



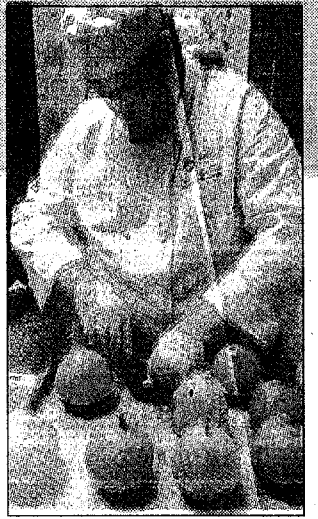
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Car theft ends in fiery crash

BY TONY BRUSCATO STAFF WRITER

An 18-year-old Allen Park man is expected to face a variety of charges after reportedly stealing money and car keys from a woman's Plymouth Township apartment...

"It started on South Main, Sgt. (Jamie) Grabowski spotted the driver crossing the center line," said Police Chief Wayne Carroll.

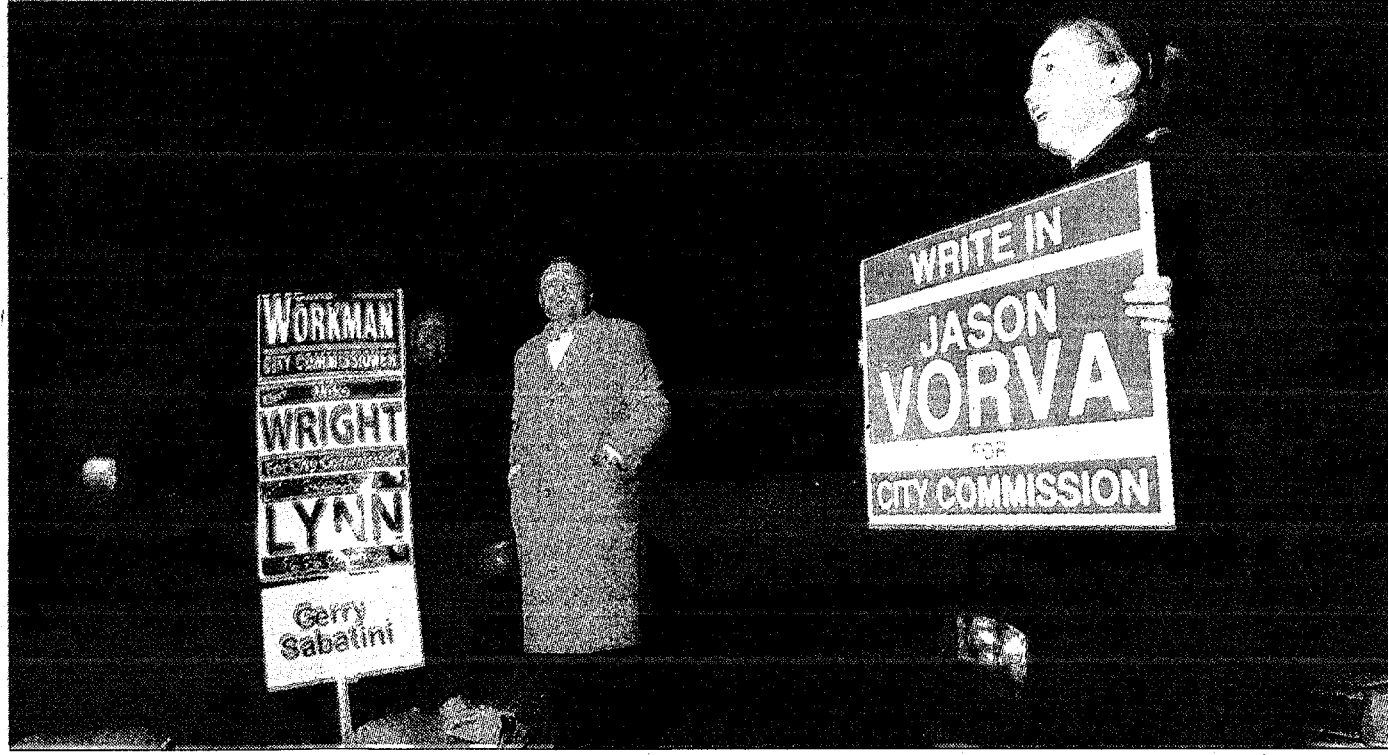
"Grabowski spotted him again, activated his lights and siren, and before he got to Wing Street the driver took off," added Carroll.

Carroll said officers on the scene were able to extinguish the fire, with the fire department's Jaws of Life needed to extricate the driver...

Because of the circumstances, Carroll said Plymouth Township police, who also responded, are handling the investigation.

Mike Howell said the funeral home did not sustain significant damage.

"Fortunately, it was mostly cosmetic," said Howell of the estimated \$20,000 in damage.



Waiting for voters at Central Middle School are Jason Vorva supporter Elizabeth King; Chris Lynn's dad, Ron Lynn; and Ray Bisio, who is Mike Wright's brother-in-law.

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Table with election results for Plymouth City Commission and Ballot Proposals.

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Officials hit streets running after bond approval

Voters approve road plan, charter

BY TONY BRUSCATO STAFF WRITER

Write-in commission candidate files complaint, A2.

Plymouth City Manager Paul Sincock was on the telephone with the city's engineering firm early Wednesday morning...

On the list for 2008 are Auburn from Penniman to Junction, Arthur from William to Junction, McKinley from Ann Arbor Trail to Sheridan and Sheridan from Sheldon to McKinley.

"Residents on those streets will be getting a letter in the next couple of days notifying them that survey crews will be out relatively quickly to start survey work," Sincock said.

Voters overwhelmingly passed two proposals — for the road bond and revised city charter — while re-electing two city commissioners and filling two open seats.

Just like four years ago, Dave Workman was the top vote-getter; followed closely by Mike Wright, the current Downtown Development Authority chairman, and Chris Lynn...

"I think voters heard my message to continue the focus of the current commission on a disciplined approach to the finances of the community ... and maintaining a vital downtown, which refers to my experience and credibility on that topic," Wright said.

The new commission will be seated Monday, with the only agenda item expected to be selection by commissioners of mayor and mayor pro tem.

Write-in candidate Jason Vorva finished fifth, ahead of former commissioner Anthony Guillion.

"My campaign platform was very clear, lower taxes, control city spending and more accountability," said Vorva, "and when you have that kind of turnout I think it sends a clear message the people of Plymouth want to keep a sharp eye on what the city spends, and I will continue to do that."

Residents in three of the four precincts, as well as absentee voters, approved the road improvement bond by a significant margin.

"There are roads in the area that are not in good condition," said Chuck Pettit, 42, who lives on Forest. "You have people who are trying to decide where to buy a house, so I would think it would be good to keep the roads up."

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Poll worker Joan White greets voters with a smile at Central Middle School. She's worked at the polls for nine years. Her motto in her own words is, 'I just want the voters to have a good experience.'



Bradford Ragland (left), Anna Yanke, Emily Smith and David Brooks proudly display the Flight I State Championship banner along with a bevy of trophies for first place and captions for Best Music, Best Marching and Best General Effect earned at the Marching Band State Finals held at Ford Field Saturday.

P-CEP band captures 21st crown with sterling performance

BY DIANE HANSON CORRESPONDENT

The Plymouth-Canton Educational Park Marching band continued its tradition of excellence — sweeping all Flight I first-place and caption trophies at competitions this fall.

On Saturday, the marchers capped their in-state season by capturing the Flight I state championship title along with all caption awards for Best Music, Best Marching and Best General Effect at the 28th annual Michigan Competing Band Association Marching Band State Finals Saturday at Ford Field.

The hometown marchers additionally achieved the highest score, 91.7, for the 10-minute performance of their dynamic, fast-paced show, "Out of the Shadows."

Some 10,000 appreciative fans turned out for the daylong event and cheered on the top 40 competing bands in the state — 10 bands in each of Flights I, II, III and IV (flights are determined by school enrollment with the largest schools in Flight I).

Salem senior Emily Smith, one of the captains of the 39-member color guard, concurred.

"I felt the band was really strong," she said. "The ending was amazing and it felt like we were really together. It was a good feeling."

There were plenty of good feelings at Saturday's event featuring a host of incredible and entertaining shows with fast-paced marching, creative choreography and music ranging from show tunes to jazz to classical.

Mack Pittard, executive director of

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Coming Sunday in Health



St. Joseph Mercy Hospital-Ann Arbor has a new patient tower with new innovations in design.

Bookstore hosts local authors

The Book Cellar and Cafe in downtown Plymouth will have three authors from Light Sword Publishing in Westland signing their books on Sunday from noon to 3 p.m.

Linda Daly will be signing *Rebel Dove*. Set in Northern Virginia in the 1860's, the epic tale weaves the lives and times of a southern spy who believes she is just in aiding the "cause", despite her attraction to a Union major that suspects her of espionage.

Patricia Guthrie will sign *In the Arms of the Enemy*,

dedicated to those horses lost to man's greed and inhumanity, and to those humanitarians who make it their mission to save and protect them.

And, Jane Ellen Harris will sign her book, *Room for One More*, which takes place on a farm where the animals talk and interact with each other. A young chick swims with the ducks and a hen is in charge.

The Book Cellar is located at 840 W. Ann Arbor Trail. For more information, call the store, (734) 455-2665.

Write-in candidate files complaint



BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Write-in candidate Jason Vorva (center) talks with voters at the Plymouth Cultural Center.

BY TONY BRUSCATO
STAFF WRITER

Jason Vorva, a write-in candidate for Plymouth City Commission in Tuesday's election, has filed a complaint with the U.S. Attorney's Office and the state Bureau of Elections, contesting earlier efforts to keep him from running in Tuesday's election.

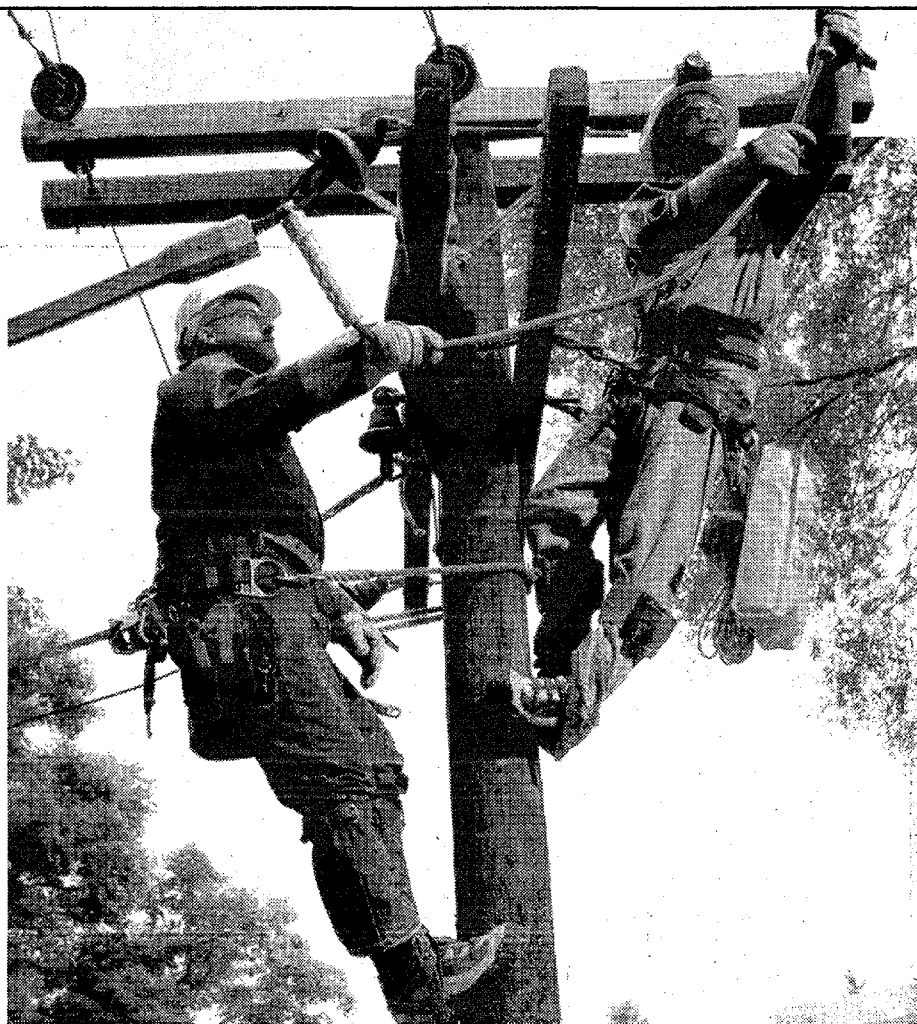
Vorva, who was initially told last spring by Clerk Linda Langmesser he couldn't run because he was a renter and not a homeowner - in accordance with the city charter - was eventually allowed to run after the city's Election Commission held a special meeting and voted to allow his candidacy. "They realized that when they were called on it, they

couldn't enforce an unconstitutional section in the charter," Vorva said. "I asked the City Commission in September why I was treated differently than other renters who have run in the past. That was two months ago, and I haven't received an answer."

"This isn't about sour grapes, that's why I waited until the day before the election to file the complaint," added Vorva. "I think every citizen has a right to be treated equally by his government."

Vorva finished fifth in a race of six candidates to fill four seats on the City Commission.

City Manager Paul Sincok said he hasn't seen the complaint and had no comment.



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Incoming Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce board member Greg Blackwood (left) and current board member Bill Pratt were on hand to help bid farewell to executive director Fran Toney (that's her with the tiara) at Friday's annual chamber auction.

Successful auction bids director farewell

BY BRAD KADRICH
STAFF WRITER

There were a few raised eyebrows during Friday's live auction at the 2007 Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce auction when two tickets to see Barry Manilow drew a higher bid (\$600) than two tickets to see Bruce Springsteen (\$450).

But that didn't compare to the surprise registered on the face of Fran Toney, the long-time chamber executive director who retires in April, when she was treated to bunches of flowers, a tiara and, most emotionally, a standing ovation from the crowd of more than 500 people at Laurel Manor in Livonia.

"They must like me," said Toney, recounting her emotions as she watched the ovation. "I can't believe they've done so many beautiful things for me."

The concert tickets for Springsteen and Manilow were only appetizers for the rest of the live auction, which raised

\$19,600 alone (figures for the silent auction and raffles weren't available).

Two items - a 50-cc Polaris Quad Runner and the evening's Mystery Box - went for \$1,700 apiece, the highest single bids of the evening. A pair of week-long stays at a Florida condo each drew \$1,500 bids, and two sets of season tickets to University of Michigan football games drew a combined \$1,950 worth of bids.

In addition to the live auction, the evening featured dozens of donations - sports memorabilia, gift baskets, tools, etc. - available for silent auction and raffles.

The evening also served as a farewell to Toney, who has led the chamber for some 17 years and announced recently she'll retire in April.

"Does this mean I really have to go?" she asked, laughing. "It was such a beautiful night. Our sponsors made the evening possible, and the people were very generous in their donations."

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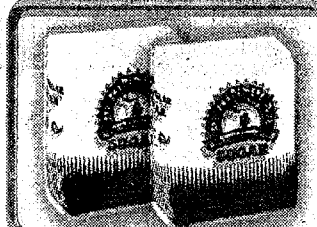
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Percussionist Meghan Mund adds the sound of chimes to the Plymouth-Canton Marching Band's finals performance Saturday at the Michigan Competing Band Association's State Championships.

BAND

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the MCBA, is amazed by the teenaged performers' ability to reach lofty performance expectations.

"It's pretty phenomenal when you look at these top-end bands and what they're doing and how well they're doing it," he said. "Most people can't do what they're doing sitting down."

Other top spots at the championships went to Muskegon's

Reeths-Puffer in Flight II with a score of 89.1; Ferndale in Flight III, 86.85; and Flight IV's Columbia Central, Brooklyn, 83.8.

"Our show was really energetic," said baritone player Kirk Ellens, a Salem senior. "Everyone seems to be trying hard. It's teaching us to look after each other and become better people as well as performers."

And that's exactly what their

band director, Marc Whitlock, is hoping for.

"I am very proud of the kids and all they have been doing," he said after the finals performance. "It was a good performance, but it wasn't great. We played it safe today — they held back a little bit. And while I'm proud we took home yet another state championship (this makes the 21st in the MCBA's 28-year history) we

know we've done better and we have to bring that level in front of the fans. That truly is the payoff. Our standard individually should be higher than anyone who watches us or evaluates us."

The hometown marchers will have the opportunity to rise to that personal best standard at the Grand National Championships in the Indianapolis RCA Dome Nov. 15-17.

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P-CEP drug sweep nets few offenders

BY TONY BRUSCATO
STAFF WRITER

The Canton Police Department, with the help of 21 drug-sniffing canines from 17 law enforcement departments, conducted a sweep Wednesday morning of cars parked in lots at Plymouth-Canton Education Park, resulting in only four misdemeanor charges.

The 1½-hour sweep resulted in 47 cars being searched after positive responses from the dogs. The result was four students being ticketed, one for possession of a controlled substance and three for possession of alcohol. The misdemeanor charges are punishable by a fine and/or court ordered substance abuse treatment, community service and random drug testing.

The sweep was requested by Plymouth-Canton Schools administrators, nearly a year after a similar sweep was conducted last year.

"We want to send a mes-

sage that we're doing all we can to deter drug use at the park," Supt. Jim Ryan said.

Deputy Chief Laura Golles said her department was able to use 21 dogs because more departments had availability this year, compared to the six dogs which conducted last year's sweep.

Golles said the handful of citations is remarkable for the three-high school campus that has approximately 6,000 students.

"I think that's fantastic, and speaks volumes to the effort we're making to deter the kids from bringing any illegal substances onto school property," she said.

Last December, Canton Township police arrested two Plymouth-Canton high school students and ticketed five others on various drug charges. No tickets or arrests resulted in the sweep at Starkweather Education Center a week later.

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Teens start drive to supply Iraqi students

BY TONY BRUSCATO
STAFF WRITER

When Plymouth-Canton Educational Park assistant principal Lt. Col. J. Calvin White, who is serving his second tour of duty in Iraq, recently sent an e-mail seeking help in collecting school supplies for students in Iraq, Canton High School's Student Council Class of 2009 didn't hesitate.

The group began collecting pencils, paper, rulers, glue sticks and other supplies — as well as monetary donations to help with shipping — in an effort to help one of their own.

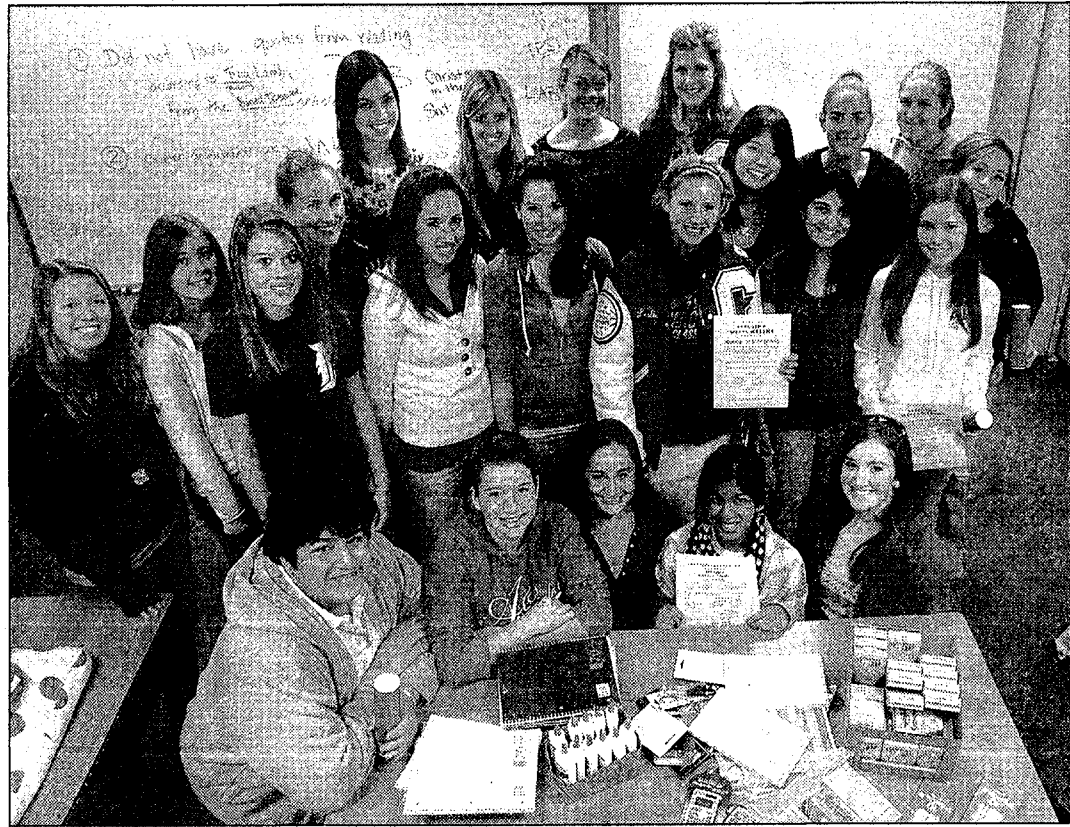
"It's a really great opportunity to help someone we know, who's doing a really great thing," said Preethi Bandri, 16, of Canton Township. "We wanted to help students in Iraq who are somewhat like us, but in very different situations."

"It really opened our eyes on how they don't have things that we really take for granted, like just having pencils," added Fernanda Pereira, 17, of Canton.

In an e-mail from Iraq, White told the *Observer* Operation School Supplies is an outreach program to rebuild schools in northern Iraq, supported by the men and women assigned to Kirkuk Regional Air Base.

"Our efforts build strong, positive relationships across many generations of Iraqi families and your assistance is a partnership with us in building a brighter future for our friends here," wrote White, who has 18½ years of military service.

"I know that I left another organization and service commitment that is truly in my heart," added White. "I think about those kids and staff all the time when I am



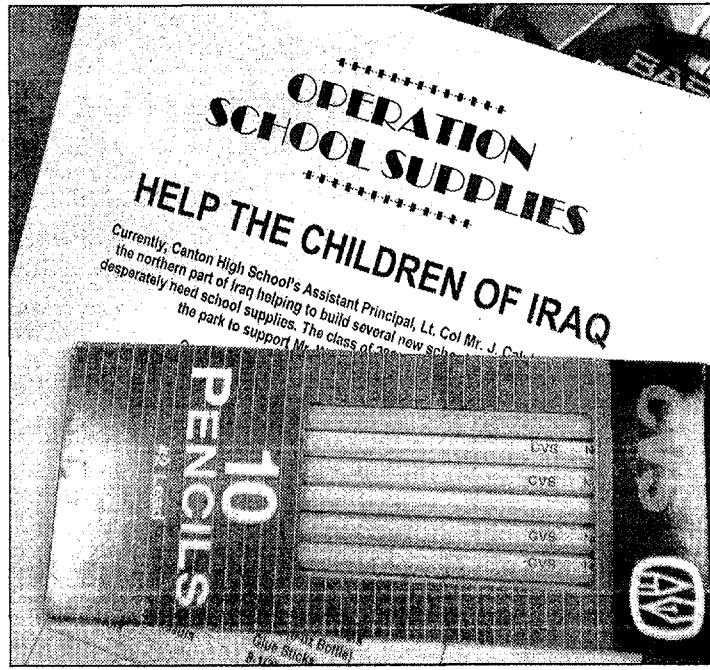
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Canton's student council is gathering school supplies for kids in Iraq.

down in a bunker because we don't know where the rockets or improvised explosive devices are going to hit, when I'm flying around the area of operation in a helicopter, praying it doesn't get shot down ... (or) when one of our airmen, soldiers, Marines gets injured and I asked myself is it all worth it? Through it all, I try not to separate the two commitments as I attempt to make a better school, country and world."

Donations of school supplies can be dropped off at the Canton High School general office, or by contacting the student council's teacher adviser, Jessica Durbin, at (734) 455-7572 or durbinj@pccs.k12.mi.us.

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The school supplies will be shipped to Iraq.

New museum exhibit to open

There's always something new on Main Street — the Plymouth Historical Museum's Main Street, that is.

When the museum reopens Nov. 17, a new exhibit, "A Red Ryder Christmas Story," will be showcased. The exhibit draws its inspiration from the popular 1980s movie, A Christmas Story, in which the main character, Ralphie, longs for a Red Ryder BB gun for Christmas. Throughout our Main Street there will be vignettes of scenes from the movie and from the original story that the movie is based on — Plymouth Historical Museum style. Red Ryder BB guns were sold by Daisy Manufacturing Company of Plymouth.

The museum's exhibit seeks to recapture that nostalgic

spirit by displaying period toys, clothing, and other artifacts. Visitors familiar with the movie will get a chuckle from the vignettes showing the Parker's living room, complete with "FRA-GEE-LAY" lamp; Flick getting his tongue stuck on a metal pole; the window at Higbee's Department Store; and other memorable moments.

Each Saturday, from Nov. 17 until Dec. 22, Santa Claus has promised to be present for visiting children. The museum will be open 1-4 p.m. on Saturdays, as well as Wednesdays, Fridays and Sundays. Santa has also agreed to be available from 9 p.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 1, during the museum's annual open house, craft show and bake sale.

Veterans' Day

Plymouth-area veterans will be honored Sunday in the annual Veterans' Day ceremony at Veterans Memorial Park in front of Central Middle School in downtown Plymouth.

The ceremony, which will feature all of the community's

veterans' groups, takes place at 11:11 a.m.

Kiwanis turkeys

The Kiwanis Club of Colonial Plymouth announces its annual Thanksgiving Turkey Sale, which benefits Kids Against Hunger and the Plymouth Salvation Army.

Last day to place an order is Nov. 9. Cost is \$25 for 12-14-pound boxed turkey or \$40 for 24-26-pound turkey. Kiwanis Club members will be in Kellogg Park in downtown Plymouth 6 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 20, to distribute turkeys and serve deep-fried turkey legs to support the Plymouth Salvation Army.

For more information, call Christopher Lynn, (734) 934-7653.

Civil War round-table

The Abraham Lincoln Civil War Round Table hosts Rand Bitter of Canton 8 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 15.

Bitter's presentation will be the subject of his book

"Minty and His Cavalry - A History of the Saber Brigade and its Commander." Robert H.G. Minty Served with the 2nd, 3rd and 4th Michigan Cavalry regiments before being appointed to command a brigade which fought in many engagements ending their service by capturing Jefferson Davis at the end of the war.

The meeting will be held at the Elks Lodge #1780 at 41700 Ann Arbor Road in Plymouth. The public is invited, admission is free. For more information call (734) 451-7998.

Lecture series

The Plymouth Community Arts Council hosts a brown-bag luncheon the second Tuesday of the month or on the third Monday evening of the month at the Plymouth Library for a lecture presented by the Speakers Bureau from the Detroit Institute of Arts. The series is co-sponsored by Huron Valley Ambulance.

Pauline Mengebier will talk about "Art and Politics," at the Brown Bag Lecture at the PCAC noon to 1 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 13.

Will Owens will talk "Money and Art" at the Plymouth Library 7-8 p.m.

Monday, Nov. 19.

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

Council on Aging

The Council on Aging and Senior Transportation will sponsor "Holiday Nights" at Greenfield Village on Saturday, Dec. 15, including dinner, fireworks, sing-along, live reindeer carolers, musicians, sleigh and carriage rides, ice skating, turn of the century tree lot. All the homes will be decorated and hundreds of lanterns will light the path.

Register by calling (734) 453-1234, Ext. 236, by Nov. 14. There are still a few seats left for on the Senior Bus for seniors who need transportation. Cost is \$42.50 without the bus and \$46 with the bus. Call for more information; this event is open to all ages.

Tuesday, Dec. 4, the PCCA and Senior Transportation will sponsor the trip to "Genitti's Hole in the Wall" for a seven-course lunch, theater and transportation. Cost is \$38 per person. Deadline for tickets is Nov. 30.

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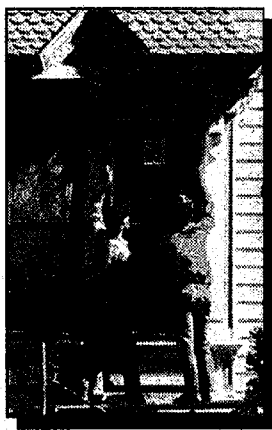
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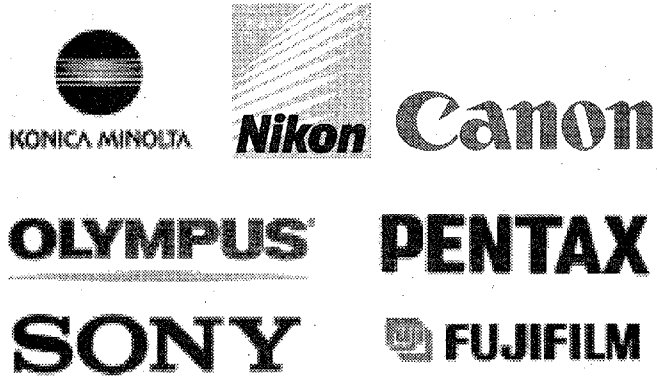
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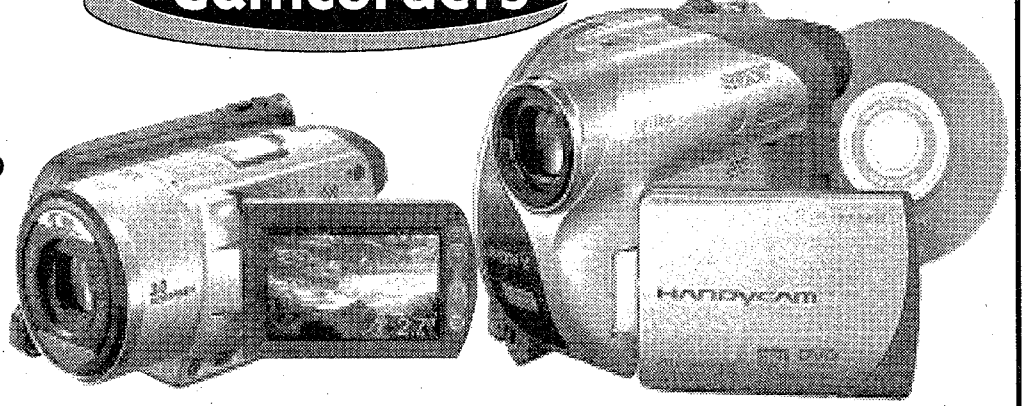
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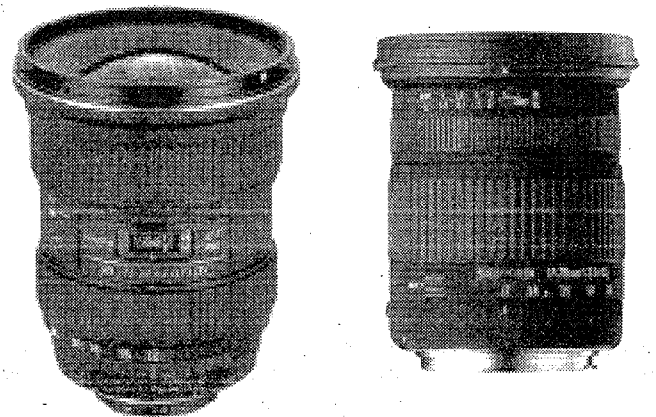
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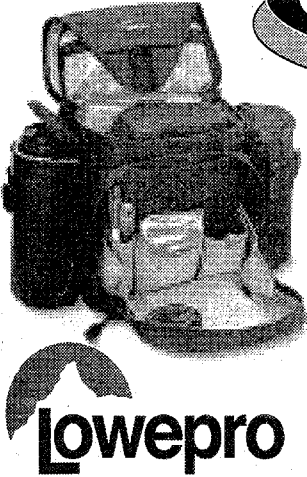
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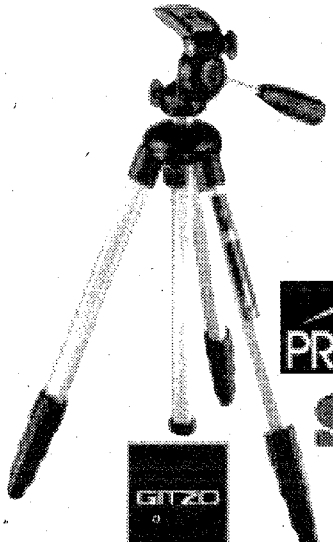
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Ten girls to compete for Plymouth-Canton Junior Miss title

Ten high school senior girls from the Plymouth-Canton area will compete in the first Plymouth-Canton Junior Miss Scholarship program at 6 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 10 at Discovery Middle School located at 45083 Hanford Road in Canton. Tickets will be sold at the door for \$10. The winner and first runner-up will travel to Ann Arbor in March to take part in Michigan's Junior Miss contest.

Saturday's contestants are:
 ■ Erica Straub, Plymouth: Erica is the daughter of Kurt and Diane Straub, she currently attends Ladywood High School. After graduation, she plans to attend Oakland University and earn a degree in nursing. For her talent she will either recite an original poem or sing.

■ Megan Vish, Canton: Megan is the daughter of Martin and Sheila Vish, she



Straub



Vish



Schimm



Coligado



Plague



Askew



Wheeler



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Priebe



Lu

currently attends Divine Child High School. Megan is undecided in her choice of college but would like to major in hospitality. She will be performing a jazz dance.

■ Amanda Schimm, Canton: Amanda Schimm is the daughter of Curt and Barb Schimm, she currently attends Canton High School. Amanda plans to attend Central Michigan University and would like a career in social work. For her talent she will perform a jazz dance.

■ Alyssa Coligado, Canton: Alyssa is the daughter of

Anthony and Ann Coligado, she currently attends Ladywood High School. After graduation, she plans to attend the University of Michigan or MIT to earn a degree in chemical engineering. For her talent she will sing.

■ Lauracindy Plague, Canton: Lauracindy is the daughter of Kerry Plague and Corinne Fine, she currently attends John Glenn High School. Lauracindy plans to attend the University of Michigan to become a psychoimmunologist. For her talent she will sing.

■ Whitney Askew, Canton: Whitney Askew is the daughter of William and Freida Askew, she currently attends Plymouth High School. She plans to attend the University of Michigan or Purdue to become a biochemical engineer. For her talent she will play the violin.

■ Erin Wheeler, Plymouth: Erin Wheeler is the daughter of Richard and Patricia Wheeler, she currently attends Ladywood High School. She plans to attend Central Michigan University and earn a degree in elemen-

tary education. For her talent she will be performing a jazz dance.

■ Melissa Klusek, Canton: Melissa Klusek is the daughter of Ken and Aline Klusek, she currently attends Salem High School. She plans to attend Michigan State University, her career goal is to work in advertising or public relations for Disney. For her talent she will perform a contemporary jazz dance.

■ Meaghan Priebe, Plymouth: Meaghan is the daughter of Dave and Jill Priebe. She currently attends

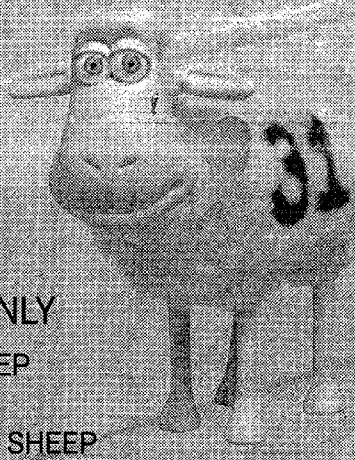
Plymouth High School. She plans to attend either Wayne State University or Grand Valley to earn a degree in advertising or nursing. For her talent she will perform a jazz dance.

■ Katherine Lu, Canton: Katherine is the daughter of Guozhen Lu and Meiling Gao, she currently attends Canton High School. She plans to attend either the University of Michigan or MIT and earn a degree in engineering. For her talent presentation, Katherine will play the piano and sing.

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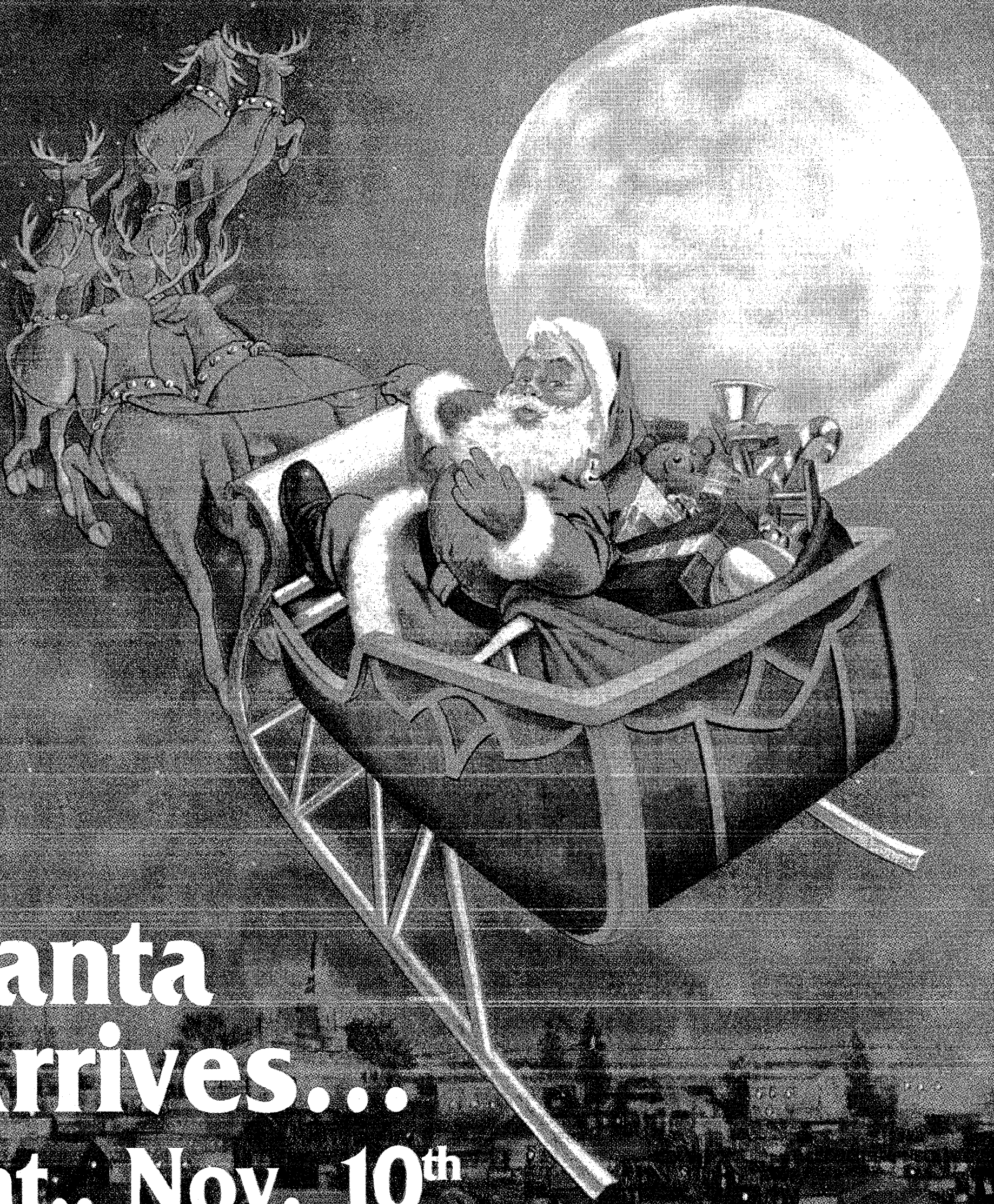
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Holiday concert honors long-running radio show

WSDP-88.1FM and Trinity House Theatre present a holiday concert with the Keith Vreeland Trio 7 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 6.

The concert is a celebration of the 10th anniversary of Lemonade. Betty Smith, a Plymouth resident who serves as host, created the show in 1998 with the idea of providing news and information for local seniors. She also features her favorite Jazz music from a collection that spans decades.

The trio features Keith Vreeland on piano, John Dana on bass and Renell Gonsalves on drums. The trio's latest CD, Ask Me Now, has been receiving critical acclaim from the local Jazz press. Renell Gonsalves is the son of Paul Gonsalves, who played tenor sax with the legendary Duke Ellington.

After expenses, all proceeds will benefit WSDP, and the student radio program at Canton,

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Plymouth and Salem high schools. Tickets are \$18 (\$15 for Trinity House members). Only 80 tickets will be sold for the show. Tickets can be purchased at the WSDP offices at Salem High School, or by mailing a check to WSDP Radio, 46181 Joy Road, Canton, MI 48187. Call (734) 416-7732 for more information.

Heise to EEF board

Kurt Heise, the director of Wayne County's Department of Environment and a former candidate for the Plymouth-Canton school board, has been named to the board of the Educational Excellence Foundation.

EEF Officer Stephanie Goecke nominated Heise based on "his broad experience working with community organizations and his



Heise

enthusiasm for public education." Heise's term will run through Feb. 17, 2010.

All EEF board members are expected to actively

fund-raise to assist EEF in its mission to support projects that enhance teaching and learning in Plymouth-Canton Community Schools.

EEF distributed more than \$150,000 to P-CCS projects during the 2006-07 school year, including \$33,000 in Classroom Enhancement Grants, \$37,000 for summer academies and \$15,000 in scholarships.

Wharton School grad

Jeanne Gonyer Baldwin, a financial professional with AXA Advisors, LLC in



Baldwin

Plymouth, has earned a Certificate in Retirement Planning from The Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania. She is one of only 500

financial professionals nationwide to complete this retirement planning education program. Bill Degnan, senior vice president and head of AXA Equitable Life Insurance Company's At Retirementsm unit, made the announcement.

The Wharton School is recognized around the world for its academic strengths at every level of business education.

The retirement education program is a customized program developed for AXA Advisors to provide its financial professionals with intensive training in retirement planning.

The Wharton program commenced with 50 hours of intensive study taught by 10 Wharton School faculty members over a week-long period. It was led by Dr. Olivia Mitchell, the International Foundation of Employee Benefit Plans Professor of Insurance and Risk Management at The Wharton School.

"Individuals who complete the retirement planning education program at Wharton are required to complete ongoing continuing education provided by Wharton's Learning Continuum and AXA Equitable," Mitchell said. "AXA and The Wharton School have developed an extraordinary program focused on concepts and issues for the At Retirementsm marketplace."

Baldwin works with individuals and business owners to help them define their

retirement goals and create strategies to help meet their objectives.

She is active in community and professional organizations, including the Million Dollar Round Table, an international association of leading financial professionals, recognized as the standard of excellence in the financial services industry. Baldwin is also a member of the Detroit chapter of the National Association of Insurance and Financial Advisors.

Baldwin is active with the Kiwanis, North Ridge Church and The Old Newsboys' Goodfellow Fund of Detroit, an organization whose sole mission is to ensure that there is "No Kiddie Without a Christmas." She is also involved with the Salvation Army Bell Ringers and Kids Against Hunger.

She lives in Plymouth with her husband, Mark.



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New tax laws make year-end planning now essential

If you are thinking of doing any year-end planning, now is the time.

Year-end tax planning used to be easy, however, laws have changed and have become more complex, so tax planning is more difficult than ever.

To get started, pull out last year's tax return and use it as a guide. Check whether you are subject to the alternative minimum tax and whether you will itemize or take the standard deduction.

If you itemize, it generally makes sense to accelerate deductions into this year. For example, making charitable contributions before the end of the year or paying property taxes this year.

If you are using the standard deduction this year, you would defer deductions until next year. Unfortunately, the only



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way to determine whether you will itemize this year is to run through calculations using last year's tax return as a guide.

For taxpayers who are subject to the alternative minimum tax year, planning takes on a whole new perspective. Filers subject to the alternative minimum tax in most situations should delay deductions until next year. The alternative minimum tax used to be levied only on the very wealthy. Today, however, even middle-income taxpayers can be subject to the tax. If you are subject to this tax, the services

of a qualified tax expert can be invaluable.

One area many taxpayers will benefit from is a law that allows an individual 70½ and older and subject to required minimum distributions from retirement accounts to donate up to \$100,000 from their retirement accounts to a qualified charity. The distribution counts toward the required minimum distribution. The benefit of this transaction can be substantial.

In the past, filers who used the standard deduction would take the required minimum distribution, pay tax on the distribution and then make their charitable contribution. However, they would not be able to itemize their deductions. Under this law, the individual — by directly transferring money from the IRA to

the charity — would not have to pay income tax on the distribution.

This strategy also helps people who are in a high tax bracket and who are no longer eligible to deduct their charitable contributions. They can save a substantial amount on taxes by donating to a charity directly from a retirement account.

Another year-end strategy is to consider whether to convert a traditional IRA into a Roth IRA. This allows an individual to convert tax-deferred money into tax-free money. In addition, money in Roth IRAs is not subject to required minimum distributions.

Roth conversions must be completed before the end of the year and they are not for everyone. However, for many individuals doing a

Roth conversion for either all or a portion of their retirement account makes a sense. To qualify, you must have an adjusted gross income of \$100,000 or less.

The key to year-end tax planning is to be smart with taxes and increase your net worth. It's important to recognize at this time of year many gimmicks about taxes start appearing. Ultimately you are responsible for your tax return, and if you get involved with gimmicks, you are the one that will be held responsible. If you do use the services

of a professional, make sure he/she has the professional credentials to be giving you tax advice. If you make mistakes on your tax return, the IRS will be looking to you for any additional taxes, penalties and interest.

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

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The Observer & Eccentric and Mirror Newspapers are teaming up with Buddy's to present "Dining With the Stars" featuring Florine Mark of Weight Watchers. Mark is known throughout metro Detroit as a successful businesswoman and philanthropist.

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Mark

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Speaker to bring Polish palaces to life

Marion Owczarski, artist-in-residence and director of the Galleria of St. Mary's College at Orchard Lake, speaks at 2 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 18, at the Livonia Civic Center Library, 32777 Five Mile, east of Farmington Road.

Owczarski presents a program about Polish manor houses, castles and palaces enhanced with photographs and other visual examples. He is best known for his high impact sculptures in stainless steel.

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Kudos to state's best marching band

What can you say about the Plymouth-Canton Educational Park Marching Band that hasn't already been said.

The group continued its dominance Saturday at Ford Field in Detroit, capturing the state title at the 28th annual Michigan Competing Band Association Marching Band State Finals. Amazingly, it is the 21st time that the P-CEP Marching Band has claimed the state title at the competition.

And what a dominating performance it was. The band swept the Flight I competition (against the nine other top bands in its class from around the state) before 10,000 fans. It scored tops in all categories, including Best Music, Best Marching and Best General Effects for Flight 1.

Their dynamic, fast-paced performance of *Out of the Shadows* earned the highest score of the day with a 91.7.

Kudos to Band Director Marc Whitlock, and especially the young men and women in the band and color guard. With dedication and hard work, they have established themselves as the top competitive marching band program in the state. They have also helped create quite a legacy that goes back more than two decades. The program has set the bar high for all other marching bands in the state.

Perhaps next week, they will also set the national standard as well, when they will compete at the Grand National Championships in Indianapolis at the RCA Dome Nov. 15-17.

Regardless of how they end up placing at the competition, we are sure the band will produce another energetic, high quality performance. It is something we have come to expect from this band, and something they expect from themselves. That's what happens when you have sustained excellence for more than two decades.

Congratulations for the big win last weekend, good luck next week in Indianapolis, and thanks for giving the community something to be proud of — year in and year out.

Protect Great Lakes from thirsty neighbors

New Mexico Gov. Bill Richardson, who is currently seeking the Democratic nomination for president, fired off a warning shot recently that should make everyone in Michigan and the Great Lakes region take notice.

At a campaign stop last month, Richardson suggested states in the arid Southwest, like California, Arizona, Nevada and New Mexico, should look to the Midwest to help quench their insatiable thirst for water. Richardson said he advocated a system of "water delivery and water production" to move water west, noting that "states like Wisconsin are awash in water."

Although he referenced Wisconsin, those of us in Michigan should be equally alarmed, especially as more and more people move out West, where there are already major water shortages.

It almost defies logic that desert states like Nevada and Arizona are in the midst of population explosions. Take Arizona, for example. Between 1990 and 2000, the state experienced a 40-percent population growth rate, which was three times the national average, and is expected to have 6.4 million residents by the year 2025.

The population of Las Vegas, which is one of the fastest growing cities in the nation, is just shy of 2 million residents, up nearly 50 percent since just 1999.

Considering their geographic location and this staggering growth, it's not surprising that these places have already tapped out most of their water resources. So the question is, where will they look in the future? Richardson's comments seem to provide an answer.

And it's not just the Southwest that is experiencing unprecedented water shortages. The southeastern states of Tennessee, Alabama and Georgia are currently experiencing their worst drought conditions in more than a century. Some cities have used up their water resources and are now having to truck in water to their parched residents.

So it's fair to say it won't be long before Michigan and our Great Lakes neighbors have a big bull's-eye on our water resources. That is why we need to put protections in place that will prevent a major water grab by our thirsty neighbors.

A good place to start would be for our state lawmakers to pass Great Lakes protection legislation that was introduced in both the state Senate and House back in August, and includes the eight-state Great Lakes Compact and accompanying laws. This legislation will put in place safeguards against water diversions from the Great Lakes basin, which holds 18 percent of the world's fresh water supply.

Our lawmakers need to act with some sense of urgency on the legislation, because, as Richardson's comments make very clear, there are plenty of people out there who are thirsting for our water.



LETTERS

Move school election

We are in favor of moving the school board election to November. In fact, the Bloomfield Hills model is even better.

Harve & Carol Massey
Plymouth

Thanks, Bon Homme

Cafe Bon Homme, thank you for a great dining experience.

My wife and I were looking in Plymouth not just for a place to eat, but also somewhere to experience and enjoy a meal. Great food, service, ambiance and romantic atmosphere.

What a treat.

Glenn Kremer
Plymouth

Live with mistakes

Our state representative went through the now well-known talking points justifying his yield to support the governor on taxes. Then he has enjoyed written and heavy acclamation from all members of the Democrat Club.

Really, there was not much threat of the governor actually shutting down Michigan. It was a game of chicken and she had another option all along. Anyway, she would be reluctant to further annoy the now "blown away" political allies. Her sword rattled, the special interests erupted, and our so-called legislators caved like wimps. Not really an example of leadership's collapse.

The problems in Michigan have taken almost a century to get so out-of-balance. Fueled by an industrial economy, liberal spending by the "political pirates" loaded up Michigan's governmental commitments with a pandering train of special interest programs and grants.

To no great surprise, the new decorations on the bureaucratic cost of government cleverly cemented their positions by funding highly paid lobbyists to reinforce government largess. A gambit that has led over the years to expanding bureaucratic "feather-bedding" at public expense. The federal government faces this same problem, but they hide it better and more easily. Among the few avoiding government handouts stands Hillsdale College, which chooses to place itself independent of the strings.

In Michigan, this turkey of excess has come home to roost. Of course, the governor resistant to making real tough political choices lays the blame on others. This is a characteristic complaint of the inexperienced in handling jobs that require business management and leadership skills.

No effort to reduce spending, only a lot of meaningless talk about "bare bones" essentials. Now Michigan has joined the bidding along with several other states to lure needed employers with strong fiscal incentives. Therefore, we choose to tax Peter more and more to pay Paul, a losing idea since we cannot tax our way to prosperity.

This is only achievable in the liberal socialist economies who lie with abandon about quality of life for their citizens. The public will eventually figure this one out. Maybe.

Then comes the barrage of the Democrat lexicon to hit us all in the heart. Like a brazen Hezbollah suggestion they are

more Christian than are the Christians. Particularly the "breathy" classic we frequently hear, "It's for the children" ... a weasel trump card that applies to any liberal program no matter how distant and unpalatable.

Our governor has a great personality. It is always the right thing to do to give a lady special deference. However, for a politician the objective must be to avoid the talking points and be thorough in diligence to the facts.

Politicians have chosen to be politicians and are required to sell their own potential based upon a personal history of achievements at leadership. Politicians are not victims, but they can very well victimize. Choice of leaders has proven to be a risk since any unit of government must be run as a business. Promising too many and more undeliverable entitlements and obligations remains the source of our state's problem and our nation's indebtedness as well.

Recalls would come at heavy financial cost to the public. Therefore, plan to live with our mistakes. In the future, commit to better due diligence, ignoring all the choreography, and study resumes for factual leadership accomplishments of those who want to be in positions of responsibility.

Jim Nowka
Northville

Improve health care

It is a disgrace that the U.S. is the only capitalist democracy in the world that does not guarantee health care to its citizens. The uninsured are unable to pay hospital costs. Many persons cannot and do not receive necessary medical attention. Administrators in nonprofit hospitals earn extraordinary wages. On the federal level, President Bush vetoed a bill which would have provided health care for children, supported by many Republicans.

Democratic candidates for president Clinton, Obama, and Edwards have offered similar plans which would give persons choices: 1) You can keep your current plan if you like it; 2) If you don't like it or are uninsured, you can choose from a list of private plans offered to members of Congress; 3) You can opt for a new public plan patterned on Medicare. Republican opponents including candidates for president, reframe this crucial issue with the words "socialized medicine." I believe they are ethically challenged and morally corrupt.

Hannah Provence Donigan
Commerce

The green buck

Green is the hip and current trend, but don't tell Starbucks. Recent news reports state that the cups it uses are not recyclable and there are no plans to change these cups to green-friendly products.

Think about the lack of concern and recourse this action has had on the earth. Does Starbucks only care about the buck? The only way to ensure this company complies with the environmental standards is to boycott these coffee hangouts until they comply.

I enjoy a sip of java like the next guy, but if you consider the number of people who drink coffee from earth-unfriendly containers, we have a serious environmental

challenge that is occurring right under our so-called green noses.

Boycotts seem extreme, but they work and even if this boycott is for one day, it will send a message. The green movement has come to us with great zeal for the survival of our green spaces, but even one company that refuses to comply can jeopardize this movement and make it nothing more than a hip trend that will pass, as all trends do.

Get mad and address your local Starbucks and become an activist for change.

Green is good for all and especially for corporate America.

Ron Austin
Franklin

Misleading info

I was quite taken aback by about a recall petition being filed by Rose Bogaert, of the Wayne County Taxpayers Association, against House Speaker Andy Dillon because of his vote on the state's budget compromise. Over the weekend, Ms. Bogaert was heard explaining her reasoning on WWJ radio saying: "I don't see any cuts in spending. They (Dillon and Granholm) just want to raise taxes."

In fact, the new budget included some \$440 million in spending cuts in order to balance it and that follows seven years of spending cuts by the Legislature, according to the authoritative Citizens Research Council of Michigan (\$275 million in higher education, \$172 million in human services, \$323 million in school aid, \$447 million in revenue sharing and 7,400 fewer state employees).

What Ms. Bogaert and her team of petitioners fail or refuse to recognize is that despite these spending cuts, the state continues to suffer from deficits because it is over-reliant on receding manufacturing industries for tax revenues.

As most people can appreciate, future economic growth in this state will be in the service sector, necessitating a shift in the tax burden to that sector, if we are to maintain the government services that we presently have.

The point is that the failure to acknowledge spending cuts by state may be because of ignorance. But to then promote recalls on the basis of false or misleading information is just plain irresponsible.

Wallace Long
Troy

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"I am very proud of the kids and all they have been doing ... It was a good performance, but it wasn't great. We played it safe today - they held back a little bit. And while I'm proud we took home yet another state championship (this makes the 21st in the MCBA's 28-year history) we know we've done better and we have to bring that level in front of the fans. That truly is the payoff. Our standard individually should be higher than anyone who watches us or evaluates us."

- Marc Whitlock, band director, on his squad's performance Saturday at the state championship at Ford Field

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Repealing new services tax won't get us out of hole

The announcement last week of more job losses at Chrysler was just another sign that Michigan's economy is in the toilet.

We also heard last week that Oakland County Executive L. Brooks Patterson has started another statewide petition drive to repeal the new sales tax on certain business services that state lawmakers approved in the wee hours of Oct. 1 to avoid a state government shutdown.

Patterson, along with the Coalition To Ax the Tax, is collecting petitions to get something on the ballot so voters will be able to repeal the new tax, which would apply to business consultants and other small businesses, including landscapers, fortune tellers and hair salon owners. It is part of a \$43 billion state budget. The tax is set to take effect Dec. 1.

Patterson says the new services tax will be devastating for the businesses — a claim also made by the Michigan Chamber of Commerce, an organization that has never seen a tax it likes.

"The (service tax was) concocted under the cover of darkness, passed at 4 a.m. a month ago today, and when the light of day hit and the tax was examined, the impact was nothing short of devastating," Patterson said last week at a meeting hosted by the Troy Chamber of Commerce. "The uproar has been loud ever since."

Petition leaders need to gather more than 304,000 signatures to put a statutory initiative on a 2008 ballot.

They may not get the chance, however. It seems their threats have gained some traction in Lansing. Leaders in both the Senate and House, fearing public scorn, have said they will introduce legislation to repeal the services sales tax.

Gov. Jennifer Granholm has said she is open to having the tax repealed — as long as there is some kind of revenue to replace it. In other words, another tax of some kind.

And that leads us to the big question here: How will lawmakers — if they repeal this new tax before it even kicks in — replace the \$750 million per year it is expected to generate? Granholm doesn't seem to care, as long as any replacement tax is permanent.

If it is repealed, lawmakers will have until Dec. 1 to balance the budget, or they will be right back in the same boat they were in the wee hours of Oct. 1. They won't have a balanced budget, and the government will likely shut-down.

And this brings us back to Patterson, who a year ago, led another petition drive to remove the state's Single Business Tax, which was done without any plan to replace the revenue it produced. Here we go again. In a high risk poker game, Patterson is trying to force the hand of state government.

Right now doesn't seem to be a good time to draw the line in the sand, and force an embarrassing situation where we look dysfunctional to everyone looking in from the outside, including companies wanting to expand operations. Just as importantly, it will also be financially damaging to our bond status and in so many

other ways (funding our public schools comes to mind).

We are in the midst of one of the worst economic times in our state's history. Almost everyone agrees that we are in the middle of a monumental shift in our state's economic history, moving away from our traditional manufacturing base — the Chrysler announcement was just further evidence of this.

I understand Patterson's argument that the tax could really hurt these businesses. However, rather than a repeal, it seems to me the better way to go about this is let this services tax stand on a temporary basis, and get to work at real structural reform of our state government to cut costs so we don't need the tax.

State Rep. Phil LaJoy, a Republican from Canton, has been advocating this for a long time. After a couple of years of fighting, he finally was able to get his government efficiency legislation passed and signed into law. The legislation will create a nine-member commission that will look at cutting out the fat in state government.

LaJoy said his intent was to appoint top professionals from corporations around the state who have experience with their own organizations to find ways to be more efficient. He said it is vital that these appointees have no political ties or agendas, but he hasn't received much support on this front, even from leadership within his own party.

LaJoy has become increasingly frustrated, and sent off a terse letter to Republican House leader Craig DeRoche last week, because the commission needs to be selected and have met by the end of the month, according to the new law.

It would be a great shame if the Legislature lets this opportunity slip away, especially when you hear LaJoy, who has a long career in human resources, discuss all the jobs in state government that are being duplicated. He said each of the government's 17 agencies all do their own purchasing, human resources, and other tasks that he believes could be handled by a single department.

According to LaJoy, there are currently 2,356 government employees who are earning a total of almost \$230 million. He thinks this could be significantly trimmed. Ultimately, he feels this new commission could save the state "hundreds of millions of dollars."

Even if LaJoy is overestimating, it seems to me this is the kind of reform — real nonpartisan reform — our state lawmakers should be looking at. The partisan demagoguery that has taken place up to now has been embarrassing to watch. It would be comical if there weren't so much at stake.

I certainly agree with Patterson that real reform can't take place under the cover of darkness with a state government shutdown looming. Unfortunately, that's exactly where his latest attack on state government is going to take us.

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Kurt Kuban

Hunting down those elusive Michigan legislators

We stopped off at Plymouth Orchards, our favorite cider mill, in Superior Township this past Sunday. We took the trek out from church in Canton and were glad to see neighbors while out there. It was the final day the larger cider mill building was open for this year, so we wanted to get all our goodies.

A news tip came my way. It seems the Michigan Legislature won't be in session Nov. 9, tomorrow, until the Tuesday after Thanksgiving, Nov. 27.

I'm not a hunter and the purpose of this column isn't to debate the pros and cons of hunting. It seems to be, however, that if Mr. or Ms. Legislator were a hunter, a break of two and a half weeks wouldn't be needed to head

North and view late fall's splendor.

The Legislature's been in the news a lot lately, what with budget battles and now recall actions against Speaker of the House Andy Dillon, D-Redford, and other Democrats. My news source suggested, and I agreed, that a lengthy break right now isn't really such a good idea. Christmas will be here soon enough and presumably there'll be even more time off then, some of it certainly justified as we non-legislators get to spend time with our families and friends then as well.

Back in the 1950s, my dad served in the state Legislature, representing a portion of Oakland County as a Republican. He was paid \$5,000 a year. There were no legislative staffs, but rather a secretarial pool for each political party where necessary correspondence was taken to be typed and mailed.

It's been 50 years since then and there's no doubt our state has grown and changed. Still,

The people's business can hardly be conducted while in the woods around Gaylord or Petoskey, and the legislators belong at their desks and offices in Lansing, as do their staffs. People in the private sector manage to find time for short hunting treks, and our representatives in Lansing can certainly do the same.

it seems we could learn something from those simpler times about downsizing.

A lot of our state legislators are good about constituent services, keeping in touch with the common man and woman by hosting regular coffee hours at the local library or a coffee shop or restaurant. This is certainly a good use of a legislator's time. Many are good about making the rounds of service club meetings, taking time to keep residents and business people up to date on legislative/government affairs.

I think a case can be made for an aide or two, now that our state's grown in population and prominence. Still, there's a great need to make budget cuts and to get down to business.

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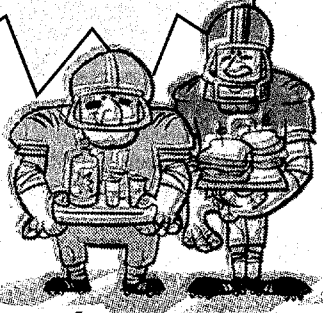
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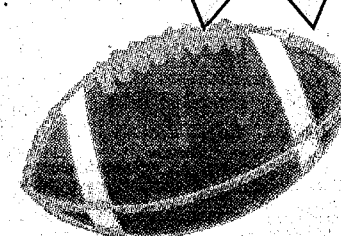
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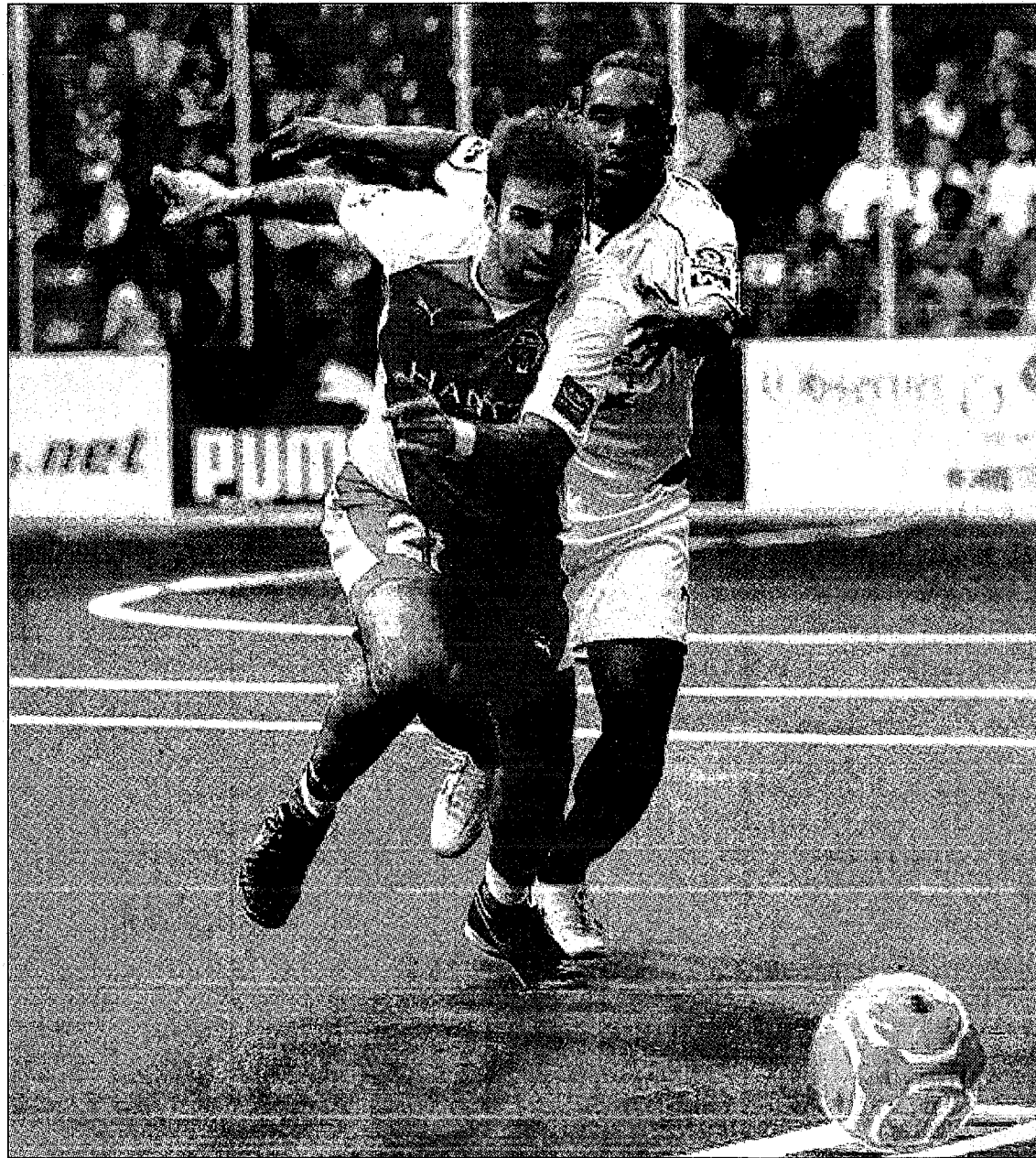
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Detroit Ignition 17, Philadelphia Kixx 6



GREGORY SHAMUS

Detroit Ignition midfielder Kyt Selaidopoulos outraced a Philadelphia Kixx player to the ball during the second quarter of Saturday's 17-6 victory. Selaidopoulos notched the game's final goal, an empty-netter with 2:57 left.

Start 'em up

Brazilian duo, new keeper shine in season opener

BY ED WRIGHT
STAFF WRITER

Late Saturday night, it appeared as if the Detroit Ignition had registered a statement-making, out-of-the-gate 17-6 victory over the defending Major Indoor Soccer League champion Philadelphia Kixx in the season opener for both teams.

Less than 48 hours later, it turned out the win was also a going-away present of sorts for head coach Mark Pulisic.

On Tuesday, the MISL club announced that Pulisic had relinquished his job behind the bench for the newly formed position of Director of Soccer Operations. His former role will be filled by recently hired assistant coach Bob Lilley, a nine-year veteran head coach in the United Soccer League.

"Bob has a great soccer coaching mind and he relates extremely well with the players," Pulisic noted in a press release that was distributed Tuesday morning. "The Detroit Ignition, as an organization, is quite fortunate

to have him as their head coach."

If the Ignition plays as well for Lilley as it did for Pulisic on Saturday, he's in for a glorious tenure. With the majority of the roster intact from last season's runner-up finish in the MISL, Detroit played a nearly flawless first half before subduing a late Kixx rally.

New first-string goalkeeper Danny Waltman was stellar between the pipes, shutting out the Kixx over the opening 30 minutes.

Offensively, the winners were paced by a pair of native Brazilians — Hewerton Moreira and Ricardinho — who each tallied a pair of net-finders.

"To win the home opener in front of a big crowd is always special," Pulisic said following the game. "The guys know how important it is to get that first one under their belt. We were very good in the first half. In indoors, the momentum can change a bit in the second half, which it did tonight, but we held on

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Sidelines

Callahan lauded

Detroit Ignition defenseman Dru Callahan was named the Major Indoor Soccer League's Defensive Player of the Week Tuesday after he recorded four blocks and a three-point goal in a 17-6 triumph over the Philadelphia Kixx in Detroit's season opener Saturday night.

Callahan ranked second on the Ignition in blocks with 37 during the 2006-07 regular season, and posted two blocks in Game 2 of the 2007 MISL Semifinal against the Milwaukee Wave.

Rocks shine

A pair of Salem girls cross country runners earned medals at the Lakeland Freshmen-Sophomore Invitational at Lakeland High School on Oct. 30.

The two medal winners were Jordyn Moore, who placed sixth with a time of 20:54 and Shannon Griffiths, who crossed 14th in 21:54.

The two medalists' performances helped the Rocks place third with 107 points. Novi won the meet with 46 points, 23 points ahead of runner-up Lake Orion (69).

Other Salem competitors were Alex McHugh (28th in 22:33), Kara Booms (29th in 22:38), Phoebe Vanhoof (30th in 22:41), Kristina Klusek (32nd in 22:46) and Alyssa Calkin (36th in 22:52).

Vipers fund-raiser

The Canton Vipers 13U travel baseball team will be holding a bowling fund-raiser Saturday, Dec. 15, at 2 p.m. at Super Bowl Lanes in Canton. The cost of the event is \$20, which includes three games of no-tap bowling, two slices of pizza and a pop. For more information, contact Joel Thompson at (734) 634-4963.

Blazing times

Canton captain's work ethic matched by talent

See WLAA girls swim meet story, B7

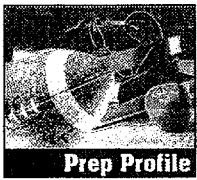
BY ED WRIGHT
STAFF WRITER

It didn't take Canton girls swimming and diving coach Molly Raines very long to realize Monica Blaesser was captain material.

"Monica was one of those girls that you could tell by the way she worked in practice her freshman year that she was going to be a captain some day," said Raines. "She set goals for herself her first year and through hard work and working with her coaches, she's reached most of them."

As Blaesser's brilliant high school swimming career nears its final touch, her ultimate goal is still ahead of her — excelling at next week's Division 1 state meet at Eastern Michigan University.

The four-year letter winner will have four opportunities to go out in a blaze of glory as she's qualified individually in the



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200- and 500-yard freestyle; and as a member of the Chiefs' 400- and 200-yard freestyle relay foursomes.

Next week's DI finale will be her third — a feat few swimmers have matched.

"Swimming in the state meet is both exciting and nerve-racking at the same time," she said. "Usually, once I hit the water, the nerves go away."

Blaesser's first taste of competitive swimming came when she joined the Plymouth-Canton Cruisers at the age of 10.

"I was horrible at first," she remembered, smiling. "But I started making a lot of friends through it, I kept going and really started to enjoy it."

One of those friends was current teammate Allison Schmitt, who is one of — if not *the* — best swimmer in the state.

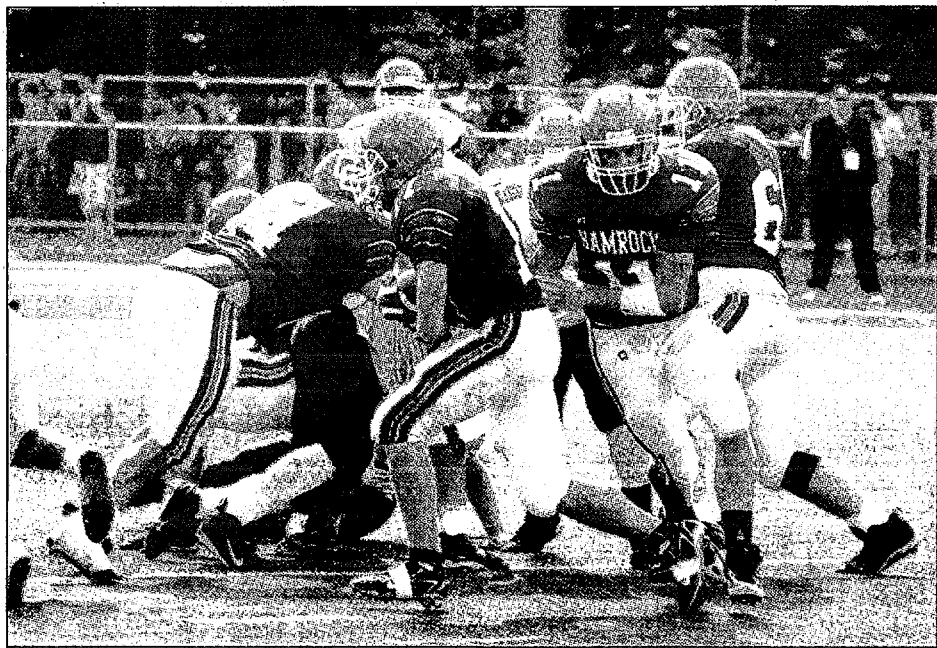
Coincidentally, Schmitt's best two

Please see **BLAESSER, B7**

Canton's Monica Blaesser has been a solid four-year contributor to the Chiefs' swimming and diving program. The senior is also one of the team's captains this season.



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DENNY BARNES

Novi-Detroit Catholic Central quarterback Ryan Houska (11) hands off to running back Cory Amble during a game against Orchard Lake St. Mary's earlier this year. Houska, a resident of Plymouth Township, and Amble, from Canton, have been instrumental in the Shamrocks' turnaround season.

Local players spark resurgent Shamrocks

BY ED WRIGHT
STAFF WRITER

For three straight autumns earlier this decade, Cory Amble sat in the Pontiac Silverdome stands and watched his older brother, Drew, help lead Detroit Catholic Central's football team to back-to-back Division 1 state championships.

At the same time, he dreamed of the day when he would have the opportunity to follow suit.

That day may not be far off thanks to

the efforts of Amble and several other Plymouth and Canton residents, who have played major roles in the Shamrocks' return-to-prominence season.

After missing the playoffs two of the past three years, CC has churned out a 9-2 record, which it will take into Friday night's Division 1 quarterfinal game at unbeaten Holt.

"This team has really stuck together and believed it can win," said Amble, a

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Detroit Ignition forward Ryan Mack advances the ball up the field during Saturday night's season-opening 17-6 victory over the visiting Philadelphia Kixx.

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for a nice win."

Pulisic had high praise for Waltman, who served as the primary back-up for Sanaldo last season.

"Danny's a very good goalkeeper," said Pulisic. "He was very focused tonight and he had a solid game. We were very proud of him."

Detroit's initial goal of the season was one for the highlight reel. Hewerton threaded a cross-field pass to Ricardinho, who tapped a no-look backward dish to Jonathan Greenfield, who rifled a low, hard laser past Kixx net-minder Peter Pappas to make it 2-0 just 2:25 into the contest. The Ignition padded its lead to 5-0 with one tick left in the first quarter on a three-point goal by Hewerton that came off a free kick. Ricardinho notched the assist.

Hewerton (from rookie Vahid Assadpour and Ricardinho (penalty kick) tacked on second-quarter goals to expand the Ignition's halftime advantage to 9-0.

Waltman preserved his shutout — at least temporarily — with an incredible save of a rebound shot off the foot of Philly's Sammy Castellanos.

Ricardinho made it 11-0 with 5:41 to go in the third

when he beat Pappas with a ground-skimming bullet after securing a pass from Hewerton.

The Kixx finally dented the scoreboard with 2:40 left in the third when Tony Donatelli converted a penalty kick.

Philadelphia generated some momentum early in the fourth with back-to-back goals from Angel Rivillo to cut its deficit to 11-6, however, the Kixx pulled their goalie for an extra attacker with 4:54 left and the Ignition answered with two quick scores from Dreo Callahan (a three-quarters-length-of-the-field triple with 4:02 left) and a long three-pointer off the foot of Kyt Selaidopoulos.

The Ignition's depth was reflected in the fact that Jamar Beasley — the MISL's MVP and leading scorer last season — was held without a goal or assist.

"After being the leading scorer in the league last year, Jamar is going to be marked a bit tighter this year," said Pulisic. "He's going to have guys double-teaming him all the time, which means we're going to have to get contributions from everybody on our roster this year — from one to 20 — if we're going to be successful."

After one game, they did and they were.

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PCA sweeps to 5th straight District volleyball crown

BY ED WRIGHT
STAFF WRITER

Losing was not in the Plymouth Christian Academy volleyball team's vocabulary at Saturday's Class D District tournament at Washtenaw Christian.

The Eagles continued their late-season surge by sweeping all three teams they faced and claiming their fifth consecutive District title.

Coach Missy Henry's spikers kicked things off with a 25-7, 25-12, 25-6 triumph over crosstown rival Canton Agape in a quarterfinal match.

They then bumped the host Wildcats, 25-15, 25-18, 25-14, before ousting Ann Arbor Rudolph Steiner in three: 25-19, 25-15, 25-12.

PCA will now take its 22-12 record into Saturday's Class D Regional tournament at Lutheran Westland. It will face off against No. 2-ranked Hillsdale Academy at 10 a.m.

"The girls were very focused and very confident all day long," said Henry, who is coaching her final season at PCA. "We didn't play great in the final match, but they did enough to get the job done."

"The first match was nice because everybody got to play a lot. We have a few girls on the team who usually don't see a lot of time, but they did in that



Pictured above are members of the Plymouth Christian Academy volleyball team after their title-clinching victory at Saturday's Division 4 District tournament at Washtenaw Christian.

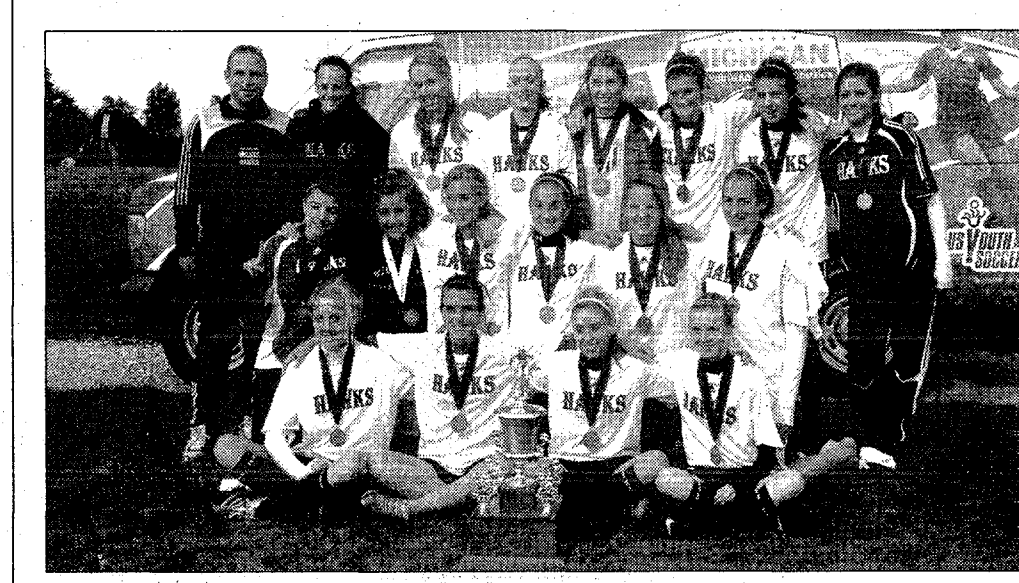
match." Several Eagles soared in the championship effort. Senior setter Sara Ross was nearly flawless as she racked up 55 set assists, 33 digs, 18 kills and 28 service points. Also making major contributions were junior middle-blocker

Megan Greve (23 kills, eight blocks and 10 points), junior libero Miriam Monroe (55 digs and 38 points) and senior all-around player Jenna Misch, who notched 49 digs, 12 kills and 14 points.

"Last year was supposed to be my final season of coaching

because I was moving down to Indiana, but I ended up putting it off and staying one more year," said Henry. "I'm glad I did because this has been a great group of girls to work with."

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Hawks fly high

The U-15 Michigan Hawks won the Michigan State Cup Championship last month. The Hawks defeated the Novi Jaguars FC, 4-0, in the title match. Pictured (bottom row from left) are Lisa Vogel, Lindsey Roy, Allyssa Haney, Bronte Payne, (middle row from left) Mika Bussey, Gabby Gauruder, Kirsten Evans, Kaitlynn Clemens, Taylor Jahnke, Melanie Pickert, (back row from left) coach Tim Ernst, Katie Brown, Rebecca Gebhard, Mary Kathryn Fiebernitz, Payj O'Shea, Tayler Ward, Taylore Peterson and Jordan Rakas. Not pictured is Aliina Weykamp.

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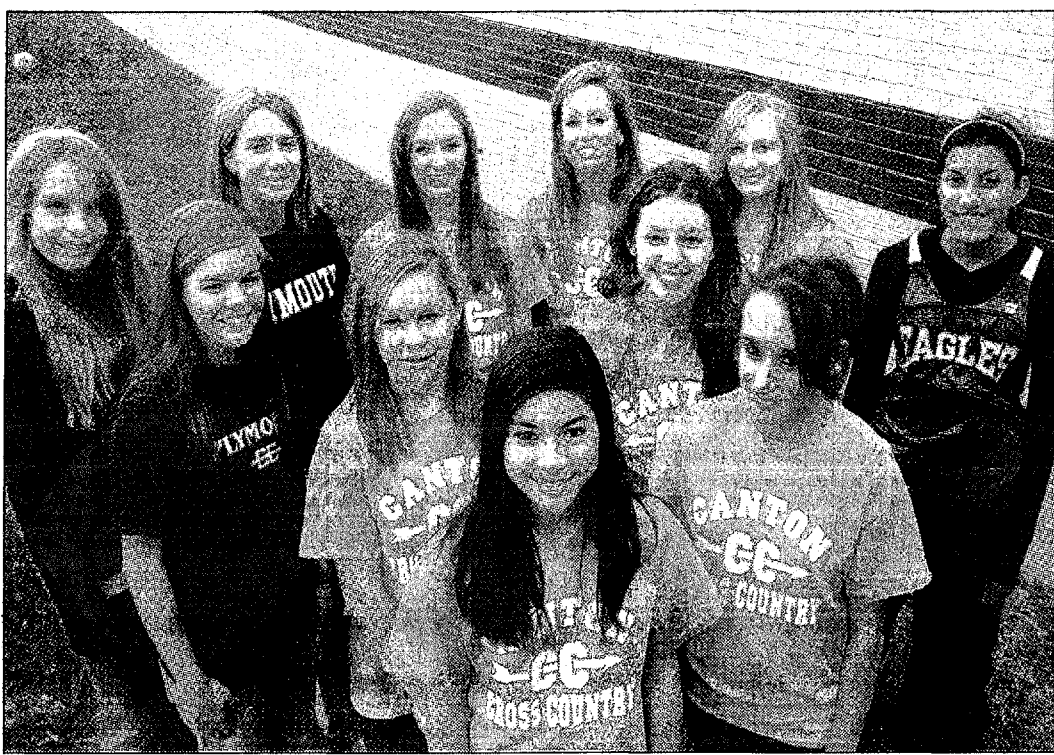
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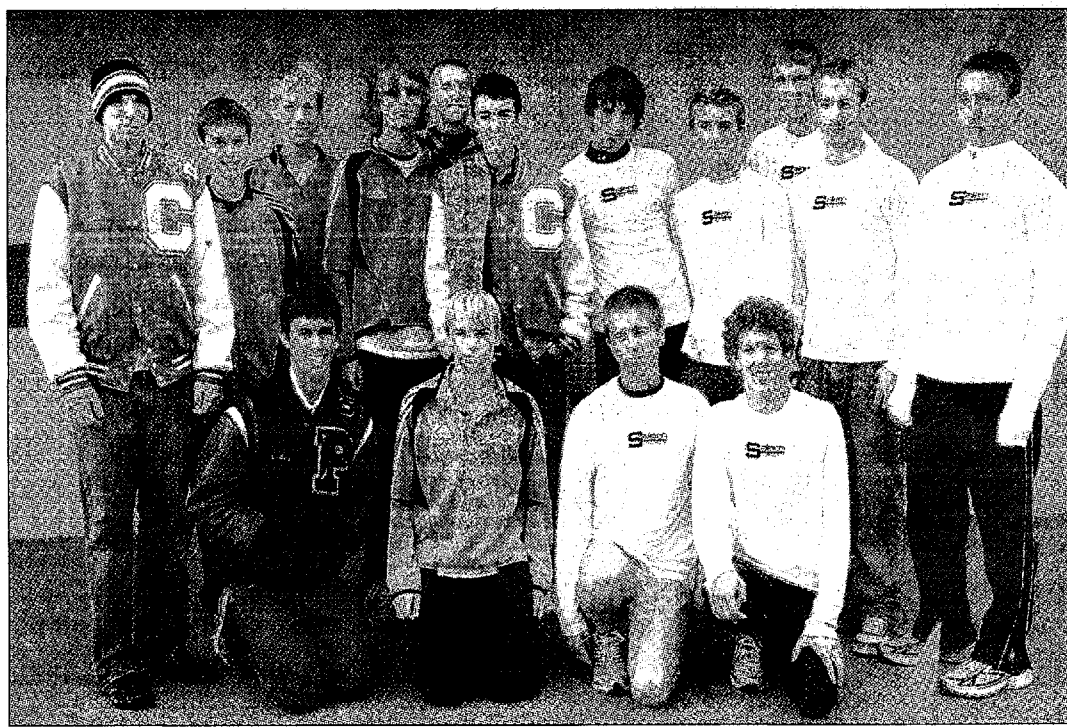
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Pictured are members of the Salem, Canton, Plymouth and Plymouth Christian Academy girls cross country team who qualified for Saturday's Division 1 and Division 4 state meets: Jordyn Moore (Salem), Molly Slavens (Plymouth), Kelly Hahn (Plymouth), Rachel Rohrbach (Canton), Katy Galm (Canton), Bianca Kubicki (Canton), Sarah Thomas (Canton), Katie Rymond (Canton), Erica Eimers (Canton), Chelsea Smith (Canton) and Armila Francis (PCA). Not pictured is Plymouth's Beth Heldmeyer.



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Pictured are members of the Canton, Salem and Plymouth boys cross country teams who qualified for last Saturday's Division 1 state meet: (front row from left) Justin Huey (Plymouth), Kyle Clinton (Canton), Jason Smith (Salem), Matt Devey (Salem), (back row from left) Greg Reed (Canton), Josh Osinski (Canton), Zack Spreitzer (Canton), Aaron McClellan (Canton), Derek Hoerman (Canton), Duncan Spitz (Canton), Kevin deBear (Salem), Rob Curtis (Salem), Craig Cowing (Salem), Justin Kane (Salem) Michael Charara (Salem).

THE BEST IN THE LONG RUN

Area's cross country runners make a 'State'-ment at final meet

BY ED WRIGHT
STAFF WRITER

Led by All-State performer Kevin deBear, Salem's boys cross country team capped a stellar season Saturday afternoon with a 13th-place showing at the Division 1 state meet held at Michigan International Speedway in Brooklyn.

deBear's personal-best time of 15:55.2 was good enough for 14th place and All-State honors, which go to the first 30 finishers.

"Kevin worked hard for everything he got this year," said Salem coach Geoff Baker. "This tops off a great season for him, being All-State and running under 16 minutes at the state meet."

"These kids amaze me every year the way they train and prepare themselves to run their very best at the end of the season. It's really a testament to the hard work they put in all year."

Salem finished with 404 points, six fewer than 14th-place Canton, which was paced by junior Duncan Spitz, who placed 40th in 16:25.4.

"Duncan got his season best time and was one second off his career best, but he still wasn't real happy about his performance," said Canton coach Bill Boyd. "It left a taste in his mouth that makes him want to do better next year."

As expected, Pinckney won the state title with 124 points, 17 fewer than runner-up Saline. Two Pirates placed in the top seven — winner Brian Hawkins (15:26.9) and seventh-place Mike Katsefaras, who crossed in 15:50.2.

Along with deBear, Salem received strong efforts from Rob Curtis (49th in 16:28.7), Craig Cowing (101st in 16:59.5), Jason Smith (112th in 17:09.1), Matt Devey (128th in 17:17.0), Justin Kane (135th in 17:19.0) and Mike Charara (176th in 18:06.8).

Running well for Canton along with Spitz were Kyle Clinton (58th in 16:33.4), Derek Hoerman (60th in 16:34.5), Greg Reed (119th in 17:13.4), Josh Osinski (133rd in 17:19.3), Zach Spreitzer (140th in 17:23.0) and Aaron McClellan (157th in 17:43.0).

Justin Huey, Plymouth's lone representative, placed 166th in 17:10.1.

Canton girls 21st

Led by junior Sarah Thomas's All-State effort, the Chiefs finished with 494

points. Thomas crossed the line in 30th place with a clocking of 18:56.8. The top 30 finishers earn All-State

honors.

Four of the Chiefs other six runners were freshmen, a fact that should make Canton one of the area's top teams in the fall of 2008.

Joining Thomas were Bianca Kubicki (88th in 19:51.4), Rachel Rohrbach (94th in 19:56.6), Katherine Rymond (135th in 20:47.8), Katherine Galm (147th in

20:57.8), Chelsea Smith (170th in 21:33.6) and Erica Eimers (180th in 22:53.0).

A trio of Plymouth runners competed in the year's biggest race: Molly Slavens was 96th with a personal-best clocking of 19:35; Beth Heldmeyer was 140th with a time of 20:10 and Kelly Hahn, who was hampered by a pulled calf muscle, placed 156th place in

20:26.

"For a girl who came into the season with a stress fracture, Molly Slavens sure came on strong at the end," said Plymouth coach Mary Kerwin. "We had a great year as a whole. I am excited for next year already."

Salem's lone qualifier, Jordyn Moore, placed 123rd in 19:54.0.



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Very cute 48-year-old SWF, could easily pass for 35, 5'7", 115lbs, long brown wavy hair, looking for someone to spice up my life. ☎230116

LOOKING FOR ME?
SBF 37, attractive, trustworthy, down-to-earth, with grown son likes walks, movies, dinners, park, music. Seeking SM, 38-55, for friendship, possible romance. ☎220303

HEY GUYS
SBF 20, 5'9", slim, long black hair, enjoys movies, concerts, and just having fun, looking for a nice, respectful man, to enjoy talks, casual dates, and see what happens next. ☎236510

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HEY GUYS
SBF 28, mother of 3, dark complexion, 5'4", 120lbs, red/brown, likes chilling at home, hanging with friends. Looking for a loving SM, to get to know. ☎234978

GOOD TIMES
Hard-working, honest, respectful, ambitious, attractive, SBF 38, educated, D/D-free. In search of SWM, with same qualities, for friendship and casual fun. ☎159358

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SBF 19, full-figured, 5'4", caramel complexion looking for a good man to enjoy talks, hang out with and just get to know. ☎230300

CREATIVE MAKEUP ARTIST
Sincere, kind SWF 53, proportional, 5'11", 124lbs, professional attractive, intelligent and educated, loves music, dancing, outdoors, cooking, movies and creative pursuits. Seeking attractive gentleman, 42-53, with like interests/qualities, for friendship/LTR. ☎230791

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Attractive, 5'5", mid 50s, lady, with many interests, seeks mature man with a SOH, and a warm smile, friend, companion, 60+, all serious replies answered. ☎232837

COULD YOU BE THE ONE?
SBF 27, self-sufficient, up front and real seeks employed, respectful, nice man independent and not about games, to get to know and have a good time. ☎231868

POSSIBLE LTR
SWPF 58, 5'7", attractive, slender, athletic, NS, enjoys sports, concerts, dining out, seeks SWPM, 55-62, NS, college degree, healthy, SOH, possible LTR. ☎235381

LOOKING FOR A FRIEND
SWF 59, 5'4", easy on the eyes, full-figured, nice personality, D/D-free, enjoys camping, music, football, casinos, cooking and much more. ISO god-natured SWM, 55-71, with same interests. ☎220557

IS IT YOU?
SF 65, employed, outgoing, honest and fun-loving, Libra, wishing to meet a southern gentleman, social drinker with good sense of humor, to share all life offers. ☎226704

READ THIS AD!
SWF 61, NS, homebody, enjoys cuddling, scary movies and antiques, searching for a SWM, 52+, with various interests and qualities. ☎184114

COULD IT BE YOU?
Employed SWF 60, 5'3", blond/azel enjoys day trips, quiet times, getaways, sightseeing, window shopping, trying new restaurants, moonlight strolls. Seeking like-minded gentleman who would appreciate the same. ☎227075

OUTGOING AND OUTSPOKEN
SBF 19, 5'10", likes dining, movies and relaxing at home, seeking a SM, 19+, with various interests, let's get together and talk over dinner. ☎208077

QUEEN SEARCHING FOR KING
SWF 23, searching for a SWM, 25-35, outgoing, sensitive, outgoing, understanding, good sense of humor, who likes to go out and have fun. ☎208814

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Attractive SWF 64, 5', 135lbs, dark hair, blue eyes, fair skin, looking for NS, honest gentleman 60-70, who has numerous interests including history, traveling, and home life. ☎1409879

TRY ME
SBF 33, 5'5", 160lbs, caramel complexion, brown eyes, looking for a loving SM, to share talks, good times, shopping, dancing laughter and simple times. ☎213013

WHY NOT CALL?
SBF, full-figured, seeks a SM, 37-80, for friendship, possible LTR. Call me, let's get together and get to know each other. ☎232944

SEEKING MR. RIGHT
Classy SBF, hoping to meet mature SWM, 45-60. I'm a very passionate, affectionate, loving person, who enjoys a variety of activities. If you're seeking your soulmate, why not try me? ☎236794

LOOKING FOR AN EXPLORER
SBF 56, looking for a cultural man who enjoys restaurants, cafes, the Arts, French culture, stimulating conversations, reading, cooking and more. Let's meet and see if we connect. ☎232549

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SBF 19, dark complexion, artsy, easygoing, passionate about music and art. Looking for creative, fun SM, to chill with and just get to know. ☎225283

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DWF 47, 5'5", 120lbs, blond/blue, well-proportioned, very feminine, attractive, self-employed, Seeking SWM, 45-57, 6'1", 220lbs, good sense of humor, energetic, traveler, outdoorsman, adventurer. ☎232549

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SBM 44, 5'9", 150lbs, father, enjoys gourmet cooking, beach walks, sunshine, soft rock, much more. Seeking a loving, happy lady to share the special times in life. ☎151945

BEAUTIFUL PRINCESS WANTED
SBM, early 40s, seeks attractive, younger lady, 28-45, for romance, companionship, must be independent and shapely. Serious replies only. ☎284501

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Affectionate SWM, 40, 5'9", 210lbs, enjoys dining, brown/brown, easygoing, friendly, enjoys dark movies, talks, walks, and waterfront talks, quiet times home. Looking for compatible lady who knows how to enjoy life. ☎238130

A SPECIAL GUY
DWM 56, 5'10", handsome and secure, seeks honest SWMF, wise sense of humor, who enjoys travel, candlelight dinners, plays, dancing, concerts, boating, and movies. Friendship, possible LTR. ☎269646

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SBM, 51'1", likes swimming and having fun, searching for a down-to-earth woman, 21-30, to enjoy what life has to offer. ☎212235

WANTS A LADY TO LOVE
SWM, 47, 5'10", 170lbs, NS, sincere, loyal, honest and warm-hearted, enjoys dining out, walks, the zoo and weekend getaways. Looking for LTR with sincere, sweet woman. ☎231715

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SBM, 62', 155lbs, enjoys the arts and more. Would like to meet someone with the same interests. ☎233914

FRIENDLY AND FUN
SBM, 48, brown complexion, open-minded, sincere, warm and patient, seeks SF, 21-60, to get to know and share all the good times in life. ☎235738

LET'S TALK SOMETIME
Affectionate, Sincere SWM, 40, 5'11", 190lbs, salt-pepper/brown, looking for a loving, sweet lady to share fun and friendship. ☎236283

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SBM 46, on disability, enjoys romance, having fun, hockey (playing, watching). Seeking a loving, kind, truthful woman, 37-48, who loves to have a good time in life. ☎236575

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SWM, 45, 6', blue/brown, 200lbs, ND, little on the shy side, enjoys quiet times, classic cars, bowling, more. Seeking SWF, ND, trustworthy, 35-55, in good shape, w/ similar interests. Possible LTR. ☎224408

LET'S GET GOING!
SWM 40s, attractive, good shape, great listener, enjoys good conversation, friendship, spontaneous fun, and laughter, seeks personable SWF for dating and more. ☎128302

TALL, ATHLETIC
SWM, 48, 6'2", 200lbs, part-time personal trainer, brown/blue, degreed, outgoing personality, enjoys outdoors, working out, new activities, seeking friendly SF, age/location open. ☎131308

LOVELY & READY
SWM, 49, average build, Italian, heart of gold, Virgo, NS, seeks like-minded lady with a nice brown eye for LTR. Serious replies only. Redwood Area. ☎2860325

HI LADIES!
DWM, 48, kind, hard-working, NS, seeks a HWF, 37-57, NS, for sharing of conversations, dates, fun and more. ☎232924

ISO MY COUNTERPART
Adventurous, energetic, handsome, laid-back SWM, 48, looks younger, 5'11", NS, enjoys traveling, dining out. Seeking fit, energetic, pretty woman, 28-59, NS, with same qualities, and interests for LTR. ☎2318526

SEEKING A TRUE HEART
SM, 44, self-employed, honest and hard-working, modest and humble, loves music, long walks, parks, movies, dinners, plays. Seeking a kindlike-minded woman to share companionship, happiness, maybe love. ☎231524

BOATER SEEKS 1ST MATE
SWM, 35, NS, good-looking, trustworthy, enjoys boating, good music, working out. Seeking very attractive SF, 28-40, race unimportant, for friendship leading to possible LTR. ☎200168

LIFE IS BEST SHARED
Secure, employed, independent SWM, 38, sociable, affectionate, kind, seeks similar lady who likes sports, theater, romance, to share the finer things in life, laughter and anything that comes our way. ☎232924

CUTE, CUDDLY COWBOY
Wise and kind SWM, 46, enjoys simplicity, art fairs, flea markets, festivals. Seeking the company of a lady with similar interests. ☎200493

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Romantic, thoughtful SWM, 39, is looking for love, enjoys hugs, kisses and cuddling, seeks kind, attractive SWF; age and area open. ☎113835

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HELLO SEXY LADIES
Romantic, honest SWM, brown/brown, 165lbs, looking for a fun, attractive, sociable, open-minded SF commitment-minded and caring who knows how to enjoy life to the fullest and appreciates a good guy. ☎232640

HEY SWEET LADIES
Loving, respectful SWM, 39, is looking for a good woman with a good heart and warm smile who knows how to treat her man right and loves a little romance. ☎236647

WHAT'S UP LADIES
SBM, 31, 6'1", caramel complexion, 205lbs, cool, down-to-earth, honest, likeable, outgoing, outdoorsy and fun, looking for a sexy lady, to get to know, kick it with and have a good time. ☎236685

WORTH A SHOT
Easygoing, honest, fun-loving SWM, 36, 6'2", 250lbs, former Marine, father of 2, ISO romantic, outdoorsy, sensitive, sweet, child-friendly lady who can make me laugh and smile is his to offer. ☎237256

LOOK NO FURTHER
SBM, 43, 5'11", 190lbs, NS, ND, D/D-free, attractive, honest, independent, open to activities. Seeking SBF, 20-35, for possible LTR. ☎232101

EASYGOING
Sharp, personable SWM, 45, with good character and pleasant personality, likes the outdoors, fishing, motor sports etc. WILTM SWF, for dating and fun times. ☎187614

WORTH IT
Loving, retired senior, former educator, wishing to meet a youthful, active SF, 19-20, who loves movies, romance and laughter. Could it be you? ☎236410

ROMANTIC & ATTRACTIVE
DWM, 60, 5'11", 190lbs, seeks nice-looking lady to help share each other's heart, and life's daily adventures. ☎146279

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Some things get better with age. Blue-eyed handsome man, mid-40s, physically/philosophically fit, laid-back, secure, good-humored, w/ougar loving side, seeks woman with like qualities and interests of travel, music, fitness. ☎230057

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COULD IT BE YOU?
SBM, 48, 6'2", brown complexion, wavy hair, mustache/goatee, employed, mature, intelligent, hard-working, enjoys soulfood, good company, romance. ISO very attractive, intelligent, down-to-earth and independent lady, for life and love. ☎189923

GOOD LOOKING.
SBM, 36, 5'9", average, construction by trade, likes movies, night clubs and more, seeking a SF, 25-45, independent, caring, honest, to spend quality time with. ☎192896

WANT TO JOIN ME?
SWM, 38, social driver, smoker

MU cagers boast 1-2 combo

BY TIM SMITH
STAFF WRITER

Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference teams had better be prepared for a lethal one-two punch coming out of Livonia this winter.

Madonna University's men's basketball team will feature a deep, experienced lineup led by seniors Jon Battle and D.J. Bridges — who were the top two scorers in the WHAC in 2006-07, albeit for different colleges — along with senior forward and defensive stalwart Mike Rashad and senior point guard Charlie Henry.

Battle comes over from Indiana Tech after leading the conference in scoring with 20.2 points per game, while Bridges (19.8 ppg for MU) recently was selected preseason Player of the Year by WHAC coaches.

"I think we're excited about the whole aspect of having, finally, six seniors and three juniors," said fourth-year Madonna head coach Chuck Henry. "This is the first time since I've been here that we have such a strong nucleus that's in the upperclass.

"From my experience here, you recognize that teams win with strong juniors and seniors."

That strength throughout the lineup indicates the Crusaders will jump up in the standings. Last season, MU finished 12-19 overall and 8-6 in the conference (fourth place). Pre-season polls have Madonna picked for third, with Bridges the favorite for player of the year.

But coach Henry recognizes it might take a little while for his team to click. There are several newcomers, including Battle and all-around junior wing guard Cedric Sims (a Canton alum who was red-shirted last season at Wayne State).

"Right now, we're really working on playing at a quick tempo, fast-breaking at every opportunity and I'm hoping we're going to play both ends well, offensively and defensively," he explained. "But again, that's a process. It's tough at this time because of the newness of everybody.

"It's hard to put a character to this team yet. We're still finding out."

One player Henry knows plenty about already is Bridges, who also led the Crusaders in 2006-07 with seven rebounds per game.

"D.J.'s what I call a warrior," Henry said. "He's an under-sized post player (6-3) who gets it done with tremendous work ethic and strength."

Meanwhile, also having Battle in the lineup will give opposing teams' defenses fits trying to keep everybody in check.

"He's really a good scorer, he's physically a very, very strong kid," said the Madonna coach about Battle. "He was red-shirted for a year, so that gives us a kid who's 23-years-old. He's fully developed, fully matured and strong with a lot of basketball background behind him."

Distributing the ball will be fourth-year point guard and co-captain Charlie Henry (Canton/Agape Christian), while former Schoolcraft player Sims will be a threat at the other wing guard position.

"He (Charlie Henry) knows the game very well," the coach said. "His aspiration is to

become a college coach, so he's been a student of the game for many, many years."

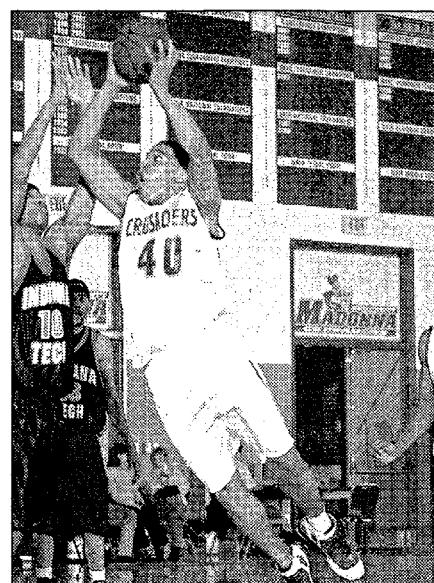
Sims "is really a dynamite defensive player and an explosive scorer too," Henry continued.

"We really benefited from both of those guys (Battle and Sims) transferring in," he said. "... Those two kids can score, defend and rebound. They've got a complete game."

Also up front will be 6-4 senior forward and co-captain Mike Rashad (Wayne Memorial), who tallied eight points and five boards per contest last year.

"Mike's really a great rebounder, a very quick jumper," Henry said. "He's an adequate scorer but his forte is (defense), he was on the all-defensive team last year in the WHAC."

Madonna's solid depth will be spearheaded by senior guard Keith Hearn (Livonia Stevenson, 5.8 ppg), 6-7 freshman forward and Canton alum Ryan Waidmann, junior shooting guard Kevin McLoughlin (a transfer from Alpena) and 6-8 freshman center Geoff Gaylor.



MU SPORTS INFORMATION

Canton alum D. J. Bridges takes it to the hole during 2006-07 action for Madonna University. Bridges, who tallied 19.8 points-per-game last year, is the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference Preseason Player of the Year, according to a poll of coaches.

Waidmann will see plenty of minutes from the get-go.

"We're real excited about the career he's going to have at Madonna," Henry said. "He's going to be a contributor."

When MU will need a key defensive stop, Gaylor might find himself in the fray despite being fresh out of high school. "He's probably one of the best shot-blockers I've ever seen."

Freshman point guard Bryant Slaughter (Westland/Cherry Hill Academy) will also be in the mix while Henry expects injured senior guard

Karvens Paillere to return before December.

Besides having several newcomers to the team, another wrinkle early on for the Crusaders is having to deal with multiple practice sites. Water damage necessitated the installation of a new floor at MU's activities center, so the Crusaders essentially will be a road team until December.

And they have had to handle preseason workouts off-campus, either at Livonia's St. Edith School or Redford's Our Lady of Loretto.

SHAMROCKS

FROM PAGE B1

starting fullback who wears his brother's old No. 17 jersey. "This group of seniors has known since our freshman year that we were good, and this year we're finally proving it.

"Last year (when CC finished 4-5), it seemed like the ball never rolled our way. This year, we worked our tails off in the off-season to make sure that didn't happen again."

Local connection

Two of the Shamrocks' four captains are local residents: starting quarterback/free safety Ryan Houska (Plymouth) and starting middle linebacker Chris Fischer (Canton).

Among the other locals who have made significant contributions are senior defensive tackle Paul Kanaan (Canton); tight ends Bob Schmitz (Plymouth) and Joe Scanlon (Plymouth); senior tight end/defensive end Brendan Murray; senior running back John Mizzi and senior center Tyler Seling.

"The biggest reason for our success this season was our off-season workouts," said Houska, whose 4.7 40-yard dash time is nearly as impressive as his 4.3 grade-point average. "Not making the playoffs was very disappointing last year, but it really got us going during the off season. Everybody turned it up a notch this summer. It was ridiculous how hard everybody worked."

Bump in the road

Following an impressive 3-0 start, the Shamrocks dropped their next two games to Catholic League heavyweights Birmingham Brother Rice and

Warren DeLaSalle.

They then trailed Orchard Lake St. Mary's, 10-0, in the first half of a Week 6 showdown before what may have been the pivotal play of their season unfolded.

"Amble broke a nice run for a TD right before the half that gave us some momentum," Houska said.

CC went on to win, 21-10, and hasn't lost since, outscoring its foes 176-34.

"The Catholic Central teams that won the state titles had a little swagger to them, and that's what we're trying to bring back," said Houska. "Not cockiness, but confidence."

Overcoming tough times

The degree of adversity the Shamrocks encountered last season was nothing compared to the hard times Houska overcame early in his gridiron career.

As a sixth-grader playing for Our Lady of Good Counsel, Houska suffered a broken leg.

He didn't play again until his freshman year at CC.

"I missed football too much," he said, when asked why he swapped soccer cleats for football cleats.

The 6-foot-2, 205-pound two-way player has earned some long looks from collegiate programs.

"I've heard from some Ivy League schools," he said, "and Michigan wants me to walk on."

But first he has as many as three games left in his notable high school career.

If Houska and the Shamrocks can win the next two, the Amble brothers will be swapping roles come state finals time.

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Spartans stroke to 16th WLAA title in 17 years

BY BRAD EMONS
STAFF WRITER

One coach who will definitely miss the Western Lakes Activities Association is Livonia Stevenson's Greg Phill.

He could have been singing "Auld Lang Syne" following Saturday's conquest of another WLAA girls swim title at the Salem High pool, the Spartans' 16th in the last 17 years.

Next year Stevenson and the rest of the WLAA will join forces with the Kensington Valley Conference and two schools from OAA (Waterford Mott and Kettering) in the new 24-school Kensington Lakes Conference.

Stevenson will be paired up in one division with Novi, Northville, Salem and the two South Lyon schools.

"I think it will be all screwed up," Phill said of the new league set-up. "We have one of the better leagues and I don't like the way things have been voted on. We'll have to wait-and-see. The coaches mapped out a scenario, but they didn't use it. They let people who don't know anything about it, make the decision. I don't see a reason for going over there."

As far as the final WLAA meet, Stevenson scored a team-best 574.5 points with Northville finishing a distant second with 391. Canton placed third with 312, edging the host Rocks who settled for fourth with 300. Walled Lake Central (260) and Westland John Glenn (223) rounded out the top six:

"We came into the meet 166 points up, according to the seedings, and we were up 202 after the prelims," said Phill, who took ceremonial dip in Salem's pool following the win. "We did well. Where we were seeded going into the finals, it was going to be hard to improve. For Northville to go from 202 down (in the prelims) to 183 in the finals is a credit to them. They swam well."

Stevenson captured firsts in eight of the 12 events with seniors Brynn Marecki and Laura Timson leading the way, each figuring in three firsts.

Marecki took individual titles in the 200-yard freestyle (1:55.35) and 100 breaststroke (1:06.19), while Timson captured the 200 individual medley (2:10.41) and 500 freestyle (5:08.23).

Marecki also teamed up with sophomore Ashley Gordon, senior Megan Holycross and senior Blake Holtz for a first in the 200 medley relay (1:51.9).

Timson swam the lead-off leg in the victorious 400 freestyle relay (3:39.07)

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along with freshman Savannah Hatt, freshman Kaylee Dolinski and Gordon, nearly eclipsing the WLAA mark of 3:39.04 set by Stevenson in 2000.

"Both are great kids and hard workers," Phill said of his senior tandem. "They're swimming well right well and we look forward to the state meet. This was a step on the way. Literally, they've been excellent all season."

Marecki won two events recently in the Michigan Interscholastic Swim Coaches Association meet held Oct. 13 at Eastern Michigan University's Jones Natatorium, the site of the Division 1 state finals (Nov. 16-17).

"Brynn will probably go in the IM and breaststroke," Phill said. "And with Laura, we'll have to talk about it."

Stevenson, winning its 19th WLAA title since 1983, also got a victory in the 1-meter diving event as sophomore Carla McNamara led the way with 342.70 points (for 11 dives). Gordon, meanwhile, tied Livonia Franklin freshman Kayla Douglas in a dead heat for first in the 100 backstroke (1:04.04 each).

Other WLAA individual winners included Canton's senior star, two-event state champion Allison Schmitt, who captured the 50 freestyle (24.16) and set a league record in the 100 freestyle (51.49), eclipsing the mark of 51.57 (set by Stevenson's Anne Aristeo in 1994).

John Glenn junior Ashley Sells took the 100 butterfly in 59.41, while Northville's quartet of Meghan Kanya, Emily Hopcian, Rachel Engler and Jessica Weber and Canton's foursome of Sara Krebs, Maggie Carlson, Kari Schmitt and Allison Schmitt hit the wall simultaneously to deadlock for first in the 200 freestyle relay (1:42.33 each).

But the meet belonged to Stevenson.

"I thought our freshmen swam well," Phill said. "Kayla Perchall did a good job, and both the Montini twins (Emilee and Ashley), along with our two studs, Savannah Hatt and Kaylee Dolinski, who were just awesome."

The Spartans, who hope to improve upon last year's fifth-place Division 1 finish, will take a total of nine swimmers to the state meet.

"I like the way we're positioned," Phill said. "Our best relay is the 200 medley. That's where (Ann Arbor) Pioneer is the most vulnerable."

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SWIM RESULTS

WESTERN LAKES ACTIVITIES ASSOC. GIRLS SWIM MEET

Nov. 1-3 at Salem H.S.

TEAM STANDINGS: 1. Livonia Stevenson, 574.50 points; 2. Northville, 391; 3. Canton, 312; 4. Salem, 300; 5. Walled Lake Central, 260; 6. Westland John Glenn, 223; 7. Walled Lake Western, 218; 8. Walled Lake Northern, 213; 9. Plymouth, 189; 10. Livonia Franklin, 154.5; 11. Livonia Churchill, 114; 12. Wayne Memorial, 65.

FINAL HEAT RESULTS

200-yard medley relay: 1. Stevenson (Ashley Gordon, Brynn Marecki, Megan Holycross, Blake Holtz), 1:51.90; 2. W.L. Western (Alexia Fregonara, Sarah Krueger, Adina Bohr, Stephanie Standriff), 1:56.64; 3. John Glenn (Jordan Burgess, Khiry Sparks, Ashley Sells, Casey Peterson), 1:57.22; 4. W.L. Central (Jordan Daykin, Rebecca Lee, Madison Sewell, Sarah Roeser), 1:57.99; 5. Salem (Emily Nelson, Sara Spala, Kathryn Gorman, Kristin Hartwig), 1:59.10; 6. Northville (Ashley Filipowicz, Kelly Burford, Becca Myers, Allison Davidson), 2:00.79; 7. W.L. Northern (Kayla Knight, Michelle Carter, Kelsey Slayton, Chloe Reuter), 2:03.34; 8. Canton (Katie Kubacki, Sara Krebs, Kayla Eyster, Christine O'Keefe), 2:04.24.

200 freestyle (A Final): 1. Marecki (LS), 1:55.35; 2. Savannah Hatt (LS), 1:57.83; 3. Meghan Kanya (N), 1:58.63; 4. Kaylee Dolinski (LS), 2:00.31; 5. Monica Blaesser (C), 2:02.29; 6. Whitney Aumiller (S), 2:03.06.

(B Final): 7. Adina Bohr (WLW), 2:01.44; 8. Rachel Englert (N), 2:01.60; 9. Natalie Cole (LF), 2:02.60; 10. Jessica Varana (WLC), 2:04.40; 11. Michelle Chang (P), 2:06.07; 12. Jordan Burgess (JG), 2:07.31.

200 individual medley (A): Laura Timson (LS), 2:10.41; 2. Ashley Gordon (LS), 2:14.68; 3. Maggie Carlson (C), 2:15.90; 4. Ashley Sells (JG), 2:17.54; 5. Emily Hopcian (N), 2:18.64; 6. Emily Nelson (S), 2:19.68.

(B): 7. Madison Sewell (WLC), 2:20.86; 8. Sijia Hao (P), 2:21.86; 9. Catherine Irwin (C), 2:22.96; 10. Emily Bair (S), 2:23.45; 11. Kayla Knight (WLN), 2:26.12; 12. Emilee Montini (LS), 2:28.02.

50 freestyle (A): 1. Allison Schmitt (C), 24.16; 2. Jessica Weber (N), 24.87; 3. Alexia Fregonara (WLW), 25.75; 4. Lauren Cocksels (WLN), 26.01; 5. Sarah Roeser (WLC), 26.31; 6. Kathryn Gorman (S), 26.41.

(B): 7. Alyssa Liakos (P), 26.46; 8. Blake Holtz (LS), 26.48; 9. Samantha Curry (N), 26.93; 10. Kari Schmitt (C), 26.97; 11. Andrea Wozniak (WLN), 27.00; 12. Madelyn Beville (WM), 27.45.

1-meter diving: 1. Carla McNamara (LS), 342.70 points; 2. Katrina Koetting (S), 337.00; 3. Leah Dunville (WLC), 303.10; 4. Hannah Saarinen (WLN), 287.40; 5. Desiree Clenney (JG), 282.80; 6. Bri Waldie (WLN), 275.25; 7. Kelsey Libbe (N), 268.40; 8. Sophie Daugherty (WLW), 253.20; 9. Kaila Stancer (LC), 242.45; 10. Jennifer Jones (N), 241.40; 11. Jessica Krueger (WLW), 235.55; 12. Kara Hattemer-Plant (WLC), 231.50.

100 butterfly (A): 1. Ashley Sells (JG), 59.41; 2. Adina Bohr (WLW), 59.92; 3. Emily Hopcian (N), 1:00.73; 4. Rachel Englert (N), 1:01.88; 5. Megan Holycross (LS), 1:03.97; 6. Kayla Douglas (LF), 1:05.39.

(B): 7. Kathryn Gorman (S), 1:05.84; 8. Sarah Opdyke (LS), 1:06.53; 9. Faith Miller (N), 1:06.76; 10. Catherine Irwin (C), 1:06.76.

1:08.29; 11. Emily Hiser (LC), 1:08.43; 12. Kelsey Slayton (WLN), 1:09.08.

100 freestyle (A): 1. Allison Schmitt (C), 51.49; 2. Jessica Weber (N), 54.35; 3. Whitney Aumiller (S), 57.04; 4. Michelle Chang (P), 57.16; 5. Jessica Varana (WLC), 57.38; 6. Blake Holtz (LS), 57.71.

(B): 7. Jordan Daykin (WLC), 58.07; 8. Samantha Reid (LC), 58.25; 9. Lauren Cocksels (WLN), 58.34; 10. Kari Schmitt (C), 58.45; 11. Alyssa Liakos (P), 59.44; 12. Andrea Wozniak (WLN), 59.91.

500 freestyle (A): 1. Laura Timson (LS), 5:08.23; 2. Savannah Hatt (LS), 5:08.66; 3. Kaylee Dolinski (LS), 5:20.32; 4. Sijia Hao (P), 5:27.46; 5. Monica Blaesser (C), 5:28.94; 6. Jordan Burgess (JG), 5:35.98.

(B): 7. Natalie Cole (LF), 5:32.86; 8. Emily Bair (S), 5:33.77; 9. Casey Peterson (JG), 5:36.71; 10. Amanda Suokas (N), 5:41.25; 11. Allison Burke (S), 5:44.92; 12. Michela Keady (N), 5:46.08.

200 freestyle relay (A): 1. (tie) Northville (Kanya, Hopcian, Englert, Weber) and Canton (Krebs, Carlson, Kari Schmitt, Allison Schmitt), 1:42.33; 3. Stevenson (Timson, Hatt, Dolinski, Holtz), 1:44.09; 4. Salem (Gorman, Heaney, Bair, Aumiller), 1:45.53; 5. Plymouth (Palczynski, Maslyk, Liakos, Chang), 1:45.79; 6. W.L. Northern (Wozniak, Pawloski, Reuter, Cocksels), 1:47.41.

(B): 7. John Glenn (Burgess, Peterson, Fielhauer, Sparks), 1:47.25; 8. W.L. Central (Varana, Moskal, McCarthy, Roeser), 1:47.61; 9. Franklin (Cole, Kent, Douglas, Anthony), 1:47.65; 10. Churchill (Cabadas, Nelson, Fox, Reid), 1:52.55; 11. W.L. Western (Standriff, Ostach, Krueger, Johnson), 1:57.67; 12. Wayne (Randles, Beville, Crandall, Windsor), 1:58.13.

100 backstroke (A): 1. (tie) Kayla Douglas (LF) and Ashley Gordon (LS), 1:01.04 each; 3. Meghan Kanya (N), 1:03.36; 4. Emily Nelson (S), 1:03.88; 5. Alexia Fregonara (WLW), 1:04.33; 6. Megan Holycross (LS), 1:05.51.

(B): 7. Charlotte Buckley (LS), 1:05.57; 8. Jordan Haymouri (LF), 1:07.92; 9. Kristin Hartwig (S), 1:07.95; 10. Ashley Montini (LS), 1:08.29; 11. Ashley Filipowicz (N), 1:08.66; 12. Catherine Moeller (LS), 1:09.00.

100 breaststroke (A): 1. Brynn Marecki (LS), 1:06.19; 2. Madison Sewell (WLC), 1:10.44; 3. Maggie Carlson (C), 1:10.64; 4. Rebecca Lee (WLC), 1:10.83; 5. Elle Palczynski (P), 1:11.77; 6. Sarah Krueger (WLW), 1:14.83.

(B): 7. Kayla Perchall (LS), 1:14.16; 8. Casey Peterson (JG), 1:14.38; 9. Kelly Burford (N), 1:15.33; 10. Shannon Pawloski (WLN), 1:15.94; 11. Sara Spala (S), 1:16.78; 12. Megan Trotter (N), 1:16.82.

400 freestyle relay (A): 1. Stevenson (Timson, Hatt, Dolinski, Gordon), 3:39.70; 2. Northville (Kanya, Hopcian, Englert, Weber), 3:40.75; 3. Canton (Kari Schmitt, Carlson, Blaesser, Allison Schmitt), 3:44.81; 4. W.L. Central (Daykin, Sewell, Lee, Varana), 3:51.76; 5. Salem (Bair, Nelson, Aumiller, Burke), 3:54.21; 6. Plymouth (Chang, Maslyk, Liakos, Hao), 3:56.95.

(B): 7. W.L. Western (Standriff, Fregonara, Johnson, Bohr), 3:56.83; 8. W.L. Northern (Wozniak, Knight, Bell, Cocksels), 3:57.82; 9. Franklin (Cole, Kent, Douglas, Anthony), 4:00.87; 10. John Glenn (Humbach, Altholoina, Raley, Fielhauer), 4:04.73; 11. Churchill (Cabadas, Hiser, D'Annunzio, Reid), 4:08.47; 12. Wayne Memorial (Beville, Randles, O'Mara, Windsor), 4:24.60.

BLAESSER

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events — the 200 and 500 freestyles — are Blaesser's best.

Has it gotten frustrating through the years finishing in Schmitt's wake?

"Not at all," said Blaesser. "Swimming with Allison is more motivating than frustrating for me. I push myself more when I swim against her."

Next to long-distance running, swimming may be the most rigorous sport around when it comes to training — especially for 500-yard freestylers like Blaesser.

She handles the stroke-after-stroke-after stroke monotony thanks to the power of positive thinking.

"Whenever I'm training, I try to think about the goals and times I want to reach

at the end of the season," she said. "There are days I don't really feel like swimming, but once I get in the water, it's fun."

The pinnacle of Blaesser's impressive career came at the 2006 Western Lakes Activities Association conference meet when she opened some eyes by outstroking several talented Livonia Stevenson and Northville swimmers to win the 500 freestyle title.

"Before the preliminaries, I wasn't sure how I'd do," she recalled. "But after I swam well in the preliminaries, I was pretty confident going into the finals."

Blaesser has been nearly perfect in the classroom at Canton as she has compiled a golden 3.9 grade-point average.

She'd like to continue her competitive swimming career at Oakland University.

"I've talked to Oakland's coach, I took a recruiting trip there and I really like the school," Blaesser said.

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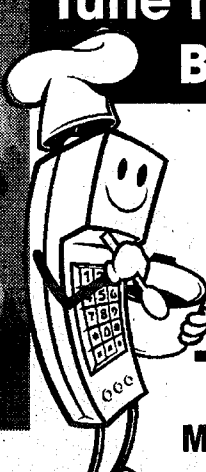
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The annual "Turkey Trot For a Cause" will be held Nov. 22 at 8:30 a.m. at Pheasant Run Golf Course in Canton. The fee is \$20 and anyone 4 years old and older is welcomed to participate. The traditional 5K walk/run winds through Heritage Park and Pheasant Run Golf Course. All proceeds are donated to the Epilepsy Foundation. A custom T-shirt is included in the entry fee.

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With the win, the Lions

JUNIOR FOOTBALL REPORT

advance to this weekend's WSJFL Super Bowl against the Dearborn Heights Redskins, who nipped the Lions earlier this season, 13-12.

In Sunday's game, the Lions roared to a 14-0 advantage thanks to two Kevin Buford TD runs and an extra-point kick by Ian Green. The Steelers cut their

deficit to 14-8 late in the first half when Joshua Kuhn hauled in 22-yard TD pass.

The Steelers grabbed the lead early in the third quarter when they recovered an onside kick and lit up the scoreboard on a run by Tyler Goble. The extra point put the Steelers up, 16-14.

Both teams had a difficult time moving the ball again until midway through the fourth quarter when Clay Behrman plunged

in from the 1 to put the Lions ahead, 22-16, after Green's PAT. The Steelers drove to the Lions 15 before turning it over on downs.

The Steelers then forced a Lions punt, which was blocked, giving Plymouth-Canton the ball on the Lions 25. On fourth down, the Lions' Marcus Houston picked off a pass to seal the win.

Kyle Dexter, William Askew, D.J. McMillian and Josh Peterson played well for the Lions (7-1-1).

Earning kudos for the Steelers were Goble, Dillon Rahill, Lowell Wade, Kory Ignagni and John Randle.

Lions freshmen fall

The Canton Lions freshmen football team ended its magnificent season with a hard-fought 13-6 setback to the Ypsilanti Braves. The Lions nearly cut a 13-0 deficit in half midway through the third quarter when

they scored a TD thanks to hard running from Daniel Kilgore, Allante Wheeler and Chuckie Turfe.

The Lions' defense shutout the powerful Braves in the second half thanks to strong play from Shane Raymond, Jake Stropes, Forrest Hall, Dante Pruitt and Austin Fisher. A frantic, last-second pass to the end zone fell incomplete for the Lions, bringing an exciting season to a close.

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FOOTBALL RESULTS

ALL-WESTERN LAKES ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATION 2007 FOOTBALL TEAMS

ALL-CONFERENCE (OFFENSE)

Center: Ricky Bell, 6-0, 245, Sr., Livonia Stevenson.

Interior linemen: Mike Davis, 6-3, 270, Sr., Wayne Memorial; Mac Ganzak, 6-3, 230, Sr., Canton; Matt Broome, 6-3, 235, Sr., Stevenson; Duane Najarian, 6-0, 325, Sr., Livonia Churchill.

Tight end: Kevin Tabone, 6-4, 235, Sr., Churchill.

Wide receiver: Myles White, 6-1, 165, Sr., Stevenson; Montel Nix-Fleming, 5-9, 174, Sr., Walled Lake Western.

Quarterback: David Freeman, 5-10, 173, Sr., Wayne; Mitchell White, 6-1, 170, Sr., Stevenson; Keshawn Martin, 6-0, 176, Sr., Westland John Glenn.

Running back: C.J. Woodford, 5-10, 173, Sr., John Glenn; Austin White, 5-11, 180, Soph., Stevenson; Myron Puryear, 6-0, 175, Sr., Plymouth.

Kicker: Matt Watko, 5-0, 156, Sr., W.L. Western; Ryan Whitum, 6-2, 185, Sr., Churchill.

ALL-CONFERENCE (DEFENSE)

Down linemen: Zak Kyle, 6-2, 260, Sr., Wayne; Trent Judis, 5-11, 250, Sr., Stevenson; Elliott Sylvester, 5-10, 225, Sr., Churchill.

End-OLB: Jason Bajaj, 6-0, 215, Sr., Stevenson; Pat Cecile, 6-3, 235, Sr., Livonia Franklin.

Linebacker: Greg Hasse, 6-3, 235, Sr., Northville; Adonis Adonakis, 6-0, 230, Sr., Walled Lake Central; Dan Washon, 5-11, 205, Sr., Canton; Devin Moynihan, 5-11, 205, Jr., Churchill.

Back: Adam Powers, 5-10, 185, Sr., Canton; Pat York, 5-11, 155, Sr., Stevenson; Israel Woolfork, 6-4, 175, Sr., Franklin; Ryan Dolan, 5-9, 165, Sr., Churchill.

Punter: Max Bojovic, 5-7, 130, Sr., Northville.

ALL-LAKES DIVISION (OFFENSE)

Center: Brandon Decker, 5-9, 195, Sr., W.L. Central.

Interior linemen: Brian Stitley, 5-11, 240, Sr., W.L. Central; Mark Parrish, 6-1, 311, Sr., Churchill; Joe Cantrell, 6-0, 200, Sr., Stevenson; Greg Bevel, 6-1, 210, Sr., John Glenn.

Tight end: Adam Sonak, 6-2, 210, Sr., John Glenn.

Wide receiver: Tom Ropek, 6-4, 185, Sr., Walled Lake Northern; Derek Buskey, 6-1, 175, Sr., Stevenson.

Quarterback: Cody Rzeznik, 6-2, 180, Sr., W.L. Central.

Running back: Matt Kowalski, 5-8, 178, Jr., Churchill; Wade Stahl, 5-11, 170, Sr., Stevenson; Mike Demison, 6-1, 215, Sr., W.L. Central.

Kicker: Victor Sanders, 5-10, 170, Sr., John Glenn.

ALL-LAKES DIVISION (DEFENSE)

Down linemen: Ressler Hill, 5-11, 205, Sr., W.L. Central; Chris Golonka, 6-2, 310, Sr., Stevenson; Zack Bozigan, 5-9, 180, Sr., John Glenn; John Abraham, 6-4, 220, Sr., John Glenn.

End-OLB: Darius Miller-Wells, 6-0, 205, Sr., Churchill; Max DiCicco, 5-9, 235, Sr., Churchill.

Linebacker: Ryan Lopez, 6-0, 200, Sr., John Glenn; John Saaman, 6-0, 210, Sr., Stevenson; Brandt Thomas, 5-9, 185, Sr., Salem.

Back: Jeff Alderton, 5-8, 145, Sr., W.L. Central; Wyatt Stahl, 5-11, 165, Jr., Stevenson; Darran Carey, 5-7, 142, Sr., Churchill.

ALL-WESTER DIVISION (OFFENSE)

Center: Sam Kokoszka, 5-11, 215, Sr., Canton.

Interior linemen: Steven Betts, 5-11, 230, Sr., Plymouth; Justin Sneddon, 5-11, 210, Jr., Canton; Nate Mossley, 6-2, 260, Sr., Wayne; Ivan Dimov, 5-10, 238, Sr., W.L. Western.

Tight end: Will Tidwell, 6-3, 215, Sr., Canton; Jeff McCullough, 6-5, 235, Sr., Franklin.

Wide receiver: Brian Humenay, 5-10, 170, Sr., Franklin; Mike Hanchett, 6-3, 200, Sr., Plymouth.

Quarterback: Jesse Carpenter, 5-11, 175, Sr., Franklin.

Running back: Alan Freeman, 5-8, 175, Jr., Wayne; Jordan Raiford, 5-11, 210, Sr., Canton; Andy Buchanan, 5-7, 190, Sr., W.L. Western.

ALL-WESTER DIVISION (DEFENSE)

Down linemen: Dan Robinson, 5-9, 265, Sr., Franklin; Matt Barylski, 5-10, 195, Sr., Canton; Curtis Saroki, 5-11, 235, Sr., W.L. Western.

End-OLB: Josh Gonzales, 5-10, 215, Sr., Wayne; Edison Vushaj, 6-4, 214, Jr., W.L. Western.

Linebacker: Jordan Short, 6-3, 210, Sr., Franklin; Alex Bledsoe, 5-10, 185, Jr., Wayne; Revnell Couch, 5-10, 185, Sr., W.L. Western.

Back: Kyle Wallath, 6-1, 185, Sr., Plymouth; Andrew Devine, 5-10, 170, Sr., Northville; Glenn Careathers, 5-9, 182, Sr., W.L. Western; Corey Campbell, 5-11, 167, Sr., Wayne.

HONORABLE MENTION (LAKES DIVISION)

Stevenson: Travis Austin, Joey Duquette, Mike Flynn, Mark Grisa, Emanuel Onueme, Chris Summers.

Churchill: Mike Bargerstock, Brian Drinan, Grant Morgan, Jordan Necovski, Nick Seger, Danny Small, Jeff Ricketts, T.J. Tilley, Josh Zak, Nate Zak, Brian Ziemba.

John Glenn: Dazz Bragg, Joey Kowtko, Josh Konopka, Jake Morris, Kyren Boyd, Pat Jensen, James Abraham.

W.L. Central: Nick Agostini, Derek Bahri, David Burwell, Brian Indianer, Steve Robinson, Jamie Schmalz.

Salem: Jeremy Epley, Justin Burke, Anthony Mullins, Eddie Merli, Rob Olson.

W.L. Northern: Bob Brown, Mark Butler, Mason Cummings, Jon Janis, Alex Janis, Josh Phillips, Jared Rose, Winnie Robinson.

HONORABLE MENTION (WESTERN DIVISION)

W.L. Western: Steve Astring, Colton Zavitz, Kyle Riesacker, Brandon Shafou, Sam Welch, Erick Goszczynski, Ryan Goszczynski.

Canton: Dakota Dark-Bird, Roger Kropp, Ryan Neu, Cam Phelps, Jerome Scales, Justin Scott, Nick Sweda, Todd Turfe, Robby Walker.

Franklin: Mike Birney, Nate Coleman, Brandon Lane, Connor Leidal, Mark McCrobb, Austin Mesler.

Wayne: Anthony Baskin, Eric Butler, Antwain Calloway, Jordan Dottie, Ryan Nesbitt, Tim Siegfried, Eric Williams.

Plymouth: Eric Barrera, Terrance Guthridge.

Stevenson: Anthony Pomerson, Michael Rose, Spencer Tobin, Rico Tyrus, Jackson Vaughn, Aaron Uller, Corey Gomoll.

Northville: Kris Baumgardner, David Burke, Aaron Chew, Ryan Gerblick, Matt Hartman, Pat Ready, Matt Wegzyn.

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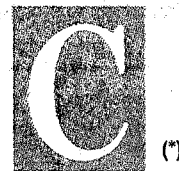
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Savvy sellers reach buyer in challenging market

The softening of the real estate markets in Southeast Michigan is impacting residents who are trying to sell their homes. The impact on builders who started projects prior to the downturn is creating opportunities for buyers, as well as forcing builders and developers to change their approach to selling their inventory.

"We're also promoting the community as a whole," said Tim Gilson, a Realtor with RE/MAX Home Sale Services of Plymouth. The true market value of properties is a vital part of getting a home to sell in this challenging market.

"I think that's honestly 80 percent of the game in real estate. Otherwise, your property is simply going to sit," Gilson said of getting the price right. "Data from a year ago is nearly irrelevant to us at this point. Fewer buyers, less demand, lower prices," Gilson noted.

"It's a combination of general economic conditions in Michigan." The auto industry has faced considerable challenges, and also people are leaving the state.

"Last year was the beginning of the retirement of the baby boomers. That's going to be somewhat of a drain on population," Gilson said. In addition, people with greater credit risk are giving up their homes to avoid foreclosure "or simply can't afford to keep them."

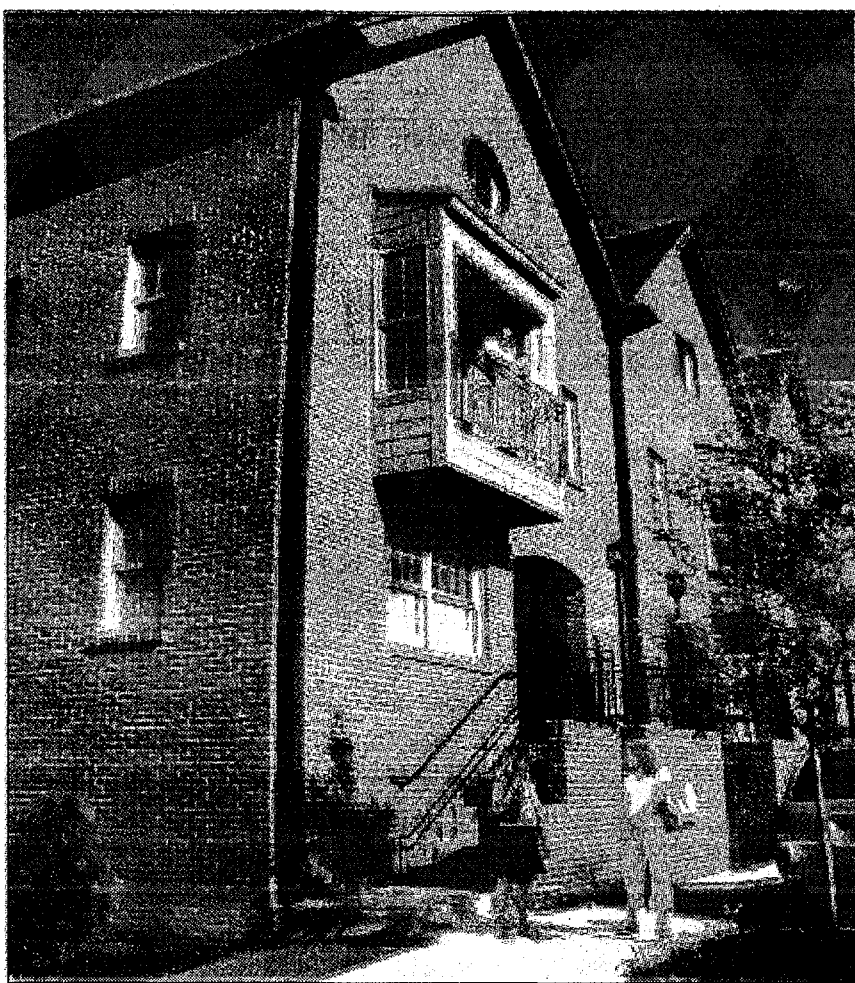
"They simply can't sell their houses." There are up to 42,000 or so units in tri-county area for sale now.

Internet information means people know what homes are out there for sale. "The buyers have so many choices right now. It's really about the pricing." Pricing and condition determine the value, Gilson said.

Builders typically start project and deliver the first several units as "loss leaders" in order to jump-start a development. As a development continues, prices traditionally increase so that as the occupancy increases, the developers and investors begin to earn a return on their investments. The underlying assumptions of stable and increasing property values are typically considered when planning a new development.

In the last year, these traditional assumptions have been shattered as we see price reductions in the condo markets approaching 30 percent year over year in Southeast Michigan.

The real profits are typically realized by builders on the last units delivered in a development, when all of the sunk costs have been covered by earlier sales. Builders and developers live for the days of a "close-out special" — as



The Orchard Condos on Slocum in downtown Farmington are among properties being marketed to move in a challenging economy.

they only decide how much profit they will take. In earlier markets, a builder could decide simply if he/she was going to earn 3 percent on the project or 8 percent to close it out. Today the decision is "will we break even and get our money out by making incredible deals, or will we lose only 5-10, or 20 percent in order to complete the project?"

It is no secret that builders are leaving the business in Michigan due to the soft demand.

Loft style condos in Royal Oak and Ferndale areas had incredible response during the early millennium. The new concept of open living in downtown environments offered an alternative to young and old who were looking for an unique lifestyle. In areas such as Novi and Farmington/ Farmington Hills and Livonia/Northville, a more traditional "stacked Brownstone" construction offered similar new architecture with a feel of community living.

The softening demand for loft and condo markets across southeast Michigan is causing those same builders and developers to look at new ways to keep sales going on projects, as well

as make painful decisions on canceling or delaying indefinitely the start of projects that are already planned and permitted. Numerous examples of canceled or mothballed/delayed developments exist in Ferndale and Royal Oak — hit particularly hard by lower demand for lofts and townhomes.

Steve Schneeman, president of S3 Architecture and developer for The Orchard Condos in downtown Farmington, relates: "When we planned this project beginning in 2002 few in Southeast Michigan had an inkling that we would see a downturn as severe as we have seen. We understood that high quality construction including solid core doors, upgraded floorings and surfaces, heated underground parking, and all brick brownstone construction would be in high demand in a downtown setting. We were correct, and our initial sales were in line with expectations."

In late 2005 and early 2006 the situation changed and The Orchard Condominiums made the decision to adjust with the market or face bigger problems.

"Although we knew that earlier buyers of our project would not be happy about it — we elected to bring them new neighbors and work to completing the project rather than leave it half completed. We adjusted prices significantly and started to offer incentives like free upgrade packages in order to compete for the ever scarcer buyer. We have seen some success and keep a sharper eye on the local and regional markets in order to stay competitive. We're trying to make ourselves stand out in the crowd, and it's partially about letting potential buyers we have a great product, but it's also important to let them know that Farmington is a great community to live in." With the new Farmer's Market and pavilion in downtown, good dining opportunities in walking distance, all conveniences including gym, hardware, grocery, and dining are within steps of the development. The development has been attractive to professionals such as physicians who are looking for large open loft style spaces, with low maintenance and quiet living.

As the market softened, developers had to rethink what they are doing in order to continue to sell the project. Some units are as much as \$50,000 lower than they were originally. The sellers have just reduced prices another \$30,000 — the 1215 Square foot ranch units now start at \$159,000 and the 2200 Square foot Loft units start at \$219,000. These units were selling a couple of years ago in the \$240,000 range and \$300,000 range, respectively.

Nobody really knows when the downturn in pricing will end. Some agents claim that a typical up-and down cycle of Michigan economies will allow us to rebound in the next 12-14 months. Others like Gilson call for a much more lengthy recovery citing statistics about retirement of baby boomers, reducing birth rates in Michigan, and drain of population in general from economic downturn in the state, and the loss of recent college graduates.

Gilson calls for a recovery no sooner than 12-14 years out. "Nobody really knows when a recovery in Michigan will occur — but there's a real opportunity for buyers in today's market to secure their futures if they 'buy smart.' At the same time it's more important than ever for sellers to recognize the real value of their homes if they intend to sell instead of just list their homes or condos for sale."

Staff writer Julie Brown contributed to this report.

This dog park created legal woes

Q. I recently heard about a case where a dog park was deemed to violate a deed restriction limiting the use to "strictly residential purposes." Do you have any information on it?

A. The Supreme Court of this state held, on the case I think you're referring to, that



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the lot used as a dog park is a "more serious violation of the deed restriction despite a neighborhood association's apparent acquiescence to the lots use as a municipal park." The court said this is so because a permanent structure is involved, there is continuous and systematic use of the lot, rather than previous or irregular use, people are encouraged to bring dogs to an area where dogs were previously prohibited and there is more traffic in the surrounding neighborhood. The court made this decision notwithstanding the fact that no objection had been lodged for 75 years to the property's use as a municipal park. There was a dissent filed by a justice indicating that using the lot as a dog park does not violate the deed restriction, particularly since the plaintiff failed to object to the use of the lot for over 75 years.

Apparently, the Supreme Court has not been impressed with the concept of acquiescence or estoppel, which one would think would normally be the controlling issue.

Q. Our association is perplexed by the question of whether or not there is any obligation to notify members of sex offenders in the condominium if it comes to our association. What do you think?

A. It is a tough question and you should be very careful about handling it because there is potential liability if you are incorrect. On the other hand, you may have a duty to inform the homeowners of the fact that they should, at least, check the sex offender registry and/or that there may be a sex offender in the condominium. My best advise is to get a legal opinion from counsel.

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.

HOMES SOLD

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Canton	
50492 Amberley Blvd	\$305,000
48303 Antique Rd	\$437,000
2268 Arcadia Dr	\$175,000
43501 Argonne Ct	\$198,000
3922 Brookstone Dr	\$58,000
4156 Brookstone Dr	\$58,000
6930 Bunkerhill Ln	\$150,000
4666 Camelia Dr	\$210,000
39889 Coronation Rd	\$182,000
44048 Cranberry Dr	\$180,000
7603 Embassy Dr	\$228,000
43622 Fleetwood Dr	\$169,000
4225 Forest Bridge Dr	\$58,000
4279 Forest Bridge Dr	\$58,000
6946 Foxthorn Dr	\$103,000
47138 Glastonbury Dr	\$307,000
44287 Harsdale Dr	\$215,000
6449 Kings Mill Ct	\$405,000
7299 Kingsbridge Ct	\$190,000
1370 Knightsbridge Rd	\$235,000
1738 Lasalle Rd	\$510,000
43815 Leeann Ln	\$205,000
42986 Lombardy Dr	\$200,000
1653 Longfellow Dr	\$162,000
613 Merrimac Rd	\$180,000

39607 Michigan Ave	\$255,000
41081 N Maplewood Dr	\$184,000
41221 N Maplewood Dr	\$215,000
1690 Nowland Ct	\$258,000
3128 River Meadow Cir	\$225,000
48155 Roundstone Ct	\$459,000
4083 Sarah Ann Dr	\$240,000
676 Shana St	\$190,000
568 Sheffield Ct	\$185,000
51014 Sleepy Hollow Ln	\$263,000
4181 South Dr	\$200,000
48660 Times Square Ct	\$240,000
2261 Town Center Rd	\$167,000
2061 Trinity Rd	\$253,000
43628 W Arbor Way Dr	\$118,000
46908 Wareham	\$346,000
43793 Westminster Way	\$181,000
41776 Wild Turkey Ln	\$164,000
63223 Willow Creek Dr	\$215,000

Farmington	
23069 Farmington Rd	\$245,000
31831 Grand River Ave	\$31,000
32718 Grand River Ave	\$68,000
22816 Maple St	\$179,000
32220 Marblehead St	\$151,000

Farmington Hills	
35248 Gary St	\$166,000
38390 Lowell Dr	\$310,000
30400 Patricia St	\$139,000
34903 Pennington Dr	\$275,000
23031 Purdue Ave	\$150,000
30755 Ridgeway Dr	\$190,000
21865 River Ridge Trl	\$180,000
21836 Rockwell St	\$128,000
32422 Sprucewood Ln	\$242,000
29309 Sunridge	\$270,000
37863 Wendy Lee St	\$120,000

Garden City	
29057 Block St	\$105,000
32365 Donnelly St	\$125,000
29543 Hermin St	\$142,000
32921 Kathryn St	\$110,000
32317 Windsor St	\$140,000

Livonia	
14835 Arcola St	\$196,000
33899 Bretton Dr	\$253,000
37182 Bretton Dr	\$280,000
9320 Cardwell St	\$210,000
29985 Curtis Rd	\$278,000
20186 Edgewood Ave	\$340,000
18675 Floral St	\$97,000
17495 Golfview St	\$215,000
36555 Grandon St	\$175,000
33128 Grenada St	\$180,000
38321 Hathaway St	\$193,000
39054 Lapham Dr	\$222,000
33130 Lyndon St	\$150,000
30206 Mason St	\$194,000
37047 Munger St	\$205,000
16601 Oak Dr	\$168,000
9849 Operto St	\$165,000
19297 Osmyus St	\$163,000
30941 Puritan St	\$250,000
39292 Ross St	\$188,000
16193 Swathmore Ln	\$235,000
18334 University Park Dr	\$107,000
18797 Whitby St	\$167,000
14149 Yale St	\$230,000

Northville	
1929 Scenic Dr	\$385,000
1962 Scenic Dr	\$520,000
1089 Winding Way Ct	\$550,000

Northville	
18220 Arselot Dr	\$355,000
15894 Augusta Ct	\$612,000
47455 Bellagio Dr	\$500,000
17151 Black Pine Dr	\$535,000
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113 Hampton Ct	\$300,000
16073 Johnson Creek Dr	\$244,000
41160 Knightsford Rd	\$283,000
46710 Merion Rd	\$748,000
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 <p>GREAT STARTER Charming ranch w/w/d floors, 3 large beds, deep fenced yard, appliances stay, & 1200 sq. ft. of living space. Motivated seller. Perfect for rental property! \$50,000 (P-612AN)</p>	 <p>LOTS OF ROOM 3 bd ranch offering a wonderful kitchen & dining area, huge Great Room, skylights, private lot, & Master w/bath. A must see! \$189,900 (P-615WI)</p>	 <p>CLEAN & WELL MAINTAINED Updates thru-out Euro style kitchen, recessed lighting, covered ceilings, hwd flooring, oversized Garage, 2 tiered Deck, & nicely finished bsmt. Home Warranty included. \$119,750 (C-874GL)</p>	 <p>COMPLETELY REMODELED Don't miss this charming, 3 bd bungalow w/ updates galore. Refinished hwd floors, new Kitchen, Liv Rm w/coved ceiling, fenced yard, & more. \$55,000 (P-875PI)</p>	 <p>VACANT LAND 37+ acres w/ city water & sewer at street. Call today for more details. \$375,000 (P-000WI)</p>	 <p>SUMPTER TWP LAND Excellent investment opportunity. 2 story Foyer, formal Liv & Din Rm, 2 WIC & bath, pool, & great location near back of complex. \$230,000 (P-345SU)</p>	 <p>JUST MOVE IN Beautiful tri-level featuring Living Rm w/bay window, updated Kitchen w/ granite, updated windows, furnace, C/A, updated bath, freshly painted, & great floor plan. \$110,000 (C-602WO)</p>	 <p>PARK LIKE SETTING A premium tract tucked away in a great Bloomfield sub. Well built home w/hwd floors, wet plaster, built-ins, 2 Patios, & situated on almost an acre. \$449,000 (P-674CO)</p>	 <p>6 BEDROOM MANSION Well maintained home in historic Boston Edison District. Large Liv Rm w/frpl, Din Rm, 3rd floor in-law suite, newer roof, freshly painted, 2 car Gar, Patio, fenced yard, & more. \$190,000 (P-217LO)</p>
 <p>TOWNHOUSE FOR LEASE Charming end unit just seconds from downtown Birmingham shopping & dining. All appl's, neutral decor, immed occupancy. \$925/mo (P-493FO)</p>	 <p>PRIVATE WOODED SETTING Contemporary decor w/handmade tile entry & fireplace surround. Hwd floors, finished lower level, white Kitchen, immed occupancy, pools, tennis, & basketball within walking distance. \$210,000 (P-1268R)</p>	 <p>CUL DE SAC LOCATION Check out this home featuring volume ceilings, open floor plan, neutral decor, maple Kitchen, Master Suite offering a huge WIC & bath w/6 ft tub! Northville Schools. \$365,000 (P-468RI)</p>	 <p>THIS HOME HAS IT ALL! Awesome home features an open Foyer, large Kitchen, Family Room w/frpl, Flex Room, spacious Master w/bath & large WIC, neutral t/c, & beautiful pond views. A must see! \$240,000 (P-183SH)</p>	 <p>SPACIOUS NORTHVILLE CONDO Clean & neutral t/c, 2 bd, 2 baths, fresh paint, updated roof, windows, granite, & marble floors. Updated WIC & bath, pool, & great location near back of complex. \$230,000 (P-345SU)</p>	 <p>TRANQUIL LOCATION Enjoy the peaceful setting on this large lot in Royal Pointe Sub. Inviting 2 story Foyer, formal Liv & Din Rm, 2 story Fam Rm w/dual frpl, island Kit w/nook, Master w/frpl & bath, new carpet, & Deck w/awning. \$379,900 (P-409TR)</p>	 <p>HANDYMAN SPECIAL Great opportunity in Westland. Almost a half acre of land, convenient location, some updates including furnace, hwh, Kitchen & bath. Needs some TLC but has loads of potential. \$110,000 (P-270WA)</p>	 <p>LIVONIA RANCH Beautiful, spacious ranch featuring 3 bd, 3 baths, Family Room w/frpl, Master w/bath, finished bsmt w/wetbar, 2nd Kit & bath. Lots of storage, great landscaping, & great location. \$209,000 (P-446YA)</p>	
 <p>GOLDEN OPPORTUNITY Lovely ranch end unit condo in Canton w/peaceful setting in back of complex. 2 bd, 2 baths, Master w/WIC, Liv & Din Rms, freshly painted, & more. Also avail for lease. \$118,900 (P-608LI)</p>	 <p>GARDENER'S & GOLFER'S DELIGHT Super brick ranch w/great yard. Either garden or relax & enjoy the view of the golf course. Great interior feat: cath ceilings, recessed lights, oak island Kitchen, Pella Windows, over 1900 sq ft, & super Deck. \$269,900 (P-001BE)</p>	 <p>BRICK BUNGALOW Charming updated home on beautiful street. Updated Kitchen, new Deck, hwd floors, lovely Master Suite w/lots of storage, appliances stay, & so much more. \$150,000 (P-837BE)</p>	 <p>FABULOUS FARMINGTON HILLS Gorgeous home featuring 4 bd, 2.5 baths, gourmet Kitchen w/all appl's, Nook w/doorwall leading to 3 tiered Deck, Fam Rm w/frpl & french doors, 2 car Deck, Master w/updated ceiling, sitting area, & Walk in. \$315,000 (P-700BL)</p>	 <p>UPDATED COLONIAL 2.5 bd, 2.5 bath home backing to lovely common area. Newer Kitchen w/tons of storage, newer windows, remod bath, newer C/A, neutral carpet, fresh paint, newer vinyl & roof. \$230,000 (P-601BO)</p>	 <p>BRICK RANCH W/FLORIDA ROOM Sweet little ranch needs some help to make it special. Already has 3 bds, bsmt is ready to be finished, Garage, hwd floors, & large Florida Rm. Just bring some ideas & make it yours. \$85,000 (P-136BR)</p>	 <p>ULTRA CLEAN CONDO Nice condo in popular Carolan Village. Living Rm w/bay window, freshly painted, updated white Kitchen, newer furnace & A/C, Master w/WIC, updated baths, & very usable floor plan. \$95,900 (P-081CA)</p>	 <p>FORD LAKEFRONT LIVING Cliffs Landing end unit ranch condo offers 3 bd, great lake views, huge Master, spacious Liv Rm w/frpl, updated windows, balcony, fresh paint, new carpet, & neighborhood pool. \$139,900 (P-655CL)</p>	
 <p>OUTSTANDING Stunning 4 bd, 3.5 bath colonial featuring a 2 story Great rm w/frpl, Kitchen w/granite & butler's pantry, Master w/2 WIC's & glamour bath, 3 car Garage, brick Patio, & Trex Deck. \$375,000 (P-335CO)</p>	 <p>LOVELY GARDEN CITY RANCH This 3bd ranch offers nice neutral decor thru-out, vinyl windows, roof (tear off in 2004), Ceramic bath & huge insulated 2 car garage. One year home warranty. Perfect starter home! \$122,900 (P-814DO)</p>	 <p>IMMACULATE TOWNHOUSE Upgrades galore w/hwd floors, contemporary colors, 2 Master Suites w/WIC, vaulted ceilings, gas frpl, bsmt w/glass block, & in extremely good condition. \$169,900 (P-394DF)</p>	 <p>DUPLEX OR SINGLE FAMILY HOME Whitmore Lake 1800 sq. foot, 4 bedrooms, 2 bath home is currently set up as a duplex but could easily be converted to a lrg single family home. Each level w/2 beds, 1bath, living room & kitchen. \$169,900 (C-315FA)</p>	 <p>GORGEOUS 5 BEDROOM CAPE Custom designed secluded home featuring 3.5 baths, 3 bay windows, granite & marble floors, vaulted ceilings, white kit w/granite tops & double oven, walkout bsmt, oversized deck, & more to list. \$448,000 (P-800FA)</p>	 <p>UPDATED RANCH Brick ranch w/updated windows, roof, furnace, & C/A. Large eat-in Kitchen w/light wood cabinets, Liv Rm w/hwd floors, part finished bsmt, 2 car det Garage, & fenced yard. \$109,900 (P-101HA)</p>	 <p>HOMES & GARDEN SPECIAL Magnificent home w/finished walkout overlooking nature preserve. Top of the line upgrades inc granite Kitchen, Corian Baths, brick paver Patio & walk, large Deck off Kitchen, crown moldings, & 3 car Garage. \$875,000 (P-743HI)</p>	 <p>A PERFECT GEM Great Canton condo features a cozy Living Room w/frpl, efficient Kitchen w/plenty of cab's & all appl, 1st floor laundry, private bsmt, & 1 car attached Garage. Also for lease. \$142,900 (P-484HU)</p>	
 <p>CUSTOM HOME ON WOODED LOT Popular Huron Hills sub boasting custom features like circular round top windows, 2 decks, garage, paver walkways, & more. Great Cape Cod floor plan w/3 bd, 2.5 baths. \$299,900 (P-630HU)</p>	 <p>SHARP LIVONIA RANCH Fantastic curb appeal on this 3 bd, 2.5 bath home set nicely in sub. Kitchen & Baths updated, neutral paint, new roof, doors, siding, & gutters. Bsmt w/bath, 2 car Garage, & more. \$161,900 (P-255IC)</p>	 <p>SUPER STARTER Turn key home w/super open floor plan, remod Kit & bath, beautifully finished bsmt, hwd in Liv Rm, updated furnace, C/A, hwh, windows, roof, large Deck overlooking yard, & oversized double lot. \$119,900 (P-688JA)</p>	 <p>YOU WON'T BELIEVE THIS HOUSE Great curb appeal & an amazing interior! Beautiful oak Kitchen w/all appliances, large bathroom, fresh paint, updated carpet, roof, furnace, C/A, & great yard. \$115,000 (P-217LI)</p>	 <p>WALK TO DOWNTOWN FARMINGTON Gorgeous home feat extensive hwd floors, neutral decor, finished bsmt, Jack & Jill bath, large rooms, Deck off Kit w/pavert & wooded setting, close to schools & shopping. \$229,916 (P-049ME)</p>	 <p>ROOM FOR EVERYONE! 4 bd colonial w/lots of space. Large Kit, spacious Fam Rm w/frpl, Master w/2 walk-ins, formal Liv Rm w/bay window, large Dining, 1st fl laun, fresh paint, newer carpet, & Ply-Can Schools. \$309,900 (P-325MI)</p>	 <p>CUSTOM BUILT COLONIAL Fabulous home on .acre lot, 3200 sq ft, 4 bd, 3.5 baths, 1st fl Master w/Jacuzzi tub, floor to ceiling windows, granite, marble, hwd floors, cherry Kit w/stain steel appl's, & convenient location. \$550,000 (C-362NO)</p>	 <p>AWESOME LOCATION Charming 2 bd Plymouth condo just 1 mile from downtown. Private Entrance, Anderson windows & doorwall, carport, low traffic location, newer hwh, & assoc dues inc water. \$100,000 (C-252PI)</p>	
 <p>SERENE SETTING Stunning cape cod situated on 7+ acres in Salem Twp offering a 1st floor Master w/bath & WIC, stunning Kitchen w/butler's pantry, 72x82 Pole Barn, 1st floor laundry, walkout bsmt, & on a private road. \$1,399,900 (C-610PR)</p>	 <p>LIVONIA BRICK RANCH Lovely area w/park, shopping, & schools nearby. Solid home w/3 bd, 1.5 baths, hwd floors under neutral carpet, finished bsmt w/half bath, & immediate occupancy. \$139,900 (C-698RI)</p>	 <p>TRANSFER FORCES SALE Sad seller has to part with this fabulous 3 bd West Dearborn home. Newer Pella windows, huge Master w/WIC, 2 updated baths, updated furnace & C/A, finished bsmt, & Deck. \$129,999 (C-644OR)</p>	 <p>UNEXPECTED FIND Nestled deep in the sub on low traffic cul de sac you'll find this Princeton model colonial w/traditional floor plan, Fam rm w/frpl, Master w/luxury bath, & WIC. Newly finished lower level w/bat & bath. \$298,000 (C-745SH)</p>	 <p>RARE OFFERING Wonderfully cared for Canton cape cod w/generous updates. 3 bd, 2 bath, neutral decor, spacious rooms, Fam Rm w/frpl & French doors, Deck off Deck, 1st fl Master, full bsmt, & 2 car att Garage. \$195,000 (C-608SO)</p>	 <p>COMMERCIAL/INVESTMENT Opportunity knocks! Own a commercial building in Plymouth's Olde Village! Great income possibilities for a great price with 2 units plus storage. Large lot. Call for details. \$299,000 (C-446ST)</p>	 <p>SHARP & CLEAN CONDO This 2 bd, 1 bath Ikea decorated condo is ready for you. Remodeled Kit, bath, newer windows, hwd floors, nice backyard, newer landscaping, full bsmt, & appliances stay. \$69,900 (C-022ST)</p>	 <p>IMMACULATE LIVONIA RANCH 3 bd; 2.5 bath brick ranch within walking distance to Laurel Park. Large fenced yard w/Patio, updated furnace, puron C/A, new driveway, open floor plan, finished bsmt w/bath, & 2 car Garage. \$269,900 (C-643VA)</p>	
 <p>DRESSED IN IT'S SUNDAY BEST Fabulous home featuring formal Living & Dining Rms, private Den, maple Kit w/granite, Master Suite w/ his & her WIC's, & professionally finished lower level. \$449,900 (C-308WE)</p>	 <p>CHARMING & IMMACULATE Don't make a final decision until you see this home! So many upgrades Kitchen, bathroom, roof, windows, sliding glass door, tiered Deck, Garage, finished bsmt, & more. \$159,900 (C-606WH)</p>	 <p>LIKE NEW! Impeccably clean & well maintained home. Family Rm w/frpl, French doors lead to Deck, vinyl insulated windows, new furnace, hwh, C/A, & gutters. Walk to schools & park. \$199,000 (C-811WH)</p>	 <p>CONTEMPORARY CONDO Sharp Arbor Village condo w/open floor plan, skylights, fireplace, appliances stay, part finished bsmt, private Deck, carport, & pets allowed. \$126,500 (C-538AR)</p>	 <p>2 YEARS NEW Builder upgrades to every room in this unit condo. Open spacious layout w/cathedral ceilings, upgraded lighting, carport, baths, kitchen, 3rd bd could be used as Den. Good location near clubhouse. \$169,900 (C-033AR)</p>	 <p>GREAT HOUSE Beautiful colonial shows like a model. 2 bd, 1.5 baths, updated Kitchen, newer carpet, vinyl windows, beautiful finished bsmt w/glass block, & fenced yard close to schools & parks. \$189,000 (C-569AV)</p>	 <p>PRICED RIGHT This 4 bd home features good sized rooms, newer furnace & hot water tank, almost 1200 sq ft, & is priced to sell. Would make a great starter or investment property. \$64,900 (C-248BA)</p>	 <p>CORNER LOT Nice 3 bd brick ranch w/full bsmt, 2 car Garage, Dining Room off Kitchen, covered Patio, & more. \$109,900 (C-208BA)</p>	
 <p>GORGEOUS COLONIAL Beautiful Colony Farms offers this 4 bd, 2.5 bath home, w/numerous updates. Close to schools & parks, beautiful landscaping w/mature trees & perennials, & just a short trip to downtown Plymouth. \$368,000 (C-017BA)</p>	 <p>ADORABLE! Very cute & clean brick ranch located in great neighborhood! This home offers: an updated Kitchen, remodeled bath, newer carpet, fresh paint, finished bsmt, newer windows, & landscaped yard. \$94,900 (C-032CE)</p>	 <p>COZY END UNIT RANCH Come check out this fabulous condo featuring vaulted ceilings, Master w/bath & WIC, oak Kitchen w/dining, att Garage, plenty of storage space, & area pool w/fitness center. \$129,900 (C-423CH)</p>	 <p>HOME SWEET HOME Fantastic 3 bd home offers a nice floor plan, hwd floors, huge Master bed, part finished bsmt, great location, & close to everything. \$139,900 (C-431CO)</p>	 <p>LOCATION LOCATION! Spectacular home nestled at the end of a court in popular Eagle Gardens. Vaulted gourmet Kit, Great Rm w/frpl, drwl leading to Deck w/view of woods, 1st fl Mast w/bath, & finished daylight bsmt. \$190,000 (C-115CR)</p>	 <p>GORGEOUS YARD! This home is in flawless condition w/ a yard to die for. Many updates t/o, hwd floors, new concrete driveway, unique built-in storage, & appliances stay. \$144,000 (C-993DR)</p>	 <p>A REAL PLEASER! Terrific, maintenance free brick ranch w/lots of quality updates. Vinyl windows, finished bsmt w/bath, 2.5 car Garage, cedar Deck, oversized lot, remod Kit, updated C/A, & more. Ates for lease. \$149,500 (C-600FL)</p>	 <p>PRICED FOR QUICK SALE Fantastic curb appeal & great location. Large fenced lot, newer windows, newer doors, over 1600 sq ft, spacious layout, 2 car Garage, & more. \$102,000 (C-245FO)</p>	
 <p>TERRIFIC BUY Nice 3 bd bungalow w/lots of updates including roof, C/A, furnace, windows, doors, & bath. Appliances stay, partly finished bsmt, 1.5 car Garage, & more. \$79,900 (C-053HA)</p>	 <p>BEAUTIFUL BUNGALOW This 3 bd, 2 bath home features a remod Kitchen, Central Air, updated elec, plumbr, hwh, roof, siding, carpet, flooring, & much more. Nothing left to do but move in! \$159,900 (C-307HO)</p>	 <p>GREAT NEIGHBORHOOD 3 bd, 2.5 bath ranch offering an open floor plan, Master w/bath, finished bsmt, Liv Rm w/frpl, 2 car attached Garage, huge yard, & Woodhaven Schools. \$135,000 (C-312IR)</p>	 <p>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)</p>	 <p>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 clean. \$129,000 (C-547LI)</p>	 <p>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. \$249,000 (C-151ME)</p>	 <p>BEAUTIFUL BRICK BUNGALOW When only the best will do...spacious floor plan offers 3 bd, Master w/bath, hwd floors, covered ceilings, Liv Rm w/frpl, updated bath, new windows & carpet, fresh paint, & updated elec. \$92,000 (C-421PI)</p>	 <p>COUNTRY SETTING 4 bd, 2 bath ranch situated on 2 acres & features 2 Garages, finished bsmt, new roof shingles, new carpet, 4 doorwalls, gazebo off Master, & large island Kitchen. \$269,900 (C-660TU)</p>	
 <p>OUTSTANDING HOME Beautiful cape cod in popular golf community, 4 bd, 4.5 bas, island Kit w/pantry, Open floor plan, custom window treatments, fab landscaping w/waterfall, Patio, Deck, & area pool. \$695,000 (P-304IN)</p>	 <p>WELCOME HOME! Beautiful 3 bd, 2.5 bath home w/oak Kitchen & breakfast bar, Fam Rm w/frpl, spacious Master w/vaulted ceiling & jetted tub, oasis-like yard w/stamped concrete Patio, & finishs dismt. \$234,900 (C-562MA)</p>	 <p>LOCATED ON A PRIVATE LOT Large Great Rm w/gas frpl, Dining Rm w/French doors, gourmet oak Kit w/nook & doorwall leading to cedar Deck. Builder put lots of extras here, don't miss out! \$300,000 (P-500MC)</p>	 <p>NEW CONSTRUCTION Enjoy main tree living at Woodbridge Estate Condos. Villas feature ranch style units w/1 car Garage & all appl's. Cape style feat: 3 bds, open floor plan, full bsmt, & 2 car att Garage. Come check these out! Starting at \$148,900 (P-000SO)</p>					

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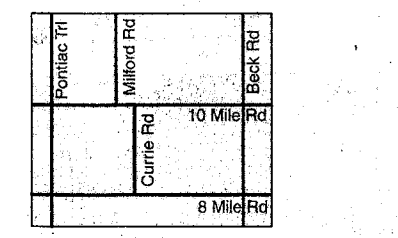
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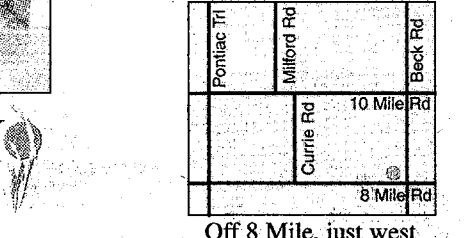
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 <p>CANTON \$474,900</p> <p>Gorgeous Pulte home, open flr plan w/ 4 br, 3.1 ba, 3571 sqft w/ all upgrades. Lrg island kit, dr, mstr ste. Princess ste w/ bath. Trex deck & 3 car gar</p> <p>MLS# 27173102 734-453-6800</p>	 <p>NORTHVILLE \$400,000</p> <p>Country In The City! 2.5 Car Att Gar/2 Car Detached, remod Kit w/Maple Cabs & Gran cntrs, remod Mstr Ba w/Jacuzzi & Half Ba w/limestone Fl & Cherry Cabs!</p> <p>MLS# 27188932 248-347-3050</p>	 <p>NORTHVILLE \$375,000</p> <p>2,900+ sq ft, 2 Str Foyer & Curved Strcase, Lrg FR w/Chldral Clgs & Fp, Kit w/Island, & Formal DR, Extensive H/W Flr, 1st Flr Ldry Rm, & Security system.</p> <p>MLS# 27110114</p>	 <p>NORTHVILLE \$325,000</p> <p>Imm occ! Updated landscaping, cpt t/o, hwd & crown mldg in lr/dr, updated lighting & appls t/o, cedar deck, uv coating on all windows & new paver walk!</p> <p>MLS# 27193004 248-347-3050</p>	 <p>CANTON \$299,750</p> <p>"Royal Pointe" 4 br, 2.1 ba Col backing to woods. Lg kit w/ lots of cbms, c-tops, isl & appls. Lux mstr w/ vld clg. FR w/ nat FP. Fin bsmt w/wet bar.</p> <p>MLS# 27191375 734-453-6800</p>	 <p>CANTON \$299,500</p> <p>4BR, 2.1BA Col w/in LL. Cheery Kit. FR w/slate FP. Pergo flrs in LR, DR, Kit & nook. New carpet 2007. Mstr w/vld clg & WIC w/custom organizers.</p> <p>MLS# 27190247 734-453-6800</p>
 <p>PLYMOUTH \$275,000</p> <p>Gorgeous trailwood colonial w/hardwood floors. Finished basement. Very clean & neutral. Immediate occupancy. Great price.</p> <p>MLS# 27183484 734-453-6800</p>	 <p>CANTON \$260,000</p> <p>Popular 4BR 2.5BA w/cozy parlour/living rm & den/office. Wood flrs t/o, maple cabs, corian & upgrade ceramic Part fshd bsmt. Backs to commons.</p> <p>MLS# 27190883 734-453-6800</p>	 <p>CANTON \$249,900</p> <p>Gorgeous 5BR 2BA contemp home, situated on 1 acre of private land. Fin bsmt, lg kit w/ island and refinished hwd flrs. 2 tier deck overlooks bckyard.</p> <p>MLS# 27153244 734-453-6800</p>	 <p>NORTHVILLE \$249,900</p> <p>Sharp Updated Colonial On Quiet Cul-de-sac Near Downtown Northville. Huge Gourmet Kitchen Newer Appls. Newer Windows. French Doors. Huge Deck.</p> <p>MLS# 27193845 734-453-6800</p>	 <p>FARMINGTON HILLS \$234,000</p> <p>STYLE, QUALITY, VALUE! Beautifully updated Kendallwood ranch. NEW kitchen, baths, windows, roof, & more! Enjoy Florida room & finished basement too!</p> <p>MLS# 27169195 248-360-1425</p>	 <p>LIVONIA \$204,900</p> <p>Exceptional 4BR colonial located in highly desirable Fairway Farms sub w/swim & tennis club. Features inch bay window, French drs & HDWD t/o.</p> <p>MLS# 27179474 734-453-6800</p>
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 <p>WESTLAND \$145,000</p> <p>1606 sq ft Colonial, 4BR, 1st flr Indry, completely gutted & remodeled in 2006, dbl lot survey done for split, Livonia schools! Seller concessions!</p> <p>MLS# 27192040 734-453-6800</p>	 <p>LINCOLN PARK \$140,000</p> <p>Classic home with a lot of charm and loving care. Large park-like yard, cove ceilings, leaded glass windows decorative archways. One of a kind!</p> <p>MLS# 27190492 734-453-6800</p>	 <p>REDFORD \$134,500</p> <p>Beautiful 3 BR brick Ranch with two full baths. Possible 4th BR in fin bsmt. F/P in LR. Updated furn, A/C & wndws. Appliances included.</p> <p>MLS# 27159571 734-453-6800</p>	 <p>SOUTHFIELD \$129,900</p> <p>Beautiful Cranbrook Village ranch. A must see! Hwdw flrs t/o w/uptd kit & baths. Fin bsmt w/home entertainment rm. Home Warr. Make an appt today!</p> <p>MLS# 27156399 734-453-6800</p>	 <p>REDFORD \$109,800</p> <p>Priced Right! First time homeowner's delight. Bright & airy living rm., 3 BRs, loads of updates, new appliances & finished basement. Move in & enjoy.</p> <p>MLS# 27186432 248-646-1800</p>	 <p>MELVINDALE \$83,000</p> <p>Super sharp 3BR, 1BA ranch. Move-in condition! Newer kitchen, partially finished bsmt, extra storage in attic. Fenced backyard, 1 car garage.</p> <p>MLS# 27191638 734-453-6800</p>

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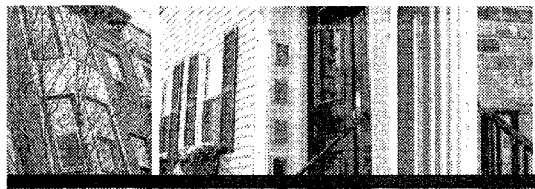
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 - Step on it
 - Geometry find-ing
 - Peanut covering
 - — roll (lucky)
 - Says for sure
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 - Mellow fruit
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 - Cheerleading yell
 - "Tiki"
 - Top
 - Wyoming range
 - Little Rock's st.
 - Adjust a clock
 - Dowser's tool
 - Started over
 - Prefix for two
 - Grand total
 - A great many
 - Garish
- DOWN**
- Freddy Krueger's street
 - Gold, in chem.
 - Not on time
 - One-celled plants
 - Gorgeous
 - Menacing sound
 - Joie de vivre
 - Horrible boss
 - "I" trouble
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 - Food fish
 - John — Passos
 - Flapjack chain
 - Playing card
 - Spruce up
 - "Fatha" Hines
 - Before, to Blake
 - Jumped high
 - Hotel conveniences
 - Hummed
 - Not just my
 - Dutch airline
 - Subway oppo-sites
 - Note after mi
 - Pleased sigh
 - Morse code signal
 - Love — first sight
 - Rolling stone
 - Fit of pique
 - Malden or Marx
 - Two-color cookie
 - Digital watch display
 - Gobbler, maybe
 - Edging past
 - Sugarcane product
 - Madame — Barry
 - Horses pull it
 - Toted
 - Social mores
 - Baseball assn.
 - Pay — you go
 - Like good cheddar
 - Cornstarch brand
 - Son of Aphrodite
 - NBA official
 - Stein filler
 - FedEx truck
 - DC gun lobby

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Level: Beginner

Here's How It Works:
Sudoku puzzles are formatted as a 9x9 grid, broken down into nine 3x3 boxes. To solve a sudoku, the numbers 1 through 9 must fill each row, column and box. Each number can appear only once in each row, column and box. You can figure out the order in which the numbers will appear by using the numeric clues already provided in the boxes. The more numbers you name, the easier it gets to solve the puzzle!

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FIND THESE WORDS IN THE PUZZLE BELOW.

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CHECK YOUR ANSWERS HERE

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8	1	7	4	7	2	6	3	9
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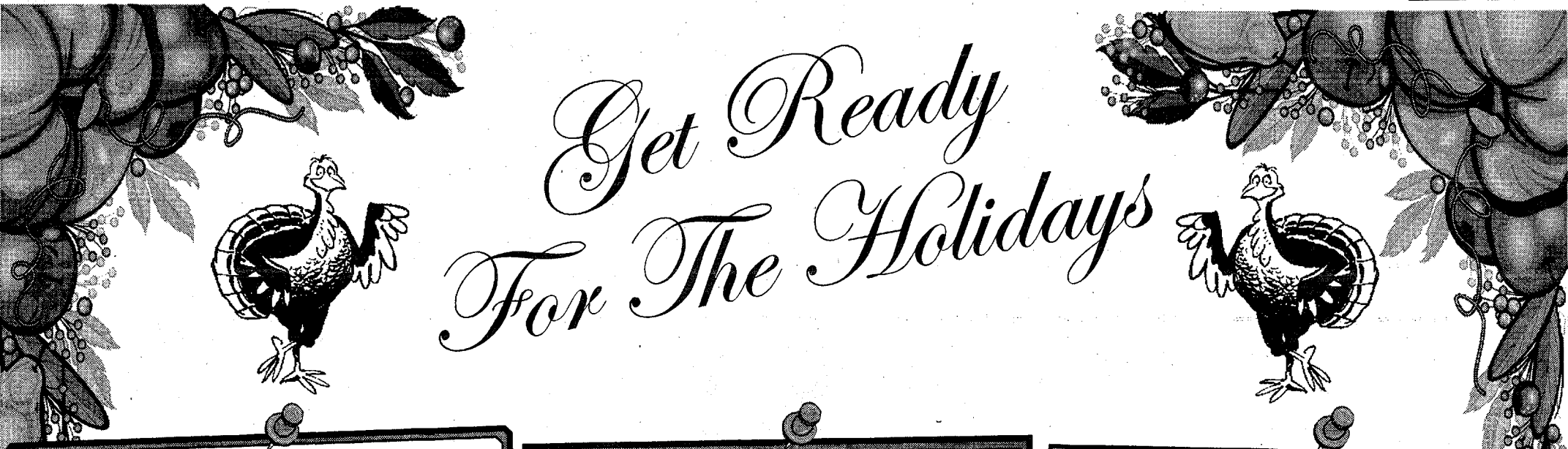
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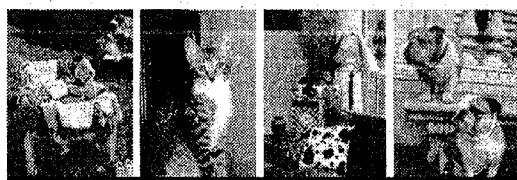
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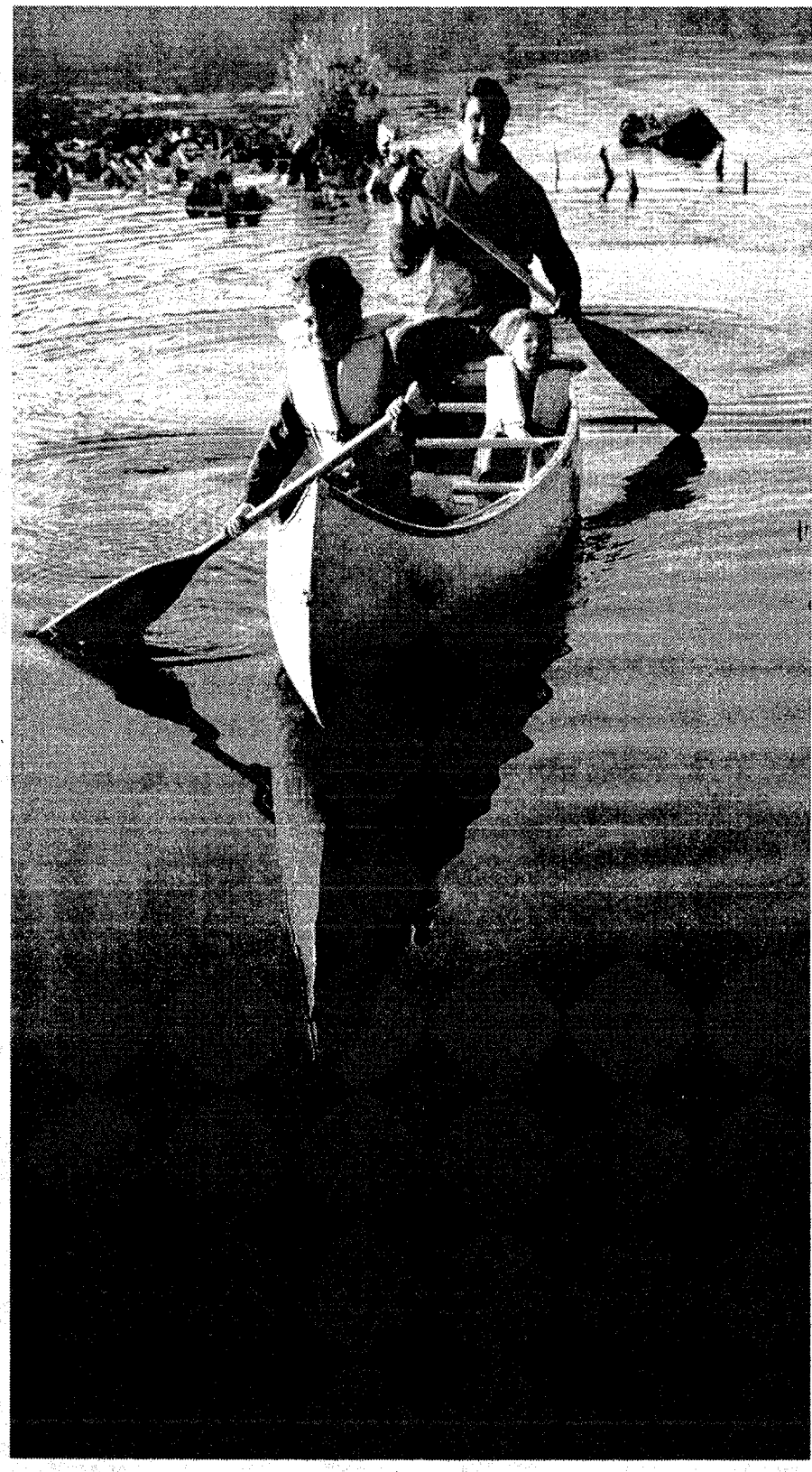


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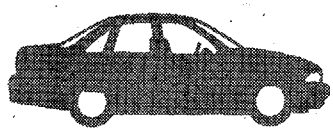
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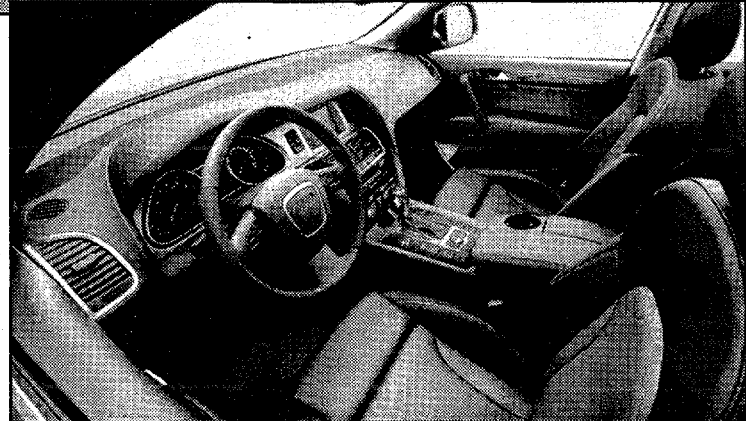


By Dale Buss



Audi's Q7 represents the high-water mark of the luxury-crossover segment.

The spacious and refined interior of the Q7 is appealing to American buyers.



Now that it's pretty clear the era of the big, lumbering SUV is coming to an epochal close, it's equally translucent that crossover vehicles are replacing them in America's garages – and minds – forever.

And there's no larger testament to this fact than what's happening at the upper end of the market. Every luxury make now has a representative vehicle in the field that combines car-like handling characteristics with some of the classic advantages of sport-utility vehicles, including passenger and cargo space.

They include the Buick Enclave, which probably should be classified as near-luxury rather than truly upper-end – but which is keeping GM production humming with surprisingly robust demand. So are the sibling GMC Acadia and Saturn Outlook crossover vehicles. And those aren't to mention what is arguably GM's best vehicle overall, the crossover Cadillac SRX.

Of course, Ford also has fielded the MKX crossover, which I'm seeing all over town in a striking new color that Lincoln is calling Crème Brûlée. Japanese makes also have become strong in luxury crossovers, including the Lexus 350, Acura MDX and Infiniti FX.

But this segment also is where German makers are finding an appreciative audience of Americans who like how they combine the classic attributes of great performance engineering with a new generation of amenities in a fresh and winning formula. Mercedes-Benz, BMW and Audi are all helping to take the appeal of crossovers to higher new levels in the U.S. market.

The best of the lot may well be the Audi Q7 4.2. This crossover combines the classic sustained power that is evident in Audi's fine sedans with a deft understanding of the cargo-hauling capacity and luxury touches that American buyers require to be fully satisfied.

In fact, let's start with cargo capacity rather than horsepower. Audi understood the U.S. market well enough to make the Q7 200 inches long and with a 118-inch wheelbase, which exceeds the related Volkswagen Touareg's by nearly six inches. Its curb weight is a hefty 5,269 pounds. A cargo area that is wide, deep and flat holds 144.1 cubic feet of luggage with the rear seats folded flat, 27.4 cubic feet in a five-person configuration,

and 10. cubic feet with all three rows erect. Now, that's haulin'!

Of course, it's under the hood where the Q7, true to its heritage, impresses even more. The new 4.2-liter V-8 engine delivers 345 horsepower and 325 lb.-ft. of torque, more than enough to move this pretty substantial vehicle with requisite alacrity and, in highway-cruising mode, you almost forget the engine is running – it is that smooth.

Now, that power comes with a cost – the Q7's EPA-rated gas mileage is only 14mpg in the city and 19mpg on the highway – but it's not obscenely gas-hogging. And it's worth noting that among Q7's many interesting technological advances is a feature that lowers the body at highway speeds by up to 1.4 inches to reduce drag and fuel consumption.

Among its performance features, Q7 also features Adaptive Cruise Control Plus, a state-of-the-art system which offers drivers not only the conventional advantages of cruise control but which also delivers the ultimate in auto-pilot capabilities. As I demonstrated to myself and my passenger family several times, Adaptive Cruise Control allows an aggressive driver to stay up to speed with traffic without tailgating – because the car's computer automatically will keep you a proper distance

from vehicles ahead. And, if necessary, Adaptive Cruise Control will bring you to an abrupt top.

Q7 sported a whole bagful of amenities, including highly effective lumbar controls on the front seats and helpful night lights inside and out. I'm still getting used to Audi's mid-console "joy button" that controls just about all the electronic functions of the vehicle. And I really wasn't happy with how difficult it was to use that control to govern the vehicle's defroster – in fact, I never did quite figure it out.

One other nit to pick: It's very handy that, as with many high-end SUVs and crossovers, you can open the rear hatch automatically from the key fob. But what is galling about the Q7 is that you can't use the key fob to automatically close the hatch once you open it. The only way to shut it is to reach up to the bottom inside lip of the door and hit a switch which, then, automatically closes it. The real big problem is that you have to be of at least average height to have any real chance of hitting that switch – unless you're a high jumper with an accurate touch with your outstretched fingertips!

Anyway, that's something Audi can correct in the next-generation Q7. In the meantime, for as much as \$65,000 for the version I drove, you can get a very great ride indeed from the 2007 version.

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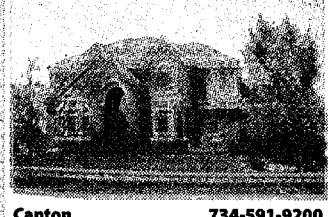
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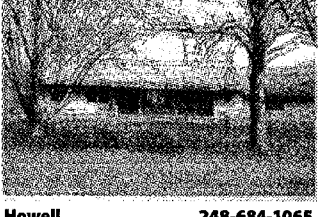
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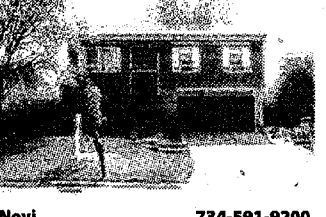
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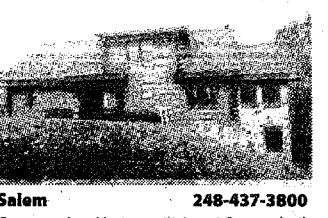
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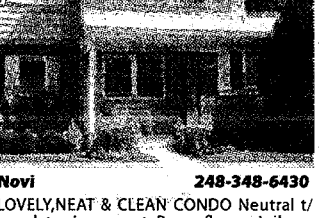
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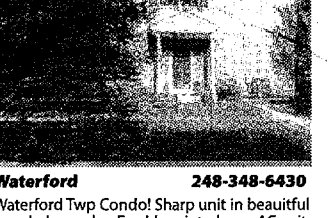
Inkster 734-326-2000
HERE'S THE STARTER 4 U!! A very nice brick ranch with full finished basement, 2 car garage and remodeled kitchen and bath, all on a nice size lot facing the park.
(27132957) \$89,900



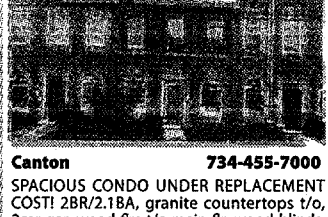
Novi 248-348-6430
LOVELY, NEAT & CLEAN CONDO Neutral t/o, updates inc: carpet, Pergo floor, windows, dryer, paint, private location backing to woods, private entrance.
(27131092) \$123,000



Salem 248-437-3800
NEW CONSTRUCTION! Small town atmosphere, close to x-ways. Great room open to kitchen with snack bar. 3 story staircase. Finished walkout lower level, custom landscaping, horse barn and more.
(27096130) \$174,900



Waterford 248-348-6430
Waterford Twp Condo! Sharp unit in beautiful wooded complex. Freshly painted, new AC unit. All appliances stay. Great rent alternative!
(27140359) \$117,117



Canton 734-455-7000
SPACIOUS CONDO UNDER REPLACEMENT COST! 2BR/2.1BA, granite countertops t/o, 2car gar, wood flrs t/o main flr, wood blinds, nickel fixtures, maple cabs, etc. All this + scenic setting. Priv clubhouse!
(27182047) \$179,900



Garden City 734-326-2000
WELL CARED FOR RANCH w/updt BA, newer laminate kit fl, & dnng area. New carpet in LR. Freshly painted. High eff. furnace & C/A. Fin bsmt w/lav, newer wndws, in-ground sprinklers.
(27026708) \$122,400



Milford 734-591-9200
A STUNNING LOG HOME On 4 Acres. 5 Bdrms, 4 Baths. Huge Mstr Bdrm. Hrdwd Flrs, 6th Bdrm In Fin W-o W/hot Tub. Furn 05, C/a 06. All Appls Stay. Gigantic 59x40 Pole Barn 1200 Sq Ft Of Office.
(27106220) \$807,900



Pinckney 248-437-3800
Sharp starter colonial! Remodeled and redecorated in 2007 w/updated kitchen, bath stainless appliances, finished basement, landscaping, windows, doors, lighting, paint and more.
(27195994) \$169,900



South Lyon 248-437-3800
Spectacular Family Home! This home has open floor plan, great room w/soaring ceilings, stone natural fireplace and built in entertainment center. Beautiful corner lot! A must see!!
(27178429) \$284,500



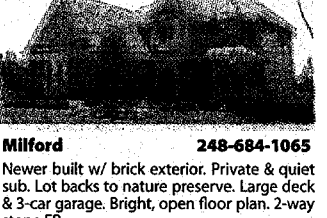
West Bloomfield 248-348-6430
Beautiful End Unit w/hardwood flrs, granite kitchen, marble foyer & 1/2 bath, new carpet upstairs, freshly painted t/o, peaceful location deep in complex.
(27126612) \$189,900



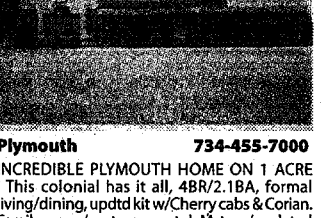
Canton Twp 734-455-7000
SPACIOUS CONDO! All 3 bedrooms have a private bath. Great kitchen, all appliances stay. Deck, 2car garage, loft and basement. Great room is 2 stories high. Immediate Occupancy!
(27130823) \$225,000



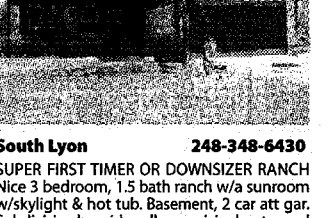
Garden City 734-326-2000
DON'T LET THIS BARGAIN SLIP AWAY!!! a 3 bedroom cape cod colonial on a double lot with a remodeled kitchen, formal dining room, first floor laundry, 30x20 master bedroom and a 3 car garage.
(27104734) \$119,900



Milford 248-684-1065
Newer built w/ brick exterior. Private & quiet sub. Lot backs to nature preserve. Large deck & 3-car garage. Bright, open floor plan. 2-way stone FP.
(27161770) \$385,000



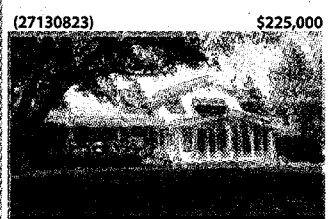
Plymouth 734-455-7000
INCREDIBLE PLYMOUTH HOME ON 1 ACRE! This colonial has it all. 4BR/2.1BA, formal living/dining, updt kit w/Cherry cabs & Corian. Family rm w/custom mantel. Mstr w/updated BA & WIC. 2car att gar.
(27056647) \$309,900



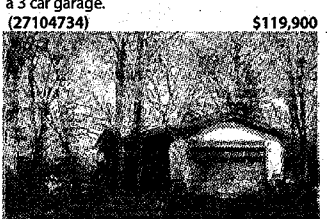
South Lyon 248-348-6430
SUPER FIRST TIMER OR DOWNSIZER RANCH Nice 3 bedroom, 1.5 bath ranch w/sunroom w/skylight & hot tub. Basement, 2 car att gar. Subdivision has sidewalks, municipal water and sewer. Fenced yard w/shed.
(27038055) \$169,900



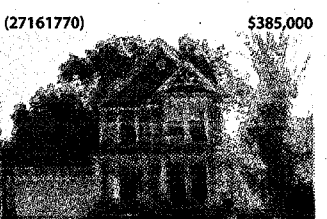
Westland 248-348-6430
BEAUTIFUL BARKRIDGE GLEN CONDO 2 br, 1 ba. Fresh paint & carpet. Good location in back of complex. All appliances. Move in condition.
(27106995) \$89,900



Commerce 248-684-1065
Lake Sherwood frontage. On quiet cul-de-sac. Open flr plan. Over 3000 sq ft of living space. Kit w/brkt area open to FR open to 3 season rm. LL w/ rec rm.
(27108164) \$389,000



Hamburg 248-437-3800
Great Family home! Newly remodeled main floor. New kitchen and bath. Finished walkout basement with full bath. Beautifully landscaped including 3 ponds. Open Sunday 12-4.
(27028879) \$229,999



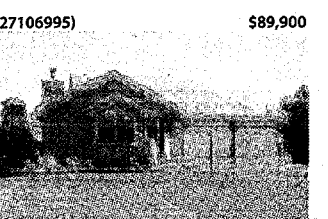
Milford 248-684-1065
Original builder's model. Open flr plan. Great for entertaining. Maple hdwd t/o main flr. Maple cabs. Granite island kit w/ SS appls. Crown moulding.
(27168384) \$369,000



Plymouth 734-455-7000
TWO PLYMOUTH HOMES FOR THE PRICE OF ONE! Two separate houses on one lot in downtown Plymouth. Live in one - rent the other! Numerous updates in main house. Other home continually rented.
(27097266) \$199,900



South Lyon 248-437-3800
Charming Home downtown! New windows, doors, refinished original hardwood floors, new drywall and remodeled master suite. Just add your finishing touches!
(27165531) \$139,500



White Lake 248-348-6430
Meticulous White Lake Ranch Nearly 1,500 sq ft 3 BR brick ranch in wooded/rolling sub. GR w/fp, kit w/ bsmt rm, 1st flr Indry rm & beautiful fin walkout bsmt. Huge gar & lg lot! Move right in!
(27190589) \$249,900



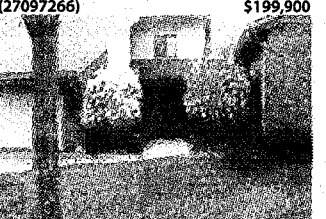
Davison 248-684-1065
Open floor plan w/ peaceful wooded view from deck. Many updates in '07: carpet, kitchen, dining rm, bath flooring, vanity, patio, paint. Move-in condition.
(27186724) \$78,900



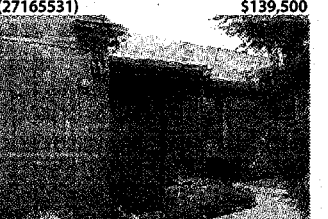
Highland 248-684-1065
Brand new, never occupied. Custom, 1st flr mstr condo w/ finished w/o. Full bath on ea. level. Granite kitchen w/ all appl. Wine cellar. W/O plumbing for wet bar.
(27188642) \$445,754



Novi 248-348-6430
Graceful Living on Walled Lake Enjoy entertaining or just relaxing on Beautiful Walled Lk. Kit w/ cherry cabinets, granite counters, GR w/vaulted clg, hdwd fls t/o. Mstr w/huge glamour BE.
(27103358) \$675,000



Plymouth 734-455-7000
LOOKING FOR A COUNTRY ATMOSPHERE? This is it! Lake-like pond with hundred-year-old trees. Dynamic layout, 2 bedrooms, both with private full bath. Finished basement. 3rd bath w/hotpool tub!
(27139196) \$187,450



South Lyon 248-437-3800
55+ Community Well kept unit w/walkout to wooded area - Close to lake. Finished lower level with gas fireplace. Spacious living room, central air. One car garage.
(27153149) \$139,000



White Lake 248-684-1065
Lg kit w/ vault cell, recessed lights & oak cabs. DR w/ D/W to deck. GR w/ vault cell & gas fp. Fin W/O LL w/ full ba, bar, FR & BR/office. Priv yard.
(27168751) \$198,995



Farmington 248-348-6430
CLASSIC VINTAGE VICTORIAN 3 BR, 2 BA. What a gem! Original hdwd flrs refinished, updt electrical, windows, HWH, formal DR & LR, carriage/barn/garage w/900 sq ft, spacious fenced yard.
(27029053) \$279,900



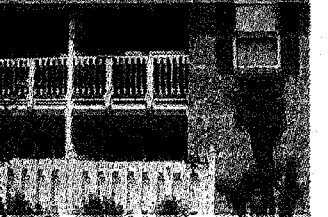
Highland 248-684-1065
Beautiful 4 BDRM colonial overlooking wooded yard. Lrg. mst w/jet bath. Impressive living area w/ dining rm & french doors. Crn moldings/high ceilings.
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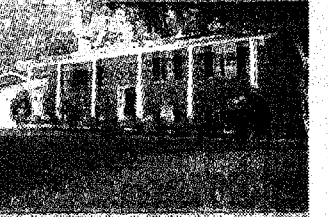
Novi 248-437-3800
Detached Condo/End Unit! Everything you could want and more in a desirable community. Cozy kitchen, first floor laundry. Fireplace in fully finished basement with wet bar.
(27118421) \$289,500



Plymouth 734-591-9200
Fantastic House with a Fantastic Price Priced for a fast sale. 3 BR Brick ranch in lovely Plymouth area. Eat in kit, FR w/FP & DW & 12x10 sunroom. Separate LR fin bsmt w/1.5 BA, 2.5 gar. Updates galore!
(27190507) \$165,000



South Lyon 248-437-3800
Well maintained ranch condo Freshly painted unit in quiet location close to pool. Beautifully decorated, most appliances stay. Large storage room in unit.
(27108180) \$118,000



Whitmore Lake 248-437-3800
Split Level on quiet wooded lot! Home backs to nature preserve and has tons to offer. Updated kitchen cabinets & counters, all new appliances, hardwood floors, both bathrooms, roof and more.
(27128089) \$248,800

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Enjoy unlimited music on Web with services

Are music-subscription services dying? In a once-crowded field, only two major players remain: Napster and Rhapsody. MTV Urge and Virgin Red Pass folded earlier this year, while Yahoo Music Unlimited looks barely alive.

Microsoft's Zune Pass gets an overhaul later this month, but for now it's a fairly anemic service only a Zune owner could love.

Napster and Rhapsody, both recently updated, offer enormous music libraries (roughly 5 million songs apiece), plenty of preprogrammed playlists and radio stations, the convenience of browser-based streaming, and sync compatibility with a variety of portable players.

So which service rocks hardest? It's a close call, but ultimately Rhapsody won my heart — and my ears.

Rhapsody's basic subscription costs \$12.99 per month, while Napster's runs \$9.95. However, both services charge \$15 per month for their To Go plans, which add the highly desirable option to copy unlimited songs to a compatible player. (Sorry, no iPods, but most other players will work.)

Whether you go basic or To Go, you'll have the option of listening to music using any Web browser on any PC. That's a welcome change from having to install client software (which is still necessary if you want to manage a music library, burn CDs, etc.).

Just by signing into your account, you can stream tunes on your home or work PC, a friend's PC, or whatever PC you happen to be using. Both services support Windows, Mac, and even Linux systems, though Rhapsody's client software is Windows-only.

Rhapsody's browser-based player displays track info, album art, playback controls, and the current playlist. But it doesn't show the album name, a curious oversight.

Of course, it's the Rhapsody site itself where you browse and discover music. Elegant and easy to navigate, this portal dishes up canned and personal playlists, music videos, and the My Rhapsody section.

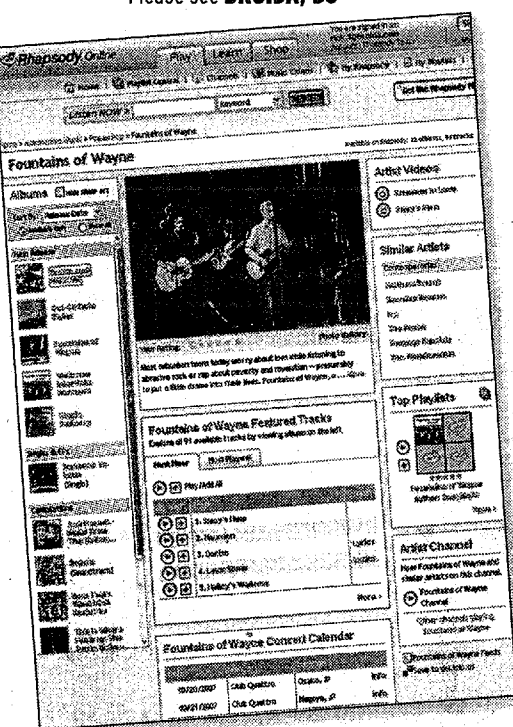
My Rhapsody presents a personalized version of the Rhapsody portal, offering recommended new releases, your playlists, your track history, and a cool feature called Instant Playlist: a custom playlist based on songs you've rated. Napster offers none of this kind of personalization.

Rhapsody also trumps Napster in the video department: The Music Videos page includes new releases, multiple spotlight artists, browsing by genre and artist, and keyword searches. The only hitch is that you can't watch videos unless you've installed RealPlayer.

I guess that's understandable given that Real owns Rhapsody, but I'd prefer it if I could watch videos in the Rhapsody client instead of installing yet another program.

Speaking of the client, it closely resembles its Web counterpart. You still need it for things like managing an MP3 library, burning and ripping CDs, buying

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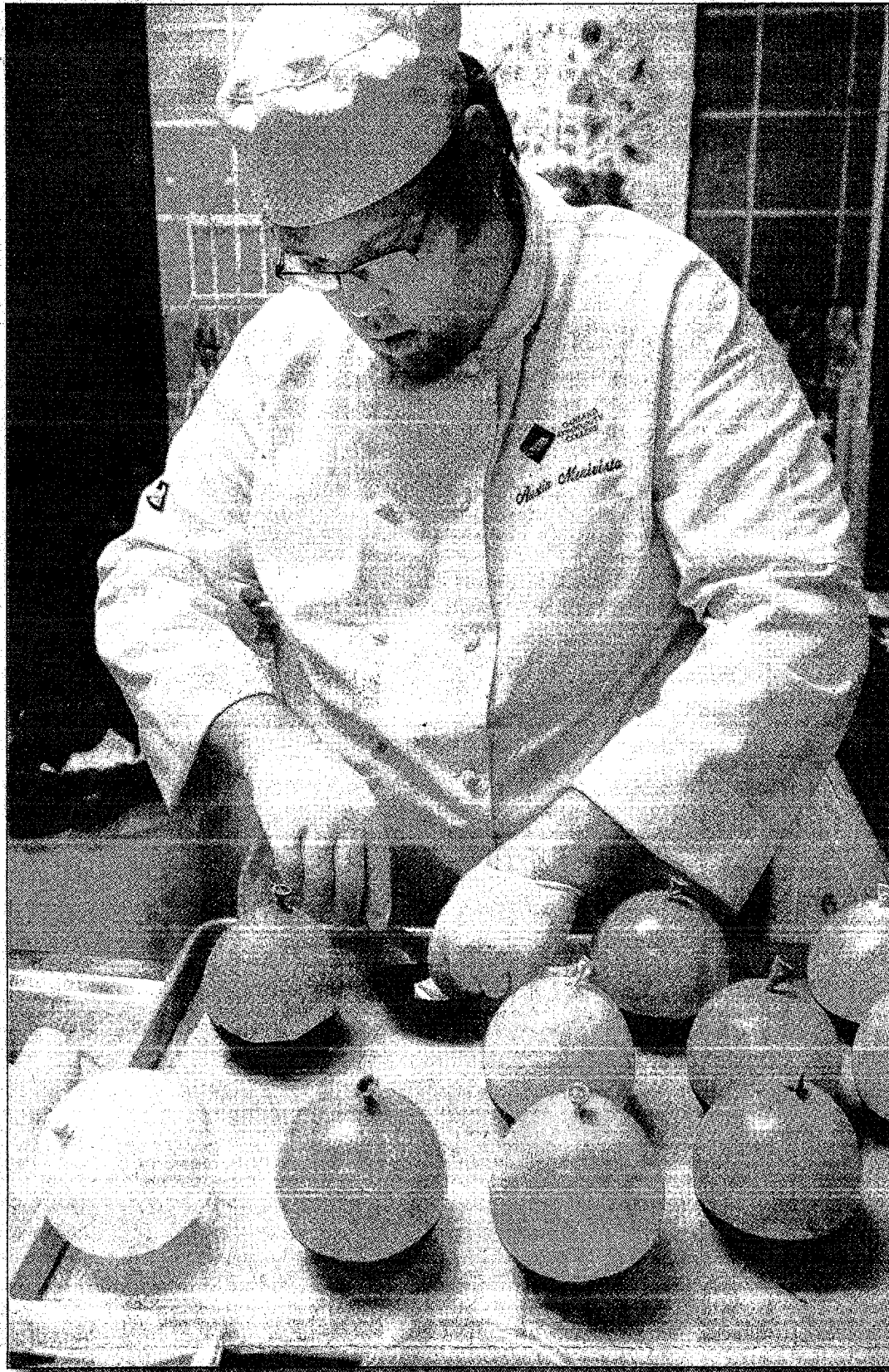


A dream come true for music lovers, Rhapsody serves up nearly 5 million songs and lets you listen to them via your Web browser.



Tech Savvy

Rick Broida



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Austin Merivirta uses balloons to make tempered chocolate cups for his coffee mousse.

OCC students cook coffee culinary creations

The six student/chefs at Oakland Community College's Culinary Studies Institute had their plates lined up, taking calculated steps to meet a fast-approaching deadline.



Ken Abramczyk

Rosa Henry sauteed a Coffee BBQ Scallop, then plated it with mustard greens and black bean relish.

Casey McAnuliffe sauteed and roasted pork tenderloin, paired

with an apple brulee salad. Mino Yamaguchi rolled up an Asian Duck Wrap, finished with coffee currant sauce and ginger pumpkin flan.

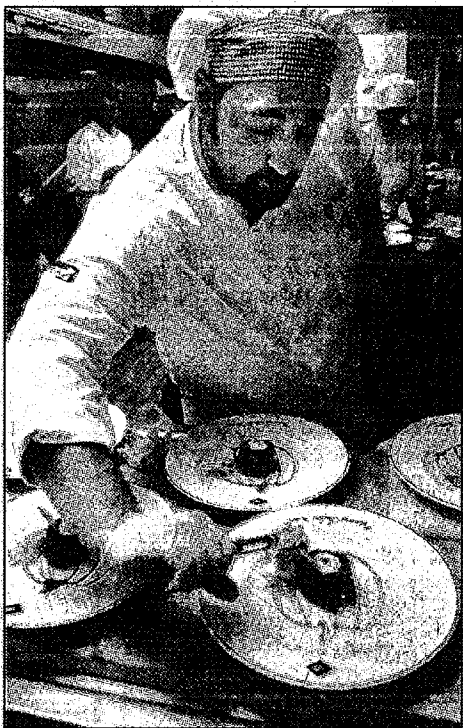
For desserts, Brett Dolce baked Autumn Morning, a ginger and pumpkin-spiced latte torte with a French vanilla cream tuile (cookie) accompanied with a pumpkin-spiced caramel sauce. Sheri Merritt created an Apple Napoleon, a coffee pastry cream mousseline poached apple compote with ganache and chocolate garnish. Austin Merivirta finished up a Cafe Tone, consisting of a coffee mousse served in a chocolate cup with a hazelnut tuile, accompanied by a raspberry caramel sauce.

"Ten minutes," said Roger Holden, chef-instructor at OCC's Culinary Studies Institute, announcing the time left for when

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Mino Yamaguchi carves duck breast for her Asian Duck Wrap served with a coffee currant sauce.



Brett Dolce adds a scoop of french vanilla ice cream to his "Autumn Morning," a ginger and pumpkin-spiced latte torte with pumpkin-spiced caramel sauce. Dolce won the dessert competition.

ACCENTS

Goodwill Industries hosts Antiques Show

ROCHESTER — More than 50 premier antiques exhibitors from across the country will gather to sell their wares at the 60th Annual Goodwill Antiques Show Nov. 9-11 at the Shotwell-Gustafson Pavilion at Oakland University in Rochester. Investment quality antiques on sale will include Americana, Continental and English furniture and accessories, fine art, folk art, pottery, jewelry, Oriental decoratives, silver, glass, china, pewter and toys. The show benefits Goodwill Industries of Greater Detroit. Hours are 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Friday; 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday; and 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Sunday. A Preview Party (\$80-\$200) will offer "first choice" shopping, plus a strolling supper and beverages 7-10 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 8. General admission tickets are \$10 and parking is free. For more information, call (248) 909-1492, or visit www.goodwillantiqueshow.com

Kingswood stages 37th Giftorama

BLOOMFIELD HILLS — Get a head start on holiday shopping at the 37th Annual Kingswood Giftorama, Nov. 9-11 at Kingswood School in Bloomfield Hills. Of the 53 vendors included in the show, 20 are from Michigan. Look for unique tassels from Far Hill Studio of Clawson; delicious Michigan cherry products from Cherry Republic in Glen Arbor; totes and planners from The Organized Parent of Rochester Hills; unique Isreali jewelry from Patooties of Birmingham; Machus Salad Dressing from Machus Red Fox; and Penzo pottery from EllieBeans of Birmingham. A cafe and free coat check also are included. Show hours are 9 a.m.-6 p.m. Saturday and 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Sunday, with \$7 admission. A champagne opening (\$85 per person) will be held 6-10 p.m. Friday, Nov. 9. All proceeds benefit Cranbrook Schools. For more information, visit www.giftorama.org.

Girl Scouts sell more than cookies

Everybody knows about Girl Scout cookies, but not everyone knows about the Girl Scouts Fall Product Sale Program, which features a variety of items (mostly edible) that make great gifts. Through Nov. 18, Girl Scouts will set up booths at various locations to sell items like wall calendars, honey roasted peanuts, fruit slices, (all \$5); pecan supremes, chocolate covered peanuts and trail mix (all \$6); chocolate covered almonds, giant cashews and mint trefoils in a 95th anniversary tin (\$8 each), and cranberry trail mix in a decorative tin (\$18). The sale helps girls learn to set goals, make decisions and serve the public as well as earn money for troop activities. Visit www.gsosmd.org to find a booth near you or call (313) 972-GIRL.

Don't be fearful – microchips aren't dangerous for pets

Fear sells. The media loves fear. They try to find every way possible to use fear to make a story more important.

Usually this tactic serves merely as a mild annoyance to me. It's kind of fun watching the news to see what simple household product is going to kill us all today.

Recently, however, I was faced with a report that pretty much floored me.

A columnist with Newsday reported that microchips, which are identification devices injected under the skin of pets, have been linked to cancer in some studies.

Now I get to try to calm clients who are worried about their pet getting cancer because of that demon microchip. I also have to get through another layer of doubt when telling people about the way microchips can help get your pet home to you.

In the article, the columnist cited a 1998 study of 177 mice that had a 10 percent cancer rate post chipping. A 2006 French study showed a 4.1 percent rate in 1,260 microchipped mice. Also, a German study in

1997 showed a 1 percent cancer rate in 4,279 mice. None of these studies had a control group of non-microchipped mice. This means there is no way to tell if the cancer was caused by the chips or not.

In the Oct., 2007 Veterinary Practice News, Rosemary LoGiudice, DVM, a director within the American Veterinary Medical Association said they had discussed the situation, and found the research to be "flawed."

"It would be a wiser course of action to put energy into an actual issue instead of drumming up accusations where there is no cause for alarm," she is quoted in the article. "This is a non-issue."

She also points out the species problem. "The particular strain of mice used in the research is predisposed to cancer and is not a reflection of the animals in the population."

There have been four cases of cancer forming in the area where the microchips were given, according to Cheryl London, veterinary oncologist at Ohio State University.

"Even if the four potential cases were scientifically determined to be linked to the microchip, the rate would be almost immeasurable at about 1 sarcoma and 2.5 million successes," London said.

Veterinary pathologist Larry McGill, DVM adds that the rate of sarcomas supposedly caused by

microchips "isn't even close to the rate of spontaneous (occurring without a reason) sarcomas forming in pets."

The article also quotes Gayle Vaney, speaking for the Dane County Humane Society, saying, "Veterinary hospitals and animal organizations across the board have sponsored microchipping clinics, and adverse reactions have not been reported."

The DCHS, located in Wisconsin, reportedly finds homes for more than 300 pets a month, all with microchips, and has never had a reported concern.

The article adds that about 8,000 pets a month are returned to their owners in the U.S. thanks to microchips.

The Newsday article recommended tattooing, which has drawbacks.

What do you tattoo on the animal? A phone number? There really isn't one great national tattoo registry so someone can call and say, "I have dog with tattoo number 123456789."

Also, dogs tend not to just sit there while they get their ink, despite the Newsday report that placing a tattoo is painless.

Thus, sedation is often required to get numbers placed that might never do any good.

Personally, I have never seen a problem with microchips. Neither has my wife, also a vet. That's 32 years

of practice between us. None of my colleagues I have asked have ever had a health issue coming from a chip.

Thus I recommend that everyone take this report with a grain of salt, as you should with any report that tries to frighten you with some obscure research.

Here it's obvious to see where the scientific method was ignored or forgotten, and where someone reported something that was not yet worthy of being reported.

Just remember this the next time someone reports that there's a research study that shows that smoking is good for you, or that butterflies landing on your arm can cause goiters, or that watching daytime television can make you sick.

No, come to think of it, I believe that last one.



About Animals

Dr. Brad Davis

Dr. Brad Davis is the Medical Director for the VCA of Garden City, 2085 Inkster Road, Garden City, MI 48135. Feel free to write him there with questions and comments. He is also one of the hosts of the nationally syndicated radio show Animal Talk. Visit the web site at www.AnimalTalkRadio.com. Send E-mail questions or comments with your e-mail address to Questions@animaltalkradio.com.

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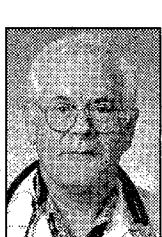
HOME CALENDAR

Home for the Holidays
Tour a spectacular 7,300-square-foot home designed by Victor Saroki & Associates as South Oakland Shelter hosts A Home for the Holidays Nov. 9-11. The tour of the European style Tudor house, located in Bloomfield Open Hunt Club Estates, will benefit organizations helping the homeless in Southeast Michigan. Tickets are \$20 in advance; \$25 at the door. A Home Tour Preview Party will kick off Homeless Awareness Week in Michigan 6-9 p.m. Nov. 8. The festive evening will feature a leisurely sneak preview of the Chase Lane home and holiday table settings along with music, refreshments, hors d'oeuvres and valet parking. \$125 per person. For more information call (248) 546-6566 or e-mail RPowell@SOS1985.org.

Holiday Tables Celebrations
Cranbrook House and Gardens will present its annual Holiday Tables event Nov. 15-18. Experience traditional English afternoon tea in Cranbrook House from 12:30-4:30 p.m. Nov. 15 (tickets, \$60), or just view Holiday Tables for inspiration for your own holiday feasts 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Nov. 16-17; and noon-4 p.m. Nov. 18 (\$15 in advance, \$20 at the door). Call (248) 645-3149 or visit www.cranbrook.edu for more information.

What's happening in manufacturing

The news media across this country are just jumping from one category of products to another and rightfully so. It's nice to see some of lime-light that is usually focused on so much of the negatives shine a little spotlight on products that cost all of us our hard earned monies. It's nice to see and hear



Appliance Doctor
Joe Gagnon

stories that help us make sure we are treated fairly in the marketplace. While many of us are in the recall mode, I found a new one heard by but a few. The headline reads: If you purchased or received a gift of a new Kenmore Elite clothing dryer with "evenheat" technology manufactured between March 1, 2001, and Nov. 30, 2003, you may qualify for benefits from a settlement.

This comes to you from the United States District Court for the Northern District of Ohio where a class-action lawsuit has been filed against Sears, Roebuck and Co. and Whirlpool Corp. It is alleged that an electronic component is failing on these dryers and many consumers have had to pay expensive repair bills. To find out all of the

particulars on this lawsuit and if you have a serial number on the list to match your clothes dryer, please go to www.evenheatsettlement.com.

Wouldn't it be nice if component failures on appliances, which proved to be in excess of normal, were covered by manufacturers?

Let's take the case of Trudy Ritter who has a 3-year-old washing machine. She was doing a load of wash in her upstairs laundry room when suddenly the ceiling in the kitchen began pouring water all over and through her cupboards. She ran upstairs and found four inches of water covering the floor and was only able to stop the water flow when she shut off the water valves leading to the fill hoses of the washer. You can imagine the big mess created and the thousands of dollars in damage as a result. The cause of all this was the simple water valve, which is fitted on all washing machines. It is hard to believe how many millions of these water valves have been sold in just a few years to take care of this particular service repair problem. How is it that a manufacturer can get away with such a scenario? Maybe it's time for a class-action lawsuit to be filed on behalf of every consumer who's had a defective water valve.

I just had a new refrigerator delivered to our home and as I was inspecting it I noticed that I cannot clean the condenser underneath the refrigerator from the front. For almost 50 years I have been telling homeowners that for a refrigerator to last a long time, maintain proper temperatures and consume the least amount of electricity you must clean the condenser. I've told them to remove the front bottom grill and get in there with a vacuum cleaner crevice tool and a long handle skinny condenser brush available from your local hardware store. NOW, on some of these newer refrigerators you can only clean it by pulling the product away from the wall, and removing the cardboard cover on the back to get to the condenser. Is it by design that a manufacturer builds a product, which is so hard to maintain it causes premature failure of said product? Stay tuned.

Joe Gagnon can be heard on Talk Radio WAAM 1600 at 8 a.m. Saturdays. He is a board member of Spectrum Human Services and the Society of Consumer Affairs Professionals (SOCAP). His phone number is (734) 971-1600, Ext. 28. Do you have a question about an appliance or a problem you have with an appliance? E-mail your question to wvnb@hometownlife.com and it will be forwarded to Joe Gagnon.

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COFFEE

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the students needed to plate. The dishes all had to incorporate three different coffees in a competition sponsored by Starbucks, plating eight dishes for judges and others. And it all had to be done in two hours.

It was time to hustle.

Holden, who was one of the chef-instructors overseeing the students along with Doug Ganhs and Susan Baier, knows about coffee desserts, having competed in a national pastry competition this summer. He and his team of two other pastry chefs placed sixth. "Coffee brings another dimension to desserts," he said. "It works well in combinations and variations with chocolate such as chocolate coffee mousse."

Judges were Rich Travis, an OCC culinary school grad and new executive chef at Tribute; Tim Walter, dean of Academic and Student Services at OCC; and the author of this column. Judges not only tasted but watched the chefs during a walk-through in the kitchen, noting the chefs' preparation skills, cleanliness and attention to detail.

It wasn't an easy choice. Henry's scallops were sauteed perfectly, her sauce a wonderful barbecue blend of the traditional ketchup, cider vinegar, brown sugar and Worcestershire, teamed with molasses, enriched with coffee and warmed with some Tabasco. Nice balance.

Yamaguchi's Asian Duck Wrap may have been the most ambitious and creative dish of them all — it was beautifully assembled. The five-spice seasoned duck breasts were glazed with a coffee hoisin sauce, served with a coffee pancake rolled with a julienned red pepper, and teamed on the plate with an orange salad and orange vinaigrette, and pumpkin ginger flan.

But the judges gave the ever so slight edge to McAuliffe and his pork tenderloin. The judges liked his pork seasoning of coffee, cumin, coriander, cayenne and other seasonings, added after he seared the pork, then rubbed it with Dijon mustard, followed by molasses. It was a warm, rich, smoky flavor of fall, coupled with apple brulee and apple vinaigrette, containing steeped fall favorites of apple cider vinegar, maple syrup and cinnamon.

"I tried to use bold flavors and make it obviously coffee-inspired," said McAuliffe of Goodrich.

McAuliffe works at Warwick Hills Golf Course in Grand Blanc, where he watched another chef use a similar rub on steaks. "I adapted it for the pork and changed it," he said. He created the apple slaw with pointers from Chef Doug Ganhs, instructor of the garde mange classes at OCC.

The dessert side wasn't any easier for judges nor any less creative.

Merivita created chocolate coffee cups from inflated balloons coated at the bottom with dark chocolate. The balloons were deflated and removed, and the cups were filled with coffee mousse. The dessert was plated with a hazelnut tuile and raspberry caramel sauce. Great combination of flavors.

Merritt's poached compote incorporated a ganache, mouseline and tempered chocolate, again incorporating the fall seasonal fruit of apple. Another tasty dish.

Dolce's Autumn Morning won the palates of the judges. It featured autumn flavor combinations in a spiced latte torte, with coffee ice cream, pumpkin spiced caramel sauce and a vanilla tuile topped with a coffee cream cheese icing. Very inventive flavor combinations, and a great presentation with the tuile leaf on top of the dessert.

Dolce of Waterford used the pumpkin spice to create a seasonal dish, focusing on the time of year. "I thought the pumpkin worked out well, and wanted to clarify the flavors that went in," Dolce said.

Each winner received \$500 worth of Starbucks dollars, while the others received \$100 in Starbucks dollars. Starbucks donated a \$1,000 scholarship to OCC.

The coffee cooking competition was another harbinger of fall and winter, with a great taste of flavor combinations ranging from pumpkin to apple, pork to duck, all in the name of creativity and imagination among OCC's culinary students.

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BROIDA

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and downloading songs and albums, and copying music to portable players — tasks it performs easily and effectively.

Thankfully, Rhapsody added connectors to the Web service, meaning that songs and playlists added to your local library also appear on the Web, and vice versa.

Another Rhapsody advantage is the option to search lyrics, which comes in handy if you know only a few words from a song but not its name.

Good news for TiVo owners: You can now tap Rhapsody from your couch, browsing and streaming the complete library using the TiVo remote.

Finally, Rhapsody has joined Amazon MP3 and

iTunes in offering DRM-free MP3s for purchase. The library currently includes over 7,500 albums from Universal's catalog, all of them encoded at 256Kbps. Most tracks sell for 89 cents apiece; most albums, for \$8.99.

Napster doesn't offer MP3s at all (yet).

Are music-subscription services dying? No way. Their numbers may be thinning, but the ones that remain just keep getting better.

Rick Broida writes about computers and technology for the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers. Broida, of Commerce Township, is the co-author of numerous books, including How to Do Everything with Your Palm Powered Device, Sixth Edition. He welcomes questions sent to rick.broida@gmail.com.

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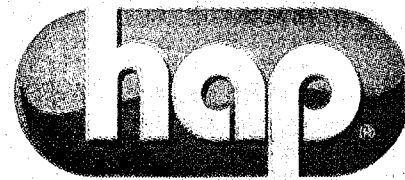
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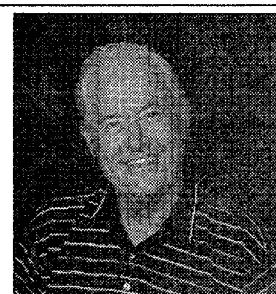


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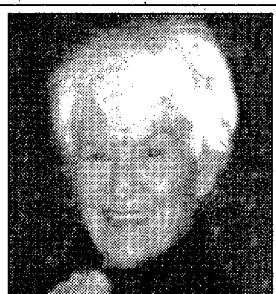
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CLIFFORD A. MCCLUMPHA D.V.M.

Age 76, lifelong resident of Canton, and retired Veterinarian from Parkway Veterinary Clinic, passed away November 2, 2007. Beloved husband for over 54 years to Rita. Devoted father of C. Hurd, Dyanese McClumpha, Amy L. (Michael) Glenn, and Natalie (Craig) Finley. Proud grandfather of Clifford, Jenny, and Emily McClumpha. Abigail, Gabriel, and Elizabeth Glenn, Emilia, Julia, Andrew, Alec, Sarah, Isaac, and Erin Finley. Also survived by his mother in law Rhue Datcher. Dr. McClumpha earned his Doctorate of Veterinary Medicine from Michigan State University, and went on to serve the Plymouth/Canton communities for many years. He was a proud member of the Plymouth Rotary and St. John's Episcopal Church. Dr. McClumpha enjoyed farming, he grew everything from vegetables, trees, and raised many farm animals. Above all else, his family is what he cherished most in this world. He will be missed by all who knew and loved him. A Memorial service was held from St. John's Episcopal Church 574 South Sheldon Rd, Plymouth Tuesday November 6, 2007. Memorials may be made to the Plymouth Rotary Foundation Inc, P.O. Box 5401, Plymouth, MI 48170 or to St. John's Episcopal Church. Share memories at: schrader-howell.com



ESTHER PEARL ISBISTER

Of Chelsea, MI, formerly of Plymouth. Age 87, died Sunday, November 4, 2007 at her daughter's home in Chelsea. She was born October 3, 1920 in Elkhart, Illinois, the daughter of Anthony & Pearl Pierce (Batson) Franklin. Esther joined the Women's Auxiliary Corp (WACs) during WWII, and worked at Percy Jones Hospital in Battle Creek. She served as Librarian at Tonquish Creek Senior Residence in Plymouth. She loved her Siamese cat Koko, who will dearly miss her "mom". On April 19, 1947, she married Robert James Isbister in Detroit, and he preceded her in death on November 1, 1986. Survivors include one son, William (Betty) Isbister of Eastpoint; two daughters, Kitty (Alan) Jensen of Chelsea, Pat (John) Hepburn of Chelsea; six grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; and three nieces. She was preceded in death by three brothers, Fr. Marcell Pellett, Ed Pellett, and William Pellett; and one sister, Florence Salnitsky. A memorial mass will be held at St. Basil Catholic Church in Eastpointe at a later time. Memorial donations may be made to the Capuchin Monastery, 1740 Mt. Elliot St, Detroit, MI 48207. Arrangements by Cole Funeral Chapel, Chelsea.



SISTER ALICE MARIE MORROW, RSM

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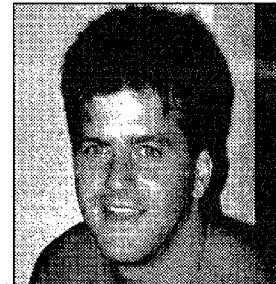
(Farmington Hills, MI) - Sister Alice Marie Morrow, RSM, a Sister of Mercy for 63 years, died on November 3, 2007 at McAuley Retirement Center in Farmington Hills. She was 89. She was born to Cyril and Mary (Duffinet) Morrow on August 24, 1918 in Cheboygan, Michigan. She worked with the sick and elderly for several years and joined the Sisters of Mercy in Detroit in 1941. She received the name Sister Mary Emily upon her formal reception into the community and made perpetual vows on August 16, 1947. Sister Alice Marie earned a bachelor's degree from Mercy College of Detroit and a master's degree in education from the University of Detroit. Her teaching assignments brought her to Catholic schools in Howell, Rogers City, Traverse City, Grand Rapids, Ludington, Detroit, Berkley, Lansing, Dearborn, Wyoming, Holland and Cheboygan, and she was principal at Immaculate Conception School in Traverse City and Holy Name School in Wyoming. Sister Alice Marie served as a social services clerk and pastoral care volunteer at Mercy Hospital in Grayling for eight years and later as pastoral minister at St. Mary/St. Charles Parish in Cheboygan. She retired to McAuley Center in 1994. Sister Alice Marie was a highly skilled primary teacher and a number of the sisters said that she could teach anyone to read, even beyond the primary grades. She excelled not only in the classroom, but also as a principal and supervising teachers at Mercy laboratory schools in Detroit. A special accomplishment for her was the establishment of a kindergarten at St. Francis de Sales School in Holland. Unassuming and cheerful, Sister Alice Marie maintained friendships wherever she went. Former students often came to McAuley Center to visit their favorite teacher. When her last illness deprived her of her vision, Sister Alice Marie especially enjoyed having visitors and a quiet time to pray. She is survived by several nieces and nephews, the Sisters of Mercy, and her many friends. A welcoming service will take place on November 5, 2007 at 3 p.m. at McAuley Center, 28750 W. Eleven Mile Road, Farmington Hills, followed by a remembrance service at 7 p.m. The Mass of Resurrection will be celebrated in McAuley Center's Sacred Heart Chapel on November 6, 2007 at 10:30 a.m., with burial in Holy Sepulchre Cemetery, Southfield. McCabe Funeral Home, Farmington Hills, is in charge of arrangements. Memorial contributions may be made to the Sisters of Mercy Ministry Fund, 29000 Eleven Mile Road, Farmington Hills, MI 48336.

DOROTHY S. CHENEY

Age 95, of Brighton, MI. Mrs. Cheney passed away on Thursday, November 1, 2007 at her home after an extended illness. She was born June 26, 1912 in Williamsburg, Kentucky, the daughter of Calvin and Josie (Moore) Smith. On May 5, 1935 she was married to S.J. Cheney in Ferndale and together they moved to Brighton from Rochester Hills in 1992. Mr. Cheney preceded her in death on July 22, 1999 and she also was preceded by three brothers, Richard, Robert and Charles Smith. Mrs. Cheney was a member of the First Presbyterian Church of Brighton, Chi Omega Sorority -Eta, University of Michigan, and a former member of the Historical Society of Old Newbury, Mass. Prior to her retirement she had been employed with the Oakland County Department of Health as a public Health Nurse. Surviving are two sons, Charles (Lois) Cheney of Brighton, S. David (Lucia) Cheney of Huntington Woods; six grandchildren and five great-grandchildren. Memorial services will be held at the First Presbyterian Church of Brighton, 300 E. Grand River, Brighton, MI 48116 on Sunday, November 11, 2007 at 2:00 PM. Cremation has taken place and interment of ashes will take place at Fairview Cemetery, Brighton. Memorial contributions in Mrs. Cheney's name are requested to St. Joseph Mercy Livingstone Hospice or to the Livingston County Ambulance/EMS service. Arrangements were handled by the Kechn Funeral Home, Brighton.

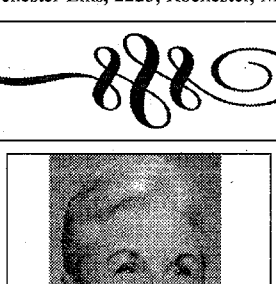
RICHARD "Dick" C. MOORE

Age 74, of Crossville, passed away Oct. 17, 2007. The family held a private memorial service in Crossville, Tennessee. Mr. Moore was born Oct. 30, 1932, in Bloomfield Hills, MI, the son of Russell Vivian and Grace (Harper) Moore. He was retired from Oakland University in Rochester, MI, in 1992. He was a member of Tansi Community Church and Crossville Carving Club in Crossville and Rochester Elks in Rochester, MI. Survivors include his wife, Nancy June (Reed) Moore of Crossville; daughter and son-in-law, Patricia Madeline (Moore) Lee May of Crab Orchard, WV; son, Richard Russell Moore of St. Augustine, FL; grandchildren, Joshua Ryan and Christopher May; brother- and sister-in-law, Forrest and Nancy Reed of Bloomfield Hills, MI; and a host of nieces and nephews in Arizona, Arkansas, Nevada, Florida, Washington, Michigan, Illinois and Ohio. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his sisters, Margaret Martin and Barbara Vine; and brothers, Vivian Moore, Jack Moore and James Moore. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations to Tansi Community Church, 2067 Cravens Dr., Crossville, TN 38572; Tansi Security, 2849 Dunbar Rd., Crossville, TN 38572; Cumberland Medical Center Auxiliary, 421 S. Main St., Crossville, TN 38555; The American Cancer Society, 753-A Humble Dr., Cookeville, TN 38501; or Rochester Elks, 2225, Rochester, MI.



DWANE ERIC CARNER

Age 36, died November 2, 2007. Beloved son of Don and Sue Carner. Brother of Shawntelle (Frank) McKenzie, Daril Carner, Charlotte (Matt) Kovach. Dwane was a friend to many and will be loved and greatly missed. Services were held at the Harry J. Will Funeral Home, Livonia, and he was laid to rest at Mt. Hope Memorial Gardens, Livonia. Memorials may be made to Dwane's Family and sent to the funeral home: 37000 Six Mile Rd., Livonia, MI 48152



ROSEMARY LaLOIE JOLIAT

Age 80, died at Lourdes Assisted Living in Waterford. Mrs. Joliat was born March 14, 1927, in Detroit. A native Detroit, she graduated from Immaculata High School in 1944. Mrs. Joliat graduated from Oakland University in 1974, with a degree in Philosophy. She was a devoted wife, mother and grandmother who was very charitable to many organizations. Mrs. Joliat was especially dedicated to Angels' Place. Mrs. Joliat is survived by her children, J. Mark (Karen) Joliat, MD, Jeffrey P. Joliat, Julie Hollman, Jay F. (Mary) Joliat and Thomas L. (Michele) Joliat, MD, and grandchildren, Jonathan Joliat, Peter Joliat, James Joliat, Anthony Joliat, Justin Joliat, Jacqueline Joliat, Joseph Joliat, Christine Joliat, Ellen Peragine, Eric Hollman, Ben Hollman, Jane Hollman, Michael Joliat, Jack Leo Joliat and Alexandra Joliat. She is also survived by her brother, Robert E. LaLoie. Mrs. Joliat is preceded in death by her husband, John F. "Jack" Joliat, brother, Louis J. LaLoie and sister, Jeanne LaLoie Fisher. Funeral from St. Hugo of the Hills Stone Chapel, 2215 Opdyke Road, Bloomfield Hills, Friday 10am. Friends may visit at church beginning at 9:30am. Visitation at Lynch & Sons Funeral Home, 1368 N. Crooks Road (between 14-15 Mile Rds.) Wednesday 5-9pm and Thursday 2-9pm. Prayers, Thursday 7pm. Interment in Holy Sepulchre Cemetery, Southfield. Memorials appreciated to Angels' Place, 25240 Lahser Road, Ste 2, Southfield, Michigan 48034.

HELEN I. STRZALKOWSKI

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NOVEMBER

Holiday bazaar

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Reformed Protestant service

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Alternative Christmas Fair

10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 10, at Hope Lutheran Church, 39200 West Twelve Mile, east of Haggerty, Farmington Hills. Admission of \$1 will be charged at the door. Call the church at (248) 553-7170 for more information.

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Mama's Coffeehouse

Featuring Dave Boutette and Jen Sygit Saturday, Nov. 10 (7:15 p.m. open mic, 8 p.m. show), at Birmingham Unitarian Church, 38651 N. Woodward near northwest corner of Lone Pine Rd., Bloomfield Hills. Tickets \$12, \$10 seniors and age 16 and under. Call (248) 569-0965 for information. To reserve a slot for open mic, call (248) 626-4650.

Special Event

St. Andrew's Day Dinner and Entertainment, Sunday, Nov. 11, Baggpipers play before and during 10 a.m. worship service. Dinner in church basement at 11:30 a.m. at St. James Presbyterian Church, 25350 W. Six Mile, Redford. Tickets \$10 in advance (\$5 for children) and \$12 at the door. Call for reservations, (313)534-7730.

Heroes

Series explores the lives of five ordinary heroes 9:15 a.m. and 11 a.m. Sunday, Nov. 11, 18, 25, and Dec. 2, at Life Covenant Church which meets at East Middle School, 1042 Lilley (S. Mill), Plymouth. For more information, call (734) 634-2697.

Pasties sale

Taking orders during coffee hour Sunday, Nov. 11, pick up times are 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 15, and 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday, Nov. 16, at Newburg United Methodist Church, 36500 Ann Arbor Trail, Livonia. Pasties are \$3.50 each, gravy also available. For more information, call (734) 422-0149.

Veterans Day Mass

St. Michael the Archangel Parish hosts a special Veterans Day Mass for all veterans and active military to thank them for their service to our country Sunday, Nov. 11, at the church, 11441 Hubbard, south of Plymouth Rd., Livonia. There will be a color guard and flag raising ceremony at the flag pole in front of the church at 11:40 a.m. followed by the Mass at noon. An informal reception with light refreshments will follow the Mass and all military members attending will receive a small memento of thanks. For additional details, call (734) 261-1455, ext. 200 or visit www.livoniastmichael.org.

Veteran's Day

The congregation of Prince of Peace Lutheran Church honors and thanks all veterans and those on active duty along with their loved ones by honoring them 11 a.m. Sunday, Nov. 11, at the church, 37775 Palmer road, Westland. Ch. (Col.) Herb Heavner, State Chaplain Michigan Guard, will preach. All veterans and those on active duty along with their loved ones are invited. For more information, call (734) 722-1735 or (734) 722-4363.

Sisterhood luncheon

Congregation Beit Kodesh Sisterhood Paid Up Membership Luncheon is to be held 1 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 11, at Congregation Beit Kodesh, 31840 W. Seven Mile, Livonia. For more information or to RSVP (by Nov. 1), call Esther Green at (248) 477-8974. Visit Web site www.beitkodesh.org.

Church concert series

Continues with the Schoolcraft College choral Union 3 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 11, at Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church, 14175 Farmington Road, north of Schoolcraft (I-96 service drive), Livonia. Call (734) 522-6830.

Upper Room Ministries

Meets 6 p.m. Sundays in Room 111 in Our Lady of Loretto School on Beech Daly and Six Mile in Redford. Upper Room Ministries is a spirit filled, charismatic ministry sponsored by Living Water Church in Livonia. All faiths welcome to attend. For information, call Pastor Luke Willis at (734) 425-6360, or Bishop Dan Strength at (734) 812-1099.

Special presentation

St. Michael the Archangel Parish of Livonia and St. Gerald Church of Farmington are co-hosting a special presentation, God's Will for the Family: How to Live it with noted Catholic apologist, Rosalind Moss 7 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 13, at St. Michael's Church, 11441 Hubbard, south of Plymouth Rd., Livonia.

Many voices...one song

Welcomes the Biakuye Unity Ensemble 7:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 16, at Northbrook Presbyterian Church, 22055 W. 14 Mile, Beverly Hills. No charge although a free-will offering will be collection. Meet the artists reception follows the concert. For more information, call (248) 540-9124.

Bazaar & mini cookie walk

9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 17, at St. Anne Catholic Church, 23310 Joy, a few blocks east of Telegraph, Redford. Use Joy entrance to Basement Hall. Proceeds go to School/Building Fund.

Fashion show

Monday, Nov. 19 (doors open at 6 p.m., dinner at 7 p.m.), presented by Women of the Immaculate Conception at Knights of Columbus Hall, 30759 Ford road. Cost is \$15. For tickets, call Noreeno Debono (734) 722-8360 or Shirley Rourke at (734) 721-7994.

Luminescence for Advent

A women's afternoon of reflection to prepare for the upcoming Advent season takes place 1:31-4:31 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 25, at St. Hilary's Church, 23901 Elmira, one block east of Telegraph, south of Plymouth road. Enter off Appleton and turn right on Elmira. Designed for women ages 18 to 99, combines music, presentations, discussions and creative expression. People of all faiths welcome. Presenter is Sister Pat Hergenroether. Cost is \$20, includes materials and refreshments. Reservations with payment are due Nov. 19. For more information, call (313) 533-1560 or send e-mail to shilary@twm1.rtr.com.

Heart quest

A series of seminars being broadcast worldwide, via satellite, started 8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 19, at Cherry Hill SDA Church, 33144 Cherry Hill, west of Venoy, Garden City.

F.I.R.E. ministries

With theme scripture, He shall baptize you with the Holy Ghost and with fire (Luke 3:16), is organizing in Livonia at Living Water Church, 11663 Arcola in the Inkster and Plymouth roads area at 7 p.m. Fridays under the leadership of Luke Willis. F.I.R.E. Ministries. For more information, call (734) 425-6360.

UPCOMING

Gingerbread open house

The Inn at St. John's Gingerbread Open House takes place 1-4 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 2, at 44045 Five Mile at Sheldon, Plymouth. The free family event features live reindeer petting, carriage rides, a gingerbread house display, visits with Santa, music and refreshments. Donations of non-perishable food items are requested to benefit St. Vincent De Paul. Additional information can be found at www.theinnatstjohns.com or call (734) 414-0600.

ONGOING

Sunday worship

11 a.m. Sunday worship service, 9:30 a.m. Sunday school, 7 p.m. Wednesday Bible Study, at Good Shepherd Reformed Church, 6500 N. Wayne Rd. at Hunter, Westland. For information, call (734) 721-0800.

Worship services

10 a.m. Sundays Divine Liturgy followed by a fellowship/coffee time, at Holy Transfiguration Orthodox Church, 36075 W. Seven Mile, between Newburgh and Wayne roads, Livonia. Church school for children and adults begins at 9 a.m. Sunday. Vespers are celebrated 5 p.m. Saturdays. Visitors are always welcome. For more information, call (248) 476-3432 (church), (248) 477-4712 (rectory) or Web site at www.orthodoxlivonia.org.

Fall worship schedule

Chapel service begins at 8:45 a.m. and includes simple worship and Holy Communion; adult Sunday school and Bible Cinema are at 9:30 a.m. nursery care provided. Worship and Sunday school for children through eighth grade is during the 10:30 a.m. hour. Nursery care also provided during the service. On the fourth and fifth Sundays we will be participating in community worship which includes everyone. Senior High youth are invited to meet 7 p.m. Sundays at St. Matthew's United Methodist Church, 30900 Six Mile, between Middlebelt and Merriman, Livonia. For informa-

tion, call (734) 422-6038.

Singers wanted

Riverside Park Church of God is looking for voices to join their choir. If you like to sing and love God (or just want to get to know God) join in. For more information, call (734) 464-0990.

Pancake breakfasts

The Ushers' Club of St. Michael the Archangel Parish in Livonia continue their 30-year tradition of all-you-can-eat pancake breakfasts on the third Sunday of each month. The breakfasts are served in the school cafeteria at 11441 Hubbard, south of Plymouth Road. Adults, \$5; children ages 4-11, \$3; children under age 3, free; and family (2 adults and all children), \$15. Everyone is welcome.

Men's breakfast

Ham & eggs, hash browns, pancakes, and more when you come to the Men's Breakfast at 8 a.m. on the first Saturday of every month at The Senate Restaurant, located off Haggerty Road between Five Mile and Six Mile in Northville. All men are invited for fellowship and food. Sponsored by Riverside Park Church of God, 11771 Newburgh, Livonia. Call (734) 464-0990.

MOPS meetings

The Hosanna-Tabor Mothers of Preschoolers (MOPS) group began meeting this fall on a new time and time at the Lutheran church, 9600 Laverne, Redford. Meetings continue the first and third Thursdays of the month at 9:30 a.m. Join in for teaching, discussion, creative projects and presentations. For more information, call (248) 470-5202 or send e-mail to nikki.tierman@gmail.com.

Fall schedule

Orchard United Methodist Church, 30450 Farmington Road, Farmington Hills, has new worship hours for Fall - Three Hours Of Power! Worship services at 9 a.m. and 11:15 a.m. with Christian education for all ages at 10 a.m. Leadership is shared by class members. For information, call (248) 626-3620 or visit www.orchardumc.org.

Bible studies

Regular Bible Study program began 7 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 20, and continues on the first and third Thursdays of the month, at St. Michael's Catholic Church on the corner of Plymouth and Hubbard roads, Livonia. To register, call (734) 261-1445, Ext. 200.

MOPS groups

Mothers of Preschoolers meets on the first and third Friday mornings or first and third Wednesday evenings at Calvary Baptist Church, 43065 Joy Road, Canton. For information, call (734) 455-0022, Ext. 4, or send e-mail to cbcwomensministries@hotmail.com.

LOGOS Youth Club

Calling all youth grades 4-12 to join the LOGOS Youth Club at Northville First United Methodist Church. Recreation, dinner, Bible study and music Wednesdays, 5:15-8:15 p.m. began Wednesday, Sept. 26. For information or registration, visit www.funorthville.org or call (248) 349-1144.

HeartCry

The support group provides hope and help for mothers of prodigals at 7 p.m. on the second, fourth and fifth Wednesdays of each month, at Calvary Baptist Church, 43065 Joy Road, Canton. The group is using the book, The Hope of a Homecoming, by O'Rourke and Sauer (\$12). For information or to register, call (734) 455-0022, Ext. 4.

Worship change

Began Sunday, October 7, the early service for the Anglican Church of Livonia will be at 7:45 a.m. at Trinity Church, 34500 Six Mile, west of Farmington Road and next to Stevenson High School, Livonia. The 10 a.m. service (with Sunday School) will continue to be at the Livonia YMCA at 14255 Stark Road, between Lyndon and the I-96 service drive.

Women of the word

Bible study meets 9:15 a.m. and 6:45 p.m. Tuesdays, at Calvary Baptist Church, 43065 Joy Road, Canton. Choose from Covenant, a Precept Upon Precept class, or The Truth Project (new from Focus on the Family). To register, call (734) 455-0022, Ext. 4 or visit www.vchurches.com/cbcwomen.

ENDOW

St. Michael the Archangel Parish of Livonia hosts two different sessions of the Archdiocese's ENDOW program, the study group focuses on dignity of women of all ages and faiths. The group meets 7-9 p.m. Wednesdays to Dec. 5, in the Convent Meeting Room behind the school, 11441 Hubbard, south of Plymouth Road. The second session meets 9:15-11:15 a.m. Tuesdays to Dec. 4 in the same room. Different Times, Abiding Dignity deals with women's inherent dignity at all stages of life. Women of all ages and faiths welcome. Cost is \$60 for materials but no one will be turned away because of an inability to pay. To register, call (734) 261-1455, Ext. 200, or visit www.endowonline.com.

ENDOW

Educating on the Nature & Dignity of Women, a women's study group to discover their God-given dignity and femininity through Catholic teaching runs Thursdays to Nov. 15, in Bixman Hall

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(church building) at St. Aidan Catholic Church, 17500 Farmington Road, north of Six Mile, Livonia. Cost is \$60 for materials. Registration required. Visit www.endowonline.com or call (734) 425-5950.

Bible study

Get a new life, study Scripture 9-10:30 a.m. Saturdays at Blessed Sacrament Monastery on the northwest corner of 13 Mile and Middlebelt in Farmington Hills. Study the Gospel of Luke through November, then move on to Romans. Come once or more often. Call (248) 626-8253 for more information.

Fellowship Dinners

6 p.m. Thursdays. Dinner catered by The Cookie Lady, Susan Navarro. \$6. At St. James Presbyterian Church, 25350 W. Six Mile, Redford. Call (313)534-7730.

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Church, 25350 W. Six Mile, Redford.
Ladies Bible study
 Women of the Word Ladies Bible Study began focusing on the Book of James Tuesday, Sept. 11, and continues 9:30-11:10 a.m. Tuesdays to Nov. 13, at Detroit First Church of the Nazarene, 21260 Haggerty, north of Eight Mile. The \$15 registration fee includes interdenominational study material. Child care will be available for children through age 5 in the morning. For more information, call (248) 348-7600.

Registration

Christ Our Savior Lutheran Early Childhood Center is now taking registrations for the fall program at 14175 Farmington Road, north of I-96, Livonia. It is open from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday-Friday. Loving and caring programs are offered for toddler, preschool, pre-K, and child care. Call (734) 513-8413.

Religious education

Children's Religious Education began 10:45 a.m. to noon Sunday, Sept. 9, at St. Aidan Catholic Church, 17500 Farmington Road, Livonia. Cost is \$90 for first child, \$30 for each additional

child. Call (734) 425-9333.
Morning prayers
 7:30 a.m. Tuesday-Friday, at New Beginnings United Methodist Church, 16175 Delaware, corner of Puritan, Redford. Please join in as participants start day with prayer. Call (313) 255-6330.

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 in. There is no charge, although organizers 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 Avenue and Palmer. For information, call (734) 722-3660 or visit www.tsa.higherrockcafe.4t.com.

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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

Twens 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 the regular classes on Sundays at 9:30 a.m. or Wednesdays at 7 p.m. For details, call (734) 464-0990.

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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 the second Monday of each month 7-9:30 p.m. at the Jon Grant Community Center, 29260 Grand River, east of Middlebelt, Farmington Hills. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. Call Vikki for more information at (248) 497-7755. Farmington Aglow is a Christian women's groups.

Worship services

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.

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By Sarah Donovan

For Sarah Donovan, style comes naturally. The Birmingham mother of two always looks fabulous thanks to her great taste in easygoing clothes, and disciplined yoga practice. Donovan emphasizes health and wellness in her family with whole foods, essential oils and natural remedies. She treats her daughter's autism with a gluten- and casein-free diet, and is a tireless advocate for autism awareness. Here, she shares some of her picks with PINK:



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A conversation about Botox ...

BY WENDSY VON BUSKIRK
STAFF WRITER

We here at PINK have not dared to try Botox, but plenty of people have. According to the American Society of Plastic Surgeons, doctors performed more than 4 million Botox injections in 2006, up 7 percent from the year before. Botox, the cosmetic form of botulinum toxin, is used to temporarily reduce or eliminate forehead creases, crows feet near the eyes and thick bands in the neck. The toxin blocks the nerve impulses, temporarily paralyzing the muscles that cause wrinkles while giving the skin a smoother, more refreshed appearance. Studies have also suggested that Botox is effective in relieving migraine headaches, excessive sweating and muscle spasms in the neck and eyes. In honor of National Healthy Skin Month, PINK caught up with Dr. William J. Vasileff of the Birmingham Institute of Plastic Surgery to find out more about Botox. Of course, he gave it rave reviews.

Who is the average Botox customer?
Ninety-five percent women — a few businessmen, but mostly women across the board, 30-65, a huge age range, from pretty much all walks of life — businesswomen, housewives, hairdressers and everything in between, you name it. It's not teenagers because they don't have the lines.

Do you use it?
I get deep furrows between my brows, we call them the 'elevens.' I think I frown my brows when I am in surgery and I used to get headaches. Botox has gotten rid of my headaches and reduced the furrows. Everybody in the office gets it so we all know it's a safe product and it's spectacularly effective.

Is there still some apprehension out there about Botox?
There is apparently some negativity out there. It's unfounded. Although it is botu-

lism, it doesn't travel anywhere. It stays in tiny muscles in your face. As is typical, we read a lot about it from Hollywood, and when there are problems with it, but in reality there are very few problems.

What about all those stars whose faces look weird, or don't seem to move?

That's bad surgery. It's really not Botox gone bad. If you use it extensively, even then you still have some movement. It's not numb at all. It paralyzes the moving nerves, not the feeling nerves. We have two sets of nerves, this only works on the ones that make the muscles move and it feels totally normal. I've heard faces look like masks and that's really only if they've used too much and used it over their whole faces.

Where do you recommend Botox?
Botox is really for the upper face. For the lower face, the folds between the nose and mouth, we use Restylane. Anybody with crow's feet, creases between the eyebrows or wrinkles on the forehead. Creases, not fine lines of the cheeks, that's sun damage and that's much better treated with microdermabrasion and other methods.

Are there side effects?
We use a very, very fine needle to inject with, and women can put makeup on right away. It doesn't really show. rarely you'll get a little bruise around the eyes. Between the brows and on the forehead you really don't.

How often do you need to get Botox?
Every three months for the first year and then the intervals begin to get longer, and stretch from 4-6 months. The third year 8-9 months. After that intervals go to years in between injections. You need it less and less frequently as time goes on.

How much does Botox cost?
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I heard the price keeps going up ...
They raise it to us because there's only one company, which is Allergan, that creates true Botox. But it's not a huge price increase and I don't think we've raised our prices in a long time. Other companies are trying to derive products that are very, very close to Botox, saying their products are just as good and maybe better, but so far nobody has developed a product that is as good as Botox. There's nothing that's comparable to Botox, especially cream that you rub on your skin.

Does it work as a preventative for wrinkles, or just after you have them?
Much of whether you will get wrinkles is genetics, what your mother or father look like, and what kind of sun exposure you've had. I wouldn't promote Botox as a preventative treatment for someone until I got a family history. I would need to try to predict how much you might wrinkle in the future, to say whether it's a good investment for you.

What can women do to prevent wrinkles in the first place?
Use sunscreen. I recommend that to everyone. I personally use anything from a 45-60 SPF.

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PARISIAN COMMUNITY DAY
Parisian will host its annual Community Day Sale Saturday, Nov. 10. Local non-profit organizations will sell \$5 Parisian discount savings booklets, and keep 100 percent of profits. Each booklet contains special savings coupons valid on regular and sale price merchandise during Community Day. Parisian locations at Laurel Park Place, The Village of Rochester Hills and the Mall at Partridge Creek will participate.

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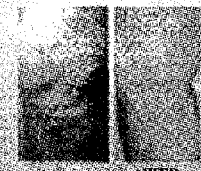
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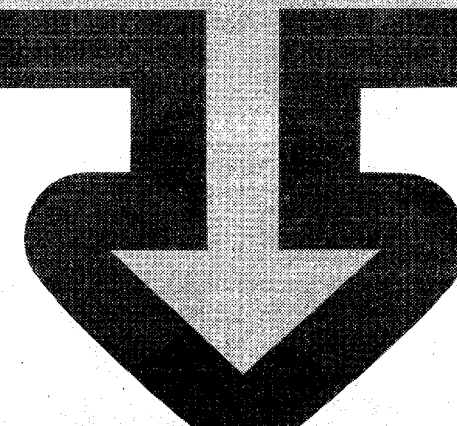
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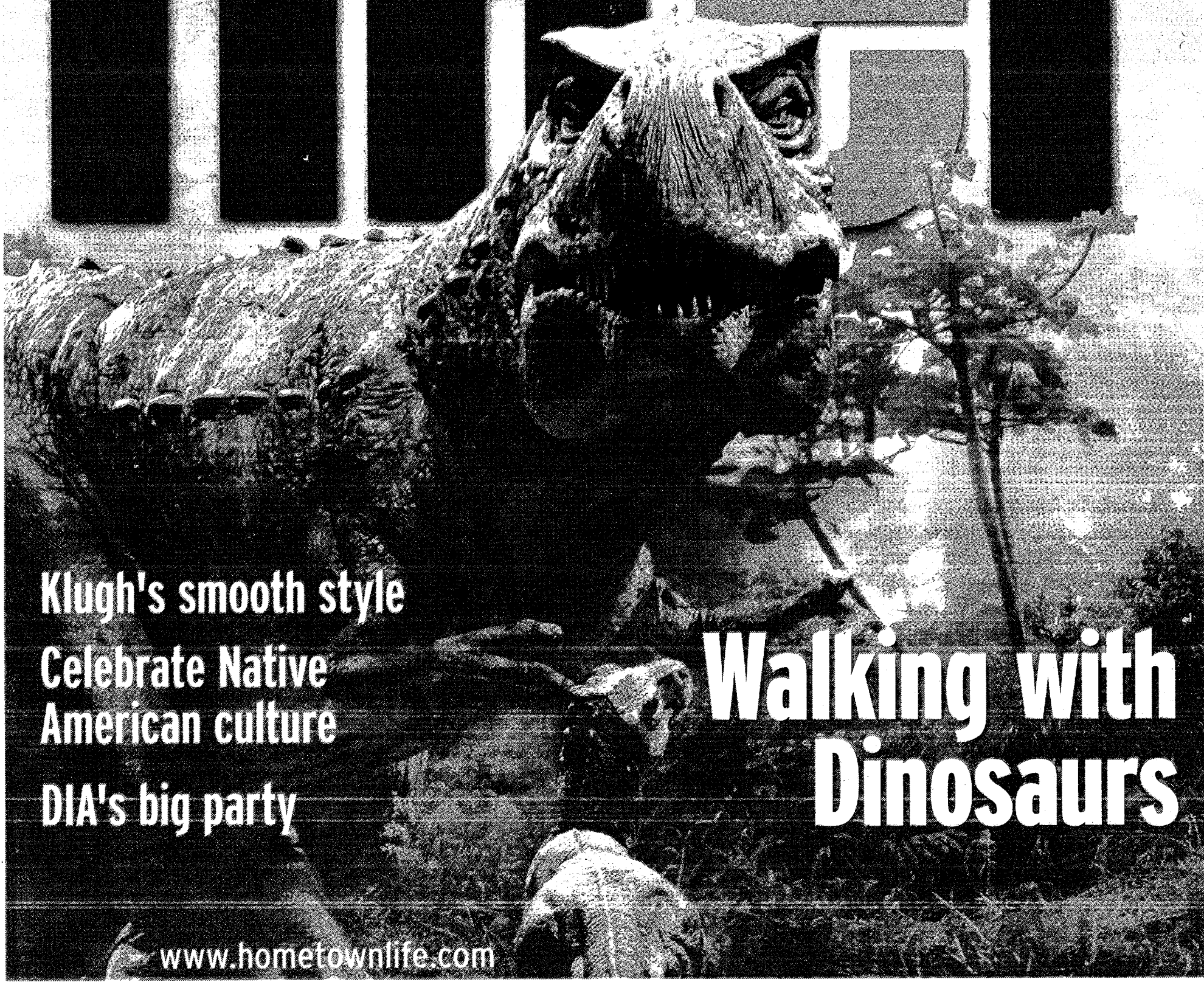
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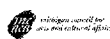
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Earl Klugh strums his acoustic guitar with a smooth gentility, almost a pretty sound.



Just watch the YouTube video of him with Chet Atkins, who inspired Klugh to pick a guitar after a very young Klugh saw Atkins on The Perry Como Show in the early 1960s.

Twenty years later their appearance together on a tribute show for Atkins at the Grand Old Opry still draws admiration from Atkins and Klugh's admirers for their rendition of *Goodtime Charlie's Got the Blues*.

"He was such a humble person," Klugh remembers. "He didn't like to get all the attention and he was always such a gracious person."

Klugh recalls that appearance with Atkins with fondness, as he takes a break from his studio at his home in Atlanta to discuss his career and his upcoming show with Randy Scott Nov. 9 at Dearborn's Ford Community and Performing Arts Center. The show benefits the Don Bosco Hall in Detroit and helps fund programs that provide numerous opportunities for youth and families throughout the metro Detroit area.

"When I first started my career, I always wanted to meet (Atkins)," Klugh said. "My first manager, Bert Block, was centered in Nashville, so I told him if I ever had the chance, I wanted to meet Chet Atkins."

Of course, he did appearances on television and the pair occasionally worked on each other's albums, too. In the early 1980s Klugh and the two-time Grammy winner jazz keyboardist Bob James released an album, *One on One*. For that collaboration the two would take home an award for Best Pop Instrumental Performance. The Detroit bred musician continues to woo audiences all over the world with his delightful contemporary jazz and classical guitar sounds. He stays instrumental in performing and compos-



Earl Klugh

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ing music. He has recorded for artists such as Mary J. Blige, Al Jarreau, Roberta Flack, and the Queen of Soul Aretha Franklin.

Today Klugh is recording another album, which is as of now, untitled.

The Mumford graduate appears with other native Detroiters: David Spadley, keyboards; Al Duncan, keyboards; Ron Otis, drums, and Lenny Price, saxophone.

He's doing the show because it is a good thing to do.

"When we have an opportunity to come back and embrace the community, it's fun for me," Klugh said. "It's also a chance for me to come home and see family and

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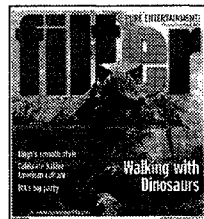
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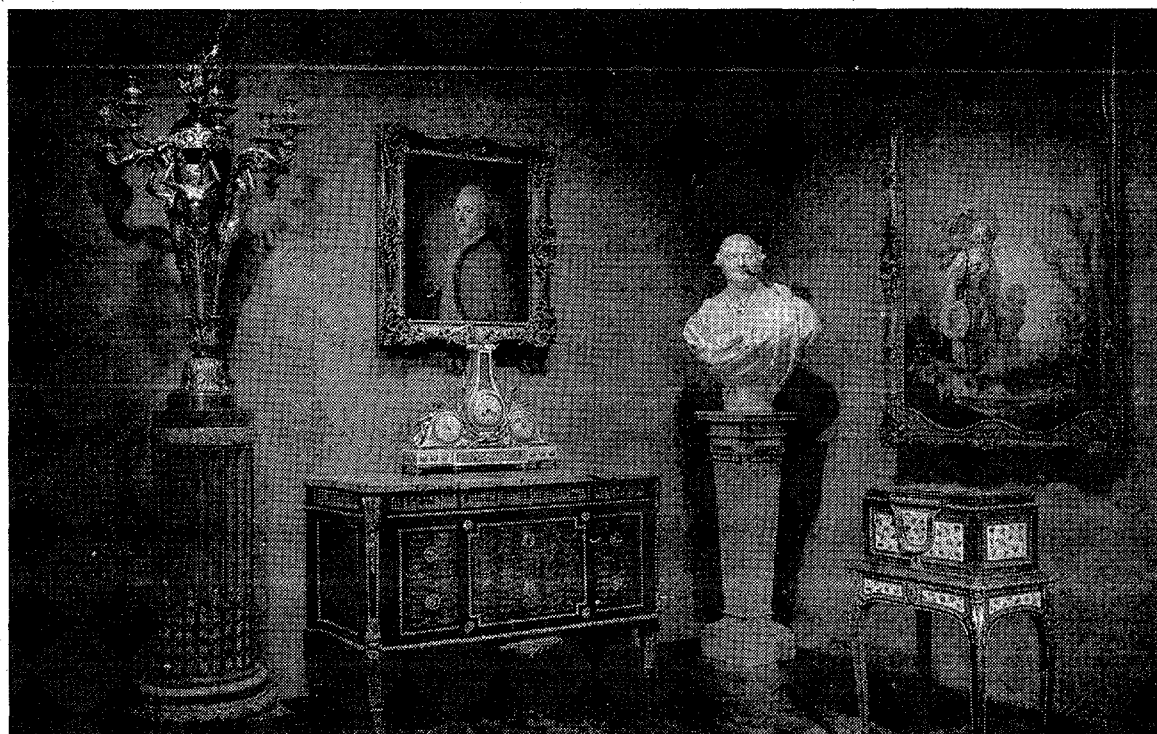
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DIA gears up for the most anticipated party of the year

This is the Detroit party that's more than six years in the making. And organizers for the Detroit Institute of Arts' Arts Alive Gala plan to ensure the event lives up to high expectations.

Those in attendance at the sold-out Nov. 10 gala will be treated to the work of performance painter Michael Israel, the music of The Alex Donner Orchestra, Mosaic Singers, Modern Tribe and DJ Cassidy. Cedar Lake Contemporary Ballet of New York will make its Detroit debut during the event, while celebrity tattoo artists Chris Nuñez of Miami Ink will create temporary designs on some lucky party-goers.

And it's all set in the newly-renovated, not-yet-open to the public art museum. Arts Alive guests will be the first in the city to experience the new DIA, following an extensive \$158 million expansion and reorganization.

"This is a day that we have been waiting for a long time and we are ready to celebrate," said Graham W.J. Beal, DIA director. "I invite the public to come and experience a beautiful new DIA with galleries designed to better engage them with one of the nation's finest art collections."

The gala is only the first of more than a week's worth of events set to celebrate the grand re-opening. The public is invited to see the new DIA during its 32-hour weekend debut beginning at 10 a.m. Friday, Nov. 23.

"After several years of construction and maintaining operations under less than ideal circumstances, we are approaching the finish line," said Eugene A. Gargaro, Jr., chairman of the board for the DIA. "We could not have accomplished this amazing project without the support of our generous donors - from individuals, corporations, foundations, the City of Detroit, the State of

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As a nod to the museum's supporters, opening day festivities will feature free admission, local musicians, dancers and art demonstrations. The DIA will remain open continuously until 6 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 24 before resuming a regular schedule.

More than 5,000 works of art were re-installed and reorganized into the newly-designed galleries throughout the DIA. Rather than grouping the collection by time period, the galleries reflect more personal themes, including Art & The Cycle of Life or Grand Tour of Italy. Seeing the works in this context is meant to make the museum-going experience more meaningful and relatable. The galleries include hands-on activities and interpretive devices that should allow visitors of any age to make personal connections to the collection.

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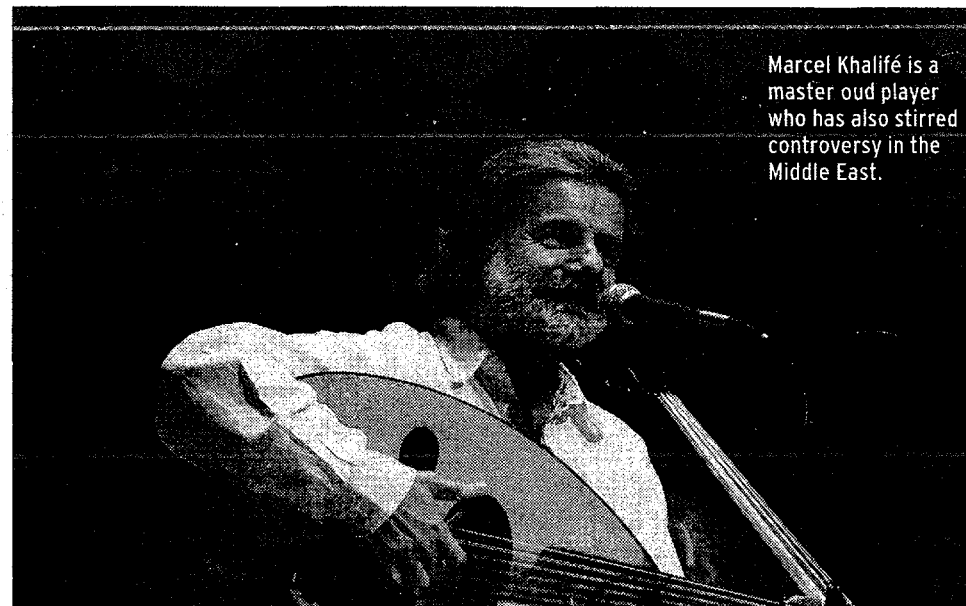
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KHALIFE

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political and artistic expressions.

Khalifé has been banned in Tunisia for speaking out against the imprisonment of Arabs there and in Israel. He faced blasphemy charges (and was found not guilty) in Lebanon for using a verse from the Koran in one of his songs.

He's also been persecuted for publicly asking for the return of Palestinians to Israel and for signing petitions against human rights violations.

Throughout his music, Khalifé said he

hopes of bridging cultural differences. He's brought musicians from varying countries, religions and cultures on stage to play together.

He often composes music around the words of famous Palestinian poet Mahmoud Darwish. And, he calls for a new approach to Arab music.

While protecting its foundation, he is also trying to bring instrumental music to the forefront that often has emphasized singers.

"We Arabs have no history of our music. In my judgment, we have linked music to singing, and it is time to write down the history of music, not just song."

On *Taqasim* (Nagam Records/

Connecting Cultures Records), Khalifé uses solely the lower register of the oud and upright bass to communicate "those tremendous but obscure dimensions that are often ignored by the listeners' ears - the task of expressing the profound consonance between the poet and the musician," without lyrics.

He isn't afraid of persecution and won't change his artistic views.

This year in Bahrain, a collaborative work between Khalifé and Bahraini poet Qassim Haddad, based on the classic Arab love story of *Qais and Laila*, caused controversy when a member of the Bahraini parliament denounced the performance's dance element.

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The Rock-N-Roll K9's Performance Team will feature a variety of dogs performing agility tricks. Famous dog trainer Renee Jones will also be at the Expo to demonstrate innovative new ways to train our four-legged friends. There will be dozens of local adoption agencies and rescue organizations on hand in the Adoption area. Some lucky pooches will be selected to receive a Doggie Makeover, sponsored by Oster Professional

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Event hours are 1-9 p.m. Friday, 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Saturday, and 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday. Admission is \$10 adults, \$4 for children ages 6-12, children age 5 and under free, \$8 seniors age 60 and older. To download discount coupons, visit www.PetExpoNovi.com.

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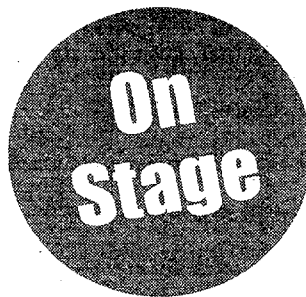
Jeff Daniels' 'Escanaba' wraps up Nov. 11

BY STEPHANIE ANGELYN CASOLA
STAFF WRITER

Fans of Jeff Daniels' comic play-turned-film *Escanaba in Da Moonlight* won't want to miss the endearing prequel, *Escanaba in Love*, at Detroit's Gem Theatre. This weekend marks your last chance as the show is set to close Nov. 11.

Set in the woody backdrop of the men-only Soady Déer Camp during World War II, the show rewinds back to a time just after Grandpa Alphonse Soady (Will David Young) has shot and mounted his legendary prized buck. The man we heard much about in *Moonlight* opens the show, stumbling through the door to the rustic cabin, pouring himself a glass jar of 210-proof maple moonshine known as Soady Sweet Sap. He reminisces about his greatest kill, tearing up at the mere thought of it.

Alphonse is soon joined by his son Albert (Paul Hopper) and the town's gin-soaked seafarer Salty Jim (Wayne David Parker) - all waiting on the arrival of the family's most able hunter Albert Jr. (Jake Christensen) And he does



make quite an entrance - complete with high kicks and a song. Albert Jr. has just joined the Army and will be sent off to war. What his father and grandfather believe to be one last hunt before he heads "down-state" to Ft. Custer turns into a mad capped night of soul searching.

You see, Albert Jr. didn't come to deer camp alone. He ignored the no-girls-allowed rules and brought along his brand new bride, the loud-mouthed hard-drinking Big Betty Balou (Charlyn Swarthout). The two met earlier in a bar and got hitched when Junior won a kissing contest. Albert Soady was stunned by the news, to say the least.

And so the adventure begins. Playwright Jeff Daniels brings audiences back into the fold for

this look at love, longing, and the true test of family.

For those expecting another dose of outhouse humor and physical comedy, there is plenty. But the show is chock-full of heart. The characters speak in believable Yooper slang, as they did in *Moonlight*. And the hunting tips are prevalent, as Grandpa Alphonse explained, before you shoot you "take a deep bread an steady your nerve."

Instead of catching the biggest fish or bagging a giant buck this hunting trip is centered on the search for true love. Albert considers it a lifelong quest, while his son is a believer in love at first sight. Generations will clash as the Soady's search for those family ties that bind.

Directed by Guy Sanville, *Escanaba in Love* is part love-story and part drama, and all infused with Daniel's penchant for punchy dialogue and quirky, lovable characters.

See it for yourself. The Gem Theatre is at 333 Madison Ave., Detroit. Tickets \$39.50, call (313) 963-9800.

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What: "Walking With Dinosaurs - The Live Experience" allows audiences of all ages to witness the most realistic dinosaurs ever created, as they come to life during a two-hour performance set in prehistoric times.

When: Showtimes are 7 p.m. Wednesday-Saturday, Nov. 14-17, 23-24; 11 a.m. Thursday, Nov. 15; 3 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 17 and 24; and 1 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 18.

Where: Cobo Arena, 301 Civic Center Dr., Detroit.

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More information: See it for yourself at dinosaurlive.com.

Cobo to transform into a Jurassic playground

BY STEPHANIE ANGELYN CASOLA
STAFF WRITER

The dinosaurs are coming. For anyone who's imagined what it might feel like to live in prehistoric times when dinosaurs roamed the Earth, a brand new live show promises to bring these long-since extinct creatures back to life inside Detroit's Cobo Arena. *Walking With Dinosaurs - The Live Experience* will make its Detroit debut this month.

Jonathan Bliss, a Mt. Pleasant native, remembers going to concerts at Cobo Arena. Now he'll be starring — alongside some gigantic performers — in the same space. The Los Angeles-based actor auditioned for the role of Huxley, the paleontologist, the moment he heard that *Walking With Dinosaurs* was based

on the award-winning BBC documentary television series of the same name.

Conceived by Bruce MacTaggart, executive director of Immersion Entertainment, *Walking With Dinosaurs* blends state-of-the-art special effects with accurate, lifelike replicas of nine dinosaurs — from the gigantic herbivore Brachiosaurus to the intimidating, carnivorous Tyrannosaurus rex, and the winged seafood-eater Ornithomimid.

When Bliss discovered that producers "were looking for someone with the energy of Steve Irwin and the compassion of Harrison Ford in *Indiana Jones*" for this touring role, Bliss knew he'd be perfect for it.

"That's me," he said, speaking from a hotel in Dallas on Oct. 24. "I have so much energy that doesn't translate on TV or film."

Bliss was immediately taken by the size of the enormous dinosaurs who are featured in the show. He said he's developed a certain rapport with his prehistoric co-stars. The T-Rex is the only dinosaur from which he tends to keep his distance.

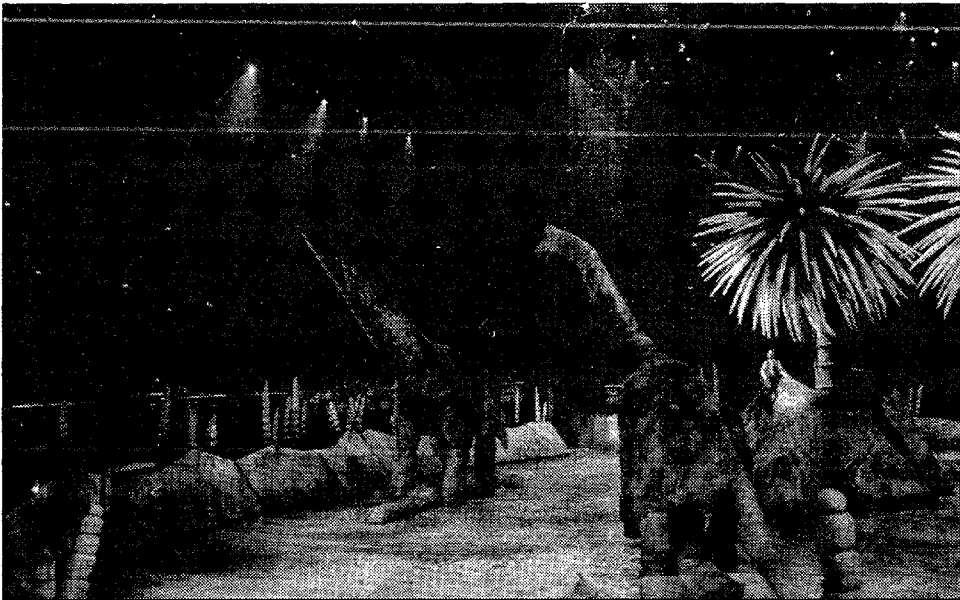
And yes, he does have a favorite in the cast — the Plateosaurus. He describes her as "an herbivore, very calm and very docile. I have a moment where she looks at me."

Walking With Dinosaurs will welcome about 6,000 people per night in Detroit. Bliss said audiences have varied from quiet, awed observers to those giving boisterous applause. From his spot in the arena he's overheard everything from cheers to spooked children, the dinosaurs look so realistic.

And they're not the only realistic element. The sophisticated sets transform the arena floors into Pangea, a time when

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PHOTOS COURTESY OF WALKING WITH DINOSAURS: THE LIVE EXPERIENCE

Adult and young Brachiosaurus interact in a lifelike setting in the arena production based on the BBC show.

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all the continents were connected as one. As the continents split apart, vegetation begins to grow and flowers bloom. The carefully crafted sets, lighting and elaborate musical score combine to create this majestic environment for these creatures.

While there is no age limit for the two-hour event, Bliss suggests children five and older are more likely to enjoy it. "It's just a huge production," he said.

The show requires a cast of 65 people and its dinosaurs and sets are moved across the country using 27 trailers. "That's quite a convoy," Bliss added.

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Washington, Crowe are riveting in 'American Gangster'

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

So perhaps Ridley Scott's much-anticipated mobster epic *American Gangster* doesn't have a single original idea in its head, with its unshakable shades of *Scarface* and *Serpico* and *Superfly*. And maybe it's a half-hour too long — this time of year, what film with awards ambitions isn't? But it's exceptionally crafted and superbly acted, with the on-screen combo of Denzel Washington and Russell Crowe unsurprisingly proving impossible to resist, even though it takes about two hours for their paths to cross.

That's one of the more compelling elements of the film, written by Steven Zaillian (*Schindler's List*) and based on a New York magazine article by Mark Jacobson.

Washington, as real-life heroin kingpin Frank Lucas, and Crowe, as detective Richie Roberts, are on a collision course with one another that's bursting with the gritty period atmosphere of 1970s Harlem. Washington simply radiates as he returns comfortably to the charismatic bad-guy territory that earned him an Oscar in *Training Day*.

And Crowe, who earlier this year was the one playing the stylish villain in *3:10 to Yuma*, is just as powerful as the bulldog on the right side of the law.

Both men inhabit their roles so fully, though, they make the film's shortcomings easy to overlook. R for violence, pervasive drug content and language, nudity and sexuality. 157 minutes.

Three stars out of four.

— Christy Lemire, AP Movie Critic

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Westward expansion

Andiamo opens Livonia location

BY KEN ABRAMCZYK
STAFF WRITER

A familiar Detroit-area Italian restaurant group continues its westward expansion.

Andiamo Livonia is the latest addition to CEO Joe Vicari's family of eateries, which first started in 1990 and now includes 11 restaurants in the Detroit area.

Andiamo Livonia opened Oct. 24 at 38703 7 Mile Rd., just west of I-275 in Seven Mile Crossing, at a site that once housed O'Charley's and Cookers. It is another entry in the seemingly endless stream of restaurants along or near the I-275/Haggerty corridor from I-96 to 8 Mile.

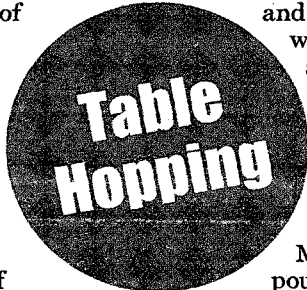
Vicari "has vision," said Paul Chetosky, general manager of Andiamo Livonia. "He sees something, and if there is potential there, he develops it. A large part of his success is the people he surrounds himself with."

Andiamo's menu features traditional northern Italian dishes, devised by chef Aldo Ottaviano from old family recipes

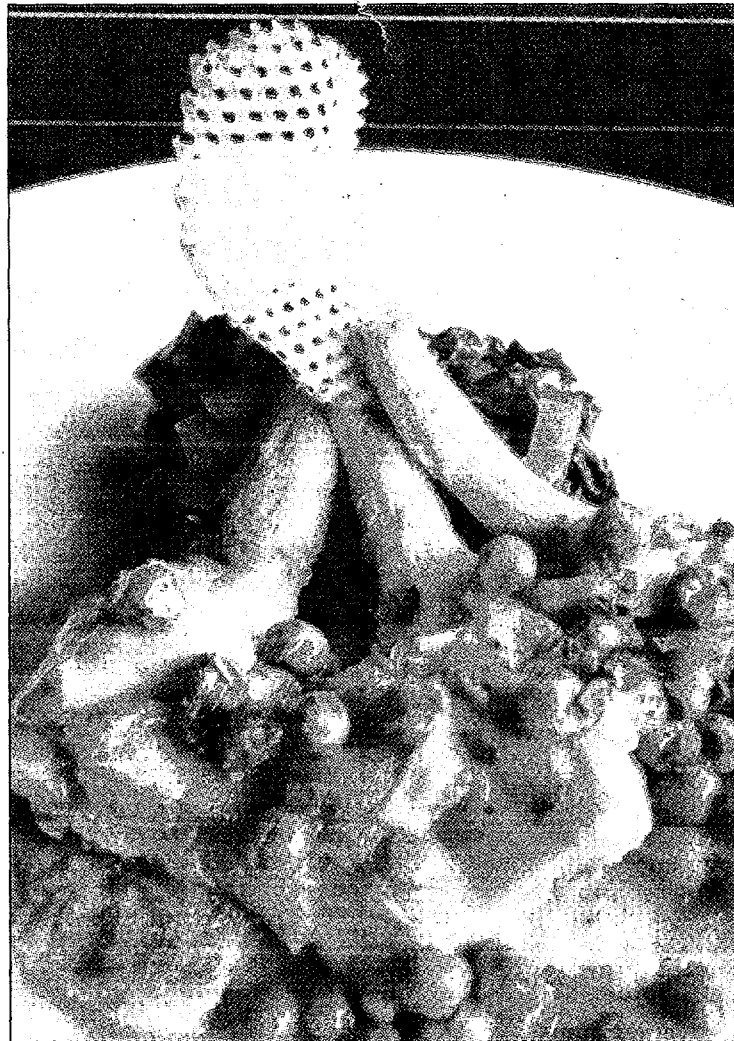
"passed on from generation to generation," Chetosky said. Ottaviano also trains all the Andiamo chefs. Andiamo Livonia's menu, like the other restaurants, features some of the same favorites, like the popular Veal Carciofini with peas, artichoke hearts and tomato sauce; Paglia E Fieno, with chicken tenderloin, prosciutto, peas, onions, spinach, sawgrass pasta in a light cream sauce, and fillet with Zip sauce, along with homemade pastas and six imported pasta dishes.

There's the Bistecca Di Maiale Alla Andiamo, a one-pound center cut pork chop marinated, grilled, topped with zante currants, port wine and a balsamic reduction, along with five veal selections, including the house specialty, a marinated and aged veal chop served with Zip sauce.

A taste of the dishes reminds us of why Andiamo is successful. The Minestrone Alla Milanese, Italian Vegetable Soup, contains a hearty flavor, robust on a fall evening, while



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the Ravioli Alla Aldo are homemade pasta pillows filled with meat, cheese and spinach, served with a full-bodied tomato or meat sauces spiced with herbs.

Each site's chef runs a monthly special of their choice. Wait staff are trained on the wines by sommelier Lisa Ribadou for the entire restaurant group.

While the restaurant market might appear saturated, the new eatery made sense for the Andiamo group, Chetosky said. "We aren't in this immediate area," Chetosky said, with the closest locations in Dearborn, Novi and West Bloomfield. "We found a great opportunity for us," referring to the vacated O'Charley's.

The restaurant itself underwent a huge renovation: the old room was gutted, then the current site was expanded. Decorator Ron Ray sets the color tone and decor for all the Andiamo Restaurant Group. "Ron tries to make every Andiamo a little different, they're all individualistic, all their own character." There's all new fixtures, flooring and seating.

Consistency remains Andiamo's forte. "It's different cooking for yourself, your family or in a restaurant. We put the same amount of effort in every dish that comes from the kitchen whether it is 7:30 on a Saturday or 2 p.m. on a Monday."

Chetosky himself worked his way up through the restaurant, first as a server at the Warren location, eventually as a

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Reservations: Yes, recommended.

Seating: 235 total, with small room available for parties up to 50.

Alcohol: yes, wine list of 100 bottles and bar.

Entertainment: adult contemporary, 8-11:30 p.m. Wednesday-Saturday.

Smoking area in bar only.

Reservations: yes, recommended.

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manager at Andiamo West Bloomfield at Maple and Telegraph. He has worked at the company for 12 years.

"We enjoy catering to people inside the restaurant as well as outside," Chetosky said. "We like to consider them as guests of our building. We like to give them a home when they come in. We like to take a personal interest in them when they come in."

"We practice what we do every day. We're never complacent. We're very passionate about what we do."

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Wine tasting raises scholarship funds

The Zonta Club of Northwest Wayne County is hosting a private wine tasting event 2-5 p.m. Nov. 11 at WineStyles, 17386 Haggerty Rd. in Livonia to raise scholarship money for women who need to gain skills so they can enter the work force.

Zonta International is a worldwide service organization dedicated to improving the status of women. Zonta has contributed more than \$25,000 to Schoolcraft College and the Woman's Resource Center, thanks to continued community support.

Crackers, assorted cheeses and meats are served. Tickets are \$25. To purchase tickets or for more information, contact

Sally Randall at (734) 464-3726 or Evelyn Shuput at (734) 416-9197.

THANKSGIVING DINNERS

Several restaurants will be serving dinner on Thanksgiving Day:

Dearborn Ritz Carlton offers traditional Thanksgiving fare. The price is \$65 per adult and \$30 per child, inclusive of tax and gratuity. Seatings are offered in The Plaza between 1-2:30 p.m. Thanksgiving Dinner in the award-winning Grill restaurant offers an a la carte menu. Dinner there is served 5-8 p.m. For dining reservations, call (313) 441-2000, Ext. 3475.

Epoch Events Catering at the Diamond Center inside the Rock Financial Showplace

in Novi features a buffet from 11 a.m.-3 p.m. Prices are adults, \$22.95; seniors, \$18.95; children (ages 5-12) \$12.95; children 4 and under, complimentary. For reservations, call (248) 348-5600, Ext. 200. The

Diamond Center inside The Rock Financial Showplace is located at 41600 Grand River Avenue in Novi.

Forte in Birmingham serves dinner with seatings at noon, 2 p.m., 4 p.m. or at 6 p.m. by reservation only. Adults pay \$29.95 per person, with children 12 and under for \$15.95. Forte is located at 201 S.

Old Woodward in downtown Birmingham. Phone (248) 594-7300.

Tribute in Farmington Hills plans an elegant four course dinner with two servings at 1 p.m. and 4 p.m. The price is \$75 per person. Tribute is located at 31425 Twelve Mile Road, west of Orchard Lake Road in Farmington Hills. Phone 248-848-9393. Reservations are recommended. Other restaurants offering Thanksgiving dinner are:

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11 Dubbed The World's Loudest String Quartet, the band The Section Quartet, comes to the Magic Bag, 22920 Woodward Ave., Ferndale at 8 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 11. Tickets are \$12. Formed on principles of rock, TSQ fuses classical and rock. The Section Quartet's latest arrangements include; Radiohead, The Strokes, Queens of the Stone Age and Yeah Yeah Yeahs. It's worth it just to hear their version of Radiohead's *OK Computer*. (248) 544-1991.



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14 It's the last day for the exhibit ©POP Gallery: *It's Humble To Be Good*, six juried winners from ©POPportunity, 4160 Woodward Ave., Detroit, (313) 833-9901, www.cpop.com.



15 Opening day for the four-day stint of Farmington Hills Youth Theater *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat*, Costick Center,

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The festival represents an opportunity for people to experience Native American culture and traditions. Observe an authentic Mini Pow Wow, with more than 45 Native Americans dressed in regalia as they perform specialty dances, including hoop, jingle and traditional dance. Tap feet to the beat of the native drums as the dancers twirl and sing. See the world's largest moccasins, and peek inside a traditional tepee and wigwam.

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ART EXHIBITS

Cranbrook Art Museum: 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.

Eastern Michigan University Gallery: Art Department New Faculty Exhibit, through Nov. 14; 900 Oakwood, Ypsilanti (734) 487-4065.

Ford Gallery: New Faces and Old Favorites, through Nov. 19, 114 Ford Hall (on the EMU campus), Ypsilanti, www.emich.edu/ford-gallery.

Madonna University: Uncommon Sculptures with Sculptors Guild of Michigan, Exhibition Gallery, through Nov. 10, northwest corner of Levan and Schoolcraft roads in Livonia (313) 478-6722.

MOCAD: Words Fail Me, exhibit with messages in different forms, curated by Matthew Higgs, through Jan. 20, 4454 Woodward Ave., Detroit, (313) 832-6622, www.mocadetroit.org.

Oakland University: James Stephens, a mid-career retrospective, through Nov. 11, next to Meadow Brook Theatre, Rochester www.oakland.edu/ouag, (248) 370-3005.

Oakland University: New Paintings by Dennis Michael Jones, opening reception 6-8 p.m. Nov. 17, exhibit through Dec. 23, artist's talk, 2 p.m. Nov. 18, 208 Wilson Hall, Rochester, www.oakland.edu/ouag, (248) 370-3005.

The Art Museum at Michigan State University: Iconic Images: New Photography Acquisitions in the Works on Paper Gallery, through Dec. 14, Kresge Art Center, at the intersection of Physics and Auditorium Roads between the Alumni Chapel and the MSU Auditorium on the campus of Michigan State University, (517) 355-7631, www.artmuseum.msu.edu.

ART GALLERIES

Ariana Gallery: Steeped in Tradition, 20th Annual Teapot Exhibition, featuring over 30 artists, opening reception 2-5 p.m. Nov. 10, Nov. 10-Dec. 15, 119 S. Main, Royal Oak (248) 546-8810, www.arianagallery.com.

ARTSearch: The Art of Dick Siegel, two dimensional constructions, through Nov. 29, 350 S. Main, Ann Arbor www.arts-search-corporate.com (734) 769-3223.

Cass Cafe: Notorious with Gwen Joy and Chris Turner, through Dec. 8, 4620 Cass, Detroit (313) 831-1400.

@POP Gallery: "It's Humble To Be Good," six juried winners from @POPportunity, through Nov. 14, 4160 Woodward, Detroit, (313) 833-9901, www.cpop.com.

@POP Gallery: Six Artists in the Tradition of Art School of the Detroit Society of Arts and Crafts, opening reception, 7-11 p.m., Nov. 17, exhibit through Dec. 31, 4160 Woodward Ave., Detroit, myspace.com/cpopgallery.

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.

Community Arts Gallery: Best of the Best, Wayne State University Arts Achievement

Award Recipients, 1975-2007, through Dec. 7; 150 Community Arts Building, Detroit (313) 993-7813.

Elaine Jacob Gallery: Street Sense: Celebrating 20 years of the Heidelberg Project, through Dec. 14, 480 W. Hancock, Detroit (313) 993-7813 www.art.wayne.edu.

Flatlanders: Five Tough Broads (Meighen Jackson, Margo McCafferty, Barbara Miner, Norma Penchansky-Glasser, Deborah Orloff), through Nov. 11, 11993 E. U.S. 223, Blissfield, (517) 486-4591, www.flatlandersculpture.com.

Hilberry Gallery: 50/50 Paintings by Ivin Ballen, opening reception 6-8 p.m. Nov. 9, exhibit through Jan. 5, 700 Livernois, Ferndale (248) 541-4700.

Lawrence Street Gallery: Printer X Seven, through Dec. 1, 22620 Woodward, Ferndale (248) 544-0394, www.lawrencestreetgallery.com.

Lemberg Gallery: Posedown, Orly Genger, through Nov. 10; 23241 Woodward, Ferndale (248) 591-6623, www.lemberggallery.com.

Paint Creek Center for the Arts: Works on Paper, featuring seven Michigan artists, through Nov. 10, Main Gallery, 407 Pine St., Rochester, (248) 651-4110 or visit www.pccart.org.

pittman-puckett gallery: Children of the Rainbow, with Sharlet Vaughn Di Giorgio, Pietro M. Di Giorgio will read original poetry for each piece of art, artist's reception, 7-9 p.m. Nov. 9, exhibit runs Nov. 9-30; first floor of the affirmations building, 290 W. Nine Mile Rd., Ferndale, 1-800 398-4297.

The Print Gallery: Paintings by Matteo, through Nov. 17, 29173 Northwestern Hwy., Southfield (248) 356-5454, www.EverythingArt.com.

Ridge Fine Art & Handmade Wares Show: 18 Michigan artists in jewelry, ceramics, photography, wearables, dolls, paintings, home goods, Nov. 16-17, Pleasant Ridge Community Center, 4 Ridge Road; S2; (248) 398-8107.

Sherry Washington Gallery: David Fludd, New Paintings and Drawings, through Dec. 31, www.sherrywashingtongallery.com, (313) 961-4500.

Sherrus Gallery: Tiny Treasures II, a collection of small works in acrylic, oil, watercolor, pastel, glass and metal by artists from around the world, through Nov. 30, 133 W. Main St., Suite 210, Northville, (248) 380-0470, www.sherrusgallery.com.

The Village Theatre Gallery: Michigan Water Color Society's 60th Annual Exhibition Travel Show, 35 water media paintings,

through Nov. 25, 50400 Cherry Hill Road, Canton, call for times (734) 394-5300, (734) 394-5460, mwscart.com.

ART, ETC.

MOCAD: Words Never Fail Me with Lisa Anne Auerbach, 7 p.m. Nov. 8; Steven Shaviro, Gallery Talk, 7 p.m. Nov. 14; 4454 Woodward Ave., www.mocadetroit.org/upcoming-events.html, (313) 832-6622.

Oakland University Art Gallery: James Stephens: A Mid-Career Retrospective, through Nov. 11, 208 Wilson Hall, Rochester, (248) 370-3005, www.oakland.edu/ouag.

Great Lakes Beadworkers Guild: Beaded art exhibit, through Nov. 16; Home Gallery, Downriver Council of the Arts, 20904 Northline, Taylor.

Anniversary Cakewalk: Paint Creek Center for the Arts, Birmingham Bloomfield Art Center, Detroit Artists Market, The Scarab Club, The Arts League of Michigan, event celebrates all of these organizations' anniversaries with cake at the galleries, 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Dec. 1, visit each of these organizations for specifics at each of their Web sites.

BALLET

Michigan Ballet Theatre: The Nutcracker, Dec. 8-9, Avondale High School Performing Arts Center, 2800 Waukegan, Auburn Hills, (248) 652-3117.

BOOKS

Detroit Historical Society: Fall Author Series with Michael Rodriguez, co-author of "Detroit's Belle Isle: Island Park Gem," 6-8 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 14, Dossin Great Lakes Museum, 100 Strand Drive on Belle Isle (313) 833-7935, www.detroithistorical.org/thingsdoto.

Jewish Community Center: The 56th Annual Jewish Book Fair, through Nov. 18, featuring Michael Chabon, Alan Dershowitz, Jill Sklar, 6600 W. Maple, West Bloomfield (248) 432-5577 Ext. 7, www.jccdet.org.

CHORAL

Tuesday Musicale of Greater Pontiac: evening of choral music featuring local church choirs and ensembles, 7:30 p.m. Nov. 13, Central United Methodist Church, 3882 Highland Road, Waterford, (248) 673-8187 or e-mail at pontiacuesdaymusicale@gmail.com.
Christ Church Cranbrook: Carol Sing join with

members of St. Dunstan's Theatre Guild of Cranbrook then visit with Santa and enjoy treats across the street at St. Dunstan's, 3 p.m. Dec. 1, Lone Pine at Cranbrook Road, West of Woodward, Bloomfield Hills.

Fort Street Presbyterian Church: Handel's Messiah, Fort Street Chorale and Chamber Orchestra, 7:30 p.m. Dec. 1, 3 p.m. Dec. 2, \$18, 631 W. Fort, Detroit (313) 961-4533.

St. Matthew's United Methodist Church: Classical Bells handbell choir and Livonia Civic Chorus, 7 p.m. Dec. 2, \$14 at door, proceeds to fund new Fellowship Hall, 30900 Six Mile Rd. (between Merriman and Middlebelt roads), Livonia (734) 422-6038.

University Musical Society: The Tallis Scholars: Poetry in Music for the Virgin Mary, Dec. 6; Bach's St. Matthew Passion with Detroit Symphony Orchestra, UMS Choral Union, Michigan State University Children's Choir, March 21; call for brochure at (734) 764-2538 or visit www.ums.org.

CLASSICAL

Detroit Chamber Winds & Strings: Jason Amos, viola recital, part of Nightnotes series, 8 p.m. hors d'oeuvres reception, 8:30 p.m. concert, Nov. 9, Hagopian World of Rugs, 850 S. Old Woodward, Birmingham, advance tickets \$20, \$25 at door, (248) 559-2095, www.detroitchamberwinds.org.

Birmingham Temple: Yizhak Schotten, violist, with pianist Katherine Collier, 8 p.m. Nov. 10, 28611 W. 12 Mile, Farmington Hills, (248) 788-9338 or (248) 661-1348 for tickets.

Chamber Music at the Scarab Club: Sean Hickey's Clarinet Concerto, talk at 6 p.m., concert at 7 p.m. Nov. 18, 217 Farnsworth (behind the Detroit Institute of Arts), \$18 advance, \$20 at door, 248 474-8930 or visit www.scarabclub.org/chambermusic.

Cranbrook Music Guild: Miami String Quartet, 8 p.m. Nov. 13, Christ Church Cranbrook, 470 Church Road, Bloomfield Hills, on the southwest corner of Lone Pine and Cranbrook Roads (248) 644-6352, www.cranbrookmusicguild.org.

Detroit Symphony Orchestra: Antonin Dvorák's Symphony No. 9, Nov. 15-17, \$20, Orchestra Hall, Max M. Fisher Music Center, 3711 Woodward Ave., Detroit, (313) 576-5111, www.detroitssymphony.com.

Detroit Symphony Orchestra: The Three B's, Nov. 23-25; The Norrington Experience, Nov. 30-Dec. 1; The Four Seasons, Dec. 6-8; A Summer's Dream, Jan. 4-6; Ehnes Plays Barber, Jan. 10, 12-13; Fantastique Dutoit, Jan. 24-26, Max Fisher Music Center, Detroit. Visit www.detroitssymphony.com.

Hill Auditorium: UMS welcomes Caetano Veloso, 8 p.m. Nov. 9; Yo-Yo Ma 8 p.m. Nov. 10; at 825 University Ave., Ann Arbor. Call (734) 764-2538.

Motor City Brass Band: Sounds of the Season, with Ward Evangelical Presbyterian Church Chancel Choir, 3 p.m. Dec. 16, \$15, Ford Community and Performing Arts Center, 15801 Michigan Ave., Dearborn (313) 943-2354.

Plymouth Symphony Orchestra: second concert of their 62nd -- "Love Affair with Music" - season, "The Passion of the Piano" at Ward Presbyterian Church (40000 Six Mile Rd in Northville), 8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 16, pianist Armen Guzelimian, guest composer Cindy McTea.

Rackham Auditorium: UMS welcomes Zehetmair String Quartet, 8 p.m. Nov. 8; Los Angeles Guitar Quartet, 4 p.m. Nov. 18, at 915 E. Washington Street, Ann Arbor. Call (734) 764-2538.

CLUBS

The Ark: Corinne West, Nov. 12; 316 S. Main, Ann Arbor (734) 761-1800.

The Ark: 11th Annual Fall Fund-raiser, This Ark is Your Ark: A Celebration and Tribute in the Spirit of Woody Guthrie featuring Odetta and The Ribbon of Highway Endless Skyway Artists, Nov. 10, 316 S. Main, Ann Arbor (734) 761-1800.

Bosco: Enjoy noWax nights at 7 p.m. every Wednesday, no cover, 21 and over only, 22930 Woodward in Ferndale, www.thebosco.com, (248) 541-8818.

Bullfrog Bar Grill: The Industry is Sleeping, networking, party/show for producers, singers and songwriters put on by Matthew Trevarthen ("X") from VerB, a Canton hip-hop group, Dec. 6, www.verbhiphop.com.

Crofoot: Trail of the Dead with Dethklok, Nov. 19; Boogie Dynamite, Nov. 23; Witchcraft, Nov. 26; (248) 858-9333.

The Eagle Theatre: Girl Talk, Nov. 10; Psychic TV, Nov. 13, 15 S. Saginaw, Pontiac, www.thecrofoot.com

Eden Nightclub & Ultralounge: Friday night party with DJ Ryan Richards, 10 p.m. guest celebrity hosts and DJs; DJ Urban Chris in the Garden Room, DJ Pannos in the Ultralounge accompanied by percussionist Jared Sykes, 10 p.m. Saturday, 22061 Woodward Ave, Ferndale (248) 541-7674.

Ginopolis on the Grill: Don Swindell and Shuffle Play, with Swindell, Sheila Brown, Mike Lorenz and Jake Reichhart, 7:30-11:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday, 27851 Middlebelt at 12 Mile in Farmington Hills, no cover, (248) 851-8222.

Magic Bag: Leon Russell, Nov. 9, The Section Quartet, Nov. 11; Blue Cheer, Nov. 13; Gary Hoey, Dec. 7; 22920 Woodward Ave., Ferndale (248) 544-3030, www.themagicbag.com.

Main Street Billiards: Poker tournaments, Nov. 13, 20; Dance Like the Stars, Nov. 14; Dance with Reggie, Nov. 8, 9, 15, 16, 23, 29; DJ Matt Fox, Nov. 10, 17, 24; Biggest Bar Night of the Year, Nov. 21; 215 S. Main St., Rochester (248) 652-8441, www.mainstreetbilliards.net.

Majestic Theatre: MIA, Nov. 24; Peter, Bjorn & John, Dec. 1, 4140 Woodward, Detroit, (313) 833-9700.

Mario's of Troy: Expedition, 7:30 p.m. Nov. 10, 1477 John R (just south of Maple Road) in Troy, (248) 588-6000.

O-Zen Lounge: Formerly the Buddha Lounge; Hot 'N Ready with DJ U.N.I. hip hop soul, Thursday; Insomnia Music, hip hop, soul, old school, Friday; Super Sonic Smooth Music with DJ Shug, Saturday; karaoke with Chez, Sunday; '80s and Rock N Roll; bring your CDs, Tuesday; and Energetic House with DJ Tony Bell, Wednesday; www.ozenlounge.com, 21633 W. Eight Mile, Detroit (313) 535-4664.

The Pike Room: Fear Blind, Nov. 8; Manna and Quail, Nov. 15; The High String, Nov. 21; The Redwalls, Nov. 29; 1 S. Saginaw, Pontiac (248) 858-9333.

Seldom Blues: Kirk Whalum, 5 p.m. (\$80 four-course dinner performance) and 8 p.m. (\$30), Nov. 11, (313) 567-7301 Ext. 112 for dinner performance reservations.

Sky Club: Tango, salsa, and Latin dancing every Wednesday beginning at 8 p.m., located above Sangria's Restaurant, 401 S. Lafayette, Royal Oak, (248) 543-1964.

COMEDY

Ann Arbor Comedy Showcase: Citizen Jimmy with Jimmy Dore, Nov. 8-10; Leo Dufour, Nov. 15-17; KomicKaze Comedy, Nov. 21; Heywood Banks, Nov. 23-25; Chili's Comedy Dojo Graduation Show, Nov. 28; Tim Slagle, Nov. 29-Dec.1; 314 E. Liberty, Ann Arbor (734) 996-9080, www.aacomedy.com.

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.

Historic Holly Hotel Comedy Club: Steve Sabo, Nov. 9-10; Frank Roche and Sheila Loveley, Nov. 16-17; Bill Bushart, Nov. 23-24; David Luther Glover, Nov. 30-Dec. 1, 110 Battle Alley, Holly (248) 634-5208.

Liberty Bar and Grille: Leo Dufour with Keith Lenart, Nov. 9, 6060 Maybee, Clarkston.
Mark Ridley's Comedy Castle: 3 Blonde Moms (Beaumont Bacon, Joanie Fagan, Helen

Keaney), 2 and 7 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 18, 7 p.m. Monday, Nov. 19, (248) 542-9900, www.comedycastle.com.

Maxie's Sunday Night Comedy Shoppe: Keith Ruff, Nov. 11; Steve Brewer, Nov. 18; Dave Landau, Nov. 25; Bill Bushart, Dec. 2, 2500 Hill Rd. (just west of U.S. 23, Flint, (810) 232-2500. **City Theatre:** Comedy series kicks off with Tommy Davidson, Nov. 15-18, followed by Arnez J (Nov. 29-Dec. 2) Kevin Hart (Dec. 13-16) and Earthquake (Dec. 27-30), Ticketmaster.com, (248) 433-1515.

The Fox Theatre: Jim Gaffigan, Nov. 17; Lewis Black, Nov. 24; (248) 433-1515, Ticketmaster.com.

The Palace: Dane Cook's Rough Around the Edges tour, Nov. 24, \$32.50-\$102.50, Ticketmaster, (248) 645-6666.

The Second City: City Limits and Barnhart, opening night Nov. 4, Nov. 11-25, \$7, 42705 Grand River Ave., Novi, (248) 348-4448, www.secondcity.com.

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CONCERTS

The Fillmore-Detroit: Brian Setzer Christmas Extravaganza, Dec. 7, 2115 Woodward, Detroit. Call (248) 645-6666.

The Fox Theatre: Najwa Karam, Wael Kfoury and Fadel Chaker, Nov. 9; Neil Young, Nov. 10; Daryl Hall & John Oates Christmas Tour, Dec. 1; B.B. King, Feb. 16, 2211 Woodward, Detroit, Ticketmaster.com (248) 433-1515.

The Palace of Auburn Hills: Fall Out Boy, Nov. 20; Hannah Montana/Miley Cyrus, 7 p.m. Dec. 5, visit palacenet.com or call (248) 645-6666 for tickets.

The Palace: Kenny "Babyface" Edmonds brings his "Playlist Tour" with special guest Ayo, Nov. 30, \$20-\$49.50; Palacenet.com, The Palace Box Office and all Ticketmaster locations.

Joe Louis Arena: Ozzy Osbourne and Rob Zombie, Dec. 18, (248) 645-6666, www.ticketmaster.com, OlympiaEntertainment.com.

Joe Louis Arena: Up Close and Personal Holiday Exclusive Tour with Chris Brown and Bow Wow, Dec. 8, Joe Louis, To charge tickets by phone, call (248) 645-6666. For additional information, call (313) 471-6611.

Joe Louis Arena: R. Kelly with Neyo, Keyshia Cole and J. Holiday, Dec. 22, OlympiaEntertainment.com, (248) 645-6666.

Masonic Temple Theatre: Modest Mouse, Dec. 1, \$35, 500 Temple Ave., Detroit, (248) 645-6666.

DANCE

Eisenhower Dance Ensemble: Other Side of Winter, 8 p.m. Dec. 8; NewDanceFest VI, 7:30 p.m. Jan. 26; Bright Side of the Road, 8 p.m. April 5, various locations, call (248) 852-5850 or see www.ede-dance.org.

Music Hall of Performing Arts: Mazowsze, Nov. 15-16; Bellydance Superstars, Nov. 17; 350 Madison, Detroit www.musicall.org, (313) 887-8500.

FAMILY

The Palace of Auburn Hills: Disney On Ice Presents: High School Musical The Ice Tour, Feb. 29-March 2, Palacenet.com, The Palace Box Office and all Ticketmaster centers, (248) 377-0100.

Jewish Community Center: Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs, 7 p.m. Nov. 28, 1 and 3 p.m. Dec. 2, Handelman Auditorium, Jewish Community Center, 6600 Maple, West Bloomfield, for information and reservations, call (248) 432-5577, Ext. 7.

The Fox Theatre: Kidz Bop World Tour, 3 and 7 p.m. Nov. 11, kidzbopworldtour.com, for tickets, Ticketmaster.com or call (248)



The Pro Mozart Society of Greater Detroit presented its first concert of the season and its fall chamber music event Oct. 30, at Hammell Music, 2700 E. Maple Rd. (at M-5), in Commerce. The performers were Detroit Symphony Orchestra violinists Kimberly Kolnoyanides Kennedy and Hai-Xin Wu; violist James Van Valkenburg and cellist Robert de Maine, joined by pianist Pauline Martin of West Bloomfield. The concert commenced with W. A. Mozart's Piano Quartet in E-Flat, K. 493, and ended with Johannes Brahms' Piano Quintet in f, Op. 34. The Pro Mozart Society of Greater Detroit's next concert will take place on Tuesday, April 8 features clarinetist Laurence Liberson, Van Valkenburg and Martin. For ticket or other information, call (248) 683-9626.

433-1515.

Walking with Dinosaurs: The Live Experience runs Nov. 14-18, Cobo Arena, Detroit, (248) 645-6666.

Rochester: Kris Kringle Market, inspired by German Christkindlmarkt, handcrafted gifts, German food and entertainment, noon-8 p.m. Nov. 23 and 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Nov. 24, East University between East and Water streets in downtown Rochester, 248/656-0060 or e-mail rochesterdda@hotmail.com.

Rochester: Big, Bright Light Show kicks off at 35th Annual Lagniappe event, 7 p.m. Nov. 26, 5-11 p.m. every night through Dec. 31, www.DowntownRochesterMI.com.

Masonic Temple: Modest Mouse, 8 p.m. Dec. 1, OlympiaEntertainment.com, Ticketmaster.com, (248) 645-6666.

Macomb Cultural Center: U.S. Coast Guard auxiliaryist Bob Hanford traces the history of Michigan's oldest lighthouse (Fort Gratiot), 10:30 a.m. Nov. 7; part of Great Lakes, Great Stories: Michigan's Maritime Heritage at the Macomb Cultural Center, Hall and Garfield roads, Clinton Township, admission is free, although pre-registration at (586) 445-7348 is required, www.macombculturalcenter.com.

FESTIVALS

Native American Festival: Celebrate indigenous Michigan tribes of Ottawa, Ojibwe and Potawatomi, dances, food, ceremonial chants, jewelry, pottery and blankets, 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Nov. 10, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Nov. 11, Southfield Pavilion, 26000 Evergreen (1/2 mile south of 11 Mile Road), \$7.50, www.MetroParentEvents.com, (248) 398-3400.

FILM

Detroit Historical Museum: Fall Film Series, "Stranded at the Corner," 1 p.m. Nov. 10-11, "The Hudson's Building, 1 and 2 p.m. Dec. 9-10, 5401 Woodward Ave. (NW corner of Kirby) in Detroit's Cultural Center area, (313) 833-1805, www.detroithistorical.org. **Southfield Public Library:** "Something the Lord Made," 6:30 p.m. Nov. 20, Southfield Municipal Complex, 26300 Evergreen Rd., www.southfieldlibrary.org

FOOD AND WINE

Zonta Club of Northwest Wayne County: Wine Tasting Party to raise funds for scholarships for women who need skills to enter work force, 2-5 p.m. Nov. 11, WineStyles, 17386 Haggerty, Livonia, \$25, to purchase tickets or for more information, please contact (734) 464-3726 or (734) 416-9197.

FUND-RAISERS

"Broadway and Baskets": featuring Three Men and a Tenor, will take place on Saturday, Nov. 10, at 6:30 p.m. at Great Oaks Country Club in Rochester. This fund-raiser, hosted by the Rochester Symphony Guild to benefit The Rochester Symphony Orchestra, features a gourmet dinner, the lively comedy and singing style of Three Men and a Tenor, live auction of hand-painted chairs in various styles by talented area artists, and a silent auction of themed baskets. Black tie optional. Tickets are \$75 per person. For tickets, call (248) 652-9154.

Mark Ridley's Comedy Castle: Benefit Concert for Give-A-Christmas Year Around fund with Howard Glazer and the EL 34s, The Tones, and LL Blues, silent auction, 7-10 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 28, \$5 minimum donation, 269 E. Fourth, Royal Oak, (248) 542-9900, (248) 591-2579. www.comedycastle.com.

HOLIDAY

Rochester: Holiday open House, Nov. 10 (248) 656-0060, www.DowntownRochesterMI.com **Plymouth:** Holiday Open House & Preview, 10 a.m.-6 p.m., Nov. 17 and 18; Santa's Arrival, tree lighting and winter concert with Michael King and Karen Newman, 5-8 p.m. Nov. 23 (734) 455-1453.

Michigan Christmas Show and Marketplace: Nov. 29-Dec. 2, \$10, Rock Financial Showplace, Novi, (800) 849-0248, www.MichiganChristmasShow.com.

Greens Market: Nov. 30-Dec. 1, St. Philip's Episcopal Church, Main and Parkdale, Rochester.

Fox Theatre: Daryl Hall & John Oates, Home for Christmas Tour, Dec. 1, Ticketmaster.com, (248) 433-1515.

Fox Theatre: The Nutcracker, presented by Michigan Opera Theatre, Dec. 6-9, Ticketmaster.com, (248) 433-1515.

JAZZ

Baker's Keyboard Lounge: Spencer Barfield & Friends with Don Mayberry (bass) and Djallo Djakate (drums), Wednesdays, 20510 Livernois (at Eight Mile), Detroit (313) 345-6300.

Cliff Bells: Scott Gwinnett and his 16-piece jazz orchestra, 9:30 p.m. every Wednesday, 2030 Park (near Comerica Park), Detroit (313) 961-2543.

Costick Center: Western Jazz Quartet, a resident faculty ensemble from the School of Music at Western Michigan University, \$18, 7:30 p.m. Nov. 9, Costick Center, 11 Mile Rd. between Middlebelt and Inkster in Farmington Hills, (248) 473-1848 or (248) 473-1857.

Hill Auditorium: Madeleine Peyroux, 8 p.m. Nov. 8, at 825 University Ave., Ann Arbor. Call (734) 764-2538.

Jazz and dinner: "Kind of Blue Tuesdays," at Lola's, Harmonie Park. Led by the Gerard Evans Quartet, the shows help musicians play with the core group at 9 p.m. every Tuesday, 1427 Randolph St. in Detroit's Harmonie Park, (313) 962-0483.

Jazz Cafe at Music Hall: Mary Stallings, Nov. 9; Joan Bow-Belgrave, Nov. 10; Mahogany Revue, Nov. 21; V Miles Out, Nov. 30; 350 Madison Ave., Detroit, (313) 887-8532 or e-mail jazzcafe@musicall.org for additional information.

Spencer Barefield Quartet: Baritone saxophonist, Hamiet Bluiett with the Spencer Barefield Quartet with Dave McMurray, David Young (from Toronto), and Djallo Djakate Keita in a concert at the home of Barbara and Spencer Barefield, 8 p.m. Nov. 29, the day before their Friday performance at the DIA, \$30 includes refreshments, wine and beverages, (313) 891-2514 or purchase online at spencerbarefield.com.

Rackham Auditorium: Turtle Island Quartet performs A Solstice Celebration with Leo Kottke, 4 p.m. Dec. 9, \$22-\$46, 915 E. Washington, Ann Arbor (734) 764-2538, ums.org.

Windsor/Detroit Jazz Club: Ongoing gigs, 1-4 p.m. first and third Saturday of every month, Shield's Pizza, 25101 Telegraph (northwest corner of 10 Mile and Telegraph), Southfield, \$8 cover, (248) 478-0172.

MORE MUSIC

2007 Detroit Blues Challenge: Nov. 17, Alibi's Music Cafe, 4785 Howard, Windsor (519) 969-3135; winners advance to finals, 4 p.m. Nov. 25, The Magic Bag, 22920 Woodward, Ferndale (248) 544-1991, www.themagicbag.com.

Paint Creek Folklore Society: 36th Tin Whistle Coffeehouse with Laura Boosinger, Cats & the Fiddler, Andy Mather and Friends, and Arthur Kuhn, 7:30 p.m. Nov. 17, First Presbyterian Church, Huron at Wayne Street, Pontiac, \$15, for tickets call (248) 682-1109, (248) 889-3013.

Plymouth Coffee Bean Company: Mike "Mickey" Richard, solo acoustic performance, 8 p.m. Nov. 30, 884 Penniman, Plymouth, admission free, but donations appreciated. CD available for \$15, e-mail mickey@spirityard.com.

First Presbyterian Church of Royal Oak: Caberet with Sunny Wilkinson, Feb. 1; Detroit Dance Collective, 529 Hendrie Blvd., Royal Oak (248) 541-0108.

Nardin Park Music Series: Christmas at Nardin Park Concert with Chapter 6, 2 p.m. Dec. 9; Nardin Park United Methodist Church, 29887 W. 11 Mile Rd., Farmington Hills (248) 476-8860 for information.

Oakland Community College's Performing Arts Program: Illrd Tyme Out, Jan. 25, Williams and Clark Expedition, April

11; Rhonda Vincent and the Rage, May 2, performances at 7:30 p.m. Student Center Arena, Highland Lakes Campus in Waterford except for Vincent, which will be at the Orchard Ridge campus, \$20; (248) 341-2270.

University Musical Society: Los Angeles Guitar Quartet, 4 p.m. Nov. 18, \$22-\$46, Rackham Hall, 915 E. Washington, Ann Arbor (734) 764-2538, ums.org.

MUSEUMS

Cranbrook Science Museum: Featured exhibit is It's a Nano World. Permanent exhibits include planetarium, nature center and Bat Zone Conservatory, 39221 Woodward Bloomfield Hills, general admission \$5-\$7, planetarium, \$1-\$3, (248) 645-3200; www.cranbrook.edu.

Detroit Science Center: Extended Our Body: The Universe Within exhibit; new IMAX is Sea Monsters: A Prehistoric Adventure, call (313) 577-8400 or visit http://www.detroitsciencecenter.org.

Detroit Historical Museum: Reopened with six new or refreshed exhibitions, including 1920s Detroit Building Boom, Rallying the Home Front, New to the Collection, (a showcase of artifacts), Detroit Artist Showcase, Fabulous 5 and Detroit Automotive Showplace, (313) 833-1805, www.detroithistorical.org.

Detroit Historical Museum: Free admission to all U.S. military veterans and active duty personnel throughout the month of November, museum is currently featuring two WWII exhibits, one of poster art, the other on Tuskegee Airmen, 5401 Woodward Ave. (NW corner of Kirby), (313) 833-1805 www.detroithistorical.org.

Exhibit Museum of Natural History: Lecture Series: Scales of the Universe, 7:30 p.m. Nov. 2, 16; Planetarium reopens Nov. 3, at the University of Michigan, 1109 Geddes, Ann Arbor, www.lsa.umich.edu/exhibit-museum, (734) 764-0478.

The Henry Ford: "Best of Friends: Buckminster Fuller and Isamu Noguchi," through Jan. 15, at 20900 Oakwood Blvd., west of the Southfield Freeway and south of Michigan Avenue, Dearborn. Additional charges and varying hours for entry to Greenfield Village, Ford Rouge Factory Tour and IMAX Theatre. Call (313) 982-6001 or visit www.hfmgv.org.

Dossin Great Lakes Museum: Detroit Historical Society's Maritime Auxiliary Group hosts remembrance for sailors lost on the Great Lakes, 6 p.m. Nov. 10, \$10 for DH3 members, \$15 for guests, (313) 833-7935 for reservations and information, www.detroithistorical.org/thingstodo.

Plymouth Historical Museum: Reopens Nov. 17 with A Red Ryder Christmas Story, also Santa Claus appears Saturdays Nov. 17-Dec. 22, 1-4 p.m.

Rochester Hills Museum at Van Hoosen Farm: Adams Road Mastodon in special exhibit, one year after discovery by road crew at Adams and M-59, through January 2008, 1-4 p.m. Wednesdays through Saturdays, 1005 Van Hoosen Road (off of Tienken Road, one mile east of Rochester Road and one mile north of Downtown Rochester), (248) 565-4663, www.rochesterhills.org, also Rudy Simons, impressions of Iran, 7 p.m. Sept. 20.

University of Michigan Museum of Art: Persian Visions: Photography from Iran, through Dec. 30, 1301 S. University Ave., Ann Arbor.

OPERA

Detroit Opera House: The Marriage of Figaro, Nov. 10-11, 14, 16-18; La Sonnambula March 28, April 2, 4-6; La Rondine, April 19-20, 23, 25-26; La Traviata May 10-11, 14, 16-18; all at 1526 Broadway, Detroit. Visit www.michiganopera.org.

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The MAP program is sponsored by Macy's, the Library of Michigan Foundation and the Cultural Alliance of Southeastern Michigan. For more information and a complete list of participating arts and cultural institutions, visit www.detroitadventure-pass.org.

KLUGH

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friends."

Fans at the upcoming show can expect the keyboard section and Price's saxophone to be joined by a four-piece horn section and three female vocalists.

Klugh, of course, will play his acoustic guitar. He's performed and recorded with jazz legends Bob James and George Benson.

While his music is classified as jazz, Klugh has pulled from pop influences of the 1960s including Burt Bacharach, the Beatles and, of course, Motown, namely Marvin Gaye and Stevie Wonder.

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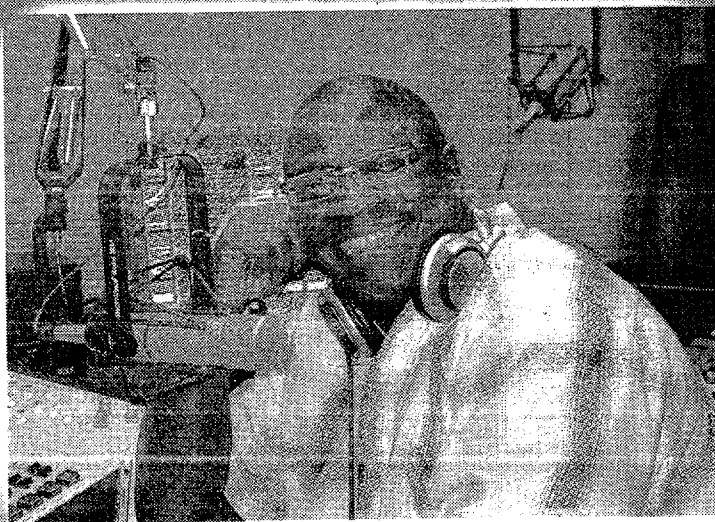
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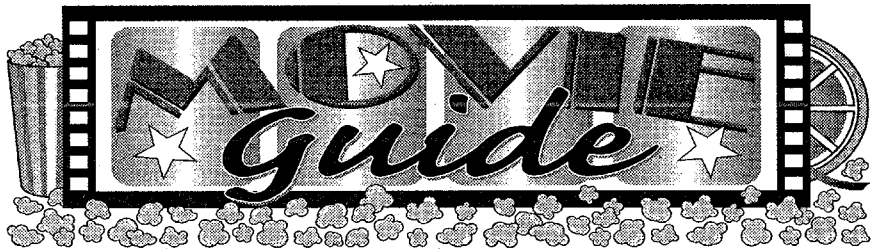
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