley OFS \$38

If a retailer does not stock a specific wine we recommend, ask that it be ordered from the distributor, or if it's a domestic wine, order it direct from the winery.

### UNIQUE SITES

Home Ranch, a second Russian River vineyard, is located west of Slusser Road vineyard.

It's closer to the Pacific Ocean, which means it's slightly cooler and a location producing pinot noir with an illusive earthy quality, identifiable in great pinot.

"Russian River pinot noir has cranberry-like fruit, but it also achieves a mushroomy, cumin-like earthiness that defines excellent pinot noir," Hanna said.

Bismark Ranch vineyard is located on the Sonoma side of the Mayacamas mountain range, which divides Napa and Sonoma counties at an elevation of 1,400 to 2,600 feet. All five Bordeaux varieties are planted there, plus syrah and zinfandel.

The mountain terrain required dynamiting to create terraces, and only 65 of 404 acres could be farmed. Planting began in 1991, but the first harvest wasn't until 1997.

Hinchliffe said, "Bismark Ranch fruit is powerful and intense, with a lot of herbal and mineral complexity under the core fruit flavors. Our challenge is managing that intensity."

### WHAT TO BUY FROM HANNA

2004 Alexander Valley Cabernet Sauvignon \$27 shows blackberry, black cherry and ripe plum characters with well-managed tannins. It's plush and generous on the palate with an extended finish.

2001 Bismark Mountain Syrah \$40 boasts fresh black fruit characters with refreshing acidity. It's full, long and smooth ending with notes of cranberry, pomegranate and pepper.

2004 Bismark Mountain Cabernet Sauvignon \$48 delivers a wonderful spice character over black olives, anise and herbs. Pair grilled steak with this cab.

2004 Bismark Mountain Zinfandel \$48 shows a characteristic briar bush aroma followed by anise and cardamom in a full, rich style that calls for long-cooked meats like braised lamb shanks or Osso Buco.

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### FOOD CALENDAR

#### Michigan cherry festival

Join Whole Foods Market as it celebrates the arrival of locally grown Michigan cherries.

From noon to 3 p.m. Saturday, July 14, visit any Oakland County Whole Foods Market to learn how to use cherries in your everyday cooking, including making cherry salsa, cherry pancakes, marinades and rubs with fresh cherries.

Cherry recipes for customers to taste will be featured throughout the store. Recipe cards and cherry facts will be available. Visit with many of the local vendors who use cherries in their products, including American Spoon Foods, Cherry Juice Power and Achatz Pies.

In Oakland County, Whole Foods Markets are at 1404 Walton, west of Livernois, in Rochester Hills, (248) 652-2100; 2880 W. Maple at Coolidge in Troy, (248) 649-9600; and 7350 Orchard Lake Road, south of Maple and west of Middlebelt, in West Bloomfield, (248) 538-4600.

#### Eastern Market tour

Join Freeman E. Gunnell, instructor at The Community House, for a tour of Eastern Market where you can browse open-air stalls of fruit, vegetables and herbs, tour specialty gourmet food shops and visit a restaurant supply store where Gunnell will assist with kitchen tool selections.

Meet at 8 a.m. Saturday, July 14, in front of the R. Hirt Jr. shop, where Gunnell will hold a sign for The Community House Tour, \$34. Contact The Community House, 380 S. Bates, Birmingham, (248) 644-5832, [www.communityhouse.com](http://www.communityhouse.com).

#### The Community House

Several classes will be offered this summer at The Community House in Birmingham. For information and to register, contact The Community House, 380 S. Bates at (248) 644-5832, [www.communityhouse.com](http://www.communityhouse.com). Classes include: Salads and Vinaigrettes with Freeman E. Gunnell, 7-9 p.m. July 16, \$34; Quick and Easy Summer Appetizers with Pam Gustairs,

6:30-9 p.m. July 25, \$29 with \$6 material fee; Grilling with Chris Jones, 7:30-9:30 p.m. Aug. 1, \$34 with \$6 material fee; Summer Lunch on the Patio with Jennifer DeMay (lunch will be served at this class), 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Aug. 8, \$39; Tasty Tempting Thai Cooking with Lawan Chandraung, 7-8:30 p.m. Aug. 13, \$29 plus \$4 materials fee; Tomatoes with chef Gunnell, 7-9 p.m. Aug. 20, \$34.

#### Vinology wine classes

Vinology continues its series of classes about wine with Wines of France, Wednesday, July 18. Classes are \$55 individually. Vinology, 110 S. Main in Ann Arbor, is a wine bar and restaurant owned by the Jonna family. Call (734) 222-9841.

If you have an item for the food calendar, please submit it at least two weeks prior to your event to Ken Abramczyk, Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 805 E. Maple, Birmingham 48009, e-mail [kabramcz@hometownlife.com](mailto:kabramcz@hometownlife.com), or fax (734) 591-7279.

## SALAD

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fats and sugars in one's diet.

"We try to stay with healthy oils," he said, recommending olive oil, canola or safflower.

When using citrus flavors, orange, lemon or lime, Gunnell goes for a neutral oil like grapeseed or safflower.

But portion control is the key for calorie counters. Keep the dressing on the side, Gunnell suggested. And be aware that

fat-free dressings tend to have more sugar. Sign up for *Salads and Vinaigrettes*. The class costs \$34; call (248) 644-5832. The Community House is at 380 S. Bates.

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### MIXED GREENS WITH EAST-WEST FUSION DRESSING

- 1/2 cup carrot juice
- 1 teaspoon rice vinegar
- 1/4 cup reduced-fat mayonnaise
- 1 garlic clove, diced
- 1 tablespoon sweet or mellow white miso
- 1/4 teaspoon toasted sesame oil
- 1 large bag mixed salad greens
- 1 small carrot, finely shredded
- 4 plum tomatoes, quartered lengthwise

In a blender or mini-food processor, place carrot juice, vinegar, mayonnaise, garlic, miso and sesame oil. Blend until dressing is well mixed and smooth. (You can also make the dressing using a whisk and a bowl, starting with the miso and garlic and slowly blending in the juice before mixing in the

remaining ingredients.) Divide greens among four salad plates. Arrange one-quarter of shredded carrot on top of greens. Arrange four tomato wedges around the greens, like points of a star.

Transfer dressing to a small bottle that has a tight-fitting lid with, ideally, a small hole to drizzle the dressing, as with a plastic squeeze bottle. Just before adding dressing to the salad, shake vigorously to combine and drizzle over each salad. Makes 4 servings. Recipe courtesy of the American Institute for Cancer Research.

### CHICKEN RAINBOW SALAD

- 8 oz. tricolored rotini noodles - cork-screw shape (about 3 cups dry)
- 2 cups cooked, cubed chicken
- 1 medium cucumber, sliced
- 1 cup sliced celery

- 1/2 red onion, sliced thin
- 1/2 cup light mayonnaise
- 1/4 cup light sour cream
- 2 tablespoons skim milk
- 1 teaspoon dried dill weed
- 1 teaspoon salt (optional)
- 1/4 teaspoon pepper

Cook pasta according to package directions, omitting salt and oil. Drain. Meanwhile, in a large bowl, combine chicken, cucumber, celery and onion. Mix in pasta. In small bowl, blend mayonnaise, sour cream, milk and seasonings. Toss dressing with salad mixture.

Variation: Rainbow Vegetable Salad - Omit chicken and reduce the mayonnaise to 1/4 cup. Serve as a side dish. Makes 8 cups or 6 servings.

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**SAVVY**  
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**SIT ON THE DOCK**

If you're an iPod owner and want the same basic functionality for half the price, consider DLO's HomeDock Deluxe (dlo.com). It's a combination iPod charging station and dock, one that plugs directly into your stereo and TV.

Using the included remote, you can navigate your iPod from the couch: An onscreen menu system provides access to the music and video libraries. (No photos or podcasts, though - drat!)

It's a neat little product, and worth checking out if you want a more direct approach to melding your music with your home theater.

**OPTIONS FOR OTHER ROOMS**

The Apple TV and

HomeDock both presume you want your tunes to travel to the living room. But what if you want music in, say, a bedroom or kitchen?

The Sony VAIO WA Wireless Digital Music Streamer (<http://tinyurl.com/2vtlzt>) answers the call. It's like a portable boombox, except that it streams music from your PC and Internet radio stations instead of the airwaves.

Because it has built-in speakers, the music goes where it goes. It's a nifty device that sounds quite good and features some nice extras, like a remote and an iPod input. The WA sells for \$349.99.

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**Think sleek for contemporary look for windows**

Amy from Royal Oak says: "I recently purchased a loft and am in the process of decorating it. I love contemporary and transitional design, but I just don't know what to put on the windows. I don't want fussy, traditional window treatments, and I also want to avoid the look of plain blinds. There must be a way to dress my windows in beautiful fabrics and remain true to contemporary style."

Yes, you can definitely keep true to your contemporary leanings while adding beautiful window treatments.



**Design Solutions**

Terri Guastella

Like you, I don't prefer the plain look of blinds standing alone on a window, but blinds can work beautifully as the first layer on your overall treatment. Let the blinds take care of the light control and privacy needs. Then you can add a layer of fabric over the blinds.

With this layering method, you will be able to use less fabric on your soft, fabric treatments because they won't need to cover the

entire window. The blinds will be taking care of that.

As far as contemporary style goes in draperies, think sleek and sophisticated. This can be accomplished with a monochromatic color palette and rich fabrics.

Start with simple, fixed side panels on a decorative rod. Hang the rod at least a foot over the window, if space allows. Then you can select your main fabric, making sure it doesn't have a fussy pattern.

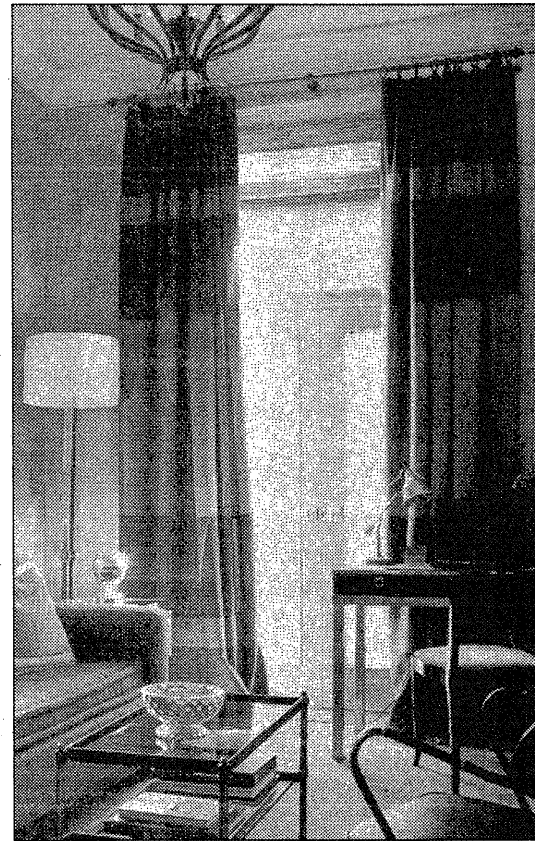
Once you have the main fabric, go ahead and add horizontal bands of another fabric, keeping with the monochromatic theme.

Wide fabric bands applied to drapery panels bring a horizontal emphasis and a contemporary edge to your windows.

Let the panels rest on the floor and allow the beautiful fabric to speak for itself. No need for tassels or beads with this design.

This is also a great do-it-yourself project that doesn't require complex sewing abilities.

Terri Guastella, an interior designer and a Canton resident, specializes in space planning, design and color consultation. Do you have a question about interior design or decorating your home? Contact Terri Guastella at [www.exclusiveinteriordesign.com](http://www.exclusiveinteriordesign.com).



Sleek and sophisticated describe these contemporary draperies with added horizontal banding, as seen in the book Design Ideas for Windows by Dorinda Beaumont.

**Caution is needed to prevent rip-offs**

There was a time in my life when I carried a gun and slept with it under my pillow, and worried about the stranger walking up to me.

All this and a whole lot more was never my imagination playing games with my mind. It was fear created by others who didn't appreciate my involvement in the world of consumer affairs.

In my persistence I made some enemies, but in the end the State of Michigan and its citizens finally had an appliance repair

law in force to help protect them from being ripped off.

In the last few days I've asked myself over and over again if I should even begin to write this column. You will know why as you continue to read my story, which concerns the plumbing industry.

The recent news story where a plumber came to a home to give a customer a quote on a plumbing job and instead killed her for a necklace she was wearing may have something to do with my attitude these days, but I do know for a fact and recognize that most plumbers are hard-working individuals.

There are always a few who will tarnish the image of the industry and get away with it. Not anymore if I can help it.

It has been reported to me that certain plumbers are giving homeowners a quote to repair broken sewer lines in excess of \$20,000 and there isn't one thing wrong with the sewer line.

You may think that something must be wrong, or why would they call a plumber? I'm telling you: Not one thing is wrong with their sewer line.

This all happens because someone is selling or buying a home and wants to know the condition of the sewer line.

A plumber installs a camera inside the sewer line, tapes the video on a monitor and plays it back to the homeowner. The tape is then given to the homeowner as evidence of the break or defect in the sewer line.

The switch is made almost in front of the consumer's eyes but they can't see it. The tape

isn't really of their sewer line but of one from some other home where the line is actually broken.

The hook is then implanted into the homeowner because the plumber knows they can't sell the house without disclosing this type of information to a potential buyer. The homeowner has no choice but to get the repairs done no matter what it costs.

The smooth-talking plumber then carries out the rest of the con-job.

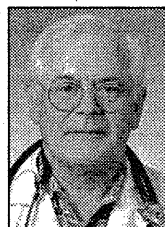
There is evidence to verify what I've just told you and it comes from the fact that several homeowners have been cautious enough to call another plumber for a second opinion.

This means that for every person who is wise enough to call for a second opinion, I would bet that there are many others who don't and go ahead and spend \$20,000 or so.

The plumbing industry in the State of Michigan is a regulated industry that requires licensing, etc.

Next week I am going to the Attorney General's Office, Better Business Bureau and Code Enforcement Division at the state level and see exactly what I can do to help prevent this sort of rip-off. I'll let you know. Stay tuned.

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## Four-Legged Fashion

*Today's pets  
are pampered  
in high style*

BY JEANINE MATLOW  
SPECIAL TO PINK

On any given day in Birmingham, you might catch a glimpse of a well-dressed pooch named Elroy, styled and owned by Jay and Chloe Dolata of Bloomfield Hills. Weighing in at a mere 7 lbs., the Miniature Pinscher may be small in stature but he makes a big fashion statement wherever he goes.

"He has very cool clothes," Chloe says. "Everywhere we walk, people say, 'Oh look at that dog. He's so cute.'"

The pampered pooch loves to travel, Jay says. Much of his wardrobe has been gathered from scenic spots such as Montreal, San Francisco and Carmel, California and Naples, Florida. Elroy's favorite low-budget/high-style haunt is Target. He also favors Teacups & Toys A Pet Boutique in Birmingham.

Employed at Brogan & Partners in Birmingham as a receptionist and mascot, Elroy has appeared in several print ads for the advertising and PR firm. After a long day at the office, Elroy unwinds in a Sumo wrestling outfit from Japan that resembles a robe. Elroy always comes prepared with the perfect outfit for every occasion including a raincoat for cloudy days, a trench coat, collar and tie for business meetings, boots for winter and Polo and Burberry sweaters for a night on the town or a special shopping trip. "He likes to shop at Somerset," Chloe says.

No matter what Elroy is sporting, he is certain to have heads turning in town. Occasionally, it's his own head that's turning when Jay and Chloe hide treats in the back pocket of his denim jeans.

### ONE-OF-A-KIND DESIGNS

As a self-confessed shopaholic, Dana Keaton often struggled to find the right fashions. So, she began creating her own for herself and her friends. Soon, Diva Groove LLC was born, allowing Keaton to bring fashionable clothing and accessories to people and their pets.

The designer's muses are Dylan and Remy, her Maltese pups who have become mascots for the clothing line. "I consider them to be like my children. I want them to be cute," Keaton says. "People just love to see them walk through the neighborhood."

As her client base continues to grow, so does the concept of pet fashions. "It's become a fashion statement to dress your pet," Keaton says. The latest trends for the four-legged crowd, she says, are little boots (for cats and dogs) and t-shirts that are personalized with names and sayings.

Keaton, who works with each client individually, offers a wide selection of fabrics in her Detroit design studio. The savvy designer is careful to create something that is suitable for a

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particular breed. For a big guy, such as a Golden Retriever, she recommends a bowtie. "With larger breeds, you want to keep it simple," she says.

### LEADING THE WAY

The Uppity Puppy in Royal Oak was the first dog specialty store in the metro Detroit area. For more than five years, co-owners Patty Livernois and Kim O'Brien have been offering incredibly fun and unique clothing, accessories and more for what they call "furry children."

O'Brien makes a lot of the clothing herself. The store carries a combination of custom and brand labels. They offer such fashionable items as name bracelets and necklaces for people and their pets.

Hot trends for summer include little dresses for females and short sets for males. Camouflage is all the rage with the traditional green for boys and pink for girls. The Uppity Puppy is proud to offer licensed Pistons, Red Wings and Lions jerseys for the four-legged crowd.

One of their celebrity clients is Channel 7 newscaster Val Clark who shops for her beautiful dog Uno (part Bijon and part Black Poodle). And Livernois' own puppy, Truffles "has more clothes than most people," she says.

### FASHION AND FUNCTION

Moochie & Co. recently added metro Detroit to its list of locations. The store offers a wide variety of clothing and



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Elroy, owned by Jay and Chloe Dolata, likes to wear jeans to work on Fridays.

accessories for cats and dogs. Judy Brundle, who manages the Twelve Oaks store in Novi, says one of their hottest items incorporates fashion and function. "We sell life jackets for dogs," she says. "So many people have pets and boats." They are available in three different styles, standard yellow and black, a fuchsia and white polka-dot number and a take on a Louis Vuitton design. The life jackets feature a handle for the owner to pull the dog out of the water.

Another practical but pretty option is a backpack for your dog. Designed to be lightweight enough for a pooch to carry on his own back, they can store toys and water bottles for a hiking trip or a walk in the park.

"All of us who work here have pets," Brundle says of the fun environment. "Everyone who comes in is really excited to be here too."

### PAMPER YOUR PET

"Our pets occupy space in our hearts, our homes and our lives," says Lisa Pullman, owner of Shaggy Chic in Birmingham. Her store offers up a great selec-

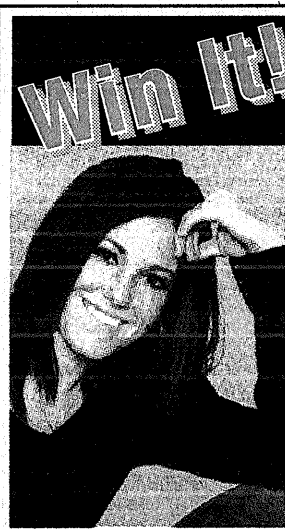
tion of canine couture along with a fair share of feline fashions. Sometimes a product will appeal to both such as faux fur dog beds for smaller breeds that are just as comfy for cats.

"Pet fashions are really coming on strong," Pullman says. "They are the wave of the future." She believes in dressing your pets purely for the joy and fun of it. For the preppy four-legged couple, Shaggy Chic offers a take on the Izod alligator shirt for him and a mini tennis dress for her.

Larger breeds will drool over the leather collars with hammered hearts and stars that come in a variety of colors. Or, for the dog who has everything, opt for an exotic beaded collar from Africa.

Shopping can be exhausting for man's best friend, so just in time for summer Shaggy Chic offers pet strollers.

And if there is one item Pullman wishes everyone would purchase, it would be a car seat for their pooch. Because it's not enough for your pup to look great, it's also about "being well cared for," she says.



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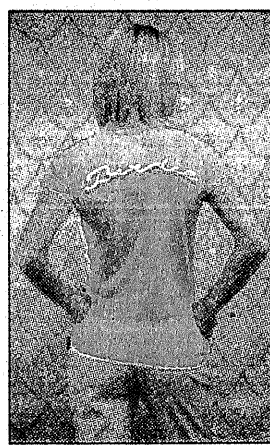
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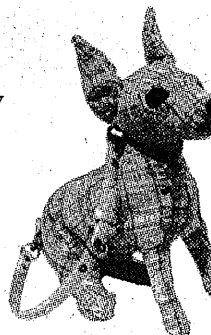
Instant Karma: The Amnesty International Campaign to Save Darfur

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"I'm in the third row, front and center. Bob Seger takes the stage, looks right at me, smiles and shouts "Hello Detroit!" Then he winks! I look around at all the people my age (30-somethings), and those older and younger, all smiling at me! Best night of my life!"

Deanna Foerster, Plymouth

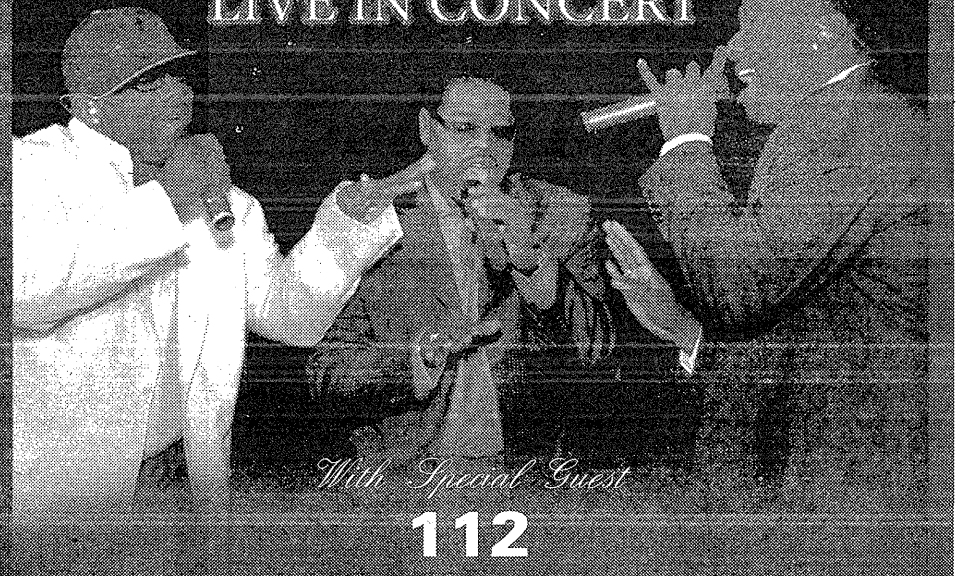
Mary Beth and Deanna won two front row tickets to the Solid Gold Dance Party July 14 at DTE.

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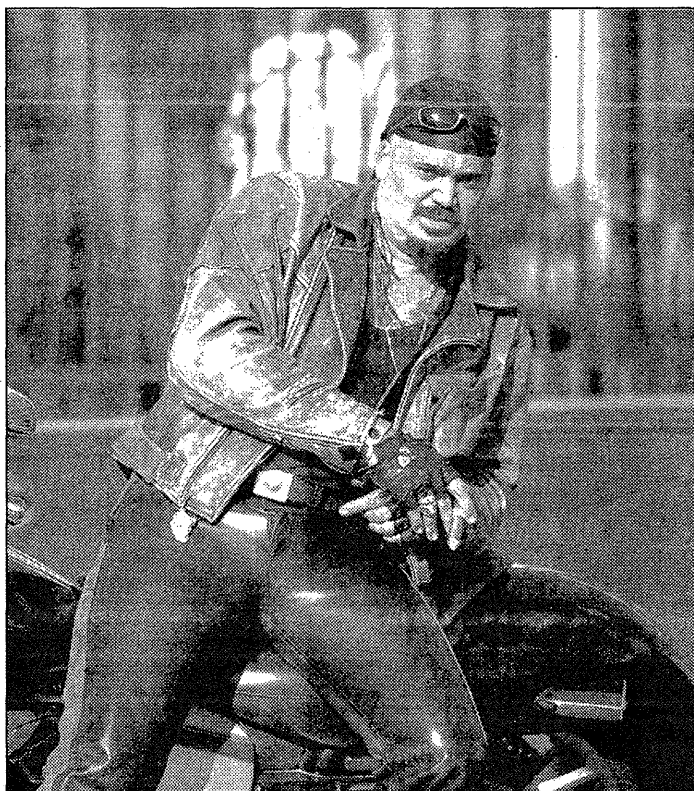
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Director Christopher Coppola's PAH-Fest, a digital media festival, is open to the public at Madonna University in Livonia July 17-22.

# Digit-tales

## Madonna University hosts Christopher Coppola's PAH-fest

BY KEN ABRAMCZYK  
STAFF WRITER

Digital technology is Christopher Coppola's paint brush.

And Coppola wants digital media fans of the latest technology to stroke that brush onto a canvas at PAH-Fest Motown.

PAH-Fest (PAH stands for Project Accessible Hollywood) is a digital media festival that celebrates the stories and voices of everyday people through digital cameras, cell phones and tech portraits; set to run July 16-22 at Madonna University in Livonia.

Coppola, movie director and the nephew of Francis Ford Coppola and older brother of Nicolas Cage, founded the festival to promote stories and messages of "common people." Hollywood filmmakers are under enormous pressure to create moneymakers, and those who don't produce, are subjected to fewer opportunities later, so creative and bold ideas are less likely to hit the big screen, Coppola said.

"The problem with Hollywood is it is such a big business that you need to be

careful with it," Coppola said. "People are doing the same old thing. They have so much riding on it, and as a result, we've lost some of our fresh voices."

Coppola will assist six pre-selected teams of filmmakers for three days in their production of six-minute films as part of a competition. Coppola will discuss digital media Tuesday, July 17, and Elmore Leonard will screen the movie *Out of Sight*, based on Leonard's novel, on Thursday, July 19.

Coppola started PAH-Fest after working on the Flicks on 66 Festival in New Mexico in 2004 and Duke City Shootout in 2006, both of which were digital media festivals. "Two years ago, I thought we should do a 'common man' category," Coppola said. "I was hoping to do something more refreshing."

Coppola's interests in telling the common man's story were further fueled by a construction worker, who read Coppola's blogs and responded to them. The man had suffered a horrible accident that disfigured him and his appearance made people shy away from



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## PAH-FEST MOTOWN

**What:** (Project Accessible Hollywood) digital festival

**When:** July 17-22

**Where:** Madonna University, 36600 Schoolcraft Rd. (northwest corner of I-96 and Levan Road), Livonia

**Admission:** free and open to public. For information, visit [www.earsxxi.com/index.php?cat=festival\\_motown07&pg=festival\\_motown07](http://www.earsxxi.com/index.php?cat=festival_motown07&pg=festival_motown07) or call (734) 432-5578.

### Event schedule:

Monday, July 16

Madonna Magazine, taping in TV studio (room 2107) with Christopher Coppola, open to public to be part of studio audience, 7:30 p.m.

### Tuesday, July 17

Your Tech Portraits Day, 10 a.m.-7 p.m., Colonnade Lounge  
Learning Seminar: High Definition Workflows, 1-3 p.m. Room 2100  
Christopher Coppola- DIGIVangelist, 7-10 p.m., Room 2100

### Wednesday, July 18

Mobiflick teams meet, 9 a.m. Room 2100

YourTech Portraits Day Two, 10 a.m.-7 p.m., Colonnade Lounge  
Mobi-flick team workshop, 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m., Room 2100  
Talent Auditions, 5-6 p.m., Kresge Hall

Student Film Premiere, 9 p.m. (at dusk), Pond Side

### Thursday, July 19

Mobiflick teams shoot day, 7:30 a.m. (on and off campus)  
Cell Phone Art Day One, 10 a.m.-7 p.m., Colonnade Lounge  
Storytelling: Josh White Jr., 1-3 p.m., Room 2100  
Movie Screening with Elmore Leonard followed by Q&A, 7-10 p.m., Kresge Hall

### Friday July 20

Mobiflick teams edit, 8:30 a.m., rooms. 2205/2109  
Cell Phone Art Day Two, 10 a.m.-7 p.m., Colonnade Lounge

### Saturday July 21

Mobiflicks due 3 p.m.  
Christopher Coppola, 7-10 p.m. Kresge Hall

### Sunday July 22

Closing Night Ceremonies, 6-8 p.m., Kresge Hall



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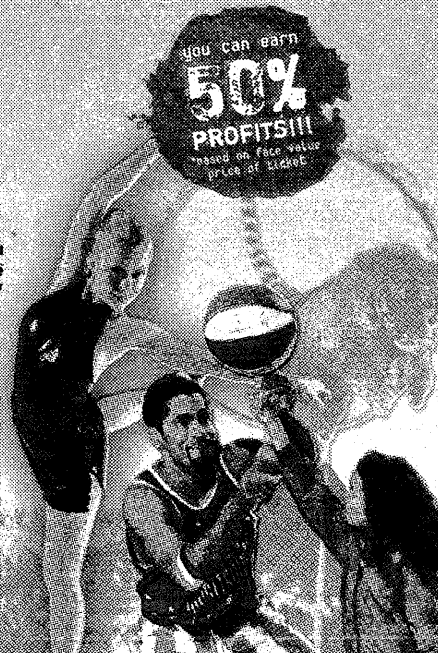
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# Harry Potter comes to IMAX in 3D

BY LANA MINI  
FILM CRITIC

Prepare your charms, spells and grab your wand. *Harry Potter and the Order of the Phoenix* opened nationwide in 35mm yesterday, July 11.

At the Henry Ford Imax, the explosive finale is in 3D.

There, just as the film reaches the peak of excitement, moviegoers are transported inside the film to experience the action, drama and wonder of Harry Potter. About 20 minutes of the finale was transformed into 3D for the magical ending. (An on-screen cue will alert moviegoers to put on the 3D glasses.)

In *Harry Potter and the Order of the Phoenix* (Warner Bros.), Harry returns for his fifth year of study at Hogwarts only to discover that much of the wizarding community has been led to believe that the story of the teenager's recent encounter with the evil Lord Voldemort is a lie, putting Harry's integrity in question.

Worse, the Minister for Magic, Cornelius Fudge, has appointed a new Defense Against the Dark Arts teacher, the duplicitous Professor Dolores Umbridge. But Professor Umbridge's "Ministry-approved" course of defensive magic leaves the young wizards woefully unprepared to defend themselves against the Dark forces threatening them, so, at

the prompting of his friends Hermione and Ron, Harry is convinced to take matters into his own hands.

"It was exciting to me that this story takes place at a time in the students' lives when they are maturing and everything is becoming more complicated," said director David Yates. "It is about rebellion and about understanding the limits of adulthood; it's about discovering how difficult the world can become and how sometimes you have to make your own way in that world."

Yates added that this film is a blend of the fun and magic that author J.K. Rowling puts into her books.

It stars Daniel Radcliffe, Rupert Grint, Emma Watson, Helena Bonham Carter, Robbie Coltrane, Warwick Davis, Ralph Fiennes, Michael Gambon, Brendan Gleeson, Richard Griffiths, Jason Isaacs, Gary Oldman, Alan Rickman, Fiona Shaw, Maggie Smith, Imelda Staunton, David Thewlis, Emma Thompson and Julie Walters.

This film has been rated "PG-13" for "fantasy violence and frightening images." Visit [www.harrypotterorderofthephoenix.com](http://www.harrypotterorderofthephoenix.com).

The Henry Ford IMAX Theater is located at 20900 Oakwood Boulevard in Dearborn. For information on tickets and showtimes, please call (313) 982-6001 or visit the Web site at [www.TheHenryFord.org](http://www.TheHenryFord.org).

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# Alain Resnais' epic French love story is wrought with loneliness

BY STEPHANIE ANGELYN CASOLA  
STAFF WRITER

By Director Alain Resnais' standards, love is a lonely endeavor. That's clearly the melancholy message wrapped in his 2006 drama *Private Fears in*

*Public Places*. The Americanized title doesn't begin to capture the essence of this French film, originally called *Coeurs*, or heart.

With a foggy white opening sequence, Resnais (*Hiroshima Mon*

*Amour*, *Providence*) ushers viewers into modern day Paris. Snowflakes cover the city and the camera pans past industrial buildings into a corner apartment. From a wide shot to a tight frame surrounding the lips of actress Laura Morante, we meet Nicole. She's apartment hunting and newly engaged. Her real estate agent, Thierry, tries to explain that this is a prime location but she can't be convinced.

From these early moments, we move

## PRIVATE FEARS IN PUBLIC PLACES

**Showing:** 7 p.m. and 9:30 p.m. today, July 12; 7 p.m. Saturday July 14; and 4 p.m. and 7 p.m. Sunday, July 15

**Where:** The Detroit Film Theatre, behind the Detroit Institute of Arts, 5200 Woodward Avenue, Detroit

**Tickets:** Call the box office at (313) 833-4005, or visit [www.dia.org/dft](http://www.dia.org/dft).

**Parking:** On John R Street, directly across from the DFT theater entrance.

seamlessly into the lives of six Parisians - each seeking love, each looking to end their loneliness. But the isolation and cold city streets seem to suggest it's impossible.

Still, Thierry develops a growing crush on his red-headed religious co-worker Charlotte. His much younger sister Gaele spends her nights in a café, sporting a red flower and hoping to find love in personal ads.

Charlotte begins caring for the difficult, elderly father of Lionel, becoming

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Isabelle Carré as Gaëlle and Lambert Wilson as Dan in "Private Fears In Public Places" directed by Alain Resnais. Catch it at the Detroit Film Theatre July 12, 14 and 15.

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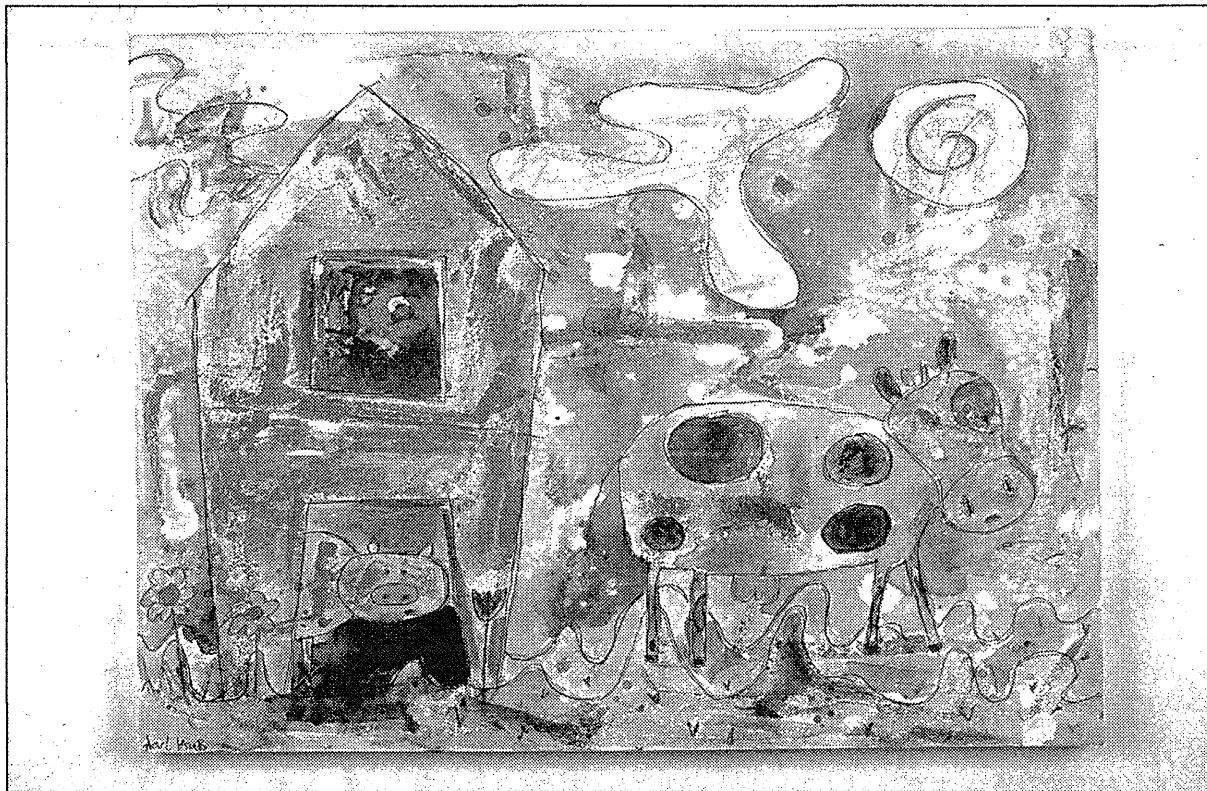
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Artwork by youth ages 7-17, including this whimsical barnyard scene by Karl Laub of Gibraltar, Mich., will be on display in a special exhibit at Kellogg Park during Plymouth Art in the Park July 13-15.

# Summer fairs cater to art lovers

## Plymouth Art in the Park kicks off season

BY WENDY VON BUSKIRK  
STAFF WRITER

There's much to look forward to in the summertime, pool parties and outdoor cafes included. But for art lovers, hot weather means one thing - time to don comfortable shoes and get shopping.

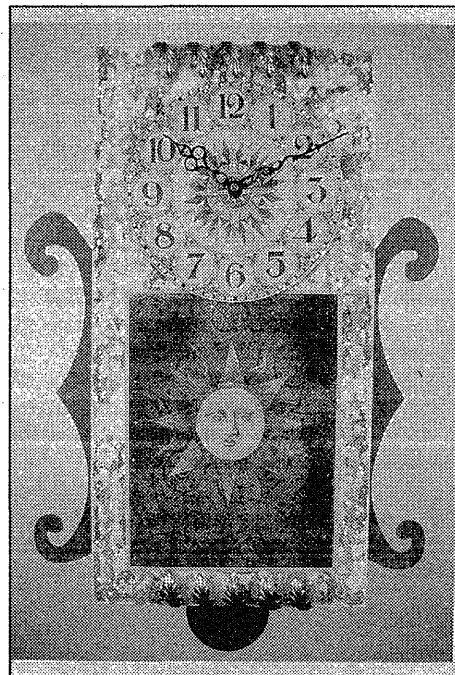
Michigan's rich art fair season is anchored by the Ann Arbor Art Fairs, Michigan's largest outdoor art scene by far. Yet its sheer scope and size shouldn't overshadow other offerings in metro Detroit.

Plymouth Art in the Park will bring a talented pool of artists to Kellogg Park this weekend, and the Orchard Lake-Fine Art Show is gearing up to celebrate its fifth anniversary Aug. 3-5. Like the artists who exhibit at them, each art fair has a unique flavor and style of its own.

### PLYMOUTH ART IN THE PARK

For the 28th year in a row, Art in the Park will transform downtown Plymouth into a vibrant canvas of color and activity July 13-15. About 350 artists are expected to set up booths selling a wide range of art, including photography, fine art, glass, ceramics, clothing, jewelry, garden decor and more. There will be plenty of live entertainment and hands-on art activities for children, along with a special exhibit of work by young artists ages 7-17.

Duane Scherer of Lathrup Village has sold his unique brand of handcrafted



This funky clock was created by Duane Scherer of Lathrup Village, who will be among more than 350 exhibitors at Plymouth's Art in the Park July 13-15.

clocks at Art in the Park for years. Scherer has dabbled in mural painting, fine art gallery shows, metalsmithing, printmaking and music. He melds his expertise to create timepieces that defy classification.

"It's impossible to describe my clock line, there's so much going on with it," he

said. "I incorporate so many materials and colors. I try to do things that are whimsical, traditional, funky and fun."

Scherer, whose clocks range in price from \$29-\$200, said he enjoys creating artwork people can afford, and said organizers of Plymouth Art in the Park do a great job of providing a variety of art at different price points.

"I think the thing that I really like about the show is that it's very well juried. I think it's becoming the best juried show in the region. It's very well attended, and there's a lot of really interesting things to look at. There's something for everyone."

### ANN ARBOR ART FAIRS

The grande dame of art fairs, Ann Arbor will mark its 48th year July 18-21. Although it is made up of four separate fairs - the Ann Arbor Street Art Fair, Ann Arbor's South University Art Fair, the State Street Area Art Fair, and Ann Arbor Summer Art Fair - visitors will simply see a seamless spread of tents as more than 1,200 artists set up shop.

Among them are jewelry designers Marcy and Michael Feldman, owners of Heartwear Designs in Birmingham. They'll bring a wide variety of geometric creations from their shop, along with a batch of one-of-a-kind sterling silver earrings (\$65-\$90) made especially for the show.

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### Plymouth Art in the Park

July 13-15

Kellogg Park, Downtown Plymouth

**Hours:** noon-8 p.m. Friday; 10 a.m.-7 p.m.

Saturday; 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Sunday

**Highlights:** 350 artists and artisans; children's activities; live music; food; a young artists exhibit in Kellogg Park

**Shuttles:** Free round-trip shuttle from the Visteon Plant, 14425 N. Sheldon Road  
[www.artinthepark.com](http://www.artinthepark.com)

### Wyandotte Street Art Fair

Through July 14

Biddle Avenue between Oak and Eureka

**Hours:** 10 a.m.-9 p.m. daily

**Highlights:** 350 artists; riverfront and street entertainment; merchant sidewalk sales; children's activities including chalk art and a children's emporium on Saturday

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[www.wyandottestreetartfair.org](http://www.wyandottestreetartfair.org)

### Ann Arbor Art Fairs

July 18-21

Downtown Ann Arbor

**Hours:** 10 a.m.-9 p.m. Wednesday-Friday; 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Saturday

**Highlights:** Four art fairs in one; expanded children's activities

**Shuttle:** Every 10 to 15 minutes from Pioneer High School and Briarwood Mall, \$3 round trip, children 7 and under free  
[www.annarbor.org](http://www.annarbor.org)

### Art on the Grand

July 20-22

Historic Farmington

**Hours:** 10 a.m.-9 p.m. Friday and Saturday; 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Sunday

**Highlights:** Part of the Farmington's Founders Festival; live entertainment; face painting; drop-in workshops for children hosted by the DIA

[www.foundersfestival.com](http://www.foundersfestival.com)

### Orchard Lake Fine Art Show

Aug. 3-5

Orchard Lake (St. Mary's) Schools

**Hours:** 10 a.m.-7 p.m. Saturday; 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Sunday. An artist's preview party will

be held 6-9 p.m. Friday. Tickets, \$25, benefit Orchard Lake Schools.

**Highlights:** 140 artists and artisans; live glass blowing, painting and drawing demonstrations; hands-on art activities for children; live music

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### Coming this fall ...

■ Arts, Beats & Eats, Aug. 31-Sept. 3, Pontiac

■ Arts & Apples Festival, Sept. 7-9, Rochester Park, Rochester

■ Birmingham Art in the Park, Sept. 15-16, Shain Park, Birmingham



# Giraldo brings brash comedy to town

BY STEPHANIE ANGELYN CASOLA  
STAFF WRITER

Comedian Greg Giraldo claims he never laughed as a child. Not once. "I became a vessel for God's laughter," he said in what sounds to be stone-faced seriousness.

But the brash comedian known for everything from stand-up to roasts of celebrities like William Shatner and Pamela Anderson on Comedy Central comes clean after a few friendly minutes on the phone July 3. "My first time doing stand-up, I knew that's what I wanted to do," he said, calling from his New York City home.

Unlike some of his contemporaries, Giraldo said he was most inspired by the worst comedians. "Other people say they were inspired by Richard Pryor. That sounds amazing to me. I watched really bad comics at the Improv and said: 'Let me try this.' I'm sure I thought it went well. But your early tapes always suck at the beginning."

Comedy might've been his calling after all. But it wasn't his first career. Giraldo

## GREG GIRALDO

**Opener:** Jesse Joyce  
**When:** 8 p.m. Saturday, July 14  
**Where:** Meadow Brook Music Festival, 5 Championship Drive, Auburn Hills.  
**Tickets:** \$19.50 to \$29.50 for pavilion, or \$10 lawn, call (248) 645-6666 or visit [pala-cenet.com](http://pala-cenet.com).

On  
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finished law school and spent enough time working as a lawyer to know he hated it. "I don't control my own life," he joked. "God wanted me to do comedy."

He even kept his legal eagle past a secret for a while, never using his experiences in his stand-up. That is until he got the chance to develop and star in his own sit-

com. *Common Law* was a short-lived show on ABC, one of several pilots that promised a kick-start for his career. In his own tongue-in-cheek way, Giraldo said he blames his own "laziness, inability to focus and alcohol" for the success he's earned so far. No doubt he's striving for

more, though, all while watching "very untalented people blow up huge," he said.

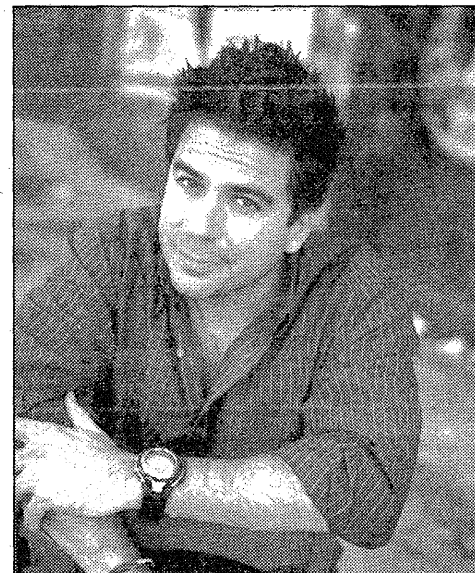
But he's not so bitter.

When "roasting" earned national notoriety on Comedy Central last year, Giraldo was at the center of the storm. When asked who was the one person he'd most like to roast, Giraldo named the president of Iran, Mahmoud Ahmadinejad. "He seems like a good sport. Maybe through comedy we can avert world war. I try to have lofty goals," he explained.

Then he adds abolitionist Harriet Tubman to his "must roast" list. "I'd let her have it."

Though he is a regular on late-night television, a panelist on Comedy Central's *Tough Crowd with Colin Quinn*, has hosted *The Stand Up Show with Greg Giraldo* and has starred in two stand-up specials for the cable network, Giraldo's heart remains in stand-up. "It's my favorite thing to do, entertain people," he said.

That's the idea on July 14, when Giraldo hits the stage at Meadow Brook. He appears in comedy clubs and concert halls as regularly as possible - juggling a life in comedy all while married with three children.



Greg Giraldo

He even has two new pilots pending. One, titled the *Root of All Evil*, stars Lewis Black as a judge and Giraldo and fellow funny friend Patton Oswalt as lawyers trying to prove who is the root of all evil. One argument pitted a pre-jailbird Paris Hilton against Vice President Dick Cheney. The other pilot is called *Fresh Squeezed* and it's for NBC.

Fans of the outspoken comedian can purchase his debut album, *Good Day to Cross a River*, or log onto his Web site for updates at [www.greggiraldo.com](http://www.greggiraldo.com).

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# Grecian Cafe is delish at any hour

BY WENDY VON BUSKIRK  
STAFF WRITER

Whether you're craving a specialty omelet first thing in the morning, or a coney in the dead of night, Grecian Cafe has got you covered.

Located in Plymouth's historic Old Village, the family restaurant serves its extensive menu 24/7. Thanks to a recent renovation complete with floor-to-ceiling windows, flat screen TV and garden patio seating, the café has a bright and airy atmosphere no matter what the hour. Stop in around the clock for breakfast, lunch, dinner, appetizers or just a steaming hot cup of coffee. The only time the restaurant's doors are shut is from 3-6 a.m. Sundays for deep cleaning. Owner Victor Nikollbibaj didn't even close for long when he remodeled the entire restaurant, taking just 10 days at the end of May to re-do the floors, ceilings, walls, windows, lighting and booths.

The result is a modern and welcoming update to an old favorite.

Nikollbibaj also recently hired a chef to improve the dinner menu.

"Customers were asking for it," he said.

"We are investing in the community and giving customers what they want."

Grecian Café has long enjoyed a good customer base. 'Regulars' belly up to the coffee bar and chat with waitresses, nine-to-fivers flock in for quick lunches, and families line up for weekend breakfasts. Extensive seating means there's rarely a wait, even after church on Sundays.

Nikollbibaj has owned several restaurants throughout Metro Detroit, but never one that operated 24 hours.

When he purchased Grecian Café more than seven years ago, he decided to experiment.

"I gave it a try at the beginning," he said. "A lot of people work at night at factories, the post office, cleaning offices, at bars. There's a lot of movement at night, you'd be surprised. It worked out."

Due to Plymouth's growing nightlife scene, there's also an influx of customers after the bars close.

Nikollbibaj is good at catering to people of all ages at any hour with a good selection of standard fare.

Italian dishes are very popular, he said, like Chicken or Veal Parmesan, Lasagna, Spaghetti and pasta tossed with alfredo sauce or garlic and oil. Also popular are



BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Alina Costan presents a Grecian Cafe specialty, the Greek Trio Combination, which includes mousaka, pastitsio and spinach pie.

fish 'n' chips, gyros and hearty tossed salads with pita bread.

Lo-cal, children's and vegetarian selections are represented on the menu, as are

ethnic specialties that lend the restaurant its name.

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A Greek Trio Combo offers samples of Mousaka, Pastitsio and Spinach Pie served with rice pilaf or a vegetable, but Nikollbibaj said one of the restaurant's life salads overshadows the rest.

"Our Chicken Greek Salads are one of the biggest hits around," Nikollbibaj said. "It's made with our own homemade dressing. The only place you can find it here."

# World Sports Grille opens at Great Lakes Crossing

Sega Entertainment is opening a new themed restaurant at Great Lakes Crossing in Auburn Hills.

On Tuesday, July 17 the first World Sports Grille concept is opening inside GameWorks.

The company that operates five different restaurant concepts nationally inside its GameWorks chain of entertainment locations, is confident Detroit's loyal sports fans will be excited. The grill will combine food and drink with sports viewing, plus games and attractions.

"We really saw Detroit as a great opportunity to launch this world sports grill concept," said Clint Manny, senior marketing vice president for Sega Entertainment. "It's a very sports-centric town. With the success of the Tigers, success of the Red Wings, success of the Pistons, it just goes on and on. We saw Detroit as a huge opportunity to take advantage of those loyal sports fans and bring them something new and different."

The menu will feature American and ethnic foods. Plasma, flat-screens will have full wall projection so games can be viewed from every seat in the house. There will also be regulation pool tables, dart boards and lounge seating. The venue will show all major and local sporting events.

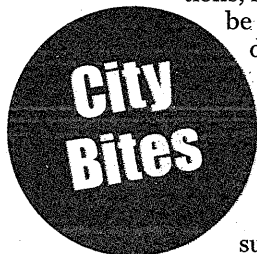
The public is invited to the following grand opening events: Tuesday, July 17, World Sports Grille College Night, 8 p.m. and Wednesday, July 18, at 8 p.m. WRIF's Rock Hard Wednesday at the New World Sports Grille. Go baseball crazy where the first 101 guests receive a complimentary WRIF baseball hat. There will be a special appearance by Taylor, the 2007 WRIF Rock Girl, live music and prizes.



The restaurant will have plasma flat screen televisions and will celebrate Detroit's loyal sports fans.

On Thursday-Friday, July 19-20, Stoney & Wojo's Radiothon to Benefit the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society of Michigan, WDFN's Mike Stone and Bob Wojnowski will be on the air for 28 hours. Events include celebrity appearances, silent auctions, a midnight celebrity buffet, Rush Hour Happy Hour Sports Karaoke, kegs & eggs breakfast with Automotion (the Pistons Dance Team) and much more. Visit [www.wdfn.com](http://www.wdfn.com) for more information.

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## ART EXHIBITS

**Chelsea Center for the Arts:** Center Gallery exhibit opens July 16 and runs through Sept. 28. An artist's reception will be 5-7 p.m. Aug. 18, 400 Congdon Street, Chelsea, (734) 433-2787.

**Cranbrook Art Museum:** Hot House: Expanding the Field of Fiber at Cranbrook 1970-2007, through -Oct. 14; Material Memory: World Textiles from the Collections of Cranbrook Art Museum and Gerhardt Knodel, through Dec. 30, (248) 645-3300, www.cranbrookart.edu. Hours are 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Wednesday-Sunday and 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. on the fourth Friday of each month. The museum is closed Monday-Tuesday and select holidays.

**Detroit Institute of Arts:** While the museum is closed for renovation, enjoy mini golf on the front lawn Wednesday-Sunday, Summer Music & Film Series through July 29 in the Detroit Film Theatre, all at 5200 Woodward Ave., (313) 833-7900, www.dia.org.

**Flint Institute of Arts:** Artists of the Great Lakes: 1910-1960, through Aug. 19, \$7, free admission to permanent collection galleries, 1120 E. Kearsley (off I-475 in the Cultural Center Park between University of Michigan-Flint and Mott Community College, Flint, (810) 234-1695, www.flint-arts.org.

**Majestic Cafe:** Make Nice Things About Detroit, featuring 15 artists and crafters, Majestic Cafe, 4120 Woodward Ave. Detroit. Show is free and runs until Aug. 27. Visit www.handmadedetroit.com.

**Wayne State University's Community Arts Gallery:** Michigan Water Color Society's 60th Annual Exhibition, through July 20, at 5400 Gullen Mall, Detroit. Call (313) 577-2423.

**Eastern Michigan University University Gallery:** 100 Years of Emil Weddige, through Aug. 10, honors Weddige 100th birthday with display of stone lithographs over past 60 years; Tom Voorhees: the Beer Lady, digital photomontages, Aug. 20-Sept. 26, reception 5-7 p.m. Sept. 11, 900 Oakwood, Ypsilanti (734) 487-4065.

**University of Michigan Museum of Art:** Out of the Ordinary/Extraordinary: Contemporary Japanese Photography, through Sept. 16, exhibition of 11 photographers challenges Western assumptions about Japanese culture; curator's tour, 3 p.m. July 22; Persian Visions: Contemporary Photography from Iran, Sept. 29-Dec. 30; 1301 S. University, Ann Arbor (734) 763-UMMA.

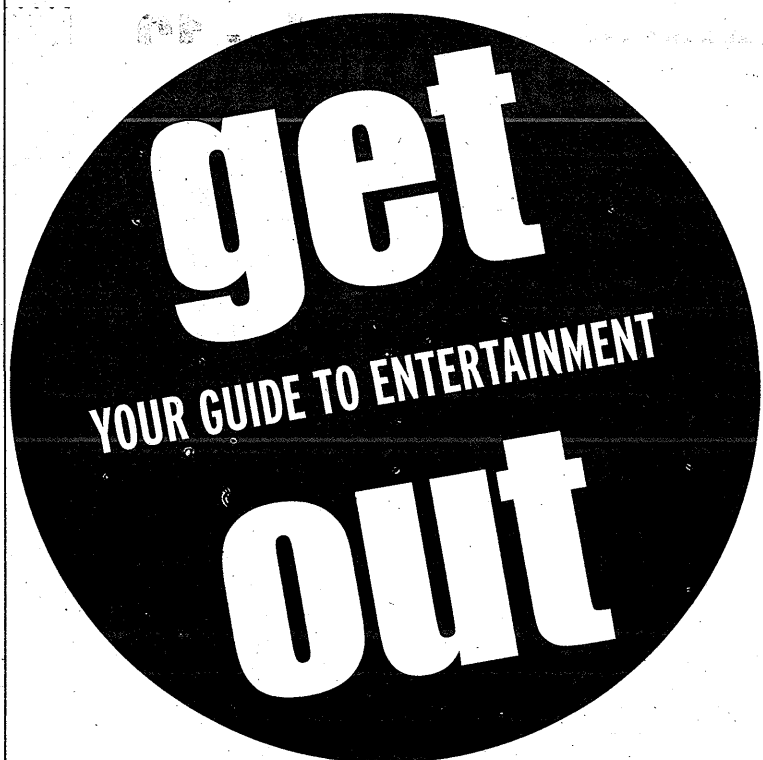
## ART GALLERIES

**B. (Gallery):** New Works by Matt Lewis, through Aug. 31, 235 Willits Alley, Birmingham, (248) 540-0046.

**Cranbrook Art Museum:** 39221 Woodward, Bloomfield Hills, (248) 645-3300, www.cranbrookart.edu. Hours 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Wednesday-Sunday, 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. on the fourth Friday of each month. The museum is closed Monday-Tuesday and select holidays.

**Cass Cafe:** New Expressions, Stephanie Sturton, Andrew Blake, through Sept. 22, 4620 Cass, Detroit (313) 831-1400.

**David Klein Gallery:** fresh with works by Brian Barr, Ben Hall, Dalton Jamieson, Ben Kiehl, Mary Kim, Kelly Reemtsen, Lauren Semivan, through Aug. 4, 163 Townsend, Birmingham (248) 433-3700, www.dkgallery.com



**Ellen Kayrod Gallery:** 4th Annual Intergenerational Community Exhibition, through Aug. 10, 4750 Woodward Ave., Detroit, (313) 833-1300.

**Flatlanders Art Galleries:** A Summer Series, including exhibition of oil paintings by Kim Taylor; artwork from tattoo culture, comic book art and mixed media prints by Dustyn Bok, opening reception with artists July 22, runs through Aug. 24, 11993 E. U.S. 223, Blissfield.

**Kresge Art Museum:** Circus: The Art of the Strange & Curious, through July 27, museum is located at Physics and Auditorium roads on the campus of Michigan State University, East Lansing, (517) 355-7631, www.artmuseum.msu.edu.

**The Janice Charach Epstein Gallery:** Through the Eye of the Needle - Fabric of Survival, tapestry exhibit of Esther Krinitz, who survived Nazis in Poland and relocated to United States, through Aug. 9, located in the Jewish Community Center on Orchard Lake Road and Maple in West Bloomfield, meet daughters Bernice Steinhart and Helene McQuade, 2 p.m. July 15.

**Lawrence Street Gallery:** Ceramic and Fiber Art, Suk Jin Choi and Jung Yeon Choi, exhibit through July 28, 22620 Woodward Ave., Suite A, (east side of Woodward, two blocks south of Nine Mile), Ferndale, (248) 544-0394, www.lawrencestreetgallery.com

**Lemberg Gallery:** A Changing Exhibition, through Aug. 11, reception 5-7 p.m. July 18, 23241 Woodward, Ferndale (248) 591-6623, www.lemberggallery.com

**Livonia Civic Center Fine Arts Gallery:** Exhibit of Recent Work of Suzanne Bauman, through July 30, reception 2-4 p.m. July 14, located in Civic Center Library, 32777 Five Mile Rd., east of Farmington Road, (734) 466-2491, visit www.suzannebauman.com, call (248) 647-8938, for artist info.

**Nextstep Studio & Gallery:** Craig Paul Nowak, through July 28, 530 Hilton, Ferndale (248) 342-5074.

**Northville Art House:** Nature's Garden: A Plain Air Juried Exhibition, through Aug. 12, 215 W. Cady St., (248) 344-0497.

**Paint Creek Center for the Arts:** Israel Davis (ceramic works), through Aug. 4, opening reception 6-8 p.m. July 13; Jan van der Marck, through Aug. 4, opening reception, 6-8 p.m. July 13; juror's gallery talk, 2 p.m. July 14; 407 Pine St., Rochester, (248) 651-4110 or visit www.pccart.org.

**paulakotula projects:** New exhibit runs through July 14, 23255 Woodward,

Ferndale, www.paulakotula.com, (248) 544-3020.

**The Print Gallery:** Mark Wolak, Abstract Paintings, through July 14, 29173 Northwestern Highway, Southfield (248) 356-5454, www.EverythingArt.com, www.MonaLisaMania.com

**River's Edge Gallery:** 3024 Biddle, Wyandotte, (734) 246-9880, e-mail riversedgegallery@wyandotte.org, or Web site www.art-at-theedge.com

**The Starkweather Society:** Reflecting, Acrylic paintings depicting traveling abroad, by Dick Scullin, through July 28, 219 N. Main, Romeo, (586) 752-5700, www.starkweatherarts.org

## ART, ETC.

**Art in the Park:** 100 artists, food, entertainment, antique car show, farmer's market, July 14-15, Warren's New City Square, between 12 Mile and 13 Mile roads, east of Van Dyke. (586) 796-5471.

**Bagley Housing Gallery:** The Canadian/Columbian Connection, paintings by Patricia R. Edie and Jeanne Poulet, through July 14, 2715 Bagley, Detroit (313) 964-5942, www.bagleyhousing.com

**Detroit Artists Market:** Baseball as Art, through July 14, 4719 Woodward Ave., Detroit (313) 832-8540.

**National Institute of Doll Artists:** Gallery Night, 6:30 p.m. July 12; show and sale 1-4 p.m. July 15, free admission, Concord Ballroom of the Downtown Courtyard Marriott, 333 E. Jefferson, Detroit, www.niada.org

**Orchard Lake Fine Arts Show:** Aug. 3-5, campus of Orchard Lake St. Mary's, 3535 Indian Trail (corner of Commerce and Orchard Lake roads), artists preview party, 6-9 p.m. Aug. 3, tickets \$25 at www.TicketWeb.com, free admission on Saturday and Sunday, www.HotWorks.com for information.

**Orchard Lake Framing & Gallery:** Live Among Elements, July 16; Recycle/Reuse, July 30, and other classes, 4301 Orchard Lake Rd. No. 120, West Bloomfield, www.orchard-lakeart.com, (248) 538-9021.

## CAR SHOWS

**Troy Museum & Historic Village:** Motoring Memories, second annual car show, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., July 14, classic cars, trucks, motorcycles and bicycles, vintage hat show at 1 p.m., exhibit of model cars, special children's activities, food for purchase, trophies for exceptional cars, live



The lovely Chan Marshall is all Cat Power. Catch her subtle sounds with the Dirty Delta Blues, 8 p.m. Friday, July 13, Majestic Theatre, Detroit. Tickets are \$20, visit www.majesticdetroit.com for details.

entertainment, \$3 per person donation, children under 10 free, 60 Wattles Road (on northwest corner of Livernois intersection), park at Zion Lutheran Church, 3668 Livernois, south of Wattles, and ride the free shuttle to the museum (248) 524-3570, www.troy.mi.gov/museum.

**Heritage Car Cruise:** Antique and classic car owners invited, registration 11 a.m., cruise, 3 p.m. Aug. 26, Howell High School freshman campus (corner of Grand River and Highlander Way), \$15, proceeds go to Heritage Hope Foundation to help Livingston County charities, (517) 546-6440, www.heritagecarrucruise.com

## CLASSICAL

**Seven Mondays at 7 Carillon Series:** Tin-Shi Tam, 5 and 7 p.m. July 16; Toru Takao, July 23; Jim Fackenthal, July 30; Baird Carillon, Burton Memorial Tower, 881 N. University, Ann Arbor, (734) 764-4414.

## COMEDY

**Greg Giraldo:** with Jesse Joyce, July 14, Meadowbrook Music Festival, on the campus of Oakland University, Rochester Hills (248) 377-0100

**Historic Holly Hotel Comedy Club:** Tim Joyce, July 13-14; Connie Ettinger, July 20-21; Al April July 27-28, \$10, 110 Battle Alley, Holly (248) 634-5208.

**JD's House of Comedy:** Stand-up shows, 8 p.m. Thursday and 8 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday; Apollo amateur night, 8 p.m. Wednesday; 25333 W. 12 Mile, inside Star Theatre complex, Southfield, (248) 348-2420 or www.ticketmaster.com.

**Mark Ridley's Comedy Castle:** Patrick DeGuire, July 12-14; Dave Landau, July 19-21, J.R. Remick, July 26-28; 269 E. Fourth, Royal Oak (248) 542-9900.

**The Comedy Room @ Portofino:** Motor City Improv, July 13-14; Sal Demilio, July 20-21, Cal Verdocchi, July 27-28, 3455 Biddle, Wyandotte, (734) 624-5561

## CONCERTS-THIS WEEK

**DTE Energy Music Theater:** Boys II Men, July 13; Solid Gold Dance Party with Village People, Peaches & Herb, Trammips, France Jolie, Anita Ward, Maxine Nightingale and the Solid Gold Dancers, July 14; Summer of Love 40th Anniversary Tour with Jefferson Starship, The Music of Moby Grape with Jerry Miller, Big Brother & The Holding Co.

and Quicksilver Messenger Service, July 15; Tesla, July 18, visit palacenet.com or call (248) 645-6666 for tickets.

**Joe Louis Arena:** Nickelback with Staind and Daughtry, July 16; tickets at JLA box office, OlympiaEntertainment.com, (248) 645-6666

**Meadow Brook Music Festival:** 1964: The Tribute, July 12; Lonestar, July 13, call (248) 645-6666 or visit palacenet.com.

**The Palace of Auburn Hills:** The Police July 17; Rascal Flatts, July 20, visit palacenet.com or call (248) 645-6666 for tickets.

## CONCERTS-FUTURE

**Comerica Park:** Vans Warped Tour in CP parking lots with indie talent, July 27; (248) 645-6666 or (313) 471-6611.

**DTE Energy Music Theatre:** Blood, Sweat & Tears with Chuck Negron, July 19; The Moody Blues, July 20; Def Leppard and Styx, July 24; Family Values Tour 2007 with Korn and Evanescence, July 25; Incubus with Simon Dawes, July 26; Deep Purple, July 27; Randy Travis with Cole Deggs & The Lonesome, July 28;

B.B. King Blues Festival featuring King, Al Green and Etta James and her Root Band, July 29; Poison with Ratt and Vains of Jenna, July 31; Pat Benatar with Lennon, Aug. 3; Opie & Anthony's Traveling Virus, Aug. 4; Bryan Adams with George Thorogood & The Destroyers, Aug. 8; Velvet Revolver with Alice in Chains and Kill Hannah, Aug. 27; Rush, Aug. 28, call (248) 645-6666 or visit palacenet.com.

**Fox Theatre:** Diana Krall with Chris Botti, July 21; Michael Buble, July 27; Alison Krauss with Union Station featuring Jerry Douglas, July 31, The Smashing Pumpkins Oct. 7, 2211 Woodward, Detroit, (248) 433-1515.

**The Magic Bag:** Bruce in the USA tribute, July 12; Squirrel Nut Zippers, July 13; Mega 80's July 14, Chris Duarte, July 15; Ten Years After, July 17, 22920 Woodward, Ferndale, (248) 544-3030.

**Meadowbrook Music Theater:** Blues Traveler, July 24; HI-5 LIVE! July 25; Zappa Plays Zappa, July 27; Wynonna, Aug. 1; Iggy & The Stooges, Aug. 7; Rick Springfield, Aug. 10; Nickel Creek with Fiona Apple, Aug. 11; Joe Walsh, Aug. 15; David Sanborn with Tower of Power, Aug. 17, call (248) 645-6666.

**The Palace of Auburn Hills:** Kelly Clarkson, Aug. 10; American Idols Live!, Aug. 12; The Wiggles Live! Racing to the Rainbow!, Aug. 15; Beyonce, Aug. 17; Dave Matthews Band, Aug. 23; Get Back! Cast of Beatlemania, Aug. 26; Gordon Lightfoot, Sept. 15, visit palacenet.com or call (248) 645-6666 for tickets.



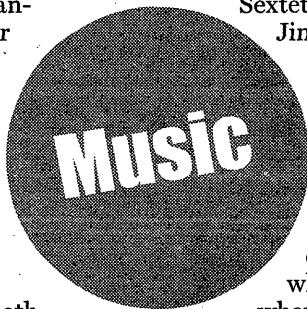
# Michigan Jazz Festival celebrates Lucky 13

It's the 13th year for the Michigan Jazz Festival and this year the musical theme is...well, there is no theme.

The lineup is as wide-spanning and eclectic as ever for the nine-hour, free festival on Sunday, July 15, at Schoolcraft College in Livonia. And that's intentional because the festival is all about Michigan's wide-spanning pool of jazz talent.

This festival showcases Michigan artists who are both already established and the "up-and-coming" ones. Hot Club of Detroit, for example, performed here before many recognized the band's name.

The talent ranges from solo piano to small groups and big bands. There's 215



musicians performing on five stages, four of them indoors and air-conditioned.

Performing are Los Gatos, Bill Meyer Sextet, Johnny Trudell Big Band, the Jim Ryan Trio and many others.

This is the festival where anything can happen on stage - musicians jump on stage and improvise, and many don't flee the building after their gig.

Here artists interact with each other and if you've wanted to chat with your favorite, this is where to do it. The Jazz Walk is where artists will mingle, socialize and sell their CDs.

"It's a big love-in," said festival organizer Midge Ellis.

The festival again features the fun Steinway Cafe where guests can dine, listen to music and learn about how to listen

to jazz - an art in and of itself.

This year's Michigan Jazz Festival is dedicated to Louis Smith. Smith, a trumpet player, has performed with many big names in jazz including Miles Davis and Dizzy Gillespie. A native of Memphis, Smith played for decades before teaching at the University of Michigan and Ann Arbor Public School system.

He began playing in 1944. In 1948 he entered Tennessee State University on a scholarship where he majored in music. Soon Smith joined the Tennessee State Collegians, which produced many jazz greats like Jimmy Cleveland and Phineas Newborn.

Schoolcraft College is at 18600 Haggerty, between Six and Seven Mile in Livonia. For more information, visit [michiganjazzfestival.homestead.com](http://michiganjazzfestival.homestead.com)

- Lana Mini



The Richko/Keller/Siers Trio will perform at 2 p.m. Sunday with a 12-piece band.

## Enjoy Birmingham Jazzfest July 19-21

If you love jazz, head to downtown Birmingham next week.

The Community House will host its 15th Annual Jazzfest, July 19-21 in Shain Park located on South Bates Street between Martin and Merrill streets in the heart of downtown Birmingham. All concerts are free and open to the public. Each year, the three-day festival attracts an estimated 25,000 people to the city of Birmingham.

Flautist Alexander Zonjic returns as the artistic director for the three-day event. Zonjic has compiled a lineup which showcases national artists along with homegrown talent.

"The Community House Jazzfest 2007 delivers three days of world class music in an intimate outdoor setting. Whether you like your jazz straight ahead, smooth, funky or bluesy, this year's festival has it all. Terence Blanchard, Joyce Cooling, Ken Navarro, Dave McMurray, and Alexander Zonjic & Friends are just a few of the great acts you'll hear this year," said Zonjic.

Jazzfest is sponsored by Ford Motor Company, General Motors, Pepsi, Michigan Council for Arts and Cultural Affairs, Birmingham PSD, Trustinus, Azimuth Capital Management, Huntington Bank, Radisson Bloomfield Hills Hotel, Paul Cicchini Custom Clothiers, Michael Serling, Ernst & Young, *The Observer & Eccentric Newspapers*, Smooth Jazz V98.7 FM, Hour Media, Anheuser Busch, LaSalle Bank, Citizens Bank, Charter One, Level Vodka and Wesch Cleaners. Proceeds from Jazzfest benefit The Community House outreach programs.

"The 2007 Jazzfest promises to be an event you won't want to miss. Ford Motor Company is proud to be a sponsor for the 14th consecutive year," said Susan Pepper of Corporate Alliances, Ford Motor Company. "We bring the Ford Experience Tour to the streets of Birmingham this year, combining great musical entertainment with fun interactive games and exciting new products."

On Wednesday evening July 18, a fund-raising preview party for Jazzfest will be held from

6-9 p.m. at the Bloomfield Hills home of Jack Krasula, chair of Jazzfest. The evening includes a Latin themed strolling supper with entertainment provided by Orquestra Sensacional. Honorary Chairs are Jacci and Lem Barney and Robert Porcher. Reservations to the preview party are \$75. For reservations, contact The Community House at 248/644-5832.

On Thursday evening July 19, Alexander Zonjic will be accompanied by The Motor City Horns to kickoff The 15th Annual Jazzfest in Shain Park, in downtown Birmingham.

Friday's concert opens with the DSO's Civic Ensemble followed up by the electrifying and visionary ensemble, Hot Club of Detroit. Eclectic guitarist/vocalist/songwriter Joyce Cooling will serve as the headliner for Friday evening's performance. Families won't want to miss the entertaining Kevin Devine and Family Fun taking the stage on Saturday morning.

Non-stop entertainment continues throughout the day with performances by the popular Gary Schunk Trio followed up by the talented guitarist Johnnie Bassett & the Blues Insurgents featuring Lady Sunshine and Leonardo.

Ken Navarro, recognized as one of today's leading contemporary jazz guitarists and composer will take the stage at 4:00 p.m. followed by Detroit-based saxophone great Dave McMurray at 5:45 p.m. Grammy Award winning musician and composer Terence Blanchard is Saturday evening's headliner.

The Community House Jazzfest was created to showcase exceptional jazz artists and to promote the work of local and national jazz musicians. The event is known for educating and exposing the community to a wide range of jazz styles; attracting a racially, ethnically and age diverse population to Birmingham; and creating a quality outdoor entertainment venue.

For more information contact the Jazzfest hotline at (248) 433-FEST or contact The Community House, 380 South Bates, Birmingham (248) 644-5832, [www.community-house.com](http://www.community-house.com).

## FAIRS

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"I love the Ann Arbor fair because it's like going to the biggest art museum, with fresh, creative ideas from the best artists from across the country gathered in one spot. It is an absolute phenomenon," Marcy Feldman said.

Ann Arbor Art Fairs spokesperson Linda Ashley suggests keeping an eye out for emerging artists.

"All of the art fairs are really emphasizing having special sections for young and even student artists who will be selling their work," Ashley said. "The directors believe these are ones to watch, so the fun for art lovers is to get to them early, and get some of their work before they become well known."

### ORCHARD LAKE FINE ART SHOW

Celebrating its fifth anniversary, the Orchard Lake Fine Art Show will bring 140 artists to the historic campus of Orchard Lake Schools Aug. 3-5. The beautiful setting will feature landscaping

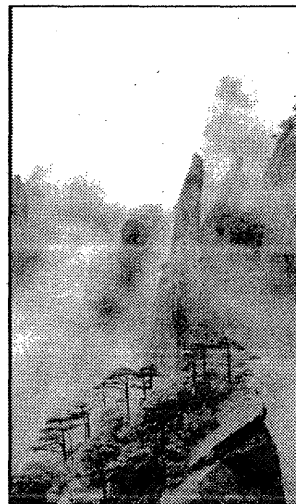
and garden displays created just for the show. Children will enjoy plaster painting, T-shirt tie-dyeing, sandy candy, and candle making hosted by Plasterworks of West Bloomfield, along with live artist demonstrations of glass blowing, painting and drawing. Another highlight is Target's Youth Art Competition.

Andrew Wu of Birmingham will sell his blown glass bowls and vases (\$100-\$800) at the show. A professional violinist with the Michigan Opera Theatre, Wu took up glass blowing about seven years ago, and likens it to being on stage.

"I get a lot of satisfaction from a great performance, and I get the same satisfaction from the glass, because it's like a performance every time you sit down at the pipe," Wu said.

Wu does the Orchard Lake Fine Art Show for the personal interaction.

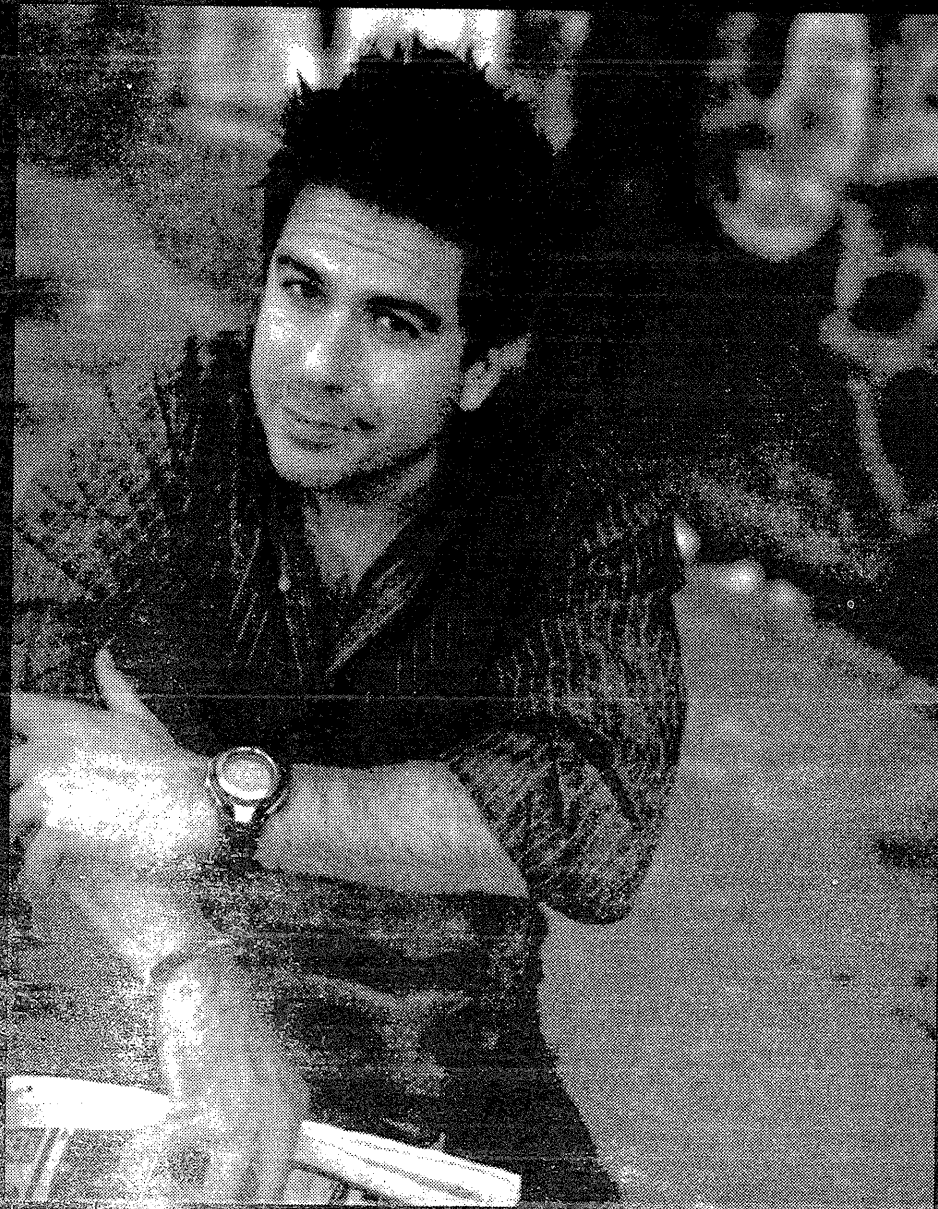
"You spend so much time in your studio looking at your own work, it's so nice to see what other artists are doing in other mediums," he said. "Again, it's like a performance, and you have a chance to see how people react to what you're doing."



Photography by Keith Laing will be featured at the Orchard Lake Fine Art Show, Aug. 3-5.



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# Travis returns with new CD

BY STEPHANIE ANGELYN CASOLA  
STAFF WRITER

Travis made a name for itself in the late '90s, when four boys from Glasgow chimed in with an inspired brand of bittersweet Brit pop. But it's been five years since the melodic four-piece unveiled a new album. And even then, the landscape seemed saturated with the likes of Coldplay and Snow Patrol - each gaining ground thanks to Travis' success.

Finally following its *12 Memories*, the band breaks its silence and declares "We're back."

*The Boy With No Name* marks a fifth studio album for Travis. Released last month, and titled after the slow-process of naming singer Fran Healy's first-born son, Clay, this record weighs heavily with the events of years passed.

Having nearly lost their drummer, Neil Primrose, to an unfortunate swimming pool accident in 2002, the band nearly called it quits. But Healy, Primrose, guitarist Andy Dunlop and bassist Dougie

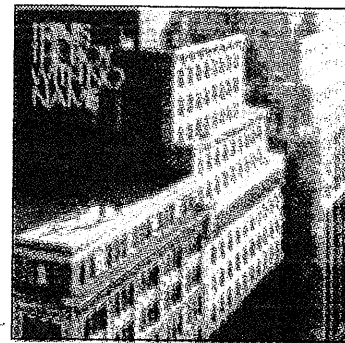
Payne pulled it together and crafted a dozen new songs that slide from one end of the pop spectrum to the other.

In some ways, *The Boy With No Name* sounds suppressed by melancholy. But maybe it's just the sound of a bunch of art school blokes who finally grew up.

There is trace evidence of Travis's hey-day, from the not-too-shy to rock of *Good*

*Feeling* to the breakout hits on *The Man Who*. And there are truly shining moments, too. *Selfish Jean* gives an emoting Healy the proper chance to show off his swoony vocals. *Closer* is classic Travis, a subtle, sleepy romantic number in the tradition of *As You Are*. Likewise, *Battleships* carries those characteristic shuffling guitar chords and calls to mind old favorites like *Driftwood*.

Travis fans will likely embrace *The Boy With No Name*, but newcomers would do well to delve into the band's back catalogue and trace this *Boy's* steps.



Travis offers up "The Boy With No Name."

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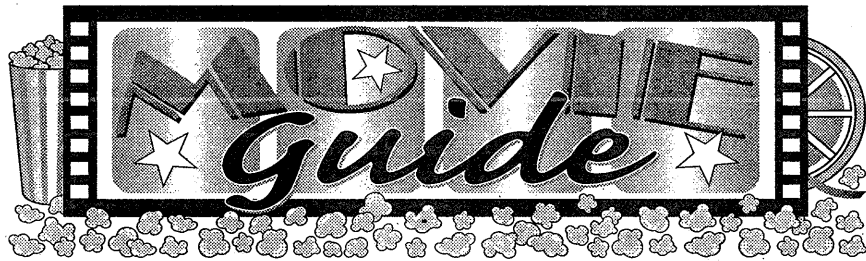
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# COPPOLA

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him, Coppola said. The man told a story at one of the festivals, through Charlie Chaplin footage and poetry with the message that all people are here to help each other and "do good things." "It was a beautiful experience for me as it was for him," Coppola said of the man.

The festival (Coppola's eighth) allows anyone with digital technology at their fingertips to tell stories their own way, Coppola said. The Mobiflicks competition, the highlight of the festival, features six teams of four who will produce a six-minute digital movie in three days at Madonna. Each team will be provided a digital camera, editing system and coaches, and a one-day crash course with Coppola to help prepare for production. Movies will be screened at the end of the festival, and a cash prize awarded to the winner.

Coppola said Mobiflicks taps into the creative process of the local communities. "We're using digital technology as our paint brush," Coppola said.

## CELL PHONE ART

The festival also features other events and contests for digital media fans. Members of the pub-

lic can shoot a one-minute piece of video using a cell phone on Thursday or Friday. A topic will be given and the contestants will have two hours to make their video.

"Everyone will be given a topic, and they will go out with their phone or one donated, and make a one-minute video," Coppola said. "Just the act of doing that is fun."

Other events include Your Tech Portraits (featuring one-minute video portraits with Apple computers and Web cams) and learning seminars on high definition workflows and storytelling (with Josh White Jr.).

Coppola doesn't make money off the festival, but he is making connections between communities. "The more things I do that help celebrate the creative process, the more I build my brand," said Coppola.

"If I can help digital (video producers) hone their craft and give them voices and not have the 'same-old, same-old,' we'll have something fresh."

Suzanne Boyd, TV facilities and production manager at Madonna, is responsible for bringing PAH-Fest to Madonna and the Detroit area, and has been a Coppola fan for a while. "I used to read Christopher's blog and I was intrigued by it," Boyd said.

Boyd took three students to PAH-Fest in New Mexico last year. The three students (Katie Freier,

Jeanette Henson and Rachael Moreri) and Boyd entered the Mobiflicks competition. "They did all the work," Boyd said of her students. "It was life-altering for them. It was a wonderful experience for them, and now they are helping others tell their stories."

Freier started her own production company, Henson works at a production facility and an ad agency and Moreri lives in Utah, working in film as a production assistant, Boyd said.

Boyd could not bring students to this year's event in New Mexico, because of scheduling conflicts with the event in June.

"So he (Christopher) said, 'What if we bring it there for you guys. We'll do the same thing in Detroit,'" Boyd said, remembering Coppola's words.

And, of course, Boyd is thrilled that Coppola is bringing the festival to Madonna. "He's all about getting people to empower themselves. I've never met a nicer person in my life. When he does PAH-Fest, everyone is a part of it."

PAH-Fest is a Brave New World, a daring adventure that challenges individuals to buck convention and use their own thoughts and ideas in artistic ways.

"I just see this cyberworld as a whole another continent," Coppola said. "If Myspace was another continent, it would be the seventh largest on the planet."

# PLACES

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more and more smitten with her employer each night. Lionel works as a bartender in a posh hotel restaurant, where he slings drinks to Dan, an alcoholic ex-Army man set to marry Nicole. It's a tangled web of relationships that grows ever-more involved.

While the characters are interesting, Resnais truly succeeds in capturing the mood of the film visually. He slices scenes with snowfall and favors voyeuristic camera angles, even a birds-eye view, to peer into their lives.

He peppers the sets with flowing fabrics and partial screens, half-hiding these people, just as they protect themselves from relationships, heartache and family. The most obvious example is Arthur, Lionel's invalid father. He's never shown. At most viewers catch a glimpse of the doorway to his bedroom, maybe a leg.

We learn more about Charlotte through the videocassettes she shares with Thierry than we do through her words or actions. Her cross-wearing, Bible-toting persona doesn't begin to scratch the surface. And Gaele's hope and idealism is expressed not in dialogue, but in washes of golden light. The visual effects speak volumes in this film.

Resnais lets his viewers in on a glimpse, but also leaves plenty of room to wonder.

We learn Dan was dishonorably discharged from the Army, and comes from a military family. He's depressed, out of work and in a bitter relationship. But we don't know exactly why.

The film raises delicate emotions and poses poignant questions about the state of life and love in an isolated place and time. But it remains very much on the surface of those feelings from beginning to end.

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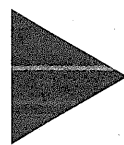
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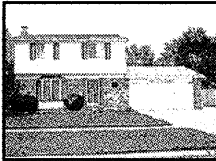
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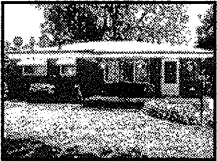
**BRAND NEW CONSTRUCTION** Great new construction condo featuring a Great Room w/soaring ceiling, 2.5 baths, wonderful Master w/ sitting area, gorgeous Kitchen, private entry, private basement, & great location.  
**\$212,400 (C-750CO)**



**SPACIOUS COLONIAL** Westland 3 bedroom home with Family Room with fireplace, 1.5 baths, bsmt, 2 car attached Garage, great backyard & large covered Patio.  
**\$189,500 (C-625FA)**



**TOTALLY UPDATED** Great starter home w/fresh paint, new carpet, nice Living Room w/bay window, updated Kitchen & bath, sun porch, part finished bsmt, & large yard. A must see!  
**\$79,900 (P-420NO)**



**AFFORDABLE** Why rent when you can own this beautiful 3 bd brick ranch that has been lovingly cared for & offers hwd floors, six paneled doors, 2 car Garage, large private yard, & so much more.  
**\$134,900 (P-269AL)**



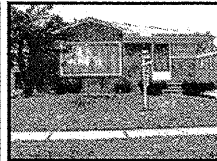
**WELCOME TO THE COUNTRY** Well maintained colonial offering over 3000 sq ft, Living & Family Room w/ frpl, walkout basement w/ daylight windows & spacious Deck.  
**\$524,900 (P-560AN)**



**DOESN'T GET BETTER THAN THIS!** Maintenance free bungalow w/newly finished upper bdrm w/huge closet, neutral décor, hwd floors, new windows, glass block in bsmt, updated bath, appliances remain, & 2.5 car Garage.  
**\$147,000 (P-528BO)**



**QUIET SENIOR'S COMMUNITY** Superb layout for this 2 bd, 2 bath condo. 1400 sq ft, Great Room w/frpl, formal Dining, oak island Kitchen, 2 car Garage, Deck, & home warranty offered.  
**\$157,900 (C-596DE)**



**EXQUISITE HOME** This well maintained home has 2 updated baths, newer copper plumb, fresh paint, carpet, finished bsmt, & newer appliances. Newer lawn equipment included & a home warranty!  
**\$149,000 (P-920DU)**



**ENJOY THE VIEW** Immaculate 4 bd, 2.5 bath colonial on a peaceful lot. Formal living & dining room, huge Family Rm w/frpl, island Kitchen w/all appl's, 2.5 car Garage, C/A, sprinklers, & Deck.  
**\$274,000 (P-440EM)**



**WALK TO DOWNTOWN** Immaculate 4 bd, 2.5 bath home on a cul de sac. Open floor plan, hwd, prof landscaping, redwood Deck, updated bath, 1st floor Master, formal Dining, newer furnace, & lots of storage space.  
**\$349,900 (P-360FA)**



**ALL THE WORK IS DONE!** Beautiful 3 bd ranch is move in ready! Great floor plan, Pergo flooring, new windows, new doors, oak kitchen w/all appliances, huge 2.5 car Garage, & priced for quick sale.  
**\$134,900 (P-704FA)**



**DARLING BUNGALOW** Why rent when you can own this charming home. Totally updated top to bottom, updated roof & windows, move in ready, perfect for 1st time buyers.  
**\$102,000 (P-172HA)**



**GREAT LOCATION** 4 bd, 2.5 bath home w/Northville mailing address. Formal Liv Rm, Din Rm, Fam Rm, walkout bsmt, 3 car Garage, & private commons yard. All offers considered.  
**\$345,000 (P-200HE)**



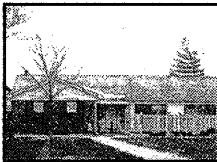
**ENVIABLE FLOOR PLAN** Extra large master on the upper level and 2 bedrooms on the main floor. Hwd floors, new windows, new roof, kitchen w/nook, doorwall to fenced yard w/hot tub & 2 car garage. Also for lease.  
**\$114,900 (P-468IN)**



**TURN KEY BEAUTY** Rare find on this charming 3 bd, 1.5 bath, tastefully decorated home. Fresh neutral paint, hwd floors, newly added Fam Rm & Deck, & finished bsmt w/extra Kitchen. A must see!  
**\$199,900 (P-548MO)**



**IT'S A GEM!** This 2 bd, 1.5 bath ranch condo in popular Bradbury Park is a must see. Newer carpet, oak Kitchen, Master w/WIC, appliances stay, Carport, C/A, & short walk to area pool & clubhouse.  
**\$139,900 (P-403NE)**



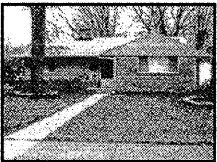
**CHARMING CONDO** 2 bd condo in move in condition. Very clean, newer furnace, hwh, appliances stay, finished bsmt, & neighborhood pool & clubhouse w/activities.  
**\$129,900 (P-639NE)**



**PRICED TO SELL** Clean & bright ranch home featuring 3 bds, 1 bath, detached Garage, fenced yard, freshly painted, new carpet, central air, & large eat-in Kitchen.  
**\$119,900 (P-197NO)**



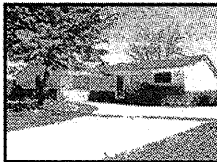
**CHARM & ELEGANCE** This 3 bd, 2 bath home is loaded w/ extras! Granite Kitchen w/ stain steel appl's, Master w/ updated bath, refinished hwd floors, new siding, paver Patio, & nice landscaping.  
**\$214,900 (C-430PA)**



**WHY RENT?** Own this lovely ranch on a corner lot. 1480 sq ft. huge new Fam Rm addition, Liv Rm w/frpl, appliances stay, excellent location, Garage, updated Kitchen, & more. A must see!  
**\$144,500 (P-754RE)**



**UPDATED HOME** 4 bd, 2.5 bath Plymouth colonial. Beautiful new oak Kitchen, Family Room w/vaulted ceiling & fp, formal LR & DR, 1st floor laundry, & Den. Updated bath, windows, furnace, & large Deck.  
**\$312,900 (P-002RO)**



**SUPER CLEAN RANCH** Fantastic 3 bd, 1.5 bath ranch featuring an open floor plan, Fam Rm w/vaulted ceiling, updated windows & roof, oak Kitchen, finished bsmt w/recessed lighting, & Patio w/hot tub.  
**\$149,900 (P-429TR)**



**SHARP RANCH CONDO** Pristine 2 bd, 2 bath condo in prime Canton location. Freshly painted, newer flooring, private finished bsmt, appliances stay, & great location.  
**\$119,900 (P-598AR)**



**MOVE IN READY!** This home is fully updated - roof, walls, windows, furnace, ducts, hwh, siding, hwd floors, maple cabinets, doors, & carpet. Utica schools & great neighborhood.  
**\$169,900 (C-404BU)**

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**STOP THE CAR!!** You'll love this gorgeous brick ranch! 3 bd, 1.5 baths, updated Kitchen & bath, freshly painted, hwd floors, finished bsmt, 2 car Garage, & spacious backyard.  
**\$109,900 (C-343CO)**



**CORDIAL & COMFY** Truly an outstanding home built by Pulte featuring twin staircase, custom paint, fashion bath, finished bsmt, sides to commons, island Kitchen w/ granite & Butler's Pantry, & great neighborhood.  
**\$389,900 (P-891DE)**



**DESIRABLE CHATTERTON VILLAGE** Excellent location facing commons, open floor plan, large Kit, FFL, spacious Master w/cath ceiling, bath, & oversized WIC. Attached Garage, appls stay, & immediate occupancy.  
**\$155,000 (C-205EL)**



**THIS IS A 10!** Immaculate & beautiful 3 bd colonial featuring updated windows, C/A, furnace, newer carpet, paint, crown molding, light fixtures, updated Kitchen & Baths, & private fenced yard.  
**\$213,800 (P-696FA)**

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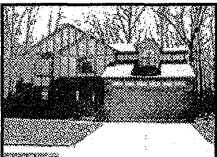
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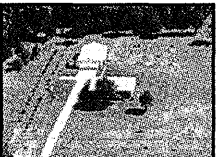
**MOVE RIGHT IN!** Freshly painted 4 bd, 2.5 bath colonial featuring a large Deck off Family Room, Patio, 1/3 acre lot, convenient location, & home warranty included.  
**\$233,500 (C-934FA)**



**LIVONIA SCHOOLS** Nice 4 bd colonial featuring neutral décor, lots of storage, copper plumb, updated elec, newer hwh, furnace, roof, & windows. Finished bsmt, oversized yard w/shed, & more.  
**\$209,900 (C-626GR)**



**TOP SHELF!** This home is impeccable inside & out! Wooded lot offering a Flagstone Patio off the great Deck, updated roof & hwh, skylights, 1st fl laundry, & more.  
**\$269,990 (C-151ME)**



**HOME WITH ACREAGE** 3 bd brick ranch on almost 4 acres. Andersen Windows, partly finished bsmt, many upgrades & updates including roof, heating, A/C to name a few. Fabulous Millford Location!  
**\$349,900 (C-577MI)**



**RAISED RANCH CONDO** Not many like this available. Very well taken care of 2 bd, 2 bath Plymouth condo offering finished bsmt, open floor plan, beautiful Kitchen, & good location.  
**\$163,500 (C-471PO)**



**THIS ONE STANDS OUT** This gorgeous ranch is being offered for the 1st time since 1963! Completely updated, Fam Rm in finished bsmt, fireplace, 2 baths, & too much more to list.  
**\$144,850 (C-242RO)**



**SWEET CANTON CONDO** One of the last condos built in Canton Forest. 2 car attached Garage, full bsmt, 1st fl laundry, Kitchen w/ nook, Liv Rm w/gas frpl, formal Dining, & Master w/ high ceiling & private bath.  
**\$179,900 (C-270SA)**



**DEARBORN RANCH** Get off to a great start in this 3 bd ranch offering neutral paint, new carpet, Kitchen w/ ceramic floor & appliances, updated hwh, furnace, & electrical. Home Warranty.  
**\$94,900 (C-530UN)**



**LOTS OF ROOM** 3 bd ranch offering a wonderful Kitchen & dining area, huge Great Room, skylights, private lot, & Master w/bath. A must see!  
**\$219,900 (C-515W)**



**LOCATION! LOCATION!** Must see this stunning brick end unit condo that backs to woods w/private balcony. Cathedral ceilings, designer window treatments, cherry cabinets, finished bsmt, & Garage.  
**\$179,900 (C-201CA)**



**SPOTLESS GEM** Looking for eat of the floor clean? This home has been totally updated w/a fantastic new Kitchen, custom tile baths, soaking tub, custom oak staircase, bsmt, 2 car Garage, & backs to woods.  
**\$234,800 (C-587CA)**



**NEWER LIVONIA COLONIAL** Great layout on this 3 bd, 1.5 bath home featuring an updated oak Kitchen w/nook, Master w/cath ceiling & WIC, formal LR w/picture window, & convenient location.  
**\$169,900 (C-951CA)**



**UNIQUE & STYLISH** This is not your average bungalow! Set on a large double lot, this home has a huge Fam Rm, vaulted ceilings, beautiful yard, updated windows, roof, C/A, furnace, & tons of storage. Home warranty.  
**\$139,900 (C-997CA)**



**A BEAUTIFUL START** 3 bd, 1.5 bath home in nice neighborhood. Full bsmt, Garage, natural fireplace, large Dining Room, & immediate occupancy.  
**\$123,900 (C-644CH)**



**NEWER COLONIAL** This 4 bd, 2.5 bath home has a lot to offer. Spacious Fam Rm w/ cathedral ceiling & gas frpl, island Kitchen w/pantry, 1st fl laundry, 3 car side entry Garage, & much more.  
**\$244,900 (C-075CL)**



**THE JEWEL OF ROMA RIDGE** This beautiful colonial backs up to wetlands on a corner lot. 4 bd, 2.5 baths, oversized Master Suite, updated & freshly painted t/o. Priced to sell!  
**\$339,900 (C-889CR)**



**RANCH W/GREAT VALUE!** Don't miss a deal on this well kept home w/beautifully updated Bath, Kitchen, windows, furnace, roof, driveway, hwh, great fenced yard w/shed, & much more.  
**\$129,900 (C-025IV)**



**LOVELY COLONIAL** 4 bd, 2.5 bath in the heart of Livonia's nicest sub. Updated Kitchen, private backyard, Family Room w/frpl, covered deck, & close to everything.  
**\$214,900 (C-407LA)**



**JUST REDUCED!!!** Recent price drop on this Westland condo w/Livonia schools. 2 bd, 2 baths, frpl, basement, Deck & master w/bath. All appliances included, plus low assoc dues.  
**\$125,900 (C-706PR)**



**DESIRABLE AREA** 3 bd, 1.5 bath brick home in a great area. Family Room w/frpl, part finished bsmt, 2 car attached Garage, all appliances included, & immediate occupancy.  
**\$169,900 (C-308WI)**



**TIME SHARE IN FLORIDA W/ PURCHASE** Hard to pass this up! Home features 2 story foyer, cathedral ceiling in great room, kitchen w/new hwd floors, finished bsmt w/ 1/2 bath, rec area & lots of storage. Nestled in Andover sub & priced to sell.  
**\$349,900 (C-033GR)**



**CANTON COLONIAL** 3 bd, 2.5 bath home featuring an island Kitchen w/tons of cabinets, Fam Rm w/frpl, neutral décor, brick paver patio, electric awning, & short walk to pool & playground.  
**\$224,000 (C-932BR)**



**WALK TO DOWNTOWN** Completely remodeled ranch w/2 Garages, enormous Kitchen w/fireplace, 3 full baths, new furnace & C/A, new flooring, updated elec, & minutes from downtown Plymouth shopping & events.  
**\$399,900 (P-698EV)**



**GORGEOUS CUSTOM HOME** One of a kind home loaded w/custom features on premium secluded lot. Large Kitchen/Sunroom w/silestone counters, Master w/oversized tub, finished bsmt w/2nd Kit & hottub w/built-in ceramic Deck. A Must See!  
**\$484,900 (P-821FA)**



**GREAT INVESTMENT** 2 bd colonial currently tenant occupied. Investment package available w/other homes in same area & seller can help with closing costs.  
**\$25,000 (P-141GR)**



**A MUST SEE** 2 bd, 2 bath ground floor condo offering a private entrance, new Pergo, fresh paint, new appliances, private laundry room, Patio, & very very clean.  
**\$129,000 (C-547LI)**



**EXCELLENT LOCATION** Live in fabulous The Village of Eagle Gardens in Whitmore Lake. End unit ranch condo offers hwd floors, Master w/bath, Great Rm w/frpl, doorwall leads to covered Deck, & finished bsmt.  
**\$179,900 (P-024PI)**



**CHARMING CAPE COD** Spacious home w/over 2200 sq ft. Updated Kitchen, formal Liv Rm w/new carpet, 1st fl laundry, 4 bd, 2.5 baths, Master w/WIC & bath, updated roof, furnace, C/A, carpet, flooring, & more.  
**\$274,600 (P-266PO)**



**FINEST UNIT IN COMPLEX** Remarkably clean & well maintained lower end unit condo. View of commons from Deck, Foyer & Kitchen w/wood floors, neutral décor, & close to walking trails & parks.  
**\$85,900 (P-836PR)**



**PERFECT PLACE TO CALL HOME** Upper end unit condo in popular Lilley Pointe in Canton. Cathedral ceilings, open floor plan, large laundry room, 2 baths, Great Rm w/ balcony, neutral Kitchen w/ appl's, & priced just right!  
**\$113,000 (P-672LI)**



**ATTENTION INVESTORS** Well maintained 4 unit quadplex w/good cash flow. Each unit has 2 bd, Liv & Din Rm, Kitchen, porch, & 1 bath. Updated roof, windows, & each unit has separate utilities.  
**\$150,000 (P-711RA)**



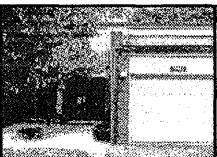
**BEAUTIFUL COLONIAL** 4 bd, 2.5 bath full brick home featuring ceramic flooring, large island Kitchen, 1st fl laundry, central vacuum, Fam Rm w/frpl, paver Patio, & sprinklers.  
**\$229,000 (C-740RA)**



**ONE OF A KIND** Pride of ownership shows in this 3 bd, 2 bath home w/many updates including Kit, windows, furn, some paint & carpet, part fin'd bsmt, prof landscaped w/pavers, Patio w/awning, & good location.  
**\$224,900 (P-001SN)**



**AN EXCEPTIONAL FIND** Estate home at garden prices! Open island Kitchen w/hwd floors & center work station, dual staircases, Den, Master Suite w/bath & sitting area, neighborhood pool & tennis.  
**\$399,900 (P-072ST)**



**PERFECT CONDITION** Extremely well taken care of home offering 2 bd, loft area, great floor plan, finished bsmt, cozy Patio, awesome Kitchen, & neighborhood clubhouse w/gym & huge pool.  
**\$139,800 (C-266UN)**



**SUNNY RANCH UNIT** Great end unit bordering common area in Pheasant Run golf community. Open floor plan, cath ceilings, large Deck, finished bsmt w/wetbar, Master w/jetted tub & WIC's, & walk to driving range & practice green.  
**\$269,500 (P-761WE)**

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# Top building sales, marketing pros lauded

The top residential building industry sales and marketing professionals in southeastern Michigan were recognized on May 16 at The Community House of Birmingham, when Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan's (BIA) Sales & Marketing Council hosted their 2007 Sales & Marketing (SAM) Awards banquet.

Receiving awards in the individual achievement category, Salesperson of the Year, were Justin Smith of Mocer Companies, Gold Winner, and Ed Schlager of ADCO Group, Silver Winner.

In the Marketing categories, winners were as follow:

**Best Brochure Under \$250,000  
50 Homes or More**

Digital Image Studios for Oak Pointe - Gold Winner

**Best Brochure For A Community Between \$250,000-\$500,000**

Crosswinds Communities for Legacy Oaks - Gold Winner

**Best Brochure For A Community Between \$250,000-\$500,000  
50 Homes or Less**

Mondrian Properties for Timbercrest - Silver Winner

The Kirkwood Group for Metro Lofts - Gold Winner

**Print Advertisement of the Year  
Black & White - 50 Homes or Less**

Lorimer Building for Towering Pines Cottages of Springfield - Gold Winner

**Print Advertisement of the Year - Color**

Digital Image Studios for Eton Street Grand Opening - Silver Winner

Crosswinds Communities for Legacy Oaks - Gold Winner

**Print Advertisement of the Year  
Color - 50 Homes or Less**

Bluerock Management for North Park Place's "Own It" - Silver Winner

Boerema Chaben & Company for Woodward Ave. Lofts - Gold Winner

Crosswinds Communities for Legacy Oaks - Silver Winner

Digital Image Studio for Garden Loft Tiger's Tail Gate - Gold Winner

**Best Direct Mail Piece  
50 Homes or Less**

Mondrian Properties for Stone Haven - Silver Winner

Bluerock Management for North Park Place "Buying A Home" - Gold Winner

Mocer Companies for Mill River - Sweetheart Deals - Silver Winner

The Kirkwood Group for SkyLofts MarketSquare - Gold Winner

JC Communities for Rustic Ridge - Silver Winner

Boerema Chaben & Company for Ashby Preserve - Gold Winner

Digital Image Studios for Eton Street

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Digital Image Studios for Eton Street

Grand Opening - Silver Winner

Digital Image Studios for Realtors' VIP Preview Even - Gold Winner

Boerema Chaben & Company for Golf Ridge Villa Homes - Gold Winner

J & J Slavik, Inc. for Harbortown - Silver Winner

J & J Slavik, Inc. for The Lofts at Rivertown - Gold Winner

Bluerock Management for North Park Place - Silver Winner

Mondrian Properties for Mondrian Properties - Gold Winner

James D. Compo, Inc. - Gold Winner

Designer Interiors for Northville Green - Silver Winner

J & J Slavik, Inc. for Harbortown - Gold Winner

Boerema Chaben & Company for Golf Ridge of Dundee - Gold Winner

Designer Interiors for Cottages at Mill River - Silver Winner

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**Best Interior Merchandising for a Model  
Between \$250,000-\$500,000  
50 Homes or Less**

JC Communities for Rustic Ridge - Silver Winner

Boerema Chaben & Company for Woodward Place of Birmingham - Gold Winner

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**Best Interior Merchandising for a Model  
Between \$500,000-\$1,000,000**

Designer Interiors for Woodberry Estates - Columbia Homes - Gold Winner

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**Best Interior Merchandising for a Model Over \$1,000,000 - 50 Homes or Less**

James D. Compo Inc. for The Dawson - Gold Winner

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"I am very honored to list the winners among the membership of the BIA. All of the winners should be proud of their sales and marketing efforts as well as their dedication to the residential construction industry," said SAM Chair Kim Bommarito.

Headquartered in Farmington Hills, BIA is a trade association representing more than 2,000 builders remodelers, multi-family property owners, developers and suppliers to the single family and multifamily residential construction industry. BIA is affiliated with the Michigan Association of Home Builders in Lansing and the National Association of Home Builders in Washington, D.C. Membership nationwide includes more than 235,000 individuals and companies.



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A. No, because there can be no such thing as a bona fide purchaser under a forged deed as a matter of law. The holder of such a deed cannot claim any rights to the land even if he or she takes a deed for value without notice. She should obviously pursue the person who gave her the forged deed if that's at all possible.

**Q. In this changing economy, our board does not wish to change its collection policy to increase the late charges and accelerate the time when we begin foreclosure proceedings**



Robert Meisner

and/or put a lien on the unit. I am trying to explain to them why that's necessary. What do you think?

A. Each association must adopt its own collection policy in accordance with its bylaws. On the other

hand, the board must be resolute in ensuring that it has an aggressive and uniform collection policy that ensures that it is taking the maximum steps necessary to collect the assessments for the benefit of the association as a whole. In short, the longer the association delays in taking aggressive action to collect the assessment that is delinquent, the longer it will take

to collect the assessment and, indeed, the association may lose out on its secured interest in being able to force the payment of the assessment. It is probably a good idea, therefore, for your association to re-evaluate its collection policy with the benefit of good legal advice.

Robert M. Meisner is a lawyer and the author of Condominium Operation: Getting Started & Staying on the Right Track, second edition. It is available for \$9.95 plus \$1 shipping and handling. He also wrote Condo Living: A Survival Guide to Buying, Owning and Selling a Condominium, available for \$24.95 plus \$5 shipping and handling. For more information, call (248) 644-4433 or visit bmeisner@meisner-associates.com. This column shouldn't be construed as legal advice.

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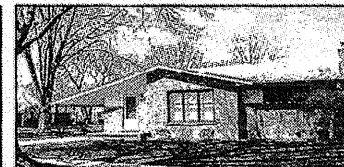
**NOVI** \$282,900  
Newer 4 bedroom, 2.5 bath colonial. Oak kitchen w/ center island, updates. Family room w/ fireplace. Extra large deck. On a cul-de-sac in quiet sub with sidewalks. Overlooks a large wooded lot. Attached 2 car gar.  
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**LIVONIA** \$149,000  
Sharp 3 bedroom brick ranch in desirable Rosedale Meadows sub. Hardwood floors, new carpet, fresh paint. Living room. Pella windows.  
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**SOUTH LYON** \$269,900  
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**LIVONIA** \$129,900  
1,200 square foot ranch. Great kitchen & dining room. Newer berber carpet in living room, hardwood floors. Updated bath, first floor laundry. On 3 lots. Attached garage.  
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Completely remodeled 2 bedroom, 2 bath condo. New kitchen, new baths, new carpet, furnace and a/c. 107. Finished basement with lots of storage. Newer roof.  
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**VAN BUREN** \$218,500  
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**WALLED LAKE** \$247,000  
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**FARMINGTON** \$194,900  
Terrific 3 bedroom, 2 bath home. Family room with fireplace, updated kitchen, baths, roof, windows. Large living room, hardwood floors throughout. Beautiful backyard, 2 car garage. Walking distance to downtown Farmington.  
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**NOVI** \$499,900  
Stunning home has a 2 story foyer, large living and formal dining room. Kitchen with cherry cabinets, corian counter tops, family room with fireplace. Master suite with jet tub. Finished walk out basement w/ steam shower.  
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**REDFORD** \$142,900  
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**NORTHVILLE** \$399,900  
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**FARMINGTON HILLS** \$264,000  
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**NORTHVILLE** \$219,900  
Home has many updates done. Replacement windows, roof, bath. Remodeled kitchen with maple cabinets. Family room with fireplace. Dining room and living room.  
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**REDFORD** \$119,900  
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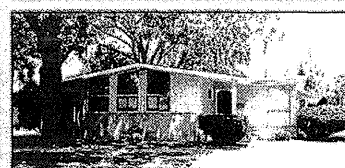
**NOVI** \$454,900  
Extensive use of hardwood on first floor. 9' maple island kitchen, granite countertops. 2 story dining and great room w/ marble surround gas fireplace. Master suite with 2 walk-in closets, jetted tub. Library/study, breakfast room. 3 car attached garage.  
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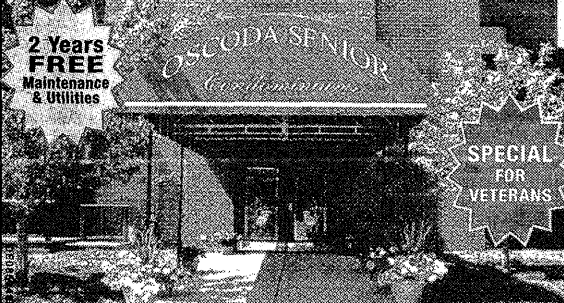


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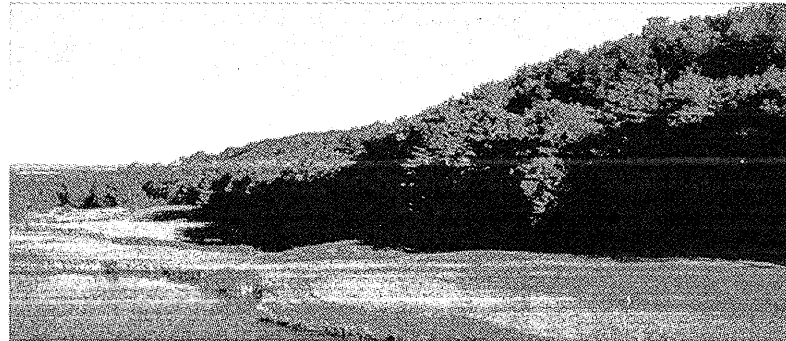
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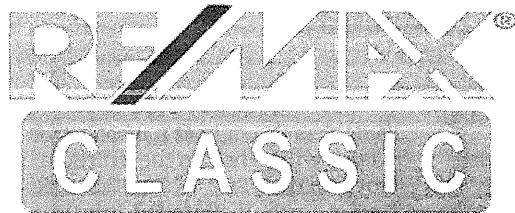


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 Nicely renovated 4 bedroom in desirable Rolling Oaks. New windows, newer kitchen w/corrian & hdwd. Large rms t/o. Backs to woods & streams. Inground pool w/new fence. Large deck overlooking pool & yard. 3 car garage.  
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**FARMINGTON HILLS \$524,000**  
 Immaculate colonial on desirable Copper Creek Golf Course. Open floor plan w/1st floor master suite. 2-story foyer overlooking GR. Cathedral ceiling, library & updated kit w/ granite counter tops & new appls. Fin LL w/bdrm & full bath.  
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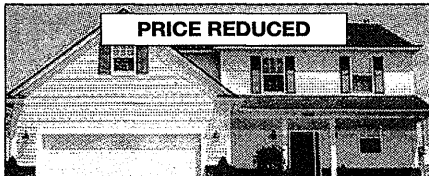
**NEW LISTING**  
**GREEN OAK TWP. \$186,500**  
 Charming home sited on 2.19 acres. Hdwd flrs under carpet. 19x10 Screen porch off gar. Backyard is fenced. Many updates done including a high efficiency furn, windows, and new roof. Fin'd bsmt. South Lyon Schools.  
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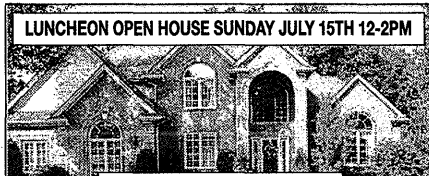
**LIVONIA \$174,900**  
 Stunning, move right into this brk ranch w/full bsmt & 2.5 car gar. Completely updated: new kit w/appl & tons of cab. space, beautiful refinished hdwd floors t/o, newer roof & windows, new furn & a/c. Fin bsmt w/FR & full bath. Lease option.  
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**LYON TWP. \$217,500**  
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**LYON TWP. \$248,900**  
 Country Charmer in desirable neighborhood. Home is move-in ready. Hdwd flooring, spacious kit w/ample cabinetry, 2-story foyer, & GR w/gas flpc. Mstr ste offers a private bath w/sep shower & jetted tub & a large WIC. Bsmt plumbed bath.  
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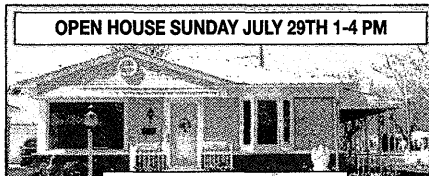
**LUNCHEON OPEN HOUSE SUNDAY JULY 15TH 12-2PM**  
**MILFORD VILLAGE \$495,000**  
 Amazing is what you will say! Beautiful colonial tudor located in Heritage Hill. Master carpentry t/o, high ceilings, gourmet kit, huge bdrms & wonderful storage. Wonderful fir plan w/ dual staircase. Private park-like backyard.  
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**PRICE REDUCED**  
**SHELBY TWP. \$305,000**  
 Open floor plan, great rm scenic views, valuted ceiling, gas fp, large gourmet kit w/center island, ceramic tile w/ loads of cabinets and counter space. Formal dining rm, neutral paint & carpeting t/o fin bsmt. Close to freeway and shopping centers.  
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**NEW LISTING**  
**SOUTH LYON \$295,900**  
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Neumann Homes Inc., a Chicago-based national home builder, has elected to auction these properties to reduce the marketing time necessary to sell them in a slow marketplace. "We have experienced the same slowdown that other builders have experienced throughout metro Detroit," said Neumann President and CEO Kenneth P. Neumann. "We've made a business decision to utilize the accelerated sales method to complete a close-out of several of our communities which will allow our team members to concentrate their efforts on our most recently developed communities in the four regions around the country that we are building in."

"This will be the second auction that we will have conducted for Neumann Homes in metro Detroit," said Robert Roggeveen, president of The Auction Services Group of Benj. E. Sherman & Sons. "Last year, we sold 66 properties for over \$8,000,000."

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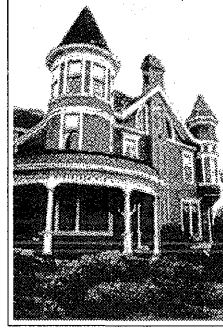
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## Pre-license class

Oakland Builders Institute is presenting a 16-hour comprehensive seminar to give students the help needed to pass the Michigan state builder's license examination. The seminar is scheduled for 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, July 21 and 22, at the Best Western ConCorde Inn of Rochester Hills, 1919 Star-Batt Drive, Rochester Hills.

The course is for those who want to subcontract the construction of their own homes, real estate investors and developers and building trades people who want to work

legally in Michigan.

The cost of the seminar is \$205 and includes the manual, sample questions and the test application. A \$25 deposit is required no later than Thursday, July 19, to Oakland Builders Institute, 1277 Dutton Road, Rochester Hills, MI 48306. Call toll-free (800)-940-2014 or (248) 651-2771 to register Monday - Friday, 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. or register online at [www.buildersinstitute.com](http://www.buildersinstitute.com)

This seminar is comprehensive, teaching math as well as blue-print reading. Oakland Builders Institute teaches building courses in 16 school districts in Michigan. For a free brochure and current schedule of all classes including evening sessions, call toll-free (800) 940-2014 or (248) 651-2771.

## Golf outing

Building Industry Association of

Southeastern Michigan (BIA) will host its 2007 golf outing, "North Oakland County Golf Classic" 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 23, at Beacon Hills Golf Course, 601 Majestic Oaks Drive in Commerce Township.

The event will begin with registration and continental breakfast at 8:30 a.m. followed by a shotgun start at 9:30 a.m. and a steak dinner at 4 p.m. Door prizes will be offered, as well as a 50/50 raffle.

Registration fees, including 18 holes of golf cart, lunch, dinner, four drink tickets and golf competitions are \$130 for BIA and Apartment Association of Michigan members, guests and nonmembers; \$60 for dinner only, \$200 for a hole sponsorship and \$250 for a hole sponsorship with dinner. For registration information, call (248) 862-1033.

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These are the area residential real estate closings recorded the week of March 12-16, 2007, at the Wayne County Register of Deeds office, plus some from Oakland County. Listed below are cities, addresses and sales prices.

50435 Amberley Blvd	\$211,000	4665 Pond Run Farmington	\$280,000
42454 Barchester Rd	\$150,000	32282 Lee Ln	\$159,000
41525 Bedford Dr	\$120,000	35158 Oakland St	\$253,000
3889 Berkeley Ave	\$140,000	Farmington Hills	
50265 Black Horse Ln	\$146,000	21411 Collingham Ave	\$100,000
132 Cherry Stone Dr	\$235,000	34747 Valley Forge Dr	\$315,000
8271 Elmhurst St	\$241,000	30060 W 12 Mile Rd	\$102,000
49122 Fifth Avenue Ct	\$291,000	Garden City	
392 Hamilton St	\$386,000	28959 Birchlawn St	\$174,000
44250 Harsdale Dr	\$245,000	29639 Brown Ct	\$102,000
51235 High Meadow Crossing S	\$429,000	479 Lathers St	\$120,000
41369 Northwind Dr	\$113,000	28940 Rosslyn Ave	\$105,000
43629 Nowland Dr	\$282,000	Livonia	
46662 Polo Dr	\$278,000	11311 Arden St	\$213,000
		14174 Blackburn St	\$185,000
		37786 Bristol St	\$252,000
		38080 Five Mile Rd	\$209,000
		28444 Gita St	\$188,000
		32973 Grennada St	\$188,000
		9331 Hix Rd	\$107,000
		29876 Mcintyre St	\$170,000

29505 Minton St	\$174,000	44848 Lynn Dr	\$181,000
28944 Savoie Ct	\$419,000	413 N Harvey St	\$382,000
16842 Yorkshire St	\$420,000	656 S Harvey St	\$267,000
Milford		1150 S Harvey St	\$280,000
1240 Burns Rd	\$282,000	145 S Union St	\$262,000
846 Knolls Landing Dr	\$247,000	9345 Saddlebrook Crk	\$657,000
4141 Milford Ponds Ln N	\$290,000	1177 Starkweather St	\$120,000
Northville		12470 Willoway Ct	\$540,000
943 Carrington Dr	\$210,000	Redford	
17388 Crestbrook Dr	\$591,000	13934 Crosley	\$180,000
44243 Deep Hollow Cir	\$450,000	20525 Dalby	\$120,000
39687 Dun Rovin Dr	\$320,000	25537 Elsinore	\$120,000
42215 Ladywood Dr	\$264,000	9554 Grayfield	\$77,000
18099 Mission Pt	\$815,000	25131 Midland	\$123,000
49823 Parkside Dr	\$100,000	12139 Rockland	\$145,000
43555 Prestwick Cir	\$623,000	15605 Ryland	\$143,000
48848 Running Trout Ln	\$375,000	25938 W Seven Mile Rd	\$75,000
39625 Springwater Dr	\$205,000	South Lyon	
42227 Sunnydale Ln	\$215,000	136 Aspen Way	\$165,000
119 Walnut St	\$45,000	241 Cuyahoga Ct	\$428,000
Novi		Westland	
22517 Chestnut Tree	\$210,000	37440 Barkridge Cir	\$93,000
40006 Crosswinds	\$102,000	36615 Deerhurst N	\$135,000
45994 Galway Dr	\$300,000	34051 Kennedy St	\$155,000
27372 Sloan St	\$276,000	27730 Mackenzie Dr	\$136,000
27532 Sloan St	\$323,000	32049 Mackenzie Dr	\$165,000
Plymouth		257 N Byfield St	\$133,000
598 Adams St	\$294,000	34124 Rosslyn St	\$136,000
46511 Bettyhill	\$996,000	488 S Marie St	\$85,000
50849 Chestwick Ct	\$330,000	27651 Trailbrooke Cir	\$104,000
1051 Hartsough St	\$283,000		
43850 Joy Rd	\$263,000		

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A Best Financial Corp.	(800) 839-8918	6.125	1.75	5.75	1.625	J/A
A Perfect Mortgage Co.	(248) 209-7726	6.5	0	6.25	0	J/A
ABR Financial	(248) 622-1262	NR	NR	NR	NR	J/A/V/F
Ameriplus Mortgage Corp.	(248) 740-2323	6.5	0	6.25	0	J/A
Atlantis Mortgage	(248) 985-6000	NR	NR	NR	NR	J/A
Benchmark Lending	(586) 463-2255	6.5	0	6.25	0	J/A
Brink's Goldstar Mortgage	(800) 785-4755	6.5	0	6.25	0	J/A/V/F
Client Services by Golden Rule	(800) 991-9922	6.125	1.75	5.625	2.375	J/A/V/F
Co-op Services Credit Union	(734) 466-6113	6.875	0	6.5	0	J
Countrywide Home Loans	(800) 641-2384	6.125	3	5.75	3	J/A/V/F
Dearborn Federal Savings Bank	(313) 565-3100	6.5	0	6.125	0	A
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Earth Mortgage	(877) 327-8450	6.375	1	6	1	J/A/V/F
Fifth Third Bank	(800) 792-8830	6.75	0.25	6.375	0.625	J/V/F
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Golden Rule Mortgage	(800) 991-9922	6.125	1.75	5.625	2.25	J/A/V/F
Group One Mortgage	(248) 282-1602	6.875	0	6.5	0	J/A/V/F
LaSalle Bank Midwest	(800) 466-3800	6.375	2	6.125	2	J/A/V/F
Mainstreet Mortgage	(800) 900-1313	6.625	0	6.25	0	J/A/V/F
Manufacturers	(586) 777-1000	6.375	1	6.125	1	J/A
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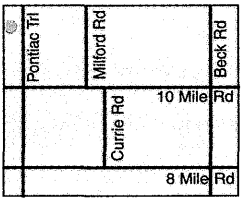


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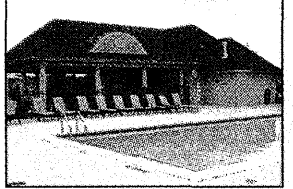
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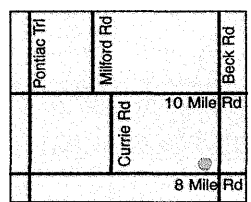
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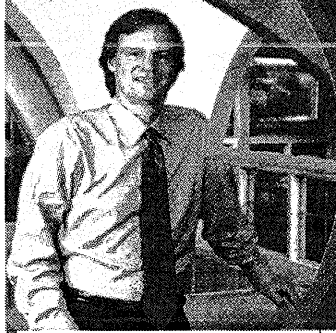
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 <p><b>Canton</b> 248-348-6430 OUTSTANDING LOT! Fabulous 4 br, 3.2 ba colonial backing to woods, hrdwd flrs, spacious kitchen w/granite, 3 car garage, large deck, garden windows in basement.</p> <p>(27033948) \$684,000</p>	 <p><b>Canton</b> 734-455-7000 BEAUTIFULLY MAINTAINED CONDO! Spacious condo w/3BRs, 2.5 BAs, bonus loft area, great fin. basement, turned garage. Unit backs to commons. Move-in quality!</p> <p>(27099482) \$274,900</p>	 <p><b>Canton</b> 734-455-7000 “SPRING” INTO THIS UPDATED COLONIAL! Awesome court location. Updated oak kit w/newer sink and countertops. Warm/cozy nat FP in FR. 1st flr lndry, six panel drs, WIC in mstr BR. Fin bsmt w/full BA.</p> <p>(27083967) \$233,000</p>	 <p><b>Canton</b> 734-455-7000 UPGRADED TO THE MAX! Many nice upgrades! Mstr ste w/jetted tub, sep ceram shwr &amp; lg WIC. Kit w/Island, 42" white cabs., all appls stay! LR w/gas FP. Fin w/o plumbed for 3rd BA.</p> <p>(27104150) \$189,900</p>	 <p><b>Canton</b> 734-455-7000 UPTOWN CANTON VILLAGE! 46 upscale brownstone condos coming soon w/5 flr plans, 2-3 bedrms, 2-car garage, fireplace, balcony, and GeoThermal heating &amp; cooling. Call for a reservation!</p> <p>(27054660) \$189,900</p>	 <p><b>Canton</b> 248-851-1900 BEAUTIFUL CANTON CONDO Not a detail was missed! Large, inviting 2BR, 1.5 bath. Updated kit, all appls stay. Remod baths. Partially fin bsmt. Newer windows. Freshly painted. Close to everything.</p> <p>(26209093) \$134,900</p>
 <p><b>Dearborn</b> 734-326-2000 BEAUTIFUL UPPER LEVEL ADDITION Huge Mste, skylights, 3 full BA., newer Anderson wndws, huge eat-in kit w/ pantry, hrdwd flrs. FP, breezeway, 2 car grg, sprklrs, brick paver patio. Prvcy fence.</p> <p>(27112998) \$269,900</p>	 <p><b>Dearborn</b> 248-851-1900 NEWER CONSTRUCTION. CLOSE TO EVERYTHING! 3 bedrooms, 2.5 baths. Ceramic &amp; hardwood floors. Full basement. Library, huge MBR w/2 WIC, large jetted tub &amp; separate shower. Great room w/wplc.</p> <p>(27063932) \$219,900</p>	 <p><b>Dearborn</b> 734-591-9200 SPACIOUS 3 BR DEARBORN BUNGALOW W/FULL bsmt. Updtd kit &amp; BA, vinyl windows, &amp; elec; newer furnace, A/C &amp; hot water hter. Very deep yard perfect for children/entertaining. Visit www.garydegrandchamp.com</p> <p>(27106062) \$127,900</p>	 <p><b>Detroit</b> 734-591-9200 GREAT PRIME DWNTN CONDO 2 BDRM / 2 BTH!! Walk to all action kit w/all upgrades. Mstr ste feat jetted tub, skylight, cath ceilings thru-out lvng rm, fp, att 2car gar fully painted. Tax red till yr 2020!</p> <p>(27091216) \$325,000</p>	 <p><b>Farmington</b> 248-851-1900 GREAT FLOOR PLAN WITH UPDATED KITCHEN Featuring fam rm w/ cathedral ceiling &amp; frplc, formal din rm &amp; huge liv rm. Ceramic flooring in foyer, kitchen &amp; updated half bath. Hardwood flr in all bedrooms.</p> <p>(27037781) \$200,000</p>	 <p><b>Green Oak</b> 248-684-1065 Private cul-de-sac. Quiet, tree-lined road. Gorgeous 2.5 acre lot. Privs on Hamburg Lake. Peaceful &amp; serene.</p> <p>(27067288) \$94,900</p>
 <p><b>Highland</b> 248-684-1065 Beautiful lot on cul-de-sac.</p> <p>(27004080) \$114,000</p>	 <p><b>Livonia</b> 734-591-9200 SPACIOUS 5 BDRM HOME IN PRIME LOCATION! Opn flr pln, lg LR w/wp &amp; hrdwd flring, lg FR w/w-o, 2 baths w/tile, opn kit w/built-ins, newer: roof, drvwy., ingrnd pool, patio, bonus rec rm.</p> <p>(27117390) \$249,000</p>	 <p><b>Livonia</b> 248-348-6430 MOVE-IN CONDITION 3 BR Ranch, fin bsmt, updts galore. Newer wndws, furnace, C/A, driveway, vinyl siding, roof, new kit cabinets, 2 car gar, fence and hrdwd flrs.</p> <p>(26194450) \$154,900</p>	 <p><b>Livonia</b> 734-591-9200 CUTE BRICK RANCH! 1700+ sq. ft. brick ranch, 3 bedrooms, 1 bath, 2 car garage on a half acre lot.</p> <p>(27103600) \$144,900</p>	 <p><b>Northville</b> 248-348-6430 DETACHED COUNTRY CLUB CONDO Carefree condo living in sought after Northville. 4 BR, 2.1 BA, formal LR &amp; DR, hrdwd flrs in kit, nook &amp; foyer. Master w/frplc. FR w/frplc, full fin bsmt w/wet bar.</p> <p>(27086608) \$375,000</p>	 <p><b>Northville</b> 734-455-7000 DESIRABLE NORTHVILLE CONDO! Walking distance to downtown Northville. Three bdrm end unit condo. Patio. 2 car att gar. Beautiful views from every window. Immaculate!</p> <p>(27086653) \$179,900</p>
 <p><b>Northville</b> 734-455-7000 UPDATED TOWNHOUSE! Newer furnace/AC, wndws as needed &amp; doorwall. Newer hrdwd in din rm. Updtd kit. Newly painted t/o and newer neutral carpet. All appl. Patio. Lake w/beach.</p> <p>(27107111) \$144,000</p>	 <p><b>Novi</b> 248-348-6430 ISLAND LAKE ELEGANT COLONIAL Located close to lake/clubhouse. Gourmet gran kit, firm LR &amp; DR, 2 stry GR, 2 FP, huge mstr suite w/sitting room. Dressing area, 4 WIC. 3 full bath includes Jack/Jill.</p> <p>(27059589) \$847,721</p>	 <p><b>Novi</b> 248-348-6430 NOVI'S CHASE FARM COLONIAL Beautiful brick colonial on huge lot w/flowering trees. Granite Island kit w/sub-zero refrig &amp; sunny b'fast nook, lib w/custom bit-ins, dual staircase.</p> <p>(27062046) \$525,000</p>	 <p><b>Novi</b> 734-455-7000 END UNIT! FORMER MODEL! Over 2000 sq. ft.; numerous upgrades; 3 BR/2.1 BA; master suite on main level; attached garage. Great location!</p> <p>(27077801) \$220,000</p>	 <p><b>Novi</b> 248-851-1900 3 BEDROOM BRICK CONDO IN NOVI. 1320 SF Great value! Updated 3 BR, 1.5 BA condo. Private entrance &amp; fenced patio. Finished basement. Newer windows, baths, d/w, micro &amp; more. Convenient location + pool &amp; tennis.</p> <p>(27106078) \$124,900</p>	 <p><b>Redford</b> 734-591-9200 SPACIOUS RANCH Look no further! This brick ranch has a nice fr w/natural fp-newer furnace, wndws, roof, also offers a home warranty! New refin hrdwd flrs, granite cntn tops.</p> <p>(27081352) \$149,999</p>
 <p><b>Redford</b> 734-591-9200 COZY 3 BEDROOM RANCH, 1st floor laundry, central air, 2 ceiling fans, 1 car det garage, porch, fenced yard with outside lighting.</p> <p>(27055990) \$99,900</p>	 <p><b>South Lyon</b> 248-851-1900 EXCITING CUSTOM BUILT COLONIAL Custom 4BR, 2.5BA colonial backing to wetlands.</p> <p>(0026186184) \$284,900</p>	 <p><b>Southfield</b> 248-348-6430 CUSTOM BUILT 4 BR BRICK RANCH On .83 acres. Natural fireplace, Florida room, Finished Rec room, lots of closets.</p> <p>(27022054) \$189,000</p>	 <p><b>Westland</b> 248-348-6430 GREAT PRICE ON THIS SUPER SHARP RANCH Newer roof &amp; siding, new vinyl windows, hrdwd flrs t/o, extra deep fenced yard w/large shed workshop in basement. A must see!</p> <p>(26165496) \$117,000</p>	 <p><b>Westland</b> 734-326-2000 GREAT STARTER HOME for the 1st time buyer. This home could be converted to a 3 bedroom home with a little extra work. Many updates including, furnace, windows, and central air.</p> <p>(27102011) \$69,000</p>	 <p><b>White Lake</b> 248-684-1065 Gorgeous home on cul-de-sac. Beautiful hrdwd flrs, new paint, sump, fin bsmt &amp; Indscp. Huge private yard w/ fire pit, deck &amp; patio. Natural brick fp in FR.</p> <p>(27089418) \$199,000</p>