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Millage drops as budget passes

■ Plymouth Township officials admit it wasn't much, and three of them voted against it, but a lower millage rate was passed after the township board adopted its budget at its Tuesday night meeting.

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The Plymouth Township board approved its $13.8 million 2001 general fund budget after adjustments Tuesday and relied heavily on recommendations made by Supervisor Kathleen Keen McCarthy.

The budget includes $200,000 for a feasibility study for a new township hall, and construction of an estimated $4 million clubhouse and $1 million reconfigured golf course at Hilltop Golf Course on Powell Road.

Plymouth Township Public Services Director Jim Anulewicz asked the board to come up with "drop dead dates" about when it wanted the study to begin. He will "resurrect" a previous study for a new township hall that looked at various sites. It included the present municipal complex at Ann Arbor and Lilley Roads was one suggestion; the area near the DPW site on Port Street was another.

"I would like to see ground broken for a new town hall next year," said Treasurer Ron Edwards.

With a motion by Edwards, the board set the township millage rate at 3.2 mills, a decrease from 3.29 mills last year. It represents a minimal savings for a homeowner with a $200,000 home, according to township officials.

"By keeping the millage rate the same, based on inflation, we are raising taxes," Edwards said. "I believe we should lower the millage rate." He cited the township's rosy financial picture including an expected increase in state-shared revenues of about $500,000.

Keen McCarthy and trustees Kay Arnold and Ron Griffith voted no on the new millage rate.

Because Keen McCarthy canceled study sessions, the board discussed and approved the budget in a single meeting which ended after midnight. She didn't want to make increases which would create a burden on the board. "This is a status quo budget,"

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On stage: *Actor Richard Dreyfuss walks back to a news conference after signing autographs for students in the Salem auditorium.*

Actor: 'Your vote counts'

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"America is the greatest country that ever existed. Don't blow it."

Those were words of wisdom from actor Richard Dreyfuss, who took time from stumping metro Detroit for Democratic presidential nominee Al Gore, to address nearly 800 students in the Salem High School auditorium Wednesday afternoon.

Dreyfuss mostly kept his political opinions to himself, choosing instead to tell seniors, government class students and band members the importance of taking part in the political process.

"If you don't vote, if you don't think voting is the core, primary important political act of your life, you are deluded," said Dreyfuss. "If you think you can be a member of the citizenry of this country without voting, and escape the consequences, you are nuts."

Dreyfuss admitted that most young people have a profound cynicism about the political process.

"I bet an overwhelming majority of you think our politicians are corrupt, our institutions decayed, ineffective, useless and are destructive to your personal, ethical, moral character," he said. "And, you wouldn't be wrong."

Then the actor most students know from his characters in the movies *Jaws, Mr. Holland's Opus,* and *What About Bob?,* talked about the importance of the voting booth.

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Making his point: *Actor Richard Dreyfuss addresses students.*

Absentee ballots flow as general election nears

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Plymouth and Plymouth Township clerks are sending out absentee ballots for the Nov. 7 general election.

"We're targeting late next week for getting them in the mail," said Plymouth Deputy Clerk Emily Peters.

"We've already sent out 188 absentee ballots to residents in the military and those who are out-of-state," added Plymouth Township Clerk Marilyn Massengill. "And, we've sent out the first 700 absentee ballots to Plymouth Township residents."

Both officials say they expect to send out an increasing number of absentee ballots for the general election.

"We've received a lot of new requests for absentee ballots, as well as requests to be put on the permanent absentee ballot list," said Peters. "The Republican Party has been sending out absentee ballot applications to area residents, and we've received a lot of those, too."

Peters said she's collected 1,261 applications for absentee ballots and expects nearly 80 percent of those ballots to be completed and returned by Nov. 7.

"A lot more people registered to vote in the election this year, and that's a positive thing," added Peters. "The more people that vote, the more worthwhile it makes the cost of the election for taxpayers."

Peters expects the general election to cost the city of Plymouth upwards of $18,000.

Peters reminds those residents who filled out applications for absentee bal-

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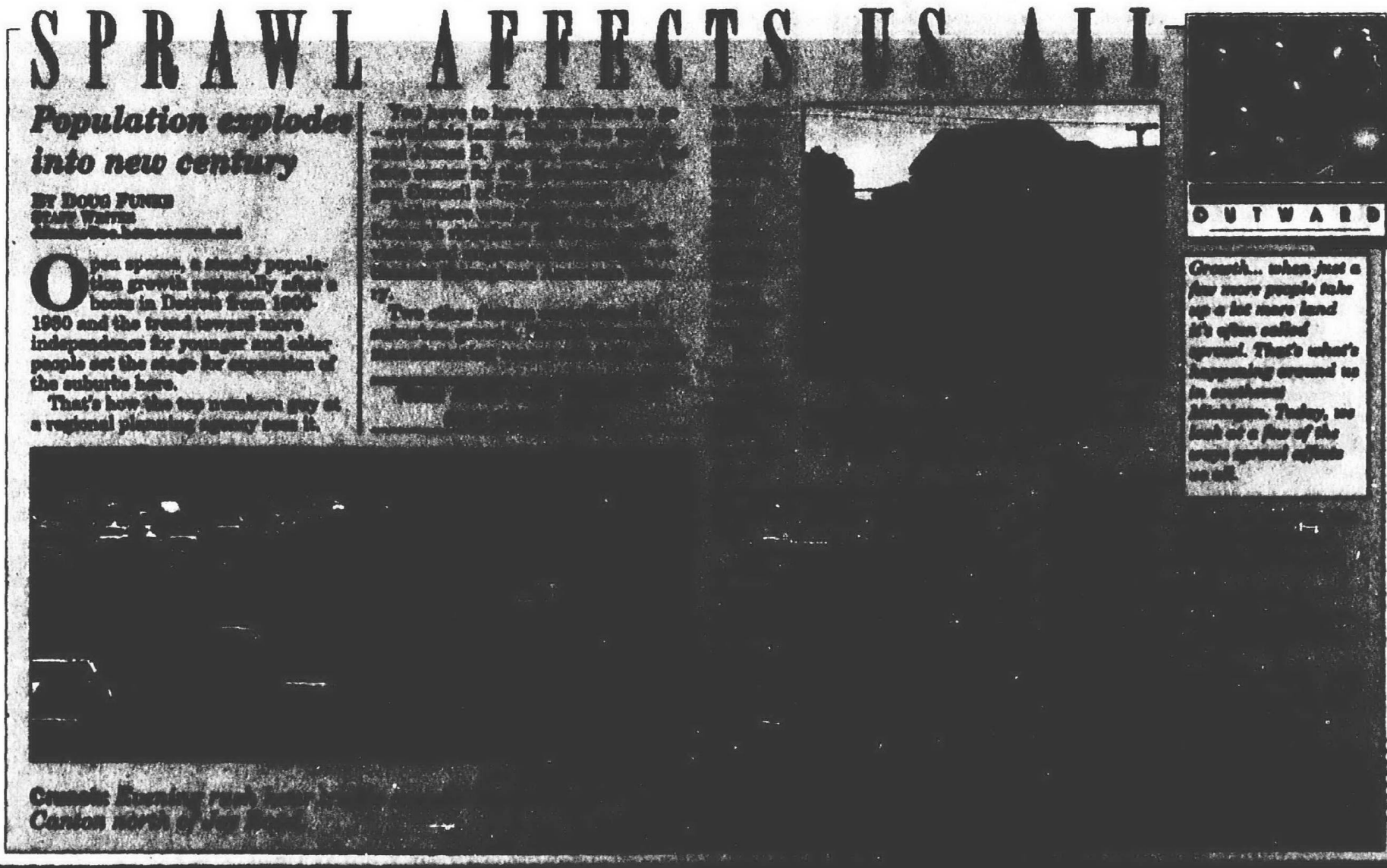

City sets up annual leaf pickup schedule

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It's a sure sign of Fall.

On Monday, the City of Plymouth's Municipal Services Department begins its month-long collection of curbside leaves.

"We'll have three crews out during the next month or so as we make at least four bulk leaf collections in each area of the city," said Acting City Manager Paul Sincock. "Two of the collections will occur on a designated week and the other two will occur as workload and equipment allows on a random basis."

Sincock said residents need to make certain leaves are raked to the curb by 7 a.m. on the Monday of the designated week.

"Otherwise residents may miss having their leaves picked up that week if crews have already passed their house," said Sincock. "Collection of leaves from non-designated week areas of the city will occur on a time available basis, so residents should make every effort to get their leaves to the curb as soon as possible."

This year there will be three full-time Municipal Services Department crews collecting leaves.

"Leaf collection ties up nearly our entire MSD crew," said Sincock. "As usual, they'll be putting in a significant amount of overtime to get the job done."

Sincock estimates the entire leaf collection process, including labor, equipment and disposal of leaves, will cost $125,000.

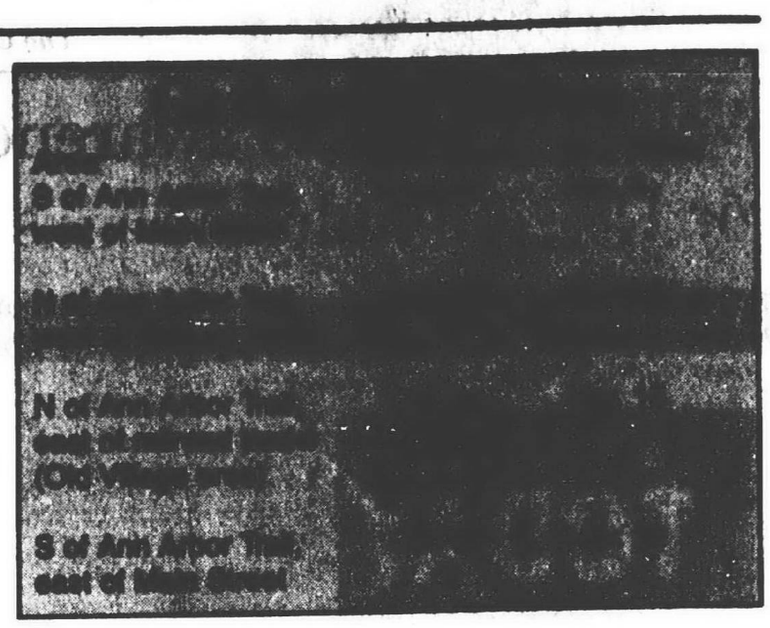
The city owns a leaf vacuum system truck that was purchased last year specifically to collect leaves. A second crew will use the vactor truck, which is generally used for sewer clean-up. The third crew will use a back hoe along with a rented garbage truck to collect leaves.

Sincock said "the best way to deal with leaves is to mulch them onto your lawn. Your lawn needs the nutrients from the leaves."

Residents are reminded not to park cars over the piles of leaves because the exhaust system may catch the leaf pile on fire. Leaf piles should also be kept from storm drains and sewer grates to avoid flooding.

Questions regarding leaf pickup can be directed to the City of Plymouth Municipal Services Department at (734) 453-7737.

If you live in the township, you must bag your leaves for curb pickup. The Township does not come along and pick up any leaves from the streets' gutters.



Celebrating: Milt Fetzer, a Plymouth resident for nearly 80 years, recently celebrated his 90th birthday, and got some congratulations from fans at his favorite restaurant, Bill Knapp's. More than 100 of his family, friends and neighbors gathered to mark the occasion, with guests coming from as far away as Texas, Louisiana, Florida and Virginia. He still maintains the flowers and landscape he planted around his Hough Park home in 1951. He's been recognized on several occasions for his work with Arbor [illegible] doing for the last 14 years. Born in Raleigh, N.C., Sept. 24, 1910, he is the second-oldest of five brothers ranging in age from [illegible] to 99. He married his wife, Ruthann, in 1935. Together, they raised two daughters, Ginny Slater and Ruthie Emerick, who still live in the Plymouth area. He has [illegible] daughter, Marcie Emerick, who is a sophomore at Western Michigan University.

Students honored

Nine students from the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools have been named Commended Students in the 2001 National Merit Scholarship Program.

A letter of commendation from National Merit Scholarship Corporation (NMSC), which conducts the program, will be presented to these scholastically talented students.

Receiving honors from Salem High School are Sarah Jensen, Nicolle Kownacki, Lisa Ligreci, Kory Pund and Amanda Srodawa. Honors received by Plymouth Canton students included Leslie Babich, Justin Crawford, Nicole Exe and Brian Page.

New commander

Joe Burman, past commander of The American Legion, Beasley-Zalesny Post 112 in Plymouth, was recently installed as the new commander for the American Legion's 17th District.

The installation took place at Post 32 in Livonia. Commander Burman replaced John Shirkey of Post 32 as commander of the 17th District. Shirkey is now the 3rd Zone Commander for the Legion.

Joe Burman

Burman has held the office of Post 112 Commander for three years, post adjutant and Sergeant at Arms. He is a veteran of the Korean War, where he served in the U.S. Army.

PLYMOUTH PIPELINE

Memorial benefit

A community balloon release is being organized by the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home in cooperation with the National Funeral Director's Association to honor the nation's veterans and to help fund construction of the National World War II Memorial in Washington, D.C.

The balloon release will be part of the Veterans Day activities that begin at 1:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 11, in Kellogg Park. In addition to the 2 p.m. synchronized balloon release, the event will include representatives from the VFW Mayflower-Lt. Gamble Post, Plymouth, as well as the playing of taps during the balloon release.

Participants who purchase a balloon for a $10 donation will register their honored veteran in the specially planned registry of remembrances, a permanent record of names associated with the memorial.

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SMART plans to put 100 new buses on road in '01

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A $104-million deal between the Suburban Mobility Authority for Regional Transportation (SMART) and a California bus manufacturer is expected to put 100 new SMART buses on western Wayne County streets by the end of next year and get a total of 287 new vehicles in operation by 2003.

The lease-purchase financing arrangement, worked out with the help of the Federal Transit Administration and members of Michigan's congressional delegation, will replace SMART's entire aging fleet six years sooner than expected under more traditional federal-grant financing, according to SMART officials.

Also helping cut delivery time to next summer from the usual two years was an unusual production-schedule break at the bus manufacturer, Gillig Corp. of Hayward, Calif.

"We were really extremely lucky to get that," noted a very happy Dan Dirks, SMART's general manager, on Wednesday.

Furthermore, if the loan hadn't come through when it did, "we would have lost our place in the production line," meaning the new buses wouldn't have arrived until 2002.

"It's one of those projects where, very seldom, everything that can go right, goes right," Dirks said wryly.

The SMART bus system operates routes and Park N Ride lots in Livonia, Garden City, Westland and Redford Township.

The new buses – two of which were loaned to SMART for the August Woodward Dream Cruise – have low floors, meaning usually only one step at the curb, Dirks said. And where necessary, the buses can be lowered to further reduce the drop to the ground.

2 wheelchairs

Each bus also has space for two wheelchair riders apiece, with a motorized ramp that can be operated manually by the bus driver if the hydraulics fail.

Furthermore, said Dirks, the buses will be the first in the country to have thickly padded seats in a vandal-proof material which reportedly cannot be cut. They are made by American Seating of Grand Rapids, Mich.

"Our customers are on the bus an average of nine miles per trip when the average in the entire country is only two miles," said Dirks, adding, "That's why the seats are a lot more important. And the low floor on the bus means a better-riding bus than most."

The financing arrangement – $80 million of which is principal – is "something that's never been done (on) this large of a scale before," Dirks said.

"It's absolutely wonderful for us because we have a fleet right now of which over 50 percent should be scrapped by the end of next year.

"We will be able to replace in three years what would take until 2009 (to accomplish), based on the typical federal grants" normally involved in such deals, Dirks said: "I'm not sure the buses we have would make it that long."

Prototype in April

The schedule now calls for the "prototype" bus to be delivered in April for two months of operations and modifications, if any. Twenty buses will follow in June, with the rest of the first 100 arriving during the rest of the year.

In 2002, another 87 buses will be delivered, with the remaining 100 due in 2003.

Under the "municipal installment purchase" (lease-purchase) arrangement between the various participants – SMART; bus manufacturer Gillig Corp.; the Municipal Services Group financing company of Littleton, Colo., and the Federal Transit Administration in Washington, D.C. – federal funds will be committed to SMART over a period of 10 years, but SMART will buy and take delivery on its buses in the first three years.

This arrangement allows purchasing on an installment basis, but at tax-exempt interest rates, according to SMART spokeswoman Beth Gibbons.

Dirks credited U.S. Rep. David Bonior, D-Mt. Clemens, with playing a major role in pulling everything together, with help from Reps. John Dingell, D-Dearborn; Joe Knollenberg, R-Bloomfield Township; and Carolyn Cheeks Kilpatrick, D-Detroit.

Dirks credited SMART staff members with finding the financing after a two-year effort to figure out what bus design would best serve metro Detroit riders.

He said "an internal committee of management and unions, including mechanics" worked together in the design process, along with senior-citizen riders and those with disabilities.

Survey claims strong support for 4-day Labor Day weekend

BELLAIRE, Mich., Oct. 9 /PRNewswire/ -- Travel Michigan, the state's official tourism promotion agency, today released findings from a recent survey that show strong support for the state's new four-day Labor Day weekend – which had its first test this year. The informal survey of convention and visitors bureaus from throughout the state showed the extended holiday helped boost the summer travel season – and support for continuing the extra day was universal.

A new law passed last year, Public Act 141 of 1999, requires Michigan public schools to close the Friday before the traditional end-of-summer holiday, beginning this year and lasting for three years.

The non-scientific survey of convention and visitors bureaus found nearly 50 percent reporting increased tourism activity and spending.

"Our survey shows that some areas of the state did very well while other areas remained static – reflecting last year's record levels," said Susy Avery, vice president of Travel Michigan.

"There was strong belief that the extra long weekend helped, and there was universal support for continuing it beyond the current three year test."

The survey did not attempt to scientifically measure an overall increase in tourism spending for the summer season. The data is expected to be available from the industry in a couple of months.

The four-day Labor Day weekend drew strong across the board numbers, with 74 percent of convention and visitors bureaus saying the weekend had a positive impact on their activity levels. Twenty six percent reported no impact, while none reported a negative impact. On supporting the continuation of the long weekend, 81 percent reported strong support for the legislation, while the remaining 19 percent showed some support. No one surveyed reported no opinion or any opposition.

"This law has definitely made a difference, and the industry is united in support of it," Avery said.

Travel Michigan will continue to monitor tourism activity over the remaining two years of the law's test period.

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Social Security official slams Bush privatization plan

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The deputy commissioner of the Social Security Administration is raising questions about the privatization plan being put forth by the Republication presidential candidate, Texas Gov. George W. Bush.

While visiting metro Detroit recently to promote the SSA's growing Internet Web site (www.ssa. gov), William A. "Bill" Halter also brought up the future of Social Security financing by discussing the proposals of both Bush and his Democratic opponent, Vice President Al Gore.

While Gore proposes keeping the Social Security Trust Fund "locked up," Bush proposes allowing today's younger workers the option of putting "a part of your payroll taxes into sound, responsible investments," which could result in increasing their retirement income.

Bush also vowed, "To seniors in this country: You earned your benefits, you made your plans, and President George W. Bush will keep the promise of Social Security. No changes, no reductions, no way."

But Halter, an appointee of President Bill Clinton, asks from where the money thus diverted – an estimated $1 trillion that Gore says is needed to pay today's retirees – would come.

Halter stated that, contrary to "a very large amount of misinformation" today, the Social Security Trust Fund is "strong and solvent to the year 2037." It's driven by money being paid into it by the baby boom generation (1946-64).

William Halter

Gore's proposal calls for a "lock-box" setup, whereby payroll taxes would be "reserved solely for Social Security benefits"; use of today's budget surplus to pay off the national debt by 2012; and using the interest thus saved to strengthen the Social Security Trust Fund and also raise benefits for elderly widows.

Halter said that group has "the highest rate of poverty among the elderly today." He said the increased benefit payments would come at a modest cost to Social Security.

Earned 7 percent

He also estimated $1 trillion in assets from government securities earned 7-percent interest last year, or $225 billion.

Additionally, he claimed, once the national debt is paid off as projected, the interest earned will extend Social Security solvency to 2054.

That would cover the last of the baby boomers to age 90, he said.

But, Halter said, Bush's proposal is "very different.

"He would divert a portion of the revenue to private, individualized accounts" and that raises "some key questions," Halter said – in particular, "If the investing goes bad, what happens?"

1) If an estimated 16 percent of Social Security tax, or $1 trillion, is diverted, how will current Social Security benefits be paid, Halter asked.

He cited government economist Martin Feldstein, who said, "fill the hole by borrowing."

But, countered Halter, "The objective is to pay down the (national) debt," and Bush still hasn't "told anybody where the (replacement) $1 trillion is coming from," Halter said.

2) Bush's plan could result in a 20-percent reduction in benefits, he suggested, or

3) It could result in taxes being raised.

Privately invested money lost through bad investments could mean less retirement income or that the government "has to bail the (people) out," he said.

With a bail-out of that size, "We are creating the next S&L (savings and loan) crisis," Halter said.

Additionally, he stated, any such diversion would reduce the length of trust-fund solvency from the year 2037 to 2024.

Halter said Social Security today is the sole income for about 10 percent of the country's 30 million retirees.

"When people depend on something like that, you have to be very careful what you do," he said.

With less than a month to go before the Nov. 7 election, "we need those answers," Halter said.

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The Detroit Regional Chamber's 2000 Women's Business Conference will be held Friday, Nov. 3, from 7:30 a.m. ? 4 p.m. at the Burton Manor in Livonia.

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The annual conference – one of the Chamber's Signature Events – provides an opportunity to gain valuable insights and innovative business techniques while networking with hundreds of successful business women. It offers strategic, powerful, career-minded women the latest skills and theories they need to lead the region into the future.

The day begins with a continental breakfast and a "Celebration of Women" – panel that will include Tanya Allen, president and CEO, Foreverfresh Disposable Products; Grace Lee Boggs, community activist; and Renee Erlich, CEO, Star Trax.

After the synergistic panel discussion, attendees will have the opportunity to attend morning and afternoon concurrent sessions. Sessions tackle topics and issues facing today's career-minded woman.

Throughout the day attendees will have the chance to connect with prospects and leads while perusing the Business Expo. A variety of companies will exhibit their products/services at the expo.

The Women's Business Conference is endorsed by the Women's Economic Club and sponsored by General Motors Corp., Verizon Wireless and WWJ Newsradio 950.

Cost is $150 for members of the Detroit Regional Chamber, Women's Economic Club and Affiliate Partners; $225 for non-members.

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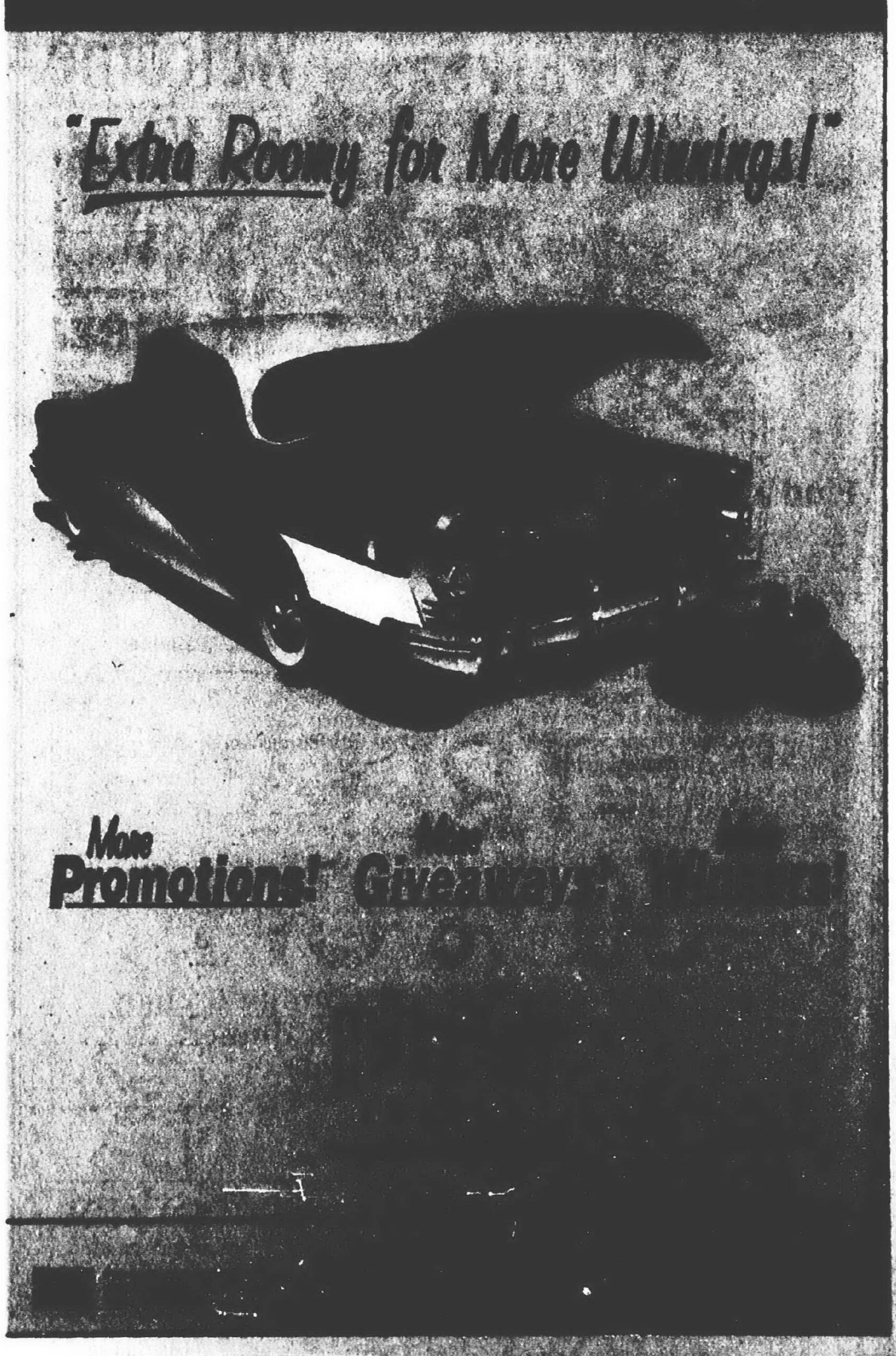

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Lack of leadership identified as biggest obstacle to curbing sprawl

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Now is the time for Michigan to deal with the problem of urban sprawl, opinion leaders say. If it does not, it faces a period of growth in the next decade unprepared, and it may still miss out on economic development opportunities.

What the state lacks is a credible leader willing to take the reins on urban sprawl initiatives, according to the results of a survey released last month by the Traverse City-based Land Information Access Association. Gov. John Engler isn't doing it, critics contend.

A new organization, however, is hoping to fill the leadership gap. The Michigan Society of Planners (a 5,000-member group formed from a merger of the Michigan Society of Planning Officials and the state chapter of the American Planning Association) has announced it now plans to take that role.

Thirty-two top "opinion leaders" from across the state were queried for their views about sprawl over the summer. Twenty-seven named land use as one of the top three issues facing the state in the next three decades. That same number said state and federal policies have encouraged sprawl. Twenty-six said land use trends will affect the future of Michigan business.

"The survey results clearly indicated the absence of a single, credible leader or set of leaders capable of calling all parties to the table to drive a consensus on land use policy reform," the association's survey report concluded.

"We couldn't find a specific leader willing to take the point on this issue," executive director Joe VanderMeulen said. "The parade is forming, but nobody is getting out front. In other states, it has been the governor who has taken the lead."

The governor may not get the credit or blame, the governor's press secretary, John Truscott, countered, but Gov. Engler actually has been active in the issue.

Engler concentrates on "things that work" without harming the economy, Truscott said.

"If you want to stop urban sprawl, one way is to go back to the early '80s," he said, when the economy was troubled, development slow and unemployment high. "If you halt sprawl altogether you are going to stop the economy altogether."

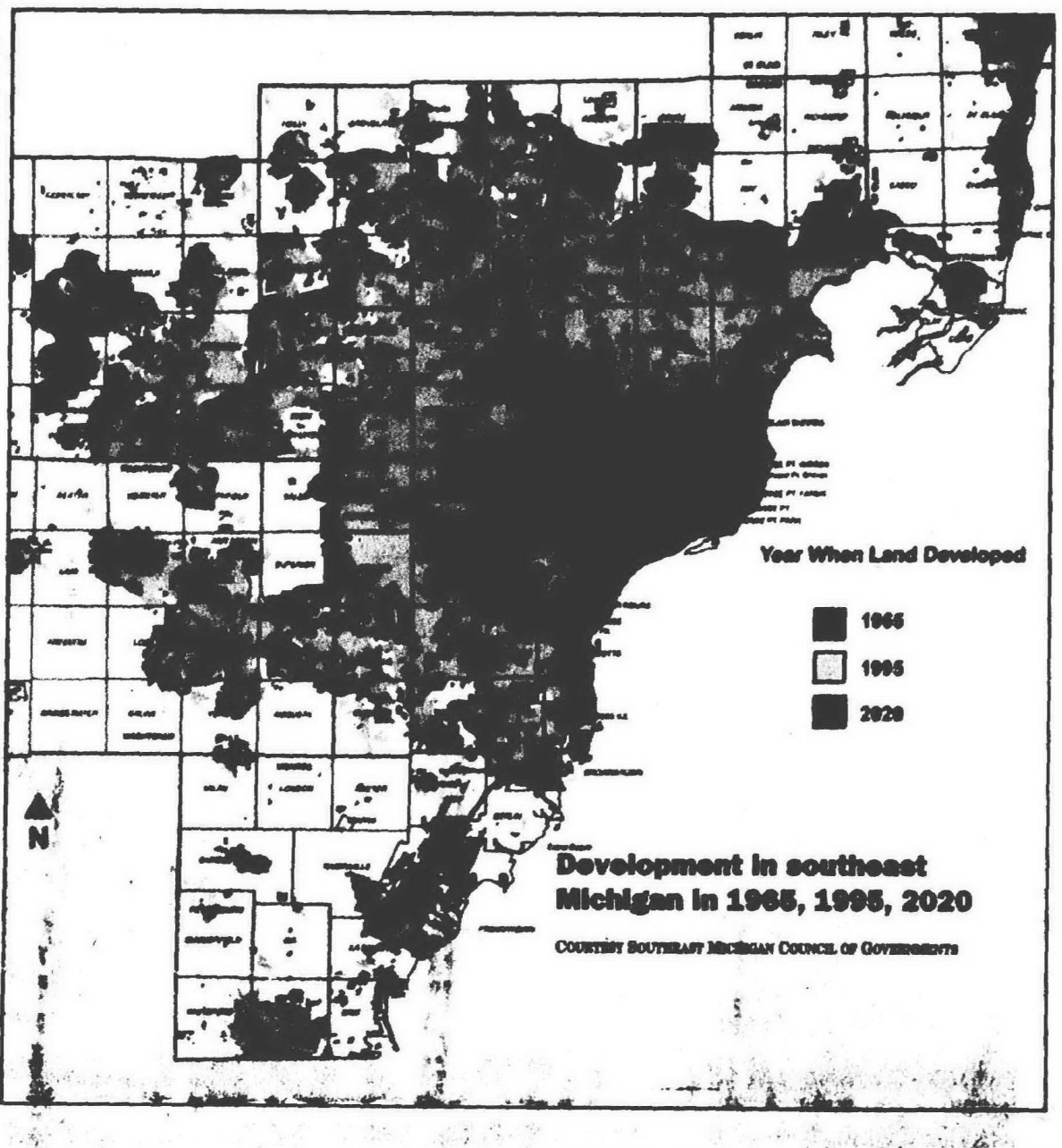
Sprawl has already slowed since the 1970s, according to statistics compiled by the Mackinac Center about the rate of development of vacant acreage.

If Engler doesn't get credit, it is in part because of his attitude toward policy-making, said state Rep. John Jellema, R-Grand Ledge.

"Representatives went to him with the idea of a task force on sprawl. He said, 'We don't need any more task forces,'" Jellema explained.

"We've had countless task force reports. They are sitting right there on my bookshelf. What we need is viable legislation.

"This is a hot issue, but it cools down real fast when you ask someone what they would propose in terms of policy that fits in successfully with Michigan's government structure."



Canton farms disappear under concrete, lawns

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After growing up in Nankin Township and graduating from John Glenn High School in 1965, Steve Hamilton took a job with a General Motors HydraMatic plant. Then he was drafted.

When his service was completed, it was time to come home. Nankin Township was now Westland, but the job at the HydraMatic plant was the same.

When he was 21, looking for a quiet place in the country, he followed up on an ad for a house for sale in Superior Township a few miles to the west.

Hamilton opened up a successful small business, the Star Stop Party Store. In 1972 he rented a storefront in a new strip mall that had just been built at the intersection of Ford and Lilley in Canton Township and opened up the second Star Stop Party Store.

The population of Canton then was 11,026 – having more than doubled from the 5,313 population of 1960. Ford was a two-lane blacktop running east and west. Hamilton shared the strip mall with a drugstore, a dry cleaners, a restaurant, a TV repair shop and one of the first Little Caesars stores. The other three corners of the intersection were farmland.

Hamilton never did buy a house in Canton. "They were just too expensive," he said.

The '70s marked the beginning of a building boom in the township. Subdivisions and strip shopping centers went up quickly. By the time of the 1980 census count, Canton's population had quadrupled in 10 years to 48,616.

For Hamilton, the most dramatic example of the changing landscape came in 1974, when Meijer Inc. opened its first Detroit-area Meijer Thrifty Acres at the southeast corner of Ford and Canton Center on what had been part of the Edward Hauk farm.

"Traffic was backed up bumper to bumper all along Ford Road for a week after Meijer opened," Hamilton said. "It was incredible. They had police out directing traffic. They even had helicopters out for traffic control."

By1988 Ford had grown from two lanes to five and bumper-to-bumper traffic was the norm. The cornfields and farmland had been replaced by subdivisions, strip malls, office and industrial parks and scores of fast food establishments.

While the growth was good for business, the accompanying congestion was too much for the kid from Nankin Township. He kept running his party store (now called Wilderberry Party Store), but he packed up his family and headed west again. He bought a house and 10 acres of land in Dundee, a small town 20 miles south of Ann Arbor with a population of around 3,500. Why did he move so far away?

"To get away from this," he said, waving his hand toward the backed up traffic at the Ford and Lilley intersection. "The traffic, the houses on top of each other."

By the 1990 census, Canton had grown to more than 57,000 people, and the estimated 2000 population was 75,000 – 14 times the 1960 population of 5,300. Dundee was still a small town with one traffic light. But that would change.

"Almost overnight," Hamilton said, "they started putting in subdivisions. They're all around me now. You wouldn't know it's the same place. New restaurants. Hotels. We used to have one traffic light. Within a week, we had five."

But the big shock for Hamilton came earlier this month, in a kind of déjà vu moment.

In the middle of September, Cabela's, a giant outdoors equipment superstore, opened its newest 225,000-square-foot store – in Dundee – about a mile from Hamilton's secluded refuge.

"Traffic was backed up bumper-to-bumper for miles," he said, shaking his head. "They had to call out the whole police department to keep the traffic under control. Unbelievable."

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State lawmakers launch attack on sprawl

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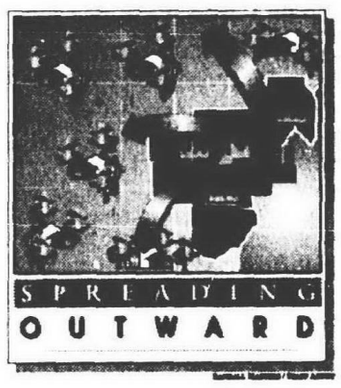
State lawmakers will attack urban sprawl on several fronts this fall. A number of initiatives intended to address the issue are being prepared or already under consideration.

Among the most significant are proposals to be offered by Rep. John Jellema, R-Grand Haven, and Rep. Gene DeRossett, R-Manchester.

Jellema is planning to introduce legislation he has been working on over the summer with the Michigan Society of Planners that would provide incentives to local governments which participate in coordinated planning. The package calls for cooperation with neighboring communities as well as county and state level governments in municipal planning, according to society Executive Director David Downey.

DeRossett has several initiatives he'll be pushing this fall. One of the most important is a two-bill package that will accelerate the title-clearing process so that "brownfields" in central city areas can be more quickly redeveloped and put back into use.

Reusing central city land is one of the most effective ways to reduce development in so-called "greenfield" suburban fringe areas, DeRossett explained, but the clouded titles of those old



parcels often makes it quicker and easier to build elsewhere.

DeRossett is also hoping to turn his House Republican Land Use Work Group into a standing committee. It's job, he explained, would be to review proposals coming up for consideration in the legislature and assess their effect on urban sprawl issues.

DeRossett was appointed chairman of the work group this spring and task force has met eight times over the course of the summer. As a result, the group is ready to address several sprawl related topics this fall, including agricultural preservation, revision of laws regulating location and taxation of manufactured housing, and even a bill to encourage the reuse of scrap tires.

Key piece

Still, the Jellema/ Society of Planners package appears to be the key piece, a culmination of discussions that have been taking place over the past year between planners, local officials, business interests and environmentalists.

Its intent is to resolve the conflict between the concept of regional planning and local control, coordinating planning without overriding home rule. Land use decisions in this state are currently left to local government – cities, townships and villages. And there are more than 1,800 such units of government across the state, which often plan for their development in isolation.

Jellema and Downey plan to make the program strictly voluntary, providing incentives for participation.

"This will be quite different that what is in use in any other state," Downey said. "What has worked in Maryland or Oregon just won't work here because there is such a strong tradition of home rule in this state."

Jellema said he has been working with both the Michigan Municipal League and the Michigan Townships Association on the package, and while neither has committed to support the program yet, they are interested. Jellema has also been working on the package with four other representatives, including Rep. Patricia Lockwood, D-Fenton.

To participate, communities will have to create 20-year master plans and update them every five years. That may not seem significant in some suburban communities that already have created such plans, but not all have, Jellema said. In other communities, the master plans may be 20 years old. What is new, even for suburban communities, is that zoning would have to match the master plan.

Master plans

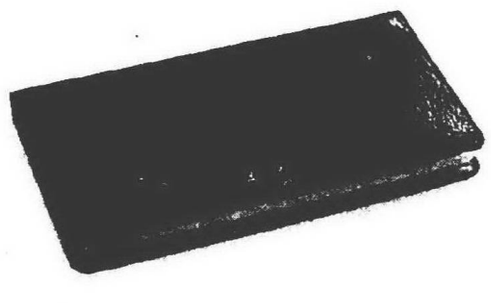
"Many communities have master plans now, but the zoning doesn't necessarily follow it. This bill would mean that the zoning would have to comply with the plan. Residents and developers would have a clear idea of what the area is going to like, and it would good for at least five years," Jellema said. "Every five years, they would look at it again and they could revise it. This puts some teeth in the master plan."

Additionally, the plans would have to lay out capital improvement plans for the city, including roads construction, sewer improvements and even park development.

When the plans are finished, they would have to be shared with surrounding communities, county planning departments and the state. Other communities wouldn't have to approve the plan – they couldn't block implementation – but the purpose of the sharing is to make sure other community planners know what the municipality is intending to develop.

Currently, planners in one community may be reluctant to share information with surrounding communities, Jellema said. That leads to isolation. But awareness of what the next community is doing might affect another community's plans.

Incentives to participate would include accelerated permit reviews from the state, allowing communities to move ahead more quickly when state approval is needed, as well as access to a state revolving fund for projects, including capital improvement.



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Suburbs cope with traffic jam

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Steve Dunne: "Do you think about traffic? Ever? Because I do, constantly. Traffic is caused by the single-car driver. Nine hundred thousand single people get into their cars every morning. They drive to work. And they wonder why there's gridlock. But this is what I've been working on! If you had a train, right, a supertrain, you give the people a reason to get out of their cars. You give them great coffee, great music, they will park and ride. I know they will."

Linda Powell: "I still love my car, though."

Singles (1992)

When writer-director Cameron Crowe created this scene from his 1992 feature film, Singles, he hit a nerve near and dear to all commuters in and around the Motor City. The truth is, Wayne County drivers also love their cars.

But the drawback to owning the latest GM, Ford or Daimler-Chrysler-mobile and living in these cities, which are financially fueled by the automobile industry, is just as Crowe described – gridlock. As cities expanded north and west, the suburbs grew bombarded with roads, roads that can hardly contain the high traffic volumes existing today. But area residents know the roads and the best routes, by heart.

"M-5 is my best friend," said Kristin DiPomio, a junior at Madonna University in Livonia. She drives to classes from her West Bloomfield home. "Haggerty is the only road in Oakland County that goes where I need to go."

Her solution to cutting out excess time behind the wheel? "I don't usually drive during rush hour," she said.

While DiPomio has at least a 20-minute commute to school, fellow Madonna student and Redford resident Jim McCour takes the quick 10-minute jaun west to reach his classes. "Usual

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Downtowns are a plus for Plymouth and Farmington

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While former farms became cities, two established communities have done well by offering services that new cities must provide from scratch: schools, downtowns, roads, drains, sewers, water mains and destinations such as restaurants and theaters.

Providing efficient services is a strength, officials of both the cities of Plymouth and Farmington said. Their downtowns continue to draw people to both shop and enjoy leisure-time activities.

Kellogg Park is Plymouth's pride and joy.

"We are blessed in having Kellogg Park," said Paul Sincock, assistant Plymouth city manager. "Kellogg Park is a gem."

These cities, with neighborhoods and a sense of community, project an old-fashioned appeal not seen in newer subdivisions, said both Sincock and Paul Lauhoff, Farmington city manager.

"People who move to sprawl areas suddenly realize that they are on septic fields, have well water and gravel roads," Lauhoff said. "Farmington is 100-percent paved. Voters here approved a special millage for roads with no termination and operates a 20-year revolving program. In 1994 when we presented this program we found we could save significantly."

Residents shouldn't have to wait to repair roads until they

completely fall apart, Lauhoff said. "We found we could save 40 percent – millions of dollars – by putting together a program to repair the roads, before they fall apart, and extend the life of that road. We replaced or rebuilt over 30 different road sections. We don't have any special assessments for roads anymore."

Both cities know quality of life also extends to entertainment.

The city of Plymouth hosts 130 events a year, Sincock said. He can remember when S.S. Kresge was located where Little Professor on the Park is now on Main Street. New restaurants like Compari's and E. G. Nicks and The Box Bar's recent renovation creates renewed interest in downtown, he said

Condos which are under construction where the Mayflower Hotel once stood on Main Street is affirmation of Plymouth's survival. The Penn Theatre recently started comedy nights in a non-smoking venue. The Civic Theatre in Farmington which recently became city-owned wants to attract conferences and business meetings.

The city of Farmington and Farmington Hills operate separate emergency services.

In 1995, however, Plymouth and Plymouth Township merged its fire departments to become the Plymouth Community Fire Department.

Last November, the two municipalities also merged emergency dispatch services which are housed at the Plymouth Communication Centers in the Plymouth Township police station.

Both mergers have resulted in cost savings and the Plymouths look for even more ways to combine services.

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ly it flows pretty smooth," he said, with optimism.

And when it comes to traffic, McCourt seems unaffected. "I prefer having a car," he said. "I get to pick the time I want to leave and it's really more convenient (than taking a bus)."

McCourt aside, many people agreed if there were a way to create an efficient system of public transportation, at least in high traffic areas, it would be a welcome change. DiPomio said she would use public transportation if it were readily available to her and easy to find. She said she loves New York City, where trains, cabs and buses abound. "I love the fact that you don't have to have a car," she said.

DiPomio isn't alone.

Plymouth resident John McMeekin admitted that he wouldn't mind leaving his sports utility vehicle behind every once in a while, in the interest of convenience. While he said he rarely uses any public transportation in the area, he has taken a taxi cab to the airport on occasion. Most often found behind the wheel, McMeekin keeps up with construction projects to make his ride go along more smoothly.

"I'm constantly trying to find a new way to go, which usually ends up costing me time," he said. "If there were better transportation downtown, even if it was just for recreation, I probably would be inclined to use it."

Three main roads go north out of western Wayne County: Southfield Freeway/road, Telegraph and I-275. All three have seen extensive construction work over the past couple of years. While this should result in better traffic flow, drivers can find three lanes cut down to one lane and traffic backing up – with few alternatives available.

The alternative currently available is the park-and-ride system, which allows drivers to park their car in suburban park-and-ride lots and then take the bus into Detroit.

This best works for those who live in the suburbs and go to Detroit. Those who live in one suburb and work in another usually head out on the highway – there's little public transportation available.

But some believe public transportation is more of a dream, rather than a viable solution to Motor City traffic woes. "We don't have enough stuff centrally located," said DiPomio.

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ANNA MARIE CLEVER

Services for Anna Marie Clever, 70, of Jackson, Mich., formerly of East Jordan were held Oct. 10 at the Westminster Presbyterian Church in Jackson and also Oct. 13 at the First Presbyterian Church in East Jordan. Burial will be at Sunset Hill Cemetery in East Jordan.

Mrs. Clever was born Dec. 8, 1929 in North Canton, Ohio and died Oct. 7, 2000 at her home in Jackson, Mich.

She is survived by her husband, Ray Clever of Jackson; three daughters, Pamela (Amos) Howard of Plymouth, Paula (David) Hopper of Concord, Mich., Lisa (Mary Locey) Kiel of Ann Arbor; one son, Kurt (Brenda) Haag of Gurnee, Ill.; and five grandchildren. She is also survived by Ray's four daughters, Nancy (Joel) VanRoekel of Grand Ledge, Merideth (Russ) Hitchel of Winston Salem, N.C., Mary (Bruce) Cameron of Evergreen, Colo., Lisa (Jeff) Behan of Colorado Springs, Colo.; and 11 grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to the Hospice of Jackson or the American Heart Association.

THEODORE E. DONNITHORNE

Services for Theodore E. "Cowboy" Donnithorne, 91, of Plymouth were held Oct. 11 at the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home with the Rev. John Shinn officiating. Burial was at Riverside Cemetery in Plymouth.

Mr. Donnithorne was born on Jan. 17, 1909 in Ishpeming, Mich. and died Oct. 7, 2000 in Garden City. He came to the Plymouth community in 1940 from Detroit. He worked as a rodeo clown. His stage name was Ken D. Hawthorn and he worked with Roy Rogers, Gene Autry and Bob Steele, among others. He owned his own business, Ted's Carpet Service in Plymouth. He was a floor covering installer. He started his business in 1947 and retired in 1987 after 40 years of service. He also drove the ambulance for the Schrader Ambulance Service. He delivered furniture for the Schrader Furniture Store. He also was a doorman at the Mayflower Hotel for more than 50 years.

Theodore "Cowboy" Donnithorne

He was preceded in death by his wife, Jane Donnithorne; and one sister, Mildred Bell.

Survivors include his daughter, Theo (James) Igrisan of Plymouth; two grandchildren, KylieMarie Igrisan of Plymouth, Danielle Preston Igrisan of Plymouth.

Memorials may be made to the Angela Hospice in Livonia.

Arrangements were made by Schrader-Howell Funeral Home.

HELEN HEATLIE

Services for Helen Heatlie, 103, of Westland were held Oct. 7 at Vermeulen Funeral Home with the Rev. John Quigley officiating. Burial was at Cadillac Memorial Gardens-West in Westland.

Mrs. Heatlie was born on Aug. 6, 1897 in Scotland and died Oct. 4, 2000 in Livonia. She was a homemaker.

She was preceded in death by her husband, James Heatlie; her father, Benjamin Short; and her mother, Helen Short.

Survivors include her daughter, Ella (Seymour) Luvisch of Plymouth; one son, Kenneth (Shirley) Heatlie of Westland; six grandchildren; 11 great-grandchildren; and four great-great-grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to the charity of choice.

Arrangements were made by Vermeulen Funeral Home.

A. JOYCE DUSSEAU

Services for A. Joyce Dusseau, 69, of Canton will be held at 1:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 14, with visitation from noon until the time of the service, at the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home with the Rev. H. Paul Clough officiating.

Mrs. Dusseau was born Aug. 2, 1931 in Detroit and died Oct. 8, 2000 in Canton. She came to the Plymouth community in 1999 from Florida. She retired from the Fairview Schools where she was a secretary to the principal. She was a homemaker. She enjoyed family reunions, traveling and family outings. She enjoyed trips to the Mio, Mich. area. She graduated from high school in Mio, Mich.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Robert Dusseau.

Survivors include her three sons, Tom of Homosassa, Fla., Steve (Cindy) of Canton, Gary of South Lyon; one brother, George Potter of New York, eight grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to Angela Hospice, 14100 Newburgh, Livonia, MI 48154.

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KEITH L. MCNULTY

Services for Keith L. McNulty, 41, of Canton were held Oct. 11 at St. Thomas a'Becket Catholic Church with the Rev. C. Richard Kelly officiating.

Mr. McNulty was born on Nov. 4, 1958 in Brighton and died Oct. 8, 2000 in Canton. He was a truck driver.

Survivors include his parents, Karl and Gurvis McNulty of Canton; two brothers, Ronald and Michael McNulty; and one sister, Mary Margaret Harms.

Memorials may be made to Angela Hospice.

PETER MARTIN

Services for Peter Martin, 53, of Canton will be held at 10:30 a.m. Oct. 12 at The McCabe Funeral Home Canton Chapel, 851 Canton Center Road, with the Rev. Jerry Yarnell officiating.

Mr. Martin was born on Feb. 25, 1947 in Scotland and died Oct. 9 at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital in Superior Township. He was a systems analyst for Ford Motor Company.

He was preceded in death by his parents, John and Andree Martin; and one sister, Marie Roy.

Survivors include his wife, Irene Martin; one son, Michael Martin; and one daughter, Nicole Martin.

Memorials may be made to The Lupus Foundation.

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VIRGINIA LEE DEANE

Virginia Lee Deane, 74, of Plymouth died on Oct. 8 after a long illness in Plymouth. She was born on April 5, 1926 in Evansville, Ind. A private memorial service and burial was held at Michigan Memorial Park in Flat Rock, Mich. with the Dr. Dean Klump officiating.

She was a homemaker. She enjoyed playing bridge, boating, gardening, and travel. Formerly she lived in Westland and Grosse Ile, Mich.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Clyde and Bess Haynes.

Survivors include her daughter, Lynda (Daniel) Moore of Plymouth; four sons, Christopher Deane of Farmington Hills, Jonathan (Jann) Deane of Livonia, Nicholas (Timari) Deane of Troy, Joseph (Cheryl) Deane of Canton; and 12 grandchildren, Shelley Moore, Courtney, Jaclyn, Jonathan, Jamison, Joshua, Jared, Jordan, Moriah, Jennifer, Joseph Jr. and Matthew Deane.

Memorials may be made to First United Methodist Church of Plymouth, 45201 North Territorial Road, Plymouth, MI 48170 or to the Michael J. Fox Foundation for Parkinson's Research, P.O. Box 840, Third Street, Santa Rosa, Calif. 95404.

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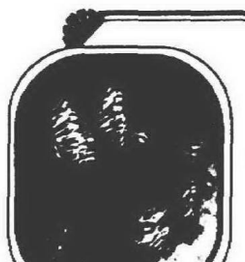
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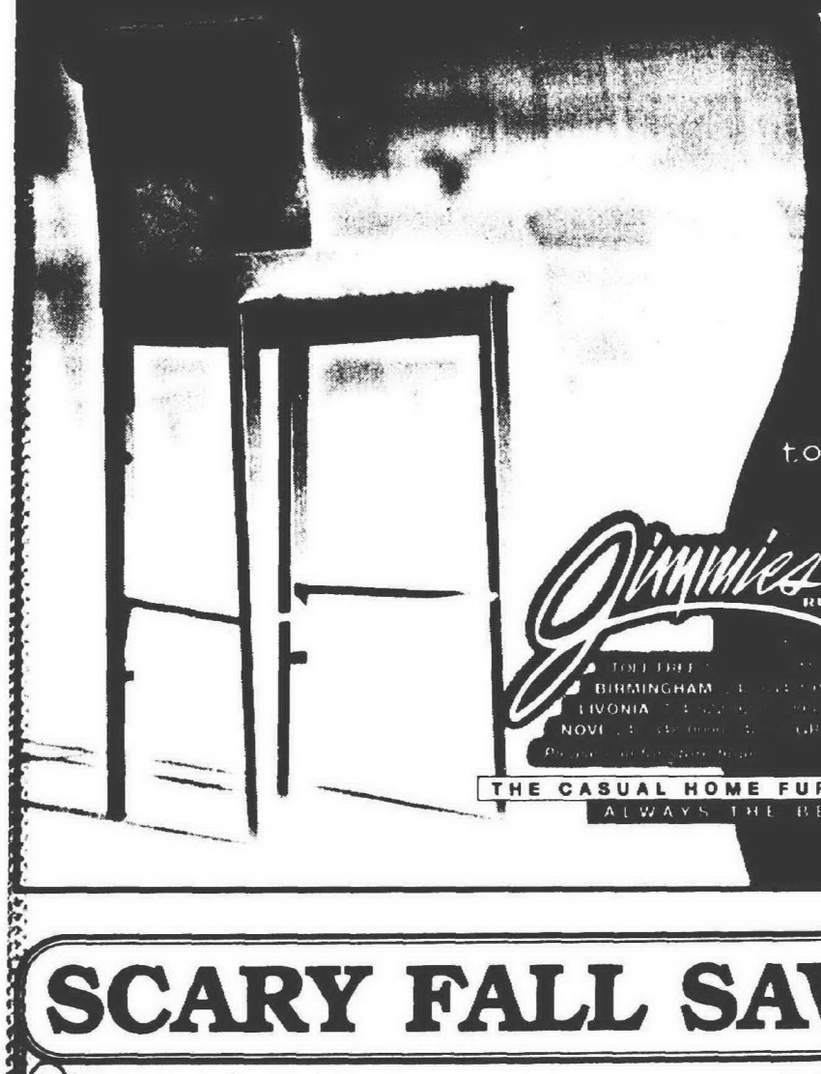

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by Steve Mansfield
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Our fundamental purposes are to enhance the lives of our readers, nurture the hometowns we serve and contribute to the business success of our customers.

Budget process should be more open to public

Some wise sage once said, "Those who don't learn from history are doomed to repeat it."

Plymouth Township Supervisor Kathleen Keen McCarthy lost her bid for re-election in large part because residents felt she'd lost touch with them, ignoring their opinions on the Sunshine Honda rezoning and the Five Mile-Haggerty development issues.

Yet here the township board is again, limiting the public's input on the annual budget ritual. Sure, trustees who say the budget isn't set in granite and the public got to have its say-so at Tuesday night's regular meeting.

Others will point out that little or no public bothers to show up at township meetings to begin with. That's a good point; the apathy toward meetings in this township continues to baffle us.

But two wrongs have never made a right, and taking the opportunity away from the few members of the general public who pay attention doesn't seem proper to us.

It's not that we think the board is skirting any of its responsibility. Board members have had their budget proposals in hand for several weeks, and ample discussion took place Tuesday night.

But covering a budget this large in one meeting seems, as Trustee Chuck Curmi called it, "inefficient." In Canton Township, Supervisor Tom Yack presides over one budget study session before the meeting at which the budget is actually approved. That seems to be the generally accepted practice around the area.

Of course, in Plymouth Township study sessions — all the rage in the last eight years — stopped shortly after the August primary in which challenger Steve Mann upended Keen McCarthy. Suddenly, meetings that were so important no longer hold the kind of interest they once did, especially for the supervisor.

And maybe she's right, at least about this particular budget. Curmi predicts the budget will be amended anyway when new board members Mann and Abe Munfakh, who replaces the outgoing K.C. Mueller as a trustee, are seated next month.

And Treasurer Ron Edwards makes a valid argument that discussion at a regular meeting will be recorded; though minutes are taken, study sessions are not generally recorded. Still, cutting off public input seems shortsighted.

Keen McCarthy calls the $13 million general fund budget "status quo" and felt no pressing need to have budget study sessions, which have always been conducted in the recent past. We don't believe in doing things because that's the way it's always been done, but the review of the budget seems an odd place to break new ground.

GUEST OPINION

Stopping bill would help patients

Michigan residents have the opportunity to protect people living in nursing homes from neglect, abuse, and in some cases, death in facilities and also reduce Medicare fraud across the United States.

James Wilson and Cathie Wallace

Eighty to 85 percent of the people who enter a nursing home as private pay residents become Medicare and Medicaid recipients.

We must stop bill SB 2999 from becoming a law, because it will allow nursing homes to neglect and abuse residents while the owners continue receiving and earning interest on Medicare overpayments.

It will have an impact on nearly 1.8 million Americans living in 17,000-plus nursing homes.

This number is expected to increase to 2.9 million by 2020. U.S. Sen. Spencer Abraham has sponsored bill SB 2999, called the "Health Care Provider Bill of Rights," more aptly dubbed by citizen advocates as the "Nursing Homes' and Hospitals' Bill of Rights."

It strips the Health Care Finance Administration (HCFA), the U.S. health care regulatory agency, of its power to investigate and enforce the federal regulations governing Medicare to protect nursing home residents.

The U.S. General Accounting Office (GAO) stated in its March 1999 report that "surveys conducted in the nation's 17,000-plus nursing homes in recent years showed that each year, more than one-fourth of the homes had deficiencies that caused actual harm to residents or placed them at risk of death or serious injury.

The most frequent violations causing actual harm included inadequate prevention of pressure sores, failure to prevent accidents, and failure to assess residents' needs and provide appropriate care."

The elderly and younger disabled residents confined to these facilities are a highly vulnerable population.

If abuse and neglect cases are reported to the Michigan agency, Consumer and Industry Services (CIS), and they are not investigated or corrected, the only recourse is to report them to HCFA; they takes action after a lengthy process to document these incidents. In many cases it has taken CIS 100 to more than 320 days to initiate an investigation.

The GAO report states that in one Michigan nursing home after 292 days, CIS had still not started an investigation of a complaint that alleged "resident developed pressure sores on both feet and had to have part of one leg amputated due to improper care of the sores." Sen. Abraham's bill prevents HCFA from investigating these types of alleged abuses and informing the public until the charges go through the legal process. It also discontinues HCFA's ability to immediately institute new regulations to protect and care for the residents.

In one Medicare fraud case against a large nursing home chain, the government's sentencing memorandum said they fabricated nursing cost figures based on set formulas designed to maximize profits which were backed by false documents, such as phony nurse sign-in sheets.

The federal estimates put the total cost to Medicare in this case at $460 million and, when finalized, the deal paid only $175 million to resolve charges the company defrauded the Medicare system.

Five nursing home chains have filed for bankruptcy, including one firm with a claim from the U.S. Justice Department that they owe the government more that $1.3 billion. Much of that, the Justice Department charges, is due to fraudulent billings the company submitted to the government for medical treatments.

And we, the taxpayers, have reimbursed these companies for services that were never given to the residents.

My grandfather died at 102 years-of-age after twenty-seven months of inadequate care in four different nursing homes.

Nursing home residents need more enforcement of laws and HCFA is often their last hope.

We must demand that Sen. Abraham will no longer sponsor bill SB 2999, and that our legislators actively and aggressively fight to protect the vulnerable nursing home residents! After all, Sen. Abraham and the other legislators need to improve their possible future homes and the future homes of many of the US citizens.

Cathie Wallace and James E. Wilson are co-directors of A Coalition for The Improvement Of Nursing homes (ACTION), a Livonia-based group.

LETTERS

Forgotten history

Those in favor of the voucher proposal seem to have forgotten our American history. The Founding Fathers went out of their way to assure that government money (our tax dollars) was never to be used to support private or parochial education.

The flip side of that is that most religious groups have long realized that to accept tax money makes it very likely that they would have to accept government control and regulations. Neither Lansing nor any other government body just hands away dollars without demanding that you accept their rules. That's a short step to the state government telling those private and parochial schools how and what they should teach.

Instead of realizing the long run danger of this happening, the Catholic bishops and the religious right see a short run chance to get our tax dollars, and, if they'll pardon the expression, "the h--- with the consequences."

I am a reasonably devout Catholic with 15 years of Catholic education to my credit, but I know tax money is to be spent for the common good, not private schools.

My parents made the choices needed to provide for the education of my brothers and me. They never expected government help. And no wise American of any persuasion should consider voting for the voucher money grab.

I am so angry at the waste of resources an shortsightedness of my church leaders that I am rescinding my pledge of dollars to the bishop's annual appeal.

Diocesan money is now being wasted on expensive mailings that present half views of the truth about the voucher issue. My pledge will be redirected to my own local parish.

Doug Koch
Plymouth

Overlooking judges

Has the media overlooked their obligation in describing the characteristics of judges in elections? I look but never find any professional facts on judges running for any of the offices.

The most I ever discover after a search is what school they attended, how old they are, marital status and other unimportant personal data. What I want to know is their party affiliation.

Knowledgeable voters are already aware that the term "nonpartisan" on the bottom of the ballot is a lie.

Tell the public this: How many verdicts have they had overturned and why? Or have they overturned other judges verdicts and why? (Although, I understand that judges do not have to give reasons for their rulings; they simply pronounce without comment. How convenient!)

What offices they have held and how long? Are they defense or prosecuting attorneys? What type of cases have they heard? On what courts have they sat? Are they objective? How many guilty people have they freed? How many not-guilty people have they sent to jail/prison? Do they discriminate/profile?

Do they themselves have outstanding violations against them, such as parking tickets or worse? Are there any appearances of corruption or biases or unsavory relationships? How do their peers rate them? Is there any nepotism or cronyism surrounding their work histories? Have they worked in a private practice?

What are their records for plea bargains? Do they set punishments according to "example" or justice? Are their sentences reasonable related to the crime or misbehavior? Do they act with "political correctness" or justice/law? Do they owe anyone anything, such as a favor for campaign contributions? How much money have they received for campaigns and from whom?

There are many legitimate questions which are routinely ignored by the media.

My friends and acquaintances regularly note this at election times. It's time for the media to fully inform the voters about judges.

Beatrice Scalise
Plymouth

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2. Uniforms not required (family budgets).

3. Must perform at a "few" athletic events during the school year such as: soccer, track, basketball, or football games, especially the Varsity Football Homecoming Game.

4. If your group decides to enter a competition, you can use your school's athletic events for practice...we won't care, just playing a few selections and showing up is enough.

5. Play the National Anthem before each event attended.

A special thanks to the young, lone saxophone player who played the National Anthem at Homecoming. I'm sure your parents along with the fans were proud of you.

In all fairness to our band, I'm sure their competition on Saturday was scheduled before our Homecoming Game had been changed due to the religious beliefs of a few Walled Lake football athletes. Couldn't they have used Homecoming for a practice session, or sent a few musicians (Thanks Stevenson, your pep band was enjoyed)?

Also, it should be noted there was to be Mr. (Jerry) Ostoin's Techno Group performing, but due to inclement weather conditions, electricity use was not advisable. Scratch that plan.

Some family members from the Plymouth and Pinckney School District attended Homecoming. They asked several questions, maybe some readers could answer them, I couldn't.

1. Where was the school band; it is Homecoming?

2. Where are the floats? They make banners and a bunch of students run around the track?

3. How many students are at your high school, a couple thousand? They can't find 30 students from each grade to make floats?

It's not very elegant, or traditional, for a supposedly upscale community such as Plymouth. Bigger isn't better.

The above observations were adults who live and have lived and raised children in several different school districts from Oshkosh, Wis., Vandalia, Ohio (a suburb of Dayton), Scranton, Pa., Colorado Springs, Colo., Springboro, Ohio, and Pinckney. As Dylan said, "the times are changing."

Your answers and opinions would be appreciated so I can pass them on.

Note: Great game, great offensive plan. It was a barnburner!

G.S.
Plymouth

Vote for Nader

It's almost always the same response and the same comment. "What, you're throwing away your vote?" This is after I tell family and friends of my recent decision to vote for Ralph Nader in November. "How can you vote for someone who cannot possibly win," they all chant.

Here is my answer: In my opinion neither candidate (George W. Bush nor Al Gore) is acceptable. Time and time again they rant on about the ills of society and their own great plans for change.

The presidential debate was full of such "exaggerations" and "embellishments." There they stood asking for our votes, one looking like I must have looked when my mother would say, "Wipe that sneer off your face, missy," the other looking like someone should have shouted, "Earth to Governor Bush," just not quite there.

And let us not forget that both the candidates owe big favors to the fat wallets that helped finance their campaign, big business and special interest groups, trial lawyers, teachers unions, drug companies, HMO's, the oil industry, tobacco, and many more. Can either help get prescription coverage for seniors and the uninsured while still making drug companies happy campers? I don't think so.

Nader has very little charisma, but he is honest and his answers sincere and forthright. He has no hidden agenda and I will be able to feel good in the fact that I stood up for what I believe. Lying is always unacceptable.

Judith A. Stolmar
Plymouth

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Pro-voucher forces attempt to strangle debate on proposal

I'm not at all surprised the anti-voucher folks are upset. The audacity of their opponents is breathtaking.

First, a scheme is concocted to overturn the long-standing constitutional ban on use of public funds for religious and private schools. An expensive campaign gets enough signatures to put the measure on the November ballot as Proposal 1. The effort is funded mainly by a bunch of wealthy Michigan businessmen, including very conservative multimillionaires Richard DeVos (Amway) and Tom Monaghan (Domino Pizza).

Phil Power

Next, the Roman Catholic Church, which stands to gain big time public funding for its network of parochial schools if the voucher plan passes, contributes $750,000 to the campaign and mails sermons supporting the plan to parish priests, together with instructions to read them on Sundays leading up to election day.

Not surprisingly, local school officials, teachers unions and parent groups get organized in opposition. They start putting out the word that the voucher plan is nothing more than a disguised way to destroy Michigan's public schools.

So the pro-voucher folks complain to Secretary of State Candice Miller that school officials and teachers unions are spending public money in violation of a recently passed election law. And they file a whole string of Freedom Of Information Act requests to examine the materials the anti-voucher folks are putting out. Some districts have received as many as eight FOIA requests so far.

Then the pro-voucher forces take the stuff they get under FOIA to Miller, who rules that some of the school folks may be guilty of illegally using public tax dollars to fight the voucher proposal. (Attentive readers may note that Candice Miller is herself a near-certain candidate in what looks like a very competitive race for the Republican nomination for governor in 2002. Whether her rulings in this matter have something to do with her own political interests in currying favor with important GOP constituencies is something I cannot assess.)

Not surprisingly, the anti-voucher folks are cross. No, not cross; mad. "The purpose is to intimidate us into silence," says Livonia superintendent, Kenneth Watson. Oakland Intermediate School District Deputy Superintendent Rick Simonson says the secretary of state is tying the hands of school officials in trying to get factual information out to the public. That's a violation of educators' free speech rights, according to Huron Valley Superintendent Robert O'Brien, who believes teachers and school officials have "an obligation" to explain the impact of the voucher proposal on school districts.

So the anti-voucher forces filed suit late last month, arguing that Miller's rulings under campaign finance law are curtailing their free speech rights. Ingham County Judge Michael Harrison ruled last Thursday that public school officials are free to speak their minds about the voucher plan, but he refused to tell the Secretary of State to quit enforcing the campaign finance law.

The pro-voucher forces have been trying their darndest to strangle public debate over their radical and far-reaching proposal.

Who won seems to depend a lot on who's spinning. However, Liz Boyd, spokeswoman for the Secretary of State, admitted she was "disappointed" by the judge's ruling, which differed from Miller's interpretation of the law in several respects.

A public official in a policymaking role, according to the judge's ruling, may express views on public policy issues, even if that involves some use of public resources.

And the judge also ruled (again, in disagreement with Miller) that when school districts distribute information about the voucher proposal, it does not have to be balanced. "There may be nothing against which to balance," Judge Harrison wrote. "It does not require anybody to have to propound both sides of an issue. It merely says (the information must be) factual."

And Judge Harrison further ruled that school districts can distribute opinions about the voucher plan in regularly published materials. A routine newsletter could contain comment, the judge said, but a one-time brochure would be out of bounds.

The pro-voucher forces have been trying their darndest to strangle public debate over their radical and far-reaching proposal. Judge Harrison deserves a big pat on the back for leveling the playing field.

Phil Power is chairman of HomeTown Communications Network Inc., the company that owns this newspaper. He welcomes your comments, either by voice mail at (734) 953-2047, Ext. 1880, or by e-mail at ppower@homecomm.net

At last, someone to help with fear of going to dentist

Brad Kadrich

It was unlike anything I'd experienced before (and I have five children).

The pain was so intense, I could barely suffer it. My hands clutched the arms of my chair so tightly, I looked like a white-knuckle flier about to take off. My legs crossed, then uncrossed, as I waited for the pain to subside.

It was excruciating.

And then the dentist actually came in the room.

Like most people, I hate going to the dentist. I don't care for my teeth as well as I should, and I'm always afraid the dentist is going to know it. But this time I didn't have much choice, having lost a crown while driving down Rochester Road, taking the boys to their grandmother's house before coming to work.

The offending crown broke off while I was chewing a piece of gum, and it took the bulk of the tooth with it. That tooth had been essentially doomed since root canal work years ago anyway, but now it was just a big, empty gap in the middle of my already-needs-work smile.

Because of the root canal, it wasn't painful; just ugly.

I felt the crown in my gum and immediately reached for my cell phone. Finally, I thought, my connections in town were going to pay off. I immediately called the Plymouth Chamber of Commerce to get the number where Kimberly Tude Thuot worked. I'd met Kimberly at several chamber functions, most recently the annual golf outing. I couldn't for the life of me remember the dentist for whom she worked, but knowing she worked for a dentist was enough.

Kimberly assured me her boss could see me, and off I went. She set me up with the requisite paperwork, because you can't get anything done, especially when an insurance company is involved, without mountains of paperwork. A bureaucracy travels on its brief case, y'know.

I heard my name called, the worst sound you can hear when sitting in a doctor's office, especially if the letters after his name are D.D.S. The door creaked open, and Michelle Marshall beckoned me back. "Have a seat right here," she said, her cordial tone belying the pain she was about to help inflict on me.

I sat, with trepidation. Cool is something that escapes me at the door to the little room, and when you see that high-backed chair you know is the next instrument of torture, your blood pressure skyrockets. At least, mine did.

As Michelle arranged the tools with which Dr. George Atsalis would fix my tooth, I turned to her and said, "I have two rules: no drills, and no sucky thing." I hate that spit-sucker. She smiled, ignoring my plaintive wail. I suspect I imagined the cruel laughter.

When Doc Atsalis came in, I was ready. Grip tight on the arms of the chair. Ankles crossed, eyes squeezed tight. He looked with a little mirror, told me what had happened and what he was going to do to fix it. And then he did what he said he was going to do.

With dental assistant Jennifer Wood handing him the instruments, Doc Atsalis first numbed my gum, even though the tooth had no nerve. The needle was painless going in, and my grip eased ever so slightly. Jennifer stifled a smile. I'm sure she's seen big babies in there before.

As he worked on my injured tooth, smoke and that burning smell no dentist can avoid emanated from the drill site. No matter how good the dentist, that smell stays with you for awhile. Another reason not to go.

But no pain. Every dark cloud has a silver lining.

And then, it was over. Doc Atsalis explained he'd put my old crown back in place, temporarily. I go back next week to get the real one done. I looked around; no drills, no needles, no sucky thing. Finished. And without pain.

Who'da thunk?

Brad Kadrich, the community editor of the Plymouth Observer, sincerely thanks the staff of Dr. George Atsalis for their prompt, courteous and – best of all – pain-free service. He can be reached at (734) 459-2700 or by e-mail at bkadrich@oe.homecomm.net

Use of tax dollars becomes hot issue as campaign season heats up

"Hey, I thought we decided to outlaw (muffle) the use of taxpayer dollars (muffle) to influence the outcome of elections (muffle, muffle, muffle) ..."

You've probably heard the ads that the organization known as Let Local Votes Count is running on the radio in support of Proposal 2. They're hilarious. A voter begins to speak out on some local issue when an unseen hand covers his mouth, blotting out what he has to say.

Mike Malott

If the ad itself isn't impressive enough, certainly the number of times it gets played on the air ought to be.

"We voted for you," the voter says, "not some lobbyist in Lansing."

Of course, it fails to mention one important fact – senators and representatives who make up the Legislature in Lansing are elected by voters too.

One thing those lawmakers really need to do when they get back into session after the election is address the issue of using taxpayer money to campaign for or against ballot issues. It has become a hot topic this year. And well it should be. When I pay taxes to the government, I intend them to be used for services and programs, not to give officials cash to further their agenda at the ballot box.

State lawmakers outlawed the use of public resources by government officials to influence elections in 1996. Before that, it was judged to be out-of-bounds only as a result of Attorney General opinions, so the prohibition was weak and enforcement was virtually non-existent.

This year, the Secretary of State's office has attempted to crack down. The effort is making headlines because we have two proposals on the November ballot that affect the way government officials do their work – Proposal 1, to create school vouchers, and Proposal 2, which would require a [illegible] from the Legislature on any law that [illegible].

[illegible] issue as it relates to Proposal 1. Pro-voucher folks have filed 17 complaints against school districts over things like publishing newsletters and press releases, pretty minor stuff. When it ended up in court, a judge sided with the school officials.

The bigger issue is the question of how the Local Votes folks are paying for their campaign. When Let Local Votes Count filed its campaign finance statement in September, it had received almost $900,000. Most of it came directly out of the accounts of the Michigan Municipal League, $521,000. Where does the MML get its money? The largest single chunk comes from membership dues. Who pays those dues? Municipal governments, out of taxpayer-funded budgets. The MML argues that dues actually constitute only about a quarter of its annual budget. The rest comes from fees for services, such as hosting seminars. But who buys those services? Mostly municipalities, one would have to assume.

Most of the cash the MML has turned over to Local Votes – $514,000 – was labeled as a "loan." The top brass at the MML, who also run the Local Votes organization, say it will all be paid back later.

I'm skeptical. From February through September, the group had managed to raise only $79,000. The remainder – $300,000 – was a loan from the Bank of Ann Arbor, which also has to be paid back. And it's difficult to imagine that much cash being generated in the last month of the campaign. Debts are routinely "forgiven" rather than being paid off. It happens all the time. So it would be easy for that $514,000 to become a donation after the fact.

Of course, this is all legal. Once cash is paid out by a municipal government, it is no longer considered to be public money. Michigan's previous Attorney General and the courts both reached that conclusion. You wouldn't prohibit another service-provider, just because he or she took payment from a municipality, from participation in the elections process.

On the other hand, it isn't hard to imagine how municipal officials, with decision-making authority over taxpayer-funded budgets, might abuse the system by funneling money into another organization where they also ultimately make the decisions on how those funds are to be spent.

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Kirksey will work to increase bus ridership

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The new head of the Wayne County Transit Authority says he welcomes the challenge of bettering the region's public transportation.

The challenge, said Livonia Mayor Jack E. Kirksey, is in both increasing bus ridership while also working to avoid potential pitfalls and problems.

Kirksey on Sept. 13 was unanimously elected chairman of the 10-member WCTA board just six months after being voted a seat on the board.

The Wayne County Transit Authority is the legal entity established by the county in 1995 as both the policy-making board for the county's portion of the suburban bus system SMART (Suburban Mobility Authority for Regional Transportation) and collector of the 1/3-mill property tax for operating it.

As WCTA chair, Kirksey also gets a seat on the SMART board of directors.

Kirksey also serves as chairman – until year's end – of the Conference of Western Wayne (CWW) and recently became chair of a newly organized county arts and culture council.

Kirksey called his WCTA election "an unexpected honor" and stated, "I appreciate the opportunity to serve in this capacity."

He said he is "delighted with the prospect of being able to work" with fellow board members "and do what I can to improve public transit."

He aims "to continue to work towards improved and enhanced public transportation, both locally and across the metropolitan area."

More bus runs

As Livonia's mayor, he's already been involved in that: Recent improvements to Livonia's local transportation include increasing the number of total SMART bus runs, extending routes to Laurel Park Mall, the Livonia Mall and to Schoolcraft Community College, and also increased service on Plymouth Road – buses now run every half-hour as opposed to hourly, he said.

Also, "We created some new bus lines in Livonia the last couple of years by working with the SMART people," the mayor said, noting, "They've been very helpful in bringing a workforce into Livonia" to both the new Millennium Park industrial and retail area at Middlebelt and Interstate 96 and also to the Livonia Mall.

In addition, he noted, "We've launched own local bus system (Livonia Community Transit) that filled a dire need" for residents needing door-to-door service both in Livonia and neighboring communities. For a flat fee, seniors and the disabled can travel anywhere in Livonia.

Commuter buses

LCT operates four commuter-type buses, each seating 22 people, for which Livonia paid 20 cents on the dollar, Kirksey noted.

Regionally, Kirksey said, he will be monitoring new construction developments in downtown Detroit that could involve reconfiguring streets around the Renaissance Center.

That "could be problematic for public transit, in that buses would not be able to penetrate as deeply" into the city.

"They may have to stop well short of the (work) destination of many riders," he said, describing it as "a potentially very serious problem" for those forced to find other transportation to their jobs.

Otherwise, Kirksey said WCTA will continue working with SMART to replace its aging fleet and to continue lobbying in Washington, D.C., "for funds to make all this happen."

Regarding the recent addition of two stops in Redford Township that angered some Livonia Park N Ride customers, Kirksey said Livonia arranged a meeting with SMART executives and believes the meeting helped those affected to understand "it was the best SMART could do at the time."

SMART said it was done to counteract a decline in ridership.

Jack Kirksey: *Livonia mayor*

Halloween Festival set for Oct. 21

Children are invited to come in costume to the eighth annual Wayne County Parks Halloween festival on Saturday, Oct. 21, in Westland.

Halloween Fest 2000, scheduled 1-3 p.m. at the Hines Park Nankin Mills picnic area, will offer free games and activities, entertainment and a candy hunt. Hayrides also will be available, for 50 cents per person.

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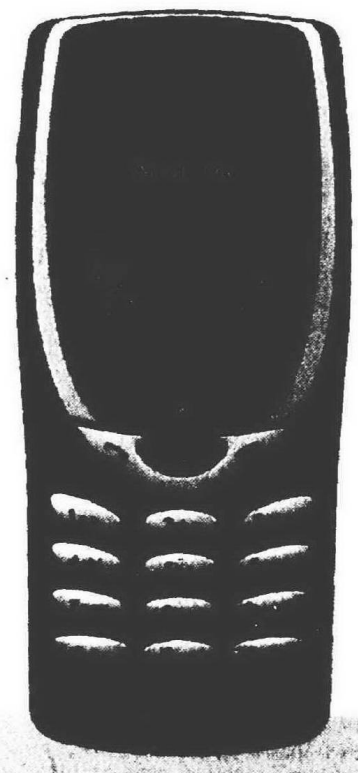

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HOMETOWN LIFE

BEVERLY LEN

Kids will be "KIDS!" if you allow them to

Kids are great. "KIDS!" are horrid.

A decorator came to my home recently. She brought her "sweet" daughter. (Oh, joy.)

Sweetie wanted to play with my computer. (NOT!) Mom assured me that Sweetie was very good. (Possibly, but the answer is still "NO.") Sweetie whined, pouted, nagged. (Tough, Sweetie. You're not touching my computer.) Meanwhile, Mom installed a valance.

"Do you have a husband," Sweetie asked.

"Not any more," I replied.

"Why?"

"I got rid of him."

"Why?"

"He wanted to play with my computer."

Sweetie was suddenly hungry. Mom explained that Sweetie often became hungry at odd times, such as at bedtime. "But, I don't think it's on purpose to

avoid going to bed," Mom cooed. (Hellooo. Anybody home?)

Sweetie stomped to the living room. Pathetic, whimpering commenced. Mom oozed concern because "She usually doesn't cry, this is serious."

(Oh, yeah. Right.)

"What's the matter, Sweetie?"

"I'm afraid."

"Afraid of what, Sweetie?"

"This house scares me."

"What's scary, Sweetie?"

"Whine, mumble, sniffle, whine, mumble."

Watching TV

Mom suggested watching cartoons. We went into the TV room and turned on the set. With a demonic gleam in her eyes, Sweetie snatched the remote and aimed it at the TV like a Swat Team member during a raid. She stabbed in cable TV channel numbers, which don't work without cable.

Sweetie didn't want to watch TV. She wanted to call someone. Mom asked if Sweetie could use my phone. (Yeah, OK. Maybe Sweetie will stop whining for a nanosecond.)

Sweetie jammed her fingers in her ears and scrunched up her face.

"What's wrong, Sweetie?"

"The Barney Song! The Barney Song!" she wailed. "I don't like Barney!"

"But, you used to like Barney."

"I don't like him anymore!" Sweetie snarled, stomping her foot.

Mom gave me a weak smile. With her eyes, she pleaded for me to turn off the TV. She gently guided Sweetie to the phone. Sweetie made her call, but reached an answering machine and pouted.

Kiddie fingers

While Mom hung pictures, Sweetie whined and picked up every crystal item on the glass coffee table. She handled the items carelessly over the table and tried to peel the felt from the bottom of one piece. I snapped ... twang!

"DON'T DO THAT!" Sweetie stared at me, stunned. Obviously, no one had ever uttered those words to her before. Mom sweetly explained that the felt protected the table. But, Mom didn't say, "Put it back." I glared at Sweetie; she put the crystal down.

Mom finished, packed her tools and started loading her van. Sweetie picked up a hand-blown glass candleholder from another table. When Mom returned, she told Sweetie, reluctantly, to stop touching things. Sweetie pouted. She wanted to make another call and lunged for the phone. (NOT!) I told them I had limited service, which I do. Sweetie pouted and stomped to the van. Good! Sweetie was gone and that's the only way that "KID!" will ever be any good ... gone.

There are kids and then there are "KIDS!"

Beverly Len is a Livonia resident who writes for the Observer Newspapers. Have your experiences with kids been positive or negative? Are there kids and then there are "KIDS!"? Send comments to Kimberly Mortson, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI 48150 or e-mail kmortson@oe.homecomm.net

Operation Christmas Child

STAFF PHOTO BY PAUL HUSCHEMANN

Good samaritan: *Operation Christmas Child, an outreach of NorthRidge Church Missions, is led by Canton resident Karen Williams (above). The project calls for individuals or families to fill shoe boxes with toys, personal items and school supplies, which are then sent to needy children all over the world. The Plymouth Baptist church serves as a relay center in the Wayne County area.*

Church collects gift-filled shoe boxes for needy children around the world

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'This is a very do-able project before the rush of the holidays.'

Karen Williams
—Operation Christmas Project leader at NorthRidge Church , Plymouth

You'd be surprised at the amount of joy children throughout the world have received from the gift of a shoe box. Not an ordinary shoe box but one filled with toys, candy and school supplies from caring people in the United States as part of Operation Christmas Child.

With the backing of Samaritan's Purse, Operation Christmas Child has touched the lives of more than nine million children in 65 countries around the world with gift-filled shoe boxes.

For the fourth year in a row, NorthRidge Church in Plymouth will serve as a relay center for individuals, families, businesses, churches and service organizations who wish to fill shoe boxes with age appropriate gifts for children from as far away as Swaziland and Belize.

Samaritan's Purse is a Christian relief and evangelism organization founded by Franklin Graham, son of evangelist Billy Graham. With processing centers in Los Angeles, Minneapolis, Denver, Atlanta and North Carolina, Operation Christmas Child has continued to thrive since its inception in 1993 when 28,000 boxes were distributed. Last year approximately 3.1 million shoe boxes made it into the hands of underprivileged children overseas.

"Operation Christmas Child is an outreach of NorthRidge Missions, led by Karen Williams, that allows our people the opportunity to put together shoe boxes filled with toys, goodies and personal items that are then sent to children all over the world. These packages are then used by local pastors to help them share the good news of Jesus with the people in their area," said D. J. West, pastor of mission and community outreach at NorthRidge.

Meaningful mission

Williams, a Canton resident who actively participates in her Plymouth Church, finds her involvement exciting and humbling, "It is a privilege to be a part of something of this nature," said Williams, who leads the outreach mission at NorthRidge Church. "The extent to which this organization targets children worldwide is really moving. The boxes have made it to wartorn Kosovo and to Honduras where Hurricane Mitch destroyed everything in its path."

For the second year in a row Williams is overseeing the project that not only involves the families of NorthRidge but appeals throughout communities and denominations in southeastern Michigan.

"I liked the idea of this project because it was something a family could do together or a way for parents to introduce a hands-on approach to helping those less fortunate," said Williams, who involved her two children last year and will do so again this holiday season. "This is a very do-able project before the rush of the holidays."

The kick-off for the Operation Christmas Child program is Sunday, Oct. 29. Boxes will be accepted from that Sunday until Nov. 17 at NorthRidge Church in Plymouth before they are shipped to a collection center in Brighton and then onto the processing center in Minneapolis.

How to Pack Your Shoe Box Gift

Find an empty shoe box. You can wrap it — lid separately — if you would like, but wrapping is not required.

Decide whether your gift will be for a boy or a girl and the age category: 2-4, 5-9 or 10-14. Cut out the appropriate label from the back of the brochure, tape it on the top of your box and mark the correct age category. Labels can be printed from the Web site www.samaritan.org

Fill the box with a variety of gifts. In a separate envelope you may enclose a note to the child and a photo of yourself or your family. If you include your name and address the child may write you back.

Suggested gifts:

- ✔ Toys - small cars, balls, dolls, stuffed animals, plastic kazoos, harmonicas, yo-yos, small Etch A Sketch, toys that light up or make noise (with extra batteries), Slinky, etc.
- ✔ School supplies - pens, pencils and sharpener, crayons/markers, stamps and ink pad sets, stickers, coloring books, writing pads or paper, solar calculators, etc.
- ✔ Hygiene items - toothbrush, toothpaste, soap, comb, washcloth, etc.

Other - hard candy, lollipops, mints, gum, sunglasses, flashlights with extra batteries, ball caps, socks, t-shirts, toys jewelry sets, hair-clips, watches, small picture books, etc.

Samaritan's Purse asks that you **DO NOT** include the following items: used items, war-related items (guns, knives, etc.), perishable items (chocolate, canned foods, crackers, etc.), liquids (shampoo, lotions, bubbles, etc.), medicines (vitamins, cough drops, ointment, etc.), breakable items (mirrors, china dolls, etc.).

IMPORTANT: Enclose $5 or more in the attached envelope and put it inside your shoe box to help cover the shipping and other costs. Please place the envelope so it is clearly visible on top of the gift items. Place a rubber band around your box and lid.

Checks are recommended rather than cash. If you're packing more than one box, you can make on combined donation in a single envelope. Gifts are tax deductible to the full extent allowed by law.

The collection center nearest you is NorthRidge Church, 49555 North Territorial, west of Beck Road in Plymouth Township. You can also ship your box to: Samaritan's Purse, 801 Bamboo Road, P.O. Box 3000, Boone, NC 28607.

NorthRidge parishioner Mark Holmes, a resident of Garden City, will make arrangements again this year

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Shelter strives to send families home

BY BEVERLY A. LEN
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By a nasty twist of fate or a string of bad luck, they are homeless and so are their children. They are from the Grosse Pointes, Livonia, Detroit, Westland, throughout Wayne County and throughout Michigan. They are the residents of the Wayne County Family Center.

Tucked behind the imposing main building of the old Eloise Psychiatric Hospital, on Michigan Avenue in Westland, the center is one of the largest shelters for homeless families in Michigan.

"Children are the key to eligibility," said Cynthia Haberman, director. The center accepts one and two-parent families and pregnant women. In partnership with Wayne County, Lutheran Social Services of Michigan now cares for 27 adults with a total of 72 children. The center is filled to capacity.

"Our focus is to keep families together," said Haberman. "Unlike most shelters, we provide each family with one private room, with a lock and key."

Donated beds with donated sheets and blankets are the only furnishings. The rooms aren't pretty, but they are clean and comfortable. And, for now, they are home. Here, parents can be with their children to cuddle them, read to them, make them feel safe.

Fires, evictions, domestic violence and other adversities don't fit neatly into a nine-to-five time frame. Incoming families are accepted 24 hours a day, 7 days a week as long as there is space available.

Once a family comes to the center, all of their needs are taken care of for up to two years, providing the family follows the program and makes progress. However, the average stay is two months.

BEVERLY LEN

Cuddles: *Wayne County Family Center day care director Monique Thompson cuddles a preschooler in the KidZone. Children can stay there while their parents work or attend school.*

The program includes job counseling, training and placement, education and GED testing, parenting classes, support groups, individual and group counseling, relocation services and much more.

Sharing responsibilities

It is not a free ride. As part of the job-training program, residents work in the kitchen, the day care center and building maintenance, as well as maintaining their own rooms. Residents, who are employed, must save 85 percent of their wages.

There are many myths and preconceived beliefs about homelessness. Typical beliefs are that all homeless people are alcoholics, drug addicts, inner city welfare recipients or just too lazy to get a job. That's not true, according to Haberman. Although people in all of those categories are among the homeless, most are single mothers with two or more children. They have, or had, low-paying jobs and no backup support. If one of their children gets sick, there's no one to care for it; the mother doesn't go to work and gets fired. Bills stack up, they get evicted — it's a vicious downward spiral.

"With our programs, we want to break the cycle," Haberman said. Most of the families at the center have done a lot of 'couch hopping.' After losing their home, they may have stayed with relatives, friends, or lived in a motel or even a car. Many have large utility bills left over from their last home, which makes it impossible to secure another residence. The center offers assistance in planning finances, with emphasis on the proper use of credit and budgeting. The mandatory savings helps pay outstanding utility bills and provides the funds necessary to obtain permanent housing. Residents are encouraged to stay at the center until they are debt free. This makes the transition to self-sufficiency easier and more likely to be successful.

The impact of a homeless lifestyle on children can be profound.

Striking a balance

"Our main priority is to get the children stabilized," Haberman said. "Our KidZone is a licensed childcare center where children can stay while their parent works, looks for housing or employment or attends school." Many of the younger children are behind developmentally, because of the instability in their short lives. KidZone helps them catch up or at least improve.

"And, their parents don't have to worry about their child's safety or whether they're being fed or if they're sick," Haberman added. With equipment donated by World Medical Relief, a storage room was recently converted into a small health clinic. Now children and adults receive needed medical care on site.

Homeless children tend to have a higher incidence of asthma than do mainstream children, as well as other health problems. Dr. Terry Joiner, a volunteer from the Ypsilanti Pediatric Clinic, provides regular medical care for the children every Friday. With the exception of tuberculosis, staff members dispense all medication, even aspirin.

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PUMPKIN SALE
The fourth annual Pumpkin Patch Sale, sponsored by the youth of Orchard United Methodist Church, 30450 Farmington Road, between 13 and 14 Mile roads, will begin Friday, Oct. 13. It will be open daily from 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. through Oct. 31. There will be a variety of shapes and size and prices of pumpkins including miniature pumpkins and gourds. The proceeds will help support the Senior High Youth Group's Mission trip. Call (248) 626-3620.

MAKING STRIDES
Metro Detroiters are invited to join the American Cancer Society on Oct. 14 to participate in the third annual "Making Strides Against Breast Cancer" walk on Detroit's Belle Isle. Registration begins at 8 a.m. and the walk starts at 9 a.m. Call (248) 557-5353 for information.

RACING COLLECTIBLES
A racing collectibles show will be held from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Oct. 14 at Harris-Kehrer VFW Post 3323 (1055 S. Wayne Road at Avondale). Admission is $2. Under 12 free. Proceeds for Michigan Vietnam Monument.

VEGAS NIGHT
The Ushers of St. Richard Parish will hold a Vegas Night from 7 p.m. to midnight Oct. 14 in the parish social hall (35637 Cherry Hill two blocks west of Wayne Road). Admission is one dollar. Games include Black Jack, Big Wheel, Craps, Beat the Dealer and Roulette.

MOM TO MOM SALE
The St. Edith/St. Kenneth's MOPS (Mothers of Preschoolers) Mom's Sale will be held from 9 a.m. to noon Oct. 14 at St. Edith's Parish Hall. (located just south of Five Mile on Newburgh Road). Rent a table at the sale and turn your child/children's gently used items into cash. Come to the sale to find items for your nursery and child's needs. To reserve a table call (734) 266-6182.

DAR CHAPTER MEETING
The Daughters of the American Revolution, Sarah Ann Cochrane Plymouth-Northville Chapter will meet Oct. 16 at noon for a sandwich luncheon and guest speaker "How is Your Diet and Health?" presented by a local nutritionist. All DAR members and prospective members are welcome. Meet at Shirl Hering's home (8848 Quail Circle) Plymouth. Call Doris Richard for questions (734) 453-4425.

ST. MEL WOMEN'S CLUB
St. Mel Women's Club will hold a Halloween luncheon card party from noon to 4 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 17. St. Mel's Activity Building (7506 Inkster Road - north of Warren). Maurice salad, rolls, butter, dessert, coffee/tea. Men welcome. Donation $10. Door prizes and raffle. Call (313) 274-0684 for tickets.

CHARITY SHOPPING
Liz Claiborne Inc.'s Seventh Annual Charity Shopping Day in recognition of National Domestic Violence Awareness Month will be held Oct. 19 at Somerset Collection in Troy (Liz Claiborne and Elisabeth stores) and Twelve Oaks Mall in Novi (Elisabeth store). 10 percent of the day's sales will be donated to local domestic violence agency partners including FirstStep serving Western and Downriver Wayne County.

PARADE OF PARTIES
St. Paul's Lutheran School Booster Club is hosting a fundraiser from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. Oct. 20 at St. Paul's Lutheran Church/School (corner of 8 Mile and Middlebelt Roads). All of your favorite home party companies will be represented and will be selling products and/or taking orders for products. A portion of each sale will go directly to the booster club. Food and refreshments available. Call (248) 474-2488.

ST. GENEVIEVE RUMMAGE SALE
St. Genevieve School in Livonia will be sponsoring a Rummage Sale on Oct. 20-21st, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. St. Genevieve is located at 28933 Jamison (2 blocks east of Middlebelt and 2 blocks south of Five Mile). Tools, clothing, furniture, toys, housewares, books, electronics, sports and exercise items. Please come and help support our school!

MILLION MOM MARCH BENEFIT
Million Mom March organization will host a theatre benefit at 11 a.m. Oct. 21 at the Millennium Center (15600 J.L. Hudson Drive) in Southfield. Call (248) 557-PLAY. $8 - when making your reservation, specify code MMM so your ticket can benefit Million Mom chapters. A performance of 'Rainbow Reading' will benefit MMM. Based on the PBS-TV series, the popular revue will have children ages 3 to 8 singing and dancing their way through a library of wonderful books.

HALLOWEEN CARD PARTY
A Halloween Card Party will be held from 6:30-10 p.m. Friday, Oct. 27 at SS Simon and Jude Church (32500 Palmer Road) in Westland. Door prizes, 50-50, bring your friends. Light meal and snacks. $7. Call 728-2090.

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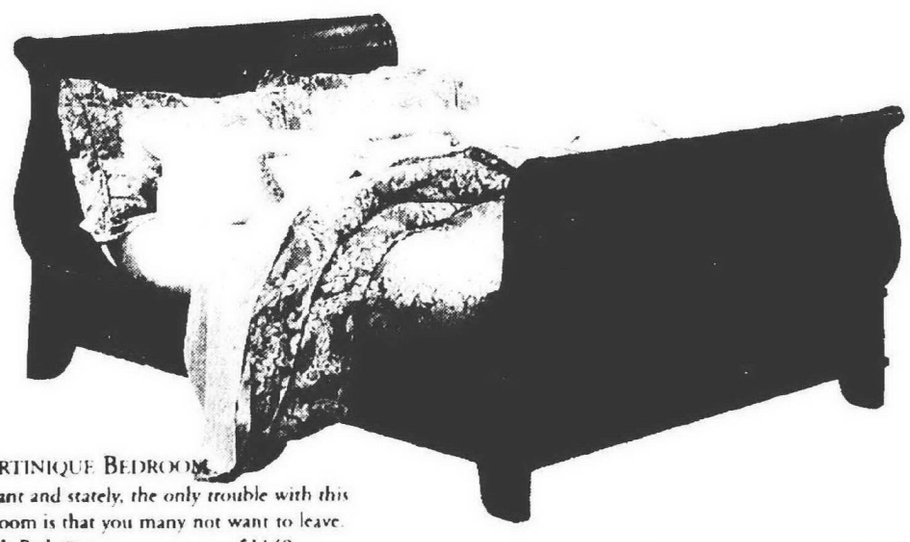

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Alumni are being sought for the 10 year reunion Nov. 24 at Big Daddy's Parthenon in Bloomfield. *Call Taylor Reunion Services (800) 677-7800.*

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A 25th year reunion is planned for Saturday, Oct. 14. For information call Mark Bailey (313) 382-4258 or Steve Vecchioni (313) 561-5524.

ANN ARBOR PIONEER
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Alumni are being sought for the 10-year reunion Nov. 24-25 at the Ypsilanti Marriott in Ypsilanti. *Call Taylor Reunion Services (800) 677-7800.*

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30 year reunion planned for Nov. 4. *Call Colleen Siembor (734) 455-1395.*

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A 30-year reunion is planned for Oct. 21. *Call Diane Reffner (734) 424-4783 or e-mail direff@prodigy.net*

BIRMINGHAM HIGH
■ Class of 1955
A reunion is planned for Oct. 27 at The Northfield Hilton in Troy. *Call Pete Kass (248) 335-5472 or e-mail MESLK@aol.com*

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■ Class of 1975
A reunion is planned for Oct. 14. *Contact Cindy Herzberg (248) 681-7192 or e-mail groves1975@yahoo.com*

BISHOP BORGESS
■ Class of 1985
A 15-year reunion is planned for Nov. 24 at the Double Tree Hotel in Novi. Order tickets today. Call Fred Owens (313) 581-1469.

Gifts *from page B1*

through his employer, Keebler, to acquire a semi-truck for transporting the shoe boxes from Plymouth to Brighton.

According to Williams, one box changes hands seven times before a child receives it. "It's amazing all of the volunteer effort that goes into a program of this magnitude."

In 1999 six cargo jets and 342 truck-sized sea containers carried boxes overseas from donor countries such as Australia, Canada, Finland, Germany, Netherlands, United Kingdom and United States. From there the shoe boxes are sometimes taken by helicopter to remote villages or carried on horseback — whatever means of transportation it takes to bring Christmas to a child who lacks even the most basic necessities such as a clean water, electricity, nutritional food and adequate shelter.

"I feel like this has been a good way to teach my children how to give to other people who really have nothing," said Sue Levergood of Canton. Her two children ages 9 and 6 went with their mom to shop for items for the shoe box they packed last year. Levergood said she and her children read a lot of books about foreign countries and watched a video in 1999 about some of the children who receive the shoe boxes.

"My son was so moved by the video that he said to me 'Mom, I feel like I've got to do this," recalled Levergood.

After the processing centers receive the gift boxes volunteers sort the boxes to make sure that each one is equally filled with items and include a copy of the Christmas story in the language of the country it will be delivered. Williams noted that boxes for boys ages 10-14 are in greatest need.

"A lot of boxes come in for younger children. They really need gifts for older boys from age 10 into their early teen years," said Williams.

If you would like to make an individual or group donation of a shoe box(es) filled with gifts, NorthRidge Church (49555 North Territorial Road) in Plymouth will accept boxes from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday and after Sunday services until Nov. 17. You can also visit www.northridgechurch.com or www.samaritan.org for more information.

Samaritan's Purse

Shelter *from page B1*

"We keep everything locked up," said Haberman. "There are too many children here to allow even over-the-counter items anywhere else in the building."

With the children cared for, parents learn marketable skills and parenting skills to help them cope with real-life problems. With the help of staff members who specialize in job placement and housing, families return to independent living with hope for the future.

In 1999, the center served 176 families | a total of 616 individuals, most were children. A social worker stays in touch with the family for six months after they leave to help during the transition. "We have gotten a few repeat residents," Haberman said, "but not many."

The center's goal is to go out of business.

"I wish my staff would say that we have empty rooms and no one to fill them," said Haberman.

Last year, after ten10 months at the center, one family was able to purchase their own small home. Now, once a month, they return to the center as volunteers with their church group and food, which they cook and serve to current residents. Another former resident returns once a week to drive people to look for work and housing.

These volunteers know better than anyone that being broke, out of a job, in debt and homeless with children isn't hopeless after all, thanks to Lutheran Social Services and the Wayne County Family Center.

WEDDINGS & ANNIVERSARIES

Burnham-Bakowski

Pat Burnham of Minden, Louisiana and (the late) Kenneth Burnham Sr. announce the marriage of their daughter, Lisa Lynn Burnham to Adam John Bakowski.

The bride is a 1992 graduate of Minden High School in Louisiana and a 1997 graduate of the University of Arizona in Tucson, where she earned a degree in psychology.

Her husband, son of Robert and Irene Bakowski of Canton, is a 1994 graduate of Plymouth Salem High School and a 1998 graduate of Michigan State University, where he earned a degree in zoology.

The couple wed June 20 at Sandals Royal Bahamian Resort & Spa in Nassau, Bahamas. The bride was given in marriage by her brother, Kenneth Burnham, and was attended by her matron of honor, Kelly Burnham of Louisiana, Mandy Harrison of Louisiana and Lauren Bakowski. The groom was attended by best man and father, Robert Bakowski, and groomsmen Xuong Duong and Chris Bagozzi.

The couple were honored with a reception in Shreveport, Louisiana in late June and in Dearborn Heights in late July. They now live in Ypsilanti.

Holliday-Fyke

Paul and Mary Holliday of Portage announce the marriage of their daughter, Brandi Lynn, to Mitchell Craig Fyke. The groom is the son of Russell and Suzanne Fyke of Plymouth.

The couple wed June 3 in the ballroom of the Holiday Inn West in Lansing before the Rev. Carl L. Hausermann of Portage Chapel Hill United Methodist Church.

The bride was attended by her sister Kelly Ann Holliday who served as her maid of honor and bridesmaid Allison Brooke Fyke, the groom's sister.

The groom's best man was Scott Grant from Plymouth and groomsman Brian Paupore of Chicago, Illinois.

The couple received guests in the ballroom of the Holiday Inn West in Lansing and took a wedding trip to Disney World - Florida. They are making their home in Greensboro, North Carolina.

Drott

Bob and Irene Drott of Garden City celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on Sept. 30. They have been residents of Garden City for 41 years.

Bob is retired from Cummins/Ex-Cell-O in Walled Lake, formerly called the McCord Corp. in the New Center Area of Detroit, where he worked as a cost estimator. Irene retired from the World Headquarters of Kelly Services in Troy where she was a keypunch operator.

Much of their time is spent with their only daughter, Terri Golla who resides in Farmington Hills, with her husband Dennis and their 14 year-old son, Derrick who attends Farmington High School. Bob and Irene can be seen at most of Derrick's extracurricular activities and sporting events such as soccer and basketball. The couple also belong to the Livonia Travel Club and have taken numerous trips and cruises with the group exploring the United States, Canada and Mexico.

Shaffer

Roger and Dorothy (Stanley) Shaffer of Livonia will celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary this month. The couple wed Oct. 18, 1940 in Detroit. They have lived in Livonia for 17 years.

The couple has three children, Karen, James and David, along with eight grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

Roger Shaffer is retired from his job at Chrysler, where he worked for 40 years. The couple enjoys spending time bowling, golfing and traveling.

The Shaffer's will celebrate with a party at their son James' home.

Buck

John and Sue (Gazda) Buck of Redford Township celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary last month. The couple wed Sept. 27, 1975 at Our Lady Queen of Heaven in Detroit.

John Buck has lived in the area all of his life, while his wife Sue has lived here for 25 years. The couple have two children, John Jr. and Anni. John Jr. is a paramedic and student at Eastern Michigan University. He lives in Redford Township. His sister Anni is a freshman at Michigan State University where she is studying to become a veterinarian.

John Buck works as the deputy police chief in Redford Township. For several years he has been president of the Redford Township Goodfellows and served as an advisor to the Police Explorer Scouts. He attended the National Academy of the FBI in 1991.

Sue Buck is a reporter for the Plymouth Observer. She is also a former board member of the Society of Professional Journalists and member of Investigative Reporters and Editors, Inc.

To celebrate the special occasion, the family will share a special dinner with family and friends in November.

Lefke-Townsend

David and Marlene Lefke of Portland announce the marriage of their daughter, Sarah Jo Lefke to James Patrick Townsend of Portland, formerly of Livonia.

The bride is a 1995 graduate of Portland High and a 2000 graduate of Alma College. She works at the Michigan Early Elementary Center in Lansing as a second grade teacher.

Her husband, son of William and Kathleen Townsend of Dearborn, formerly of Livonia, is a 1995 graduate of Stevenson High School and a 1999 graduate of Alma College. He is employed by USXchange in Grand Rapids as a provisioner.

The couple wed in September in Portland, Mich.

Poprawa-Dziedzic

Conrad and Patricia Poprawa of Inkster announce the marriage of their daughter, Lisa Marie, to Scott Mitchell Dziedzic of Redford.

The bride earned her bachelor of science degree from Eastern Michigan University and is a graduate student in the speech-language pathology department at EMU. She will graduate with her masters degree in April, 2001.

Her husband, son of Walter and Christina Dziedzic of Livonia, is a millwright apprentice at DaimlerChrysler in Detroit. He is expected to get his journeyman's card in April 2001.

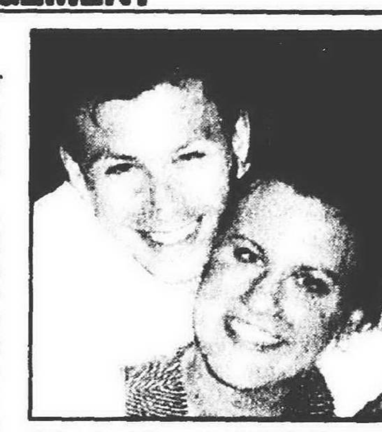
The couple wed Sept. 1, at St. Robert Bellarmine Catholic Church before the Rev. Denis Theroux. The bride was attended by Michele Buchanan, Debbie Zemoyan, Amy Marcoe, Jaclyn Dziedzic, Kendra Phillips, Lisa Berg, Jaclyn Theeck, Melissa Crosby, Chelsea Kangas and Hailey King.

The groom was attended by Lance Shockley, Jeff Dziedzic, Eric Buchanan, Jim Allen, Ryan Dziedzic, Michael Fremont, Michael Mackiewicz II and Daniel Crosby.

The couple received guests at Mayflower Meeting House in Plymouth and will make their home in Redford Township.

ENGAGEMENT

Hansen-Taylor



David and Susan Hansen of Livonia announce the engagement of their daughter, Colleen Marie Hansen to Kevin Michael Taylor.

The bride-to-be is a 1992 graduate of Franklin High School and a 1996 graduate of Michigan State University. She earned her juris doctorate from University of Dayton School of Law in 1999 and is a magistrate for Butler County Court in Hamilton, Ohio.

Her fiancé, son of Linda Taylor of Albany, N.Y. and Alan Taylor of Voorheesville, N.Y., is a 1995 graduate of LeMoyne College and earned his juris doctorate from University of Dayton School of Law in 1999. He is a senior legal research attorney for Lexis-Nexis in Miamiburg, Ohio.

An October wedding will be held at St. Genevieve Church in Livonia.

NEW ARRIVALS

■ **Matthew** and **Carol Surella** of Livonia announce the birth of their daughter **Nicole Anne** born July 30 at Hutzel Hospital in Detroit. Grandparents are Wanda Wisniewski of Westland, Tony Wisniewski of Plymouth and Karen and Marty Surella of Brook Park, Ohio.

■ **Kristie** and **Ron Bergman Sr.** of Garden City announce the birth of their son **Cameron Ryan** born Sept. 23 at Oakwood Hospital in Dearborn. Cameron joins brothers Ron Jr., 9; and Adam, 6. Grandparents are Ron and Joyce Bergman of Detroit; Wade Norman of Mt. Airy, North Carolina and the late Carol Norman. Great-grandparents are Don and Blanche Campbell of Maggie Valley, North Carolina.

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CALENDAR

WEEKEND

RUMMAGE SALE
Willow Creek Co-Op Preschool is holding a Rummage Sale Saturday, Oct. 14 from 9 a.m. -3 p.m. at Kirk of Our Savior Church in their Fellowship Hall, 36660 Cherry Hill Road in Westland. For further information, call (734) 326-0078.

ART CENTER
The Ann Arbor Center brings fun for adults and children during "Sundays @ 1," a weekly workshop series. The workshops will be held every Sunday at 1 p.m. The cost is $12 per creator. Oct. 15: Pumpkin Party - paint and decorate a pumpkin; Oct. 22: Terror-iffic! - decorate a bowl or plate for Halloween goodies; Oct. 29: Inspired Work - examine the works of Vincent Van Gogh and apply the artist's style to a piece of pottery. To register or more information, call the Ann Arbor Art Center at (734) 994-8004, Ext. 101.

DEMOCRATIC CLUB
The Community Democratic Club hosts its second-annual Spaghetti Dinner Friday, Oct. 13 from 5 to 9 p.m. at UAW Local 182 in Plymouth. Guest speaker is Michigan Attorney General Jennifer Granholm. Admission is $13 for adults, $6 for seniors and children under 12; children under 3 are free. Call Becky Tavarozzi at (734) 398-5845.

LIVING ROSARY
Please join fellow Catholics in prayer at 5 p.m. on Sunday, Oct. 15 at Our Lady of Providence Chapel located at 16115 Beck Road, Northville (north of Five Mile Road). Celebrant will be Father David Lesniak. This event is sponsored by the Plymouth Knights of Columbus. For further information, call (734) 453-9833.

AROUND TOWN

ANXIETY DISORDERS
St. Mary Mercy Hospital is holding a lecture on "Anxiety and What Can Be Done About It" on Monday, Oct. 16 from 6-7:30 p.m. in the West Addition B at St. Mary Mercy Hospital, 36475 Five Mile Road in Livonia. Participants will learn to recognize signs and symptoms of anxiety, its origin, the medical treatments available, and the brainwave pathology behind anxiety. Pre-registration is required. Please call (734) 655-2944 or (800) 494-0277.

BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENING
Oakwood affiliates sponsor a free blood pressure screening for area residents Thursday, Oct. 19 at Cherry Hill Internal Medicine, 42287 Cherry Hill, Suite D, in Canton, at the corner of Cherry Hill and Lilley Roads. Physicians David Margolis, MD and Michael Schaeffer, MD will be on hand to review the screenings and answer questions. Call (734) 981-1086 for more information.

FORUM FOR BALLOT PROPOSALS
The Livonia League of Women Voters is holding an Issues Forum for the Ballot Proposals on the November Michigan ballot Thursday, Oct. 19 at 7 p.m. at the Livonia City Hall Auditorium. The forum covers the Voucher Proposal, The Arts Funding Proposal and the Home Rule Proposal. There will be both pro and con speakers for each ballot proposal.

CELEBRITY FASHION SHOW
The Redford Suburban League holds its 27th Celebrity Fashion Show Wednesday, Oct. 18 at 10 a.m., at the Burton Manor, 27777 Schoolcraft Road in Livonia. The day's activities begin with a Craft Boutique, celebrity fashion show with commentators Rich Fisher and Doris Biscoe, luncheon, and raffle. Proceeds will benefit Penrickton Center for Blind Children. Luncheon tickets are available at $40 and raffle tickets at $1 each, by calling Miriam at (734) 981-6003 or Vera at (734) 727-0261.

POKEMON LIVE
The Canton Parks and Recreation Services is sponsoring a fun family trip to the Fox Theater to see Pokemon Live on stage Saturday, Oct. 28. The bus leaves from the Summit on the Park parking lot at 9:30 a.m. and leaves the Fox Theater at 12:30 p.m. Registration has already begun, and ends Oct. 27, or until all tickets are sold. Canton residents only until Oct. 23, then open to anyone. Register in person at Canton Parks and Recreation Services, 46000 Summit Parkway in Canton.

WINTER BASKETBALL LEAGUES
The City of Plymouth Recreation will begin team registration for Adult Men's Basketball and Co-Ed Volleyball for returning teams starting Oct. 16. New teams can begin registering Oct. 23. Last day of registration will be Oct. 30 or until leagues are full. All leagues will begin the week of Dec. 4. For more information, contact The City of Plymouth Recreation Department at (734) 455-6620 or check the Web at www.ci.plymouth.mi.us.

VEGAS NIGHT
St. Linus Usher's Club is having a Vegas night on Friday and Saturday, Oct. 20 and 21 from 6 p.m. until midnight for the benefit of their general fund. Admission is free. The St. Linus Activity Center is located west of Telegraph Road and north of Ford Road at the corner of Haas and Gulley roads in Dearborn Heights. State Law: winning limited to $500 per person. For additional information, contact the parish office at (313) 274-4500.

YMCA
Come join us for fun at "Halloween at the YMCA" on Friday, Oct. 27 from 6-9 p.m. Held at the Gathering in downtown Plymouth. Costume contests, stories and more. Volunteers are needed. Call the YMCA at (734) 453-2904.

KINDERMUSIK
■ Village Music, a professional music facility in Plymouth's Old Village at 130 E. Liberty, is registering students for the fall Kindermusik semester, which began Sept. 11. Classes are available for newborns through 7 year olds. Call Norma Atwood at (734) 354-9825 to register.

ART EXHIBIT
Madonna University in Livonia is featuring the work of Graciela Bustos, Bertha Cohen and Fernando Calderon, in the art exhibit, "The Great Walk," now through Oct. 14. Anyone may attend this free event. The pieces will be displayed in the Library Exhibit Wing on campus. Library hours are Monday through Thursday 8 a.m.-10:30 p.m.; Friday 8 a.m.-7 p.m.; Saturday 9 a.m.-5p.m.; and Sunday 1-5 p.m. For more information, call (734) 432-5418 or 432-5710.

ARTHRITIS FOUNDATION
The Arthritis Foundation is offering a three-week arthritis self-help course at Arthur's Place in Plymouth on Friday, Oct. 13, 20 and 27. The educational program will meet at 5:30-7:30 p.m. The arthritis self-help course is a self-management program designed to teach skills that can reduce pain, reduce physician visits, and increase the quality of life for those with arthritis. Class size is limited and pre-registration is required. For more information, or to register, call (734) 354-1856.

MAYBURY STATE PARK
Maybury Farm will offer horsedrawn hayrides each weekend now through Oct. 29. Rides are run from 1-4 p.m., and a small fee is charged per person; Fall Color Hike, join the park interpreter for a look at the season's changes at 1 p.m., Saturday, Oct. 14. You will hike through the fields and forest in search of signs of fall. Meet at the Concession Building. For further information, call (248) 349-8390.

PRINCETON REVIEW
The Princeton Review will be holding a free test day 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 15. Students may choose to take the GRE, GMAT, LSAT, or MCAT. The MCAT will be given 9 a.m. -5 p.m. The free test will be given in Ann Arbor, The Princeton Review, 1220 S. University, Suite 209. Students must call to register at (800) 2-REVIEW or (734) 663-2163.

CRAFTERS WANTED
Crafters wanted for holiday show in the Plymouth/ Canton area. The show will be 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Saturday, Nov. 11. Call Linda for more details, (734) 454-8001.

WOMEN'S CENTER OF AMERICA
The Women's Center of America in Ann Arbor will hold the following workshops: *Proud To Be Me!* (A self-esteem group for women) from 7-9 p.m., Wednesday, Oct. 11-Nov. 15. Learn techniques to silence your inner critic and gain tools to handle stressful situations. Tanya Thunberg and interns at the Women's Center will facilitate the event. Fee is $65 and space is limited; "DADS," a special evening for dads and daughters (appropriate for girls ages 12-18) from 7-9 p.m., Tuesday, Oct. 17. Explore positive ways to open communication, discuss the struggles of being a parent or a daughter. Michael Andes, ambassador to The Women's Center and his daughter, Eril, will be leading the discussion. The presentation is free; donations encouraged. Please call (734) 973-6779 to reserve space for either workshop.

PLYMOUTH ARTS COUNCIL
■ The Plymouth Community Arts Council has announced the fall 2000 class list, workshops and exhibits. Children's activities include drawing, sketching and painting. There are similar classes for adults. Highlighted are Photography, Watercolor and Salsa Dance. Workshops include: "Color, Color and More Color," presented by Donna Adruccioli-Vogelheim, a Beaded Button Workshop, Japanese Temari Ball Workshop, "Saturday Night Date With Art" by local artist Charlie Aimone and a new video workshop with a local filmmaker on "Family Biographies on Video." More upcoming events include every second Tuesday from noon-1 p.m. a speaker from the DIA. You can take your lunch. The Oct. 10 presentation is the "Rise of a Great Museum," a brief history of the DIA; The latest exhibit of the Wayne County Council for Arts, History and Humanities presentation of The Artist Among Us runs through Oct. 13. Birthday/ craft parties are available with an instructor and an age-appropriate craft project. Exhibit hours are Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday: 9 a.m. to noon; Art Rental Gallery is open Wednesday 9 a.m.-9 p.m. Please call PCAC for additional hours and more details at (734) 416-4ART.

BIKE TOURS
■ Bike tours throughout the Plymouth community sponsored by the Plymouth Newcomers start at 6 p.m. every Monday through October. These low-speed bike rides (8-11 mph, 8-20 mph) will begin at the Comerica Bank back parking lot on Ann Arbor Road just west of Sheldon. Rides, which always return before dark, will start off at the low-mileage end and be geared toward basic bicycling abilities. For those seeking a more-challenging ride, the AABTS will lead a bike tour that meets, starts and ends at the same place and time as the ride. Wearing a helmet is strongly recommended but not required. A multi-gear non-racer bike is preferred but not necessary. Call tour leader Alan VanKerckhove at (734) 455-9144.

CREATIVE MUSIC CENTER
■ The Creative Music Center of Plymouth/ Canton has on-going registration for its Kindermusik classes. Classes are prorated. No classes held Nov. 20-25 (Thanksgiving week). Classes are at the First Baptist Church of Plymouth, 45000 N. Territorial (just west of Sheldon). For information, call Lori Nelson at (734) 354-9109.

NEW MORNING SCHOOL
■ New Morning School in Plymouth has openings for the upcoming school year (2000-01) in the following programs: Half-day kindergarten (afternoons); the whole-day kindergarten; and the middle school (grades six through eight). New Morning is a state-licensed and certified parent cooperative. Interested people can call the school at (734) 420-3331 or e-mail to newmorning@ mediaone. net. Visit the Web site at people. mw. media one. net/ newmorning.

KIWANIS BREAKFAST CLUB
■ The Plymouth-Canton Kiwanis Breakfast Club meets 7 a.m. every Tuesday at the Plymouth Cultural Center, 525 Farmer, Plymouth. Guests are welcome. Call Charr Briggs at (810) 406-8489.

ASTRONOMY DISCUSSION GROUP
■ The Astronomy Discussion Group meets every third Monday of the month 7-8 p.m. in the Plymouth Dunning-Hough Library, 223 S. Main. Astronomy novices and enthusiasts (age 6 and older) may attend. Adults must accompany those younger than 12. Door prizes, handouts, videos, slides, lecture, and open discussion are a part of the meetings. Call Mike Best at (734) 459-2378.

K OF C BREAKFAST BUFFET
■ The Knights of Columbus holds a breakfast buffet every Sunday, from 8:30 a.m. to noon at the K of C, 150 Fair St., Plymouth. All-you-can-eat buffet. Newly remodeled breakfast room. For further information, call (734) 453-9833.

HOLIDAY ARTS & CRAFT SHOW
■ A holiday arts and crafts show at North Farmington High School, Saturday, Nov. 18, is seeking artists and crafters. Especially interested in: eatables (candy or other foods), calligraphy, silk flowers, dried flowers, baskets, candles, photography (other than Detroit) wood shelves or anything unusual. Other items wait-listed. Call Dianne at (248) 553-0913 for further information.

TAI CHI
■ Ongoing tai chi classes are offered in Livonia and Bloomfield under the sponsorship of the Taoist Tai Chi Society. Day classes for seniors available at the Livonia location. Observers welcome. Visit its Web site at www. ttcs. org. For more information, call the society at (248) 332-1281.

CLUBS

DEARBORN-LIVONIA SINGLETONS
The Dearborn-Livonia Chapter of the U.S. Singletons will host their next Dinner social Friday, Oct. 13. Social Hour: 5:30 p.m.; Dinner 6:00 p.m. at The Golden Feather, 29633 Ford Road (between Middlebelt and Merriman).

BUSINESS NETWORK INTERNATIONAL
Business Network International (BNI) holds their regular meetings from 7-8:30 a.m. The Canton II Chapter meets every Wednesday at Millennium Security Services, 42010 Koppernick, Suite 117, Canton; the Plymouth Chapter meets every Thursday at the Plymouth Cultural Center, 525 Farmer, Plymouth; the Livonia Chapter meets every Friday at Senate Coney Island on Plymouth Road at Stark, Livonia. For more information, call the BNI regional office at (810) 323-3800.

GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY
The Western Wayne County Genealogical Society is meeting at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 18 at the Livonia Civic Park Senior Center, Farmington Road, south of Five Mile Road. The topic is Yankee Air Force-Willow Run History. The speaker is Mr. Harold Sherman, head librarian at the Yankee Air Museum. General membership meetings are at 7:30 p.m. Beginners and Computer Genealogy classes are at 6:30 p.m. Meetings and classes are open to the public and are free of charge. For information, please call, (734) 425-3079.

MOPS
The Plymouth Baptist Church holds their MOPS (Mothers of Preschoolers) meetings on the first and third Tuesdays of each month from 9-11:30 a.m. These meetings provide a time for moms to develop new friendships with other moms. Childcare is provided. The church is located at 42021 Ann Arbor Trail in Plymouth, between Lilley and Haggerty. For more information, please call the church at (734) 453-5534. Space is limited.

CIVITAN CLUB
■ The Plymouth-Canton Civitan Club meets the first and third Thursdays of the month: Business/ Salvation Army; Dinner/ Damon's. Call either (734) 453-7569 or (734) 981-7259 for further information.

GOURMET DINING GROUP
■ The Plymouth/ Northville/ Canton Gourmet Dining Group meets the second Saturday, October-June. Planned menu and recipes for each meal. If interested in joining, call Dottie Brower at (734) 455-1206 or Pat Stokes at (734) 455-7446.

MOTHERS OF MULTIPLES
■ The Plymouth-Canton Mothers of Multiples Club meets 7 p.m. the third week of each month on alternating Mondays and Tuesdays. Play group meets twice a month on alternating Tuesdays and Wednesdays. Call Pam Heestand at (734) 981-3341.

M.O.M.
■ Meet Other Mothers (M.O.M.) presents guest speakers and discussions from 9:30-11:30 a.m. the second and fourth Friday of each month. Baby-sitting is provided. Call Cheree at (734) 416-6214 or Laura at (313) 538-7622.

M.I.T.I.
■ Moms In Touch International is for mothers to meet weekly, for one hour, to pray for their children and schools. The goal is to form a group for each school in Plymouth-Canton. Call Karen at (734) 397-2771 or Elaine at (734) 459-3896.

MOMS CLUB
■ MOMS Club welcomes all western Wayne County stay-at-home mothers to meet at 10 a.m. the third Tuesday of each month. Play group meets every Wednesday. Call Lisa at (734) 844-3685.

HUMAN RIGHTS GROUP
■ The Human Rights Group meets at 7 p.m. the first Sunday of the month at the Plymouth Coffee Studio, 600 W. Ann Arbor Trail, Plymouth. Call Paulette at (734) 416-9288 or Charlene at (734) 963-0649.

COUNTY CONNECTION
■ County Connection Chorus of Sweet Adelines International, a women's chorus singing four-part harmony barbershop style, is looking for members. Rehearsals begin at 7 p.m. every Tuesday in Ypsilanti. Call (734) 480-8843.

STAMP CLUB
■ Meetings of the West Suburban Stamp Club begin at 8 p.m. the first and third Fridays of the month at The Plymouth Historical Society, 155 S. Main St., Plymouth. The Web site address is www. oeonline. com/ ~pnj/ wsac. html. Friday, Oct. 20 club member Don Schurr will present "How to prepare a philatelic exhibit". Call (734) 459-2250.

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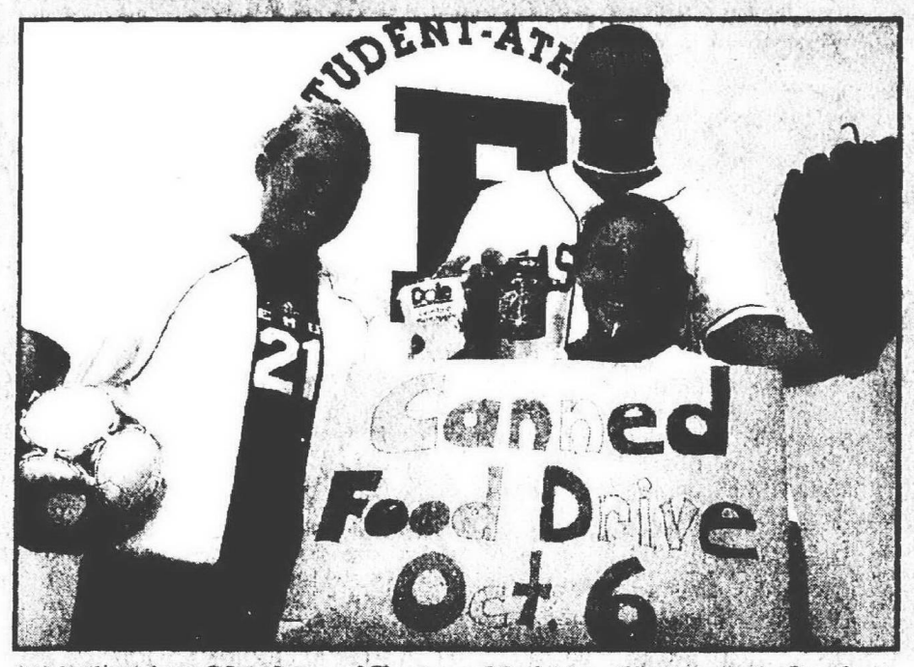

Athletic drive: *Members of Eastern Michigan University's Student Athlete Advisory Council, including Jennifer Parviainen of Plymouth, gathered canned goods to benefit The Food Gatherers local food bank. The event, which took place over the weekend, was part of Eastern's Homecoming celebration. Pictured with Parviainen are Anthony Tomey of Northville and Rachel Schmidt of Madison, Wisc.*

CALENDAR FORM

The Plymouth Observer *welcomes Calendar items. Items should be from non-profit community groups or individuals announcing a community program or event. Please type or print the information below and mail your item to The Calendar, Plymouth Observer, 794 South Main Street, Plymouth, MI. 48170, or by* **fax to 734-459-4224**. *Deadline for Calendar items is noon Friday for the following Thursday's paper. Call 459-2700 if you have any questions.*

Event:

Date and Time:

Location:

Telephone:

Additional info.:

Use additional sheet if necessary

RELIGION CALENDAR

ONGOING

RCIA CLASSES
If you are interested in joining the Catholic faith or wish to learn more about our faith, please call Deacon John (734) 425-4421. Our RCIA classes will start at 7:30 p.m. at St. Theodore Parish in our Parish Center building located at 8200 N. Wayne Road in Westland.

LADIES BIBLE STUDY
Detroit First Church of the Nazarene (Haggerty Road North of Eight Mile) will host a ladies bible study at 9:30 a.m. or 7 p.m. Tuesdays through December. Weekly study of the book of John. $15/semester for materials. Call (248) 348-7600.

WEIGH DOWN WORKSHOP
Weigh Down Workshop - Classes are Monday evenings 7-9 p.m. for 12 weeks at Geneva Presbyterian Church 5835 Sheldon Rd. Canton. Call Mary Kay (734) 459-9077.

NEW BEGINNINGS
New Beginnings, a grief support group held at 7 p.m. the first Thursday of every month (beginning Oct. 5) at St. Matthew's United Methodist Church (30900 Six Mile Road) in Livonia will begin with Sandy Bauman's discussion "After the earthquakes, now what?" The program is for people suffering as a result of the death of a loved one. For information call (734) 422-6038. Upcoming speakers include:
Nov. 2 Planning for one instead of two, John A. Fleming.
Dec. 7 (holidays)
Jan. 4 Moving on.

UPCOMING

FORMER TIGER APPEARS
You're invited to hear former Detroit Tiger Pitcher Frank Tanana. He will be at Dunning Park Bible Chapel at 7 p.m. Friday, Oct. 13. The Chapel is located at 24800 West Chicago, just west of Telegraph. Frank will be speaking on growing up in Redford Township, pitching for Catholic Central and the Detroit Tigers, and being a Christian. Desserts will be served and everyone is welcome.

CROSSWALK MINISTRIES
Crosswalk, a new ministry at Merriman Road Baptist Church (2055 Merriman Road) in Garden City for young adults ages 18-30 something will get together at 6:45 p.m. for a hayride at Real Life Farm in Canton and a discussion titled "Can Christians Have Fun?" The group will meet regularly from 7-9:30 p.m. on the second Friday of every month at the Church. Call (734) 421-0472.

TERRIFIC TRIO SERIES
St. Maurice Parish (32765 Lyndon) of Livonia will begin their "Terrific Trio Series" Oct. 14 at 7 p.m. "A Little White Flower" (the story of St. Therese of Lisieux) will be performed. This one-person live drama on her life is a theatrical presentation accompanied by recorded orchestral music. Donations are appreciated but not necessary. Oct. 19 at 7 p.m. Come learn about the life and intelligence of Teresa of Avila, mystic and poet. For information about the series call (734) 421-5240.

WOMEN'S DAY 2000
Greater Grace Temple - Taylor (24111 Koths, Taylor) will welcome gospel sensation Esther Smith to delivery inspirational words and songs at Millennium Women's Day 2000. Morning worship begins at 11 a.m. and afternoon service at 4 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 15. The theme for the event is "Women of Praise Worshipping the Lord in the Beauty of Holiness: The Power of Prayer and Fasting." Admission is free. Call (313) 295-4472.

CATHOLICS IN PRAYER
Please join fellow Catholics in prayer Sunday, Oct. 15 at 5 p.m. at Our Lady of Providence Chapel located at 16115 Beck Road, Northville - north of Five Mile Road. Celebrant will be Father David Lesniak. Event sponsored by the Plymouth Knights of Columbus. Call 453-9833.

REV. JIM ROSEMERGY
Rev. Jim Rosemergy, executive vice president of Unity School of Christianity will speak at both the 9:30 and 11 a.m. services Sunday, Oct. 15. His talk will be entitled "The Prayer that God Prays." He will also be conducting a seminar from 1:30-3:30 p.m. based on his book "Even Mystics Have Bills to Pay." Unity of Livonia is located at 28660 Five Mile Road. Call 421-1760.

BLESSING OF ANIMALS
Orchard United Methodist Church (30450 Farmington Road) between 13 and 14 Mile roads will host their annual "Blessing of the Animals" at 2 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 15. The Rev. Carol Johns will officiate. The service is an opportunity for members of the community to celebrate the animals that bring joy to their lives. The youth will lead this outdoor worship service. The blessing will be held rain or shine. All pets and owners are welcome. Pets should be restrained for safety. Call (248) 626-3620.

WORLD HEALING SERVICE
A World Healing Service will take place at 7 p.m. Monday, Oct. 16 by Barbara Wade, licensed Unity teacher, in the sanctuary. Come for sharing, meditation, healing circle and presentations. Unity of Livonia is located at 28660 Five Mile Road. Call 421-1760.

YAZ
Take a Stand, is for all youth in grades 7-12 who enjoy good music and games, want to have fun and desire to share in God's love. They meet weekly at Merriman Road Baptist Church (2055 Merriman Road) in Garden City. The next meeting at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 17 will be a discussion on "Surviving Faith Dilemmas." Call (734) 421-0472.

SPIRITUAL ELDERING WORKSHOP
Holy Trinity Lutheran Church is sponsoring a Spiritual Eldering Workshop on Tuesday mornings from 10-11:30 a.m. Oct. 17, 24 and 31. This workshop is intended for those who seek deeper meaning in their later years and are willing to discover ways to enrich them. We carefully plan our future retirement resources, this is an opportunity to do the same with our spiritual resources. Workshop presenters are Paula Cooney and Anita Herman who have studied with Rabbi Zalman Schachter - Shalomi, the developer of Spiritual Eldering. Call 464-0211.

HEALTH MINISTRY
St. Colette Parish Health Ministry will host a seminar at 7:30 p.m. Oct. 18 on Good News About Healing Prayer. Speaker Sandy Baumann has prepared an entertaining, insightful, and uplifting talk on the effect of prayer on health, therapeutic touch and the effect of forgiveness on physical ailments. St. Colette is located at 17602 Newburgh Road, Livonia. Call (7340 464-4435 to reserve a seat.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT VESPERS
A vespers service will be held at Unity of Livonia Wednesday, Oct. 18 (Unity of Livonia is located at 28660 Five Mile Road) featuring the music of Danny Holley and talks by Rev. Gene Sorensen. The topic will be "Every Soul Has a Mission." The topics are based out of the book "The Meaning of Life," available

Please see RELIGION, B7

Celebrate pastoral care

To celebrate Pastoral Care Week, the Samaritan Counseling Center of Southeastern Michigan is planning a gathering to celebrate pastoral care and to propose an opportunity for continuing education for pastoral caregivers.

Stephen Ministers, deacons, and others in pastoral care are invited to come on Sunday, Oct. 29, to a session at Nardin Park United Methodist Church, Farmington Hills. The program will include worship, speakers on the topic of pastoral care, refreshments and a time to meet caregivers from other congregations. An important part of the day will be exploring the possibility of starting a group to work with the Samaritan staff to guide and develop ongoing programs of continuing education for lay pastoral caregivers. Call the Samaritan Center at (248) 474-4701 for further information.

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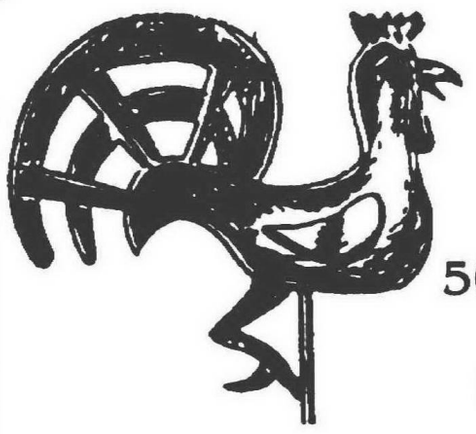
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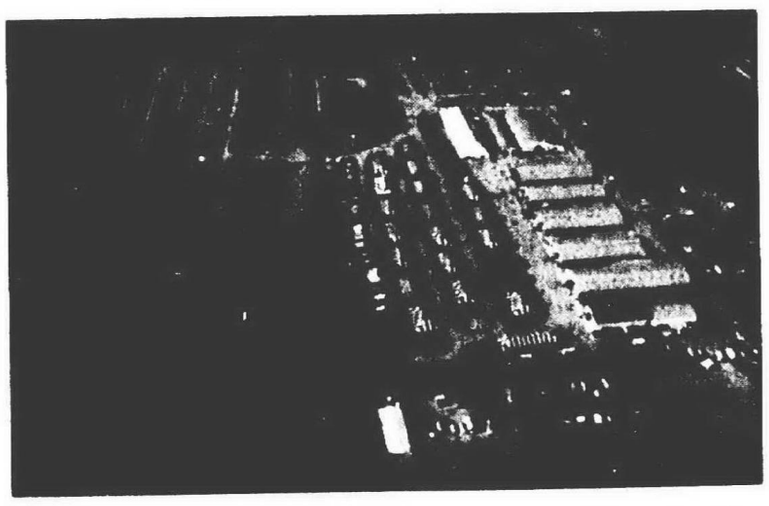
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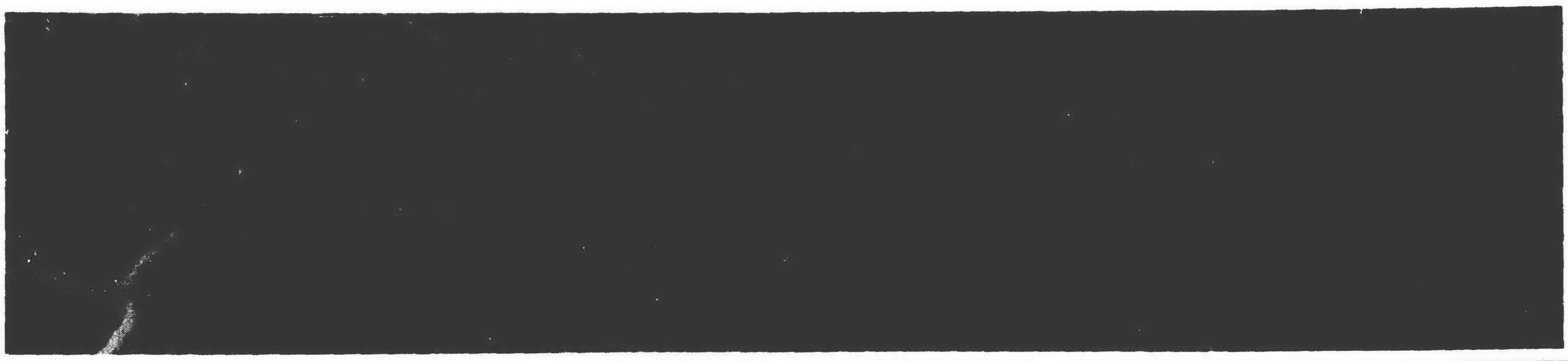

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God's Love Is Everywhere

Mother learns Olympic-size lesson from young son

RELIGION

When I found our preschooler son hugging his basketball in his bed at night instead of his teddy bear a few years ago, I knew I had an Olympic-size problem. Growing up, I wasn't very fond of sports. It seemed to me that sports was all about proving one's superiority over someone else, and of course about winning; and since I was usually the one losing, I could see nothing fun about athletics. Then when I became a mother, our young son taught me a grand lesson, which changed my views. Let me tell you about it.

When our son would look at the pictures in sports magazines instead of playing in the kid's toy section, there was no doubt in my mind that we had an athlete on our hands. So what was I to do? If sports were to be a part of his life I wanted to love sports and all his activities and be able to support him in anything that was right for him, so I decided to pray.

I knew that divine Love, God would provide an answer. When he was five, he began to make baskets at ten feet with a full sized basketball. When he was six he could throw a baseball to me with precision across the width of our back yard (70 feet). At seven, he was diving off the diving board at the high school Olympic-sized pool with fearlessness and grace and then swimming to the bottom of the deep end (13 feet deep) just to see if he could touch it. He did.

I started to realize sports weren't about beating someone else. They weren't about putting someone else down. They were about being the best each one could be and demonstrating the unlimited qualities of God. Not that our son is a superstar or anything. He's just an ordinary boy. But because he never accepted (or learned) limitations, he has exceeded people's expectations of what is possible for kids his age.

Anyone can show by different degrees that all athletic abilities (as well as qualities such as intelligence and joy) come from God and are available to each one in abundance. To the degree that one understands that God, not one's self, is the source of all abilities and action, one can claim these qualities as God's reflection. The result is seeing less limitation and more freedom and talent in our experience.

The Bible confirms this as Jesus says, "I can of mine own self do nothing," (John 5:30) and "with God all things are possible" (Matt. 19:26) — and what mighty things he accomplished!

For karate students to break a cement block with their bare hands; for Michael Jordan to appear to defy gravity if only for a moment as he flies into the air and "hangs" there to sink a slam dunk; for a gymnast to perform feats of flexibility and balance beyond human comprehension — these experiences all point to the infinite possibilities of man as the expression of an infinite God.

I finally got it! Since all things are possible to God, and man is God's own likeness (and that includes the true nature of each one of us), then limits can crumble away. Mary Baker Eddy, who in her lifetime overcame many limitations, puts it like this: "The admission to one's self that man is God's own likeness sets man free to master the infinite idea." (Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures)

Sports and competition are more about expressing God's nature and overcoming limitations, whether self-imposed or imposed on us by others, than about winning or beating someone else. Then, win or lose, we have made a conquest and found true joy and a greater degree of excellence in sports and everywhere in our lives. Thank you, son, and let the games begin!

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at the Unity of Livonia bookstore. Call 421-1760.

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER
Worldwide Marriage Encounter offers a weekend experience for married couples to improve their communication skills, learn the value of intimacy, and renew their love for each other. The next weekend is Oct. 20-22 and Nov. 10-12 at the St. John's Family Life Center, 44011 Five Mile Road, Plymouth. There is a $50 registration fee. Call Bill & Carol (248) 528-2512 or Dan & Debbie at (810) 286-5524 or visit www.rc.net/detroit/wwme

BLOOD DRIVE
On Sunday, Oct. 22 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. a Red Cross Blood Drive will be held at Christ the King Lutheran Church. It will be held in the Fellowship hall. The public is invited to attend. Call Karen Brogdon to reserve a time (walk-ins welcome) (313) 937-8710.

CONCERT SERIES
The Fine Arts Series of the First Presbyterian Church (200 E. Main Street) of Northville is hosting a concert at 4 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 22 in the sanctuary. The concert features the Detroit Handbell Ensemble. The ensemble performs with 70 English handbells and 37 handchimes. Their music includes a variety of unusual and complicated ringing techniques that delight audiences. Following the concert, a dinner will be served in the church fellowship hall. Tickets for the concert are $10/individual ($12 at the door) and $35/family ($40 at the door). Tickets are available at the church office (248) 349-0911.

THE CONTINENTALS
The Continentals will be featured as musical guests at 9:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. Oct. 22 at Warren Road Church (33445 Warren Road) in Westland. Don't miss "Testify to Truth."

WEDNESDAY NIGHT VESPERS
A vespers service will be held at Unity of Livonia (Unity of Livonia is located at 28660 Five Mile Road) featuring the music of Danny Holley and talks by Rev. Gene Sorensen. The topic will be "Evolution and Wise, Old Souls." The topics are based out of the book "The Meaning of Life," by Tom Gregory. Call (734) 421-1760.

FIGHT DOMESTIC VIOLENCE
Join people of all faiths and traditions in the fight against domestic violence as we gather for a prayer service from 7:30-9:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 26 at Timothy Lutheran Church (8820 Wayne Road) of Livonia. Keynote speaker is Emily Wolf, from the Wayne County Prosecutor's Office of Family Abuse Bureau. Refreshments will follow the service.

HALLOWEEN HOMESCHOOL PARTY
Unity Church of Livonia will host the 3rd Homeschool Halloween Party from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Friday, Oct. 27 Games, crafts, goodies, costumes (friendly only, please) and a very special Halloween parade of children. Everyone welcome. There is a maximum of 20 children. Cost, free. Call Tricia Cole-Klaes (734) 266-2662.

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PARENTS WITHOUT PARTNERS
Wayne-Westland Chapter #340 will host their annual hayride fro 8 p.m. to midnight Oct. 14 at Surgarbush Farms in Ypsilanti. Tickets are $17 each and include a hayride and dance. Dinner will be served as potluck (bring a dish to pass). On Oct. 28 there will be a costume ball from 9 p.m. to midnight at Roma Hall in Garden City. Costumes are encouraged. Prizes will be awarded. $5 for members; $7, non-members. Mention this ad $1 off the admission. Next dance is scheduled for Nov. 24 at Roma Hall (same time). Call (313) 381-1242 or (734) 285-9227.

WESTSIDE SINGLES DANCE
Every Friday WestSide Singles hosts a dance at Burton Manor in Livonia (Schoolcraft west of Inkster Road) from 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. Must be over 21, and dressy attire (no jeans). Open to the public. A deejay will be playing Top 40 music and current hits. Appetizers will be served (hot/cold). Early admission special $4 before 8:30 p.m. and $6 after. Call (734) 981-0909.

SOMERSET SINGLES
For information call (248) 689-2500 or visit www.graynwhite.com. Upcoming social gatherings include: ■ Sunday Golf. Call the Golf Hotline to make reservations for time and costs early in the week to reserve a spot (810) 412-6067, Carol. Each Sunday is a different course.

WEDNESDAY METRO SINGLES
Wednesday Metro Singles Dance begins at 8 p.m. every Wednesday and concludes at 1 a.m. Cost is $6 or $5 before 8:30 p.m. Free swing dance lessons offered from 8-9 p.m. DJ, budget bar, refreshments, 21 and over, dress attire please. Roma's Banquet Hall, 32550 Cherry Hill Road (east of Venoy) in Garden City. Call (313) 438-6258 or (734) 422-4550.

SINGLES WELCOME
Bethany Suburban West is a Catholic organization which provides spiritual, social and educational assistance to divorced or separated Christians.
■ Card Night Oct. 20. Call Rose for times and location at 464-3325.
■ Oct. 14 dinner and sing-a-long Germanfest at the Dakota Inn & Rathskellar. Call Mary for details 414-9736.
■ Bethany South Dance Oct. 21. Car pool to St. Francis Cabrini, contact Carol (313) 533-3041.
■ Oct. 29 "Journey of Man" show at the Greenfield Village I-Max Theatre in Dearborn. Call Diane (734) 981-4553.
■ Divorce Recovery Workshop (eight consecutive weeks) will begins noon. Call Diane (734) 981-4553.

DIVORCE SUPPORT GROUP
Schoolcraft College Women's Resource Center has a Divorce Support Group that meets the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month in the McDowell Center (Room 225) from 7-9 p.m. No fee is required. Call (734) 462-4443. ■ Oct. 24, Mediation. Discussion will focuses on the mediation process in assisting couples in negotiating their settlements in divorce or post divorce matters.

Town Hall series begins next week

The 2000/2001 Livonia Town Hall lecture series, in its 37th season, has programs slated through March 2001 with proceeds benefiting the Livonia Symphony Society and other Livonia charities.

■ Oct. 18, Hope Mihalap (pronounced MEE-ha-lap) a descendent of the first Greek family to settle in Virginia, will give true-to-life impressions of her Greek and Southern heritage based on her own experiences. She graduated with honors from Vassar College where she was elected president of the student body and spent four years as private secretary to Sir Rudolf Bing, general manager of the New York Metropolitan Opera.

Mihalap

Throughout an award-winning speaking career, Mihalap maintains that she's been able to be funny without being offensive.

"I figure the only person it's safe to make fun of is yourself," said Mihalap. "If I decide to sue myself for libel, I'm sure there's enough lawyers out there chomping at the bit."

■ Nov. 15, nationally recognized Linda Solomon will talk about her photo essays that have appeared on Good Morning America, ABC-TV's World News Tonight, CNN and The Lifetime Network. A photojournalist by trade, she specializes in photographing celebrities from the fields of entertainment, politics, business and professional athletics.

Most notably she has the distinction of having the first one-woman show in the 85 years history of the New York Friars Club.

■ Jan. 17, 2001, former WXYZ-TV Channel 7 Action News anchor Doris Biscoe will speak about her 27-year career as a television news reporter. After being hired as a street reporter in 1973, Biscoe earned the position of anchor on the Action News This Morning Show from 1986 to 1988. Currently she works with WXYZ as an independent contractor, filling in as co-anchor and providing public relations consultant services. Simultaneously she's developing Doris Biscoe Communications Inc. and maintains positions on the board of directors of the North Oakland Foundation; a founder of MIRA (Mental Illness Research Association); board member of the Capuchin Soup Kitchen and Meadowbrook Hall.

■ March 21, 2001, Ron Kagan, the director of the Detroit Zoological Institute, will speak. He is responsible for the Detroit Zoological Park, the Belle Isle Zoo and the Belle Isle Aquarium. He has worked in the zoo and aquarium fields for 25 years and holds undergraduate and graduate degrees in zoology.

Having taught undergraduate and graduate courses in zoology at Michigan State University, he also finds time to author numerous publications in scientific journals, encyclopedias and books on zoology, zoo design and administration.

If you are interested in attending one or all of the Livonia Town Hall lecture series programs, call Emily Stankus for reservations and luncheon tickets at (734) 420-0383. The deadline to purchase tickets for the Oct. 18 luncheon is Friday, Oct. 13.

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OBSERVER SPORTS SCENE

Salem slips

After a fast start that saw the Plymouth Salem swim team win its first two dual meets, the Rocks have hit rough waters. On Tuesday against non-league foe Novi, Salem lost its third-consecutive dual — this one by a single point, 93.5-92.5.

The Rocks are now 2-3 overall in duals.

Highlight in the meet for Salem: Kari Foust, who bettered the state qualifying time in the 100-yard backstroke, finishing first in 1:02.13.

Other winners for the Rocks were Amy Mertens in the 100 breaststroke (1:10.28) and the 400 freestyle relay team of Monica Glowski, Jennifer Crabill, Foust and Mertens (3:54.64).

Salem hosts Walled Lake Central in a Western Lakes Activities Association dual at 7 p.m. tonight.

Ambassadors take title

The Compuware Ambassadors invited 20 teams for the annual Compuware Fall Classic last week and, after 33 games, they emerged with the championship with a 2-1 triumph over the Capital Centre Pride in the title game Monday.

Ryan Webb scored the game-winner on a feed from David Booth. D.J. Vogt netted the Ambassadors other goal, while Chad Davis turned away 28 shots in goal.

In the semifinals, Compuware (which was 2-0-1 in its division) defeated the Texas Tornado 5-2.

The Ambassadors' Matt Rutkowski led all scorers in the tournament with four goals and seven assists (11 points) in five games.

The Ambassadors resume their North American Hockey League schedule Friday when they host the Soo Kewadin Indians; on Saturday, Team USA visits Compuware Arena.

Counsel spikers 1st

Our Lady of Good Counsel's eighth-grade volleyball team was undefeated through its season, finishing first in the Catholic Youth Organization's West Division. District playoffs are next, beginning Saturday.

Team members are Ashley Aquinto, Teresa Coppiellie, Kristina Hall, Lori Hoetger, Ashton Judis, Jane Kruszewski, Trisha Morrill, Lauren Price, Jennifer Walker, Kristin Zawzcki and Brooke Ziomek. The Crusaders are coached by Kim Price.

Rockers' tickets on sale

The start of the National Professional Soccer League is about two weeks away, and the Detroit Rockers will have their first-ever game, and their home-opener, at the Compuware Sports Arena in Plymouth when they host the Wichita Wings at 3:05 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 29.

Tickets for all 15 Rockers' games to be played at Compuware are now on sale at the Compuware box office.

Olympian gives talk

Livonian Sheila Taormina, 1996 gold medalist in the women's 4 x 200-meter freestyle and sixth-place finisher in the women's triathlon at the 2000 Sydney Olympic Games, will be among the guest speakers Saturday at the Detroit Free Press/Flagstar Bank International Marathon Expo at the Detroit Marriott Ren Cen (Ontario Room).

Marathon winner Dr. Jeff Martin, sports psycholgist and professor at Wayne State University, kicks off the program at 1 p.m. followed by Taormina, the 2000 U.S. Olympic Trials triathlon winner and former University of Georgia All-America swimmer, at 2 p.m.

Author and writer Don Kardong, fourth place finisher at the 1976 Olympic marathon, will speak at 3 p.m. followed by Dave Hillger, program coordinator for Providence Athletic Medicine at 4 p.m.

Alumni game

The Madonna University softball team is hosting an Alumni Game from 2-5 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 15 at Livonia Ladywood HS. All previous Madonna softball players are invited.

If any Madonna alumni softball players have contact information for former teammates, please contact head coach Al White at (734) 432-5783.

Anyone interested in submitting items to Sports Scene or Sports Roundup may send them to sports editor C.J. Risak, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI, 48150, or may FAX them to (734) 591-7279.

Canton claims division title

BY C.J. RISAK
SPORTS EDITOR
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Just a few minutes after the completion of the match that decided who would play for the Western Lakes Activities Association soccer championship, Livonia Churchill coach Reid Friedrichs said of his team's offensive problems, "We need to fix it before playoff time."

Time for that is running out. The regular season is coming to a close; the state district tournament starts in 10 days. If your team hasn't come up with a way to score goals by now, it's in trouble.

That describes Churchill's woes. The Chargers hosted Plymouth Canton Wednesday, knowing a win or just a tie would earn them the Western Division title and put them in the WLAA Championship match opposite Lakes Division winner Livonia Stevenson.

But Canton proved faster and, in all-around performance, superior in riding two first-half goals to a 2-0 triumph.

The win boosted the Chiefs' overall record to 12-4-3. Churchill, which was shutout for the second-straight time on its own field, fell to 6-6-3.

Canton will host Stevenson at 7 p.m. Wednesday to determine the WLAA championship.

Goal-scoring miseries haven't been the Chargers' sole possession this season — it's plagued the entire league. In recent seasons Stevenson, Canton and Plymouth Salem have at different times boasted two superior goal-scorers on their teams at the same time.

This year, Churchill's Eric Scott may be the only player capable of approaching those of past standards.

The Chiefs, who struggled to find the net in the first few weeks of the season, seemed to have solved their problem by committee: by using wave after wave of fleet-footed forwards in an effort to wear out their opponents.

The strategy worked until last Monday, when Livonia Franklin shut Canton down in a scoreless draw.

"Against Franklin last Monday, it didn't get tight because (Franklin) never did anything offensively," said Canton coach Don Smith. "I should have played more people."

Smith rectified that mistake by using more than 20 players against the Chargers. "We've got to come as a group (offensively)," he explained.

STAFF PHOTO BY TOM HAWLEY

Jump ball: *Canton sweeper James Steinert (right) and Churchill forward Eric Scott work to gain possession of a loose ball.*

The game's first goal came before the midpoint of the first half, with Evan Malone converting a pass from Mike Zemanski, putting it past Churchill keeper Eric Sicilia to make it 1-0 with 21:43 left.

Sixteen minutes later, the Chiefs doubled their lead when Zak Juntila fielded a cross from Scott McKee and raced down the left wing, beating the Churchill defense and Sicilia to make it 2-0 with 5:32 to play in the half.

That was all Canton needed. Because the Chargers could generate no offense against the Chiefs' defense, particularly in the second half.

"We've been dependent on Eric Scott all season," said a frustrated Friedrichs. "When he doesn't score, we don't score. We haven't scored a goal in our last two matches at home.

"The effort was there tonight. But (Canton) kept playing back-side balls, weakside balls against us and that's how they scored. We got very few chances on goal."

Which is what Smith wanted to see from his defenders. "They're working hard," he said. "They're covering up for each other and they do a nice solid job. Nothing fancy."

The Chiefs will have to do more of the same against Stevenson, a team they defeated 2-0 during the season.

"We didn't get a lot of scoring opportunities against them," said Smith. "They didn't have a lot against us, either.

"We got a couple of chances and hit 'em. Now we've got to keep it going."

STAFF PHOTOS BY PAUL HURSCHMANN

The Rocks' best: *Jay Smith (above) and Bobby Jones led Salem at the WLAA Tournament, each shooting an 81.*

Untouchable

N'ville rules tourney; Salem fades

BY C.J. RISAK

WLAA GOLF

Foursomes came trickling in, poring over scorecards before handing them to a group of coaches, who would re-calculate the scores before jotting them next to the corresponding names on sheets of paper taped to the window on the patio Tuesday at Salem Hills Golf Club.

The crowd of Western Lakes Activities Association golfers anxiously watching all this kept multiplying, straining to see each 18-hole total. After about 40 minutes, 11 of the 12 WLAA teams had at least one score posted.

The team without a single number by one of its names: Plymouth Salem, the league-leader through the dual-meet season with a 9-2 record. That might have made a few people queasy, because at that point only the Rocks seemed able to derail dual meet runner-up Northville.

Just before the Rocks' scores came in, any drama still remaining dissipated. The Mustangs' Tom Borda, Dave Oljace and Kris Bether had already put scores of 76, 77 and 78 on the board; when teammate Dean Conway came in with a 72, it was over.

No one could match Northville's marks.

As it turned out, the scores chronicled by Salem were well below its usual standard. Northville won easily with a team total of 390, 18 strokes ahead of Farmington, Livonia Stevenson and Walled Lake Western, each with 408s. Westland John Glenn was fifth (412), Walled Lake Central was sixth (414), Salem placed seventh (416) and Plymouth Canton ended up eighth (421) *(see statistical summary)*.

Salem's tournament showing dropped it from contention for the WLAA championship. Northville won the league title with 20 points (a combination of dual-meet and tournament results), with Stevenson second (17), Western and Farmington tied for third (16) and Salem fifth (15).

Individually, Stevenson's Scott Wolfe repeated as tournament medalist with a 71. Conway's 72 was second best; Harrison's Matt Lee, Farmington's Keith Hay and Northville's Borda tied for third, each with a 76.

The scores posted by the Mustangs weren't all that surprising, considering those they put up in dual-meet wins over Canton (shooting a 186) and Salem (with a 199).

"We've been up and down a little bit," said Northville coach Brian Stadry. "We've been shooting scores like these individually, just not all at the same time. It's nice to seem them shoot scores like that in a big tournament."

Wolfe's score truly made a difference for Steven-

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SC ranks with nation's elite

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This was the weekend Schoolcraft College's women's soccer team had been pointing toward for most of the season.

The Lady Ocelots' coach, Bill Tolstedt, knew he had something good. The question was how good — particularly when compared to the other top teams in the NJCAA.

That's the question last weekend's matches would answer. And for SC, it was a pleasant answer indeed.

The Ocelot Invitational featured four of the top teams in the NJCAA: No. 1-ranked Monroe (N.Y.) CC, No. 6 Lewis and Clark (Mo.) CC, No. 9 SC and College of Lake County (Ill.).

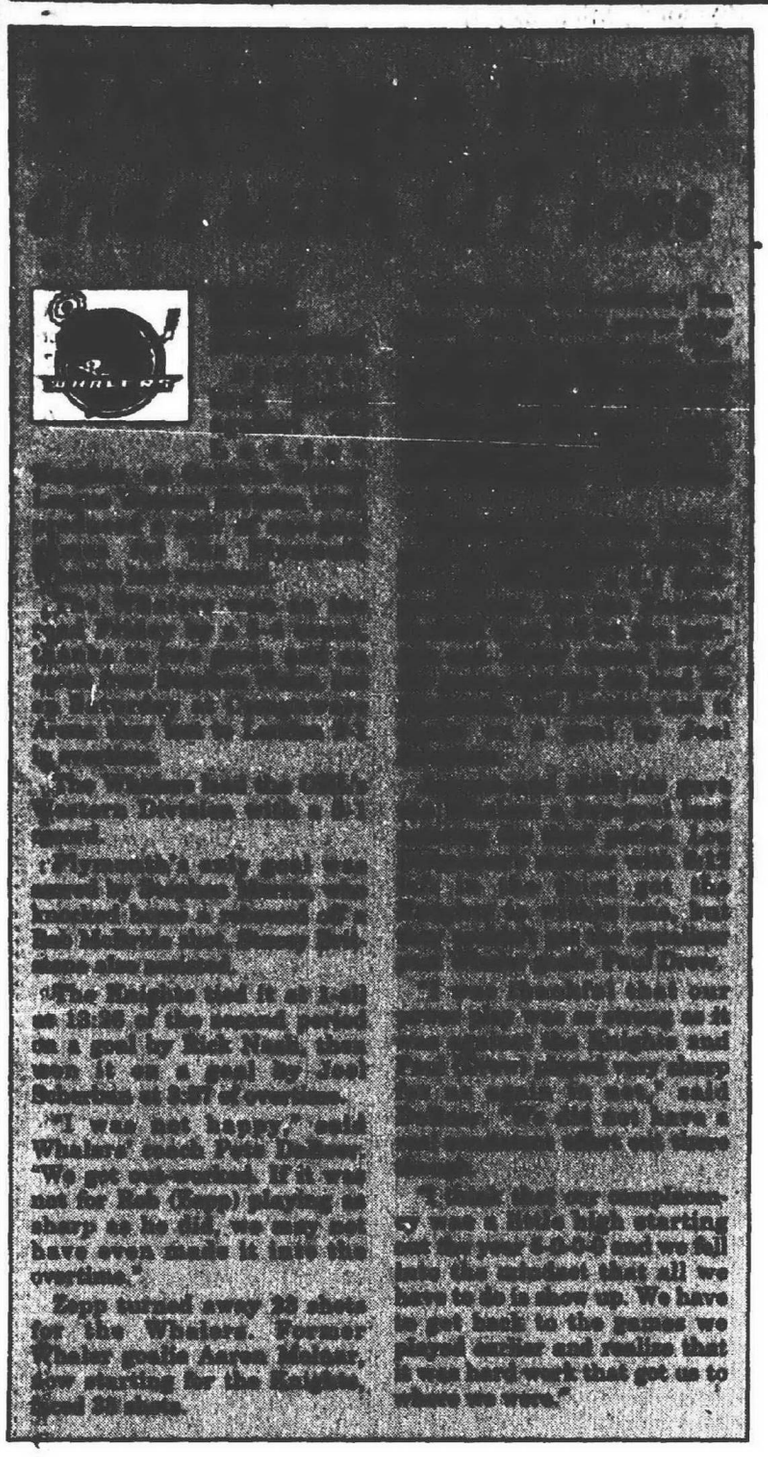
In Saturday's semifinal, the Ocelots — playing what Tolstedt called "as close to a perfect game as I can recall coaching" — blanked the defending NJCAA champions, Lewis and Clark, by a 2-0 margin.

SC followed that up with a come-from-behind 2-2 tie against No. 1 Monroe in Sunday's championship match. The win and tie didn't just improve the Ocelots' record to 13-0-1, it vaulted them to No. 4 in the national rankings.

For Monroe, the tie was the first blemish on its record (now 11-0-1) this season. Monroe maintained its spot atop the NJCAA rankings; Lewis and Clark, which beat Lake County 3-1 Sunday to ...

"It was terrifically ... end's results. "When you ...

Dribbling through: *Schoolcraft's Emily ... (white jersey) carries the ball past Monroe's ...*



Salem holds off North, 7-0

North Farmington had a touchdown called back and missed a field goal Saturday in its homecoming football game against Plymouth Salem.

If they had been successful, the Raiders would've had their first victory of the season. Instead, the Rocks went away 7-0 winners.

Salem's Brandon Ellison set up his own touchdown run of 2 yards with a 22-yard gain on the previous play.

North was in the red zone three times, but an interception, the missed field goal and a penalty stopped it from scoring.

The Raiders (0-5 Lakes Division, 0-7 overall) scored the tying touchdown with two minutes remaining, but it was nullified by an illegal procedure penalty. They eventually turned the ball over on downs.

"Our defense played great," North coach Rich Burrell said. "We had great field position and were moving the ball well. We just couldn't score."

Linebackers Jon and Justin Kasgorgis led the defense with 19 and 15 tackles, respectively. Mike Zultak had 10 tackles and recovered one of three Salem fumbles. Brandon Engel and Joe Jarjis had the other recoveries.

Blair Weiss, who has moved from tailback to quarterback, completed six of 17 passes for 76 yards, and he rushed 24 times for 69 yards.

Eric Wilder caught three passes for 56 yards; Marc Piper had two receptions and Brian Johns one.

The Raiders are without fullback Justin Cook, who was their leading rusher until suffering a knee injury in the Farmington game.

Salem (1-4, 2-5) outgained North on the ground, 237-68, and in total yards, 259-144.

"We had talked all week about playing with Raider Pride," Burrell said. "I thought we played with enthusiasm and intensity. I was pleased with the effort. We just need to execute a little better in certain situations.

"I can't fault the effort at all; the guys played hard. I was proud to be their coach."

CC sinks DeLaSalle

Redford Catholic Central could get another shot at Birmingham Brother Rice — the only team to beat the Shamrocks this year.

But to get that shot, they'll have to stop Detroit DePorres from exacting a little revenge on the Shamrocks.

CC (6-1, 3-1) clinched a spot in the Catholic League semifinals against DePorres on Saturday at Hamtramck's Keyworth Stadium thanks to a 21-3 win on Saturday over De La Salle at Kraft Field. CC beat DePorres earlier in the year, 16-0.

Matt Markiewicz led CC, which also clinched a state playoff berth with the win, with touchdown runs of 7 and 1 yards, while Joe Goldsmith caught a 7-yard scoring pass from Tom Jakacki for the other touchdown. The Pilots' only score came on a 30-yard field goal.

CC ground out 276 yards in total offense — 171 on the ground and 105 in the air — while the Pilots had 208. Mike Banaszak led CC with 22 carries and 87 yards, while Dave Groth had 45 yards on eight carries. Jakacki was 6-for-10 passing for 70 yards, while Markiewicz threw one pass for 35 yards. Anthony Coratti caught three passes for 49 yards.

Defensively, Ryan Rogowski had 10 tackles and Stephen Abdal had eight. Craig Nabozny had one interception for the Shamrocks, while Brad Jarzembowski and Matt LoPiccolo both had fumble recoveries.

Chiefs, Patriots both end up goalless

There's one thing about the scoreboard — it doesn't care who carried the play.

Both coaches, Don Smith of Plymouth Canton and Dave Hebestreit of Livonia Franklin, agreed the Chiefs carried the play much of the time during Monday's Western Lakes Activities Association soccer match.

The scoreboard, however, decreed the outcome dead even: 0-0.

"We outshot them by quite a bit," Smith said. "But that doesn't make much difference. They played very well."

"We had a golden open opportunity in the first four minutes," Hebestreit said, "but we did not finish.

"Certainly Canton carried the play. But there were no clean, clear opportunities by either side the rest of the game.

"We tied Canton, Northville and Churchill. That's the best division record I've had in six years."

The match had important consequences in the WLAA's Western Division race. It eliminated Franklin from contention, which was decided last night when Canton faced Livonia Churchill.

T. J. Tomasso was in goal for Canton while Chris Austin recorded his seventh shutout for Franklin (8-5-3, 2-0-3).

Canton played Livonia Churchill on Wednesday needing only to win to clinch the Western Division title and a berth in the WLAA finals against Livonia Stevenson.

"We only gave up one goal in five divisional games," Hebestreit said, "and that was to Harrison."

Hebestreit cited the play of junior sweeper Jon Nettles in the game.

"He's been awesome all year," Franklin's coach said. "Our whole midfield played well. Bobby Geisinger played most of the game for us — and was sensational for a freshman."

Geisinger swung between midfield and forward.

Southfield Christian 0, PCA 0: Travis Yonkman earned his fifth shutout of the season for Plymouth Christian Academy Tuesday at Southfield Christian, but it wasn't enough to give the Eagles a victory.

The scoreless draw left PCA with a 2-3-2 record in the Michigan Independent Athletic Conference, 7-5-4 overall. Southfield Christian is 3-2-2 in the MIAC.

"It was evenly played," said PCA coach Rick Ericson. "We had some good opportunities, they did too."

Each side had six shots on net, and each had four corner kicks.

Last Friday, PCA edged Adrian Lenawee Christian 1-0 at PCA. John Sink's first-half goal gave the Eagles with the only goal they would need.

On the previous Tuesday (Oct. 3), the host Eagles defeated Bloomfield Hills Roeper 2-1, with Sink and Jason Zajac scoring PCA's goals. Yonkman was in goal for both wins.

Rocks slip

Call it a slip. Or a blip.

Whatever it's called, the direction was not the one Plymouth Salem girls cross country coach Dave Gerlach had in mind, particularly at this time of the season.

The Rocks competed in the 12-team Ypsilanti Braves Cross Country Invitational last Saturday finishing ninth with 244 points.

"I was very disappointed with the way our team ran today," said Gerlach. "We collectively stunk up the course. We did not have one medal winner and our team looked, overall, miserable."

Best finish for the Rocks was Stephanie Hajduk, who was 31st in 21:20. Next Salem finishers: Halle Burton, 33rd (21:37); Anna Moniodis, 53rd (22:56); Jill Grey, 62nd (23:22); Kim Wood, 65th (23:27); and Jenny Kassem, 71st (24:02).

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Canton and Stevenson: Win or forget playoffs

GRID PICKS

C.J. RISAK

Clinched it.

Yup, that's what I did. And with a week to go, too. I clinched the privilege of writing the last two regular-season "Grid Picks" columns.

Am I lucky or what?

See, some people may think this is some sort of penalty. I choose not to, whatever our ghost writer, Paul "Boooooo-dreee," says.

Painting a positive picture, or making the most out of the situation you're facing, is what so many of the Observerland teams must do this weekend.

It's make-or-break time, with a state playoff tournament berth as the prize.

Let's start with the "bubble" teams, those that must win their last two games to obtain that magic number of six wins and make the playoffs. Livonia Stevenson and Plymouth Canton are both 4-3 after suffering losses last Friday.

Stevenson faces a very strong Northville team this Friday. The Mustangs handled Canton with relative ease last week and, with five wins, are searching for a playoff spot of their own. Northville, led by Brandon Langston, one of the top running backs in the Western Lakes Activities Association, has the added advantage of hosting this game.

Canton's picture is considerably brighter. It's been nine years since the Chiefs made a playoff appearance (their one and only). The two teams they have remaining have just four wins between them. Also, Canton plays both of them — Farmington on Friday followed by the traditional Plymouth Salem-vs.-Canton game Oct. 20 — on its home field.

Coach Tim Baechler's team was in this same position a year ago, but lost its last three games to finish 4-5. Baechler said from the start of the season this team is stronger than last year's; now's the time to prove it.

The teams with five wins (one more and they're in) — Westland John Glenn, Redford St. Agatha and Garden City — should all qualify. John Glenn will be tested Friday at Walled Lake Western, to be sure, but the Rockets finish their season at Wayne Memorial, a 1-7 squad.

Redford Catholic Central, by the way, joined the state playoff elite by beating Warren DeLaSalle, 21-3, on Saturday, giving the Shamrocks a 6-1 record. Farmington Harrison and Livonia Clarenceville are both undefeated and are already in.

Now for the prognosticators' standings. O'Meara remains in front at 88-13 (12-3 last week), with Emons close behind with an 85-16 record (12-3). Beaudry is next at 81-20 (11-4), followed by yours truly at 75-26 (11-4).

FRIDAY'S GAMES

(all 7 p.m. unless noted)

Walled Lake Central (6-1) at Farmington Harrison (7-0): The championship of the WLAA is at stake in a game featuring a perennial powerhouse (Harrison) against a team that's been a bit of a surprise this year (Central). This isn't their first meeting; in the season's second week, the Hawks laid a 51-12 whuppin' on the Vikings. And that was at Central! Don't think things have changed a whole lot. **PICKS: Harrison** — Risak, Beaudry, Emons, O'Meara.

Westland John Glenn (5-2) at Walled Lake Western (5-2): Should be one of the best games of the week. Both teams have played extremely well of late. Western's losses are to Birmingham Brother Rice and Farmington Harrison, two teams with one loss between them. Glenn has experienced a similar fate, losing to unbeaten Detroit Kettering and once-beaten Walled Lake Central. **PICKS: Western** — Risak, Beaudry, Emons, O'Meara.

Garden City (5-2) at Lincoln Park (0-7): The Cougars will make the playoffs by simply riding on the legs of Steve Sparks, who rolled over Dearborn Edsel Ford last Friday for 211 yards and three TDs. Lincoln Park, meanwhile, remained winless by getting trounced by a mediocre Dearborn team, 41-0. **PICKS: Garden City** — Risak, Beaudry, Emons, O'Meara.

Redford Thurston (2-5) at Romulus (7-0): Thurston got its second win of the season against winless Taylor Kennedy last Friday. Romulus routed Trenton, 40-6, to remain unbeaten and atop the Mega Blue Division. **PICKS: Romulus** — Risak, Beaudry, Emons, O'Meara.

Stevenson (4-3) at Northville (5-2), 7:30 p.m.: Northville showed no respect for Canton, ruining the Chiefs' Homecoming by trouncing them 41-21 on Friday. Stevenson, meanwhile, was beaten by John Glenn, 32-7. Langston and the home field should be enough for the Mustangs. **PICKS: Northville** — Risak, Beaudry, Emons, O'Meara.

S.H. Cranbrook (6-1) at Clarenceville (7-0), 7:30 p.m.: Two playoff-bound teams will clash with the Metro Conference title at stake. Cranbrook beat Lutheran Northwest 34-20 last week, while Clarenceville — the defending conference champions — defeated University-Liggett, 33-13. The home-field advantage should allow the Trojans to repeat. **PICKS: Clarenceville** — Risak, Emons, O'Meara; **Cranbrook** — Beaudry.

Farmington (2-5) at Plymouth Canton (4-3), 7:30 p.m.: This is the second time this season these teams have met. In Week Two, the Chiefs blasted host Farmington, 48-21. Just knowing one more loss will end their playoff chances should be enough for Canton. **PICKS: Canton** — Risak, Beaudry, Emons, O'Meara.

Plymouth Salem (2-5) at Livonia Franklin (2-5), 7:30 p.m.: Nothing at stake here but pride. Salem's struggles continue, even with last Saturday's 7-0 win over winless North Farmington. Franklin was somewhat more impressive, knocking off Livonia Churchill, 20-14, with quarterback Joe Ruggiero completing 7-of-11 passes for 82 yards and Joe Meier rushing for 104 more. **PICKS: Franklin** — Risak, Beaudry; **Salem** — Emons, O'Meara.

North Farmington (0-7) at Livonia Churchill (1-6) 7:30 p.m.: Churchill's only victory this season came in its season-opener against Redford Union, another team that is currently winless. This WLAA crossover between the teams at the bottom of their respective divisions should favor the home squad. **PICKS: Churchill** — Risak, **N. Farmington** — Beaudry, Emons, O'Meara.

Rochester Hills Lutheran Northwest (3-4) at Lutheran Westland (1-6), 7:30 p.m.: The Crusaders lost by two touchdowns to Cranbrook last Friday, while Lutheran Westland was beaten by Harper Woods, 43-8. The Warriors, who will be bringing in portable lights for homecoming, have had trouble producing wins for the last few years; this game won't provide any relief. **PICKS: Lutheran Northwest** — Risak, Beaudry, Emons, O'Meara.

Wayne Memorial (1-6) at Ypsilanti (3-4), 7:30 p.m.: Been a tough season for the Zebras, who suffered a 34-15 loss to Wyandotte Roosevelt last Friday. Ypsilanti was touted to be a major state playoff contender, but the Braves' 19-7 loss to Belleville has just about ended their hopes. **PICKS: Ypsilanti** — Risak, Beaudry, Emons, O'Meara.

SATURDAY'S GAMES

(all at 1 p.m. unless noted)

Redford St. Agatha (5-2) at Dearborn St. Alphonsus (2-4): The Aggies are a game away from that playoff spot, which should be enough incentive for them in this game. The Arrows were walloped by Cardinal Mooney 43-6 last Saturday, while St. Agatha was taking care of Detroit Urban. State playoffs, here come the Aggies! **PICKS: St. Agatha** — Risak, Beaudry, Emons, O'Meara.

Allen Park Cabrini (2-5) at Redford Bishop Borgess (2-5), 2 p.m.: The Spartans earned their second win of the season Friday by upsetting Riverview Gabriel Richard, 14-10. Cabrini, on the other hand, keeps slipping. The Monarchs won't regain their footing at Borgess Saturday. **PICKS: Borgess** — Risak, Beaudry, Emons, O'Meara.

Redford Catholic Central (6-1) vs. Detroit DePorres (6-1), 2 p.m. at Hamtramck Keyworth Stadium: Both teams are in the playoffs, both teams have lost just once, but there is one key difference — DePorres' 16-0 loss came against CC in the fourth game of the season. Avenging that defeat won't be easy. The Shamrocks are tuning up for a playoff run. **PICKS: CC** — Risak, Beaudry, Emons, O'Meara.

Twisters unbeaten string ends with a 7-0 playoff defeat

No points equals no way.

The Michigan Twisters didn't score a point in their playoff game Saturday night and thus were ousted from the Lake Shore Football League playoffs, 7-0, by the Lorain (O.) Steelmen.

It was the only game the Twisters lost of the 11 they played this season.

"Our season of 2000 has ended," General Manager Glenn Brothers of the Twisters said, "but we will cointinue to build upon our current squad for the 2001 season."

Michigan lost two fumbles and threw three interceptions, which was too much to overcome.

Lorain pounced on a fumbled punt to get the ball at the Michigan 26 some 12 minutes into the game. On third down, running back Michael Church worked a draw play for a 23-yard touchdown.

The Twisters' defense was outstanding otherwise. It forced six punts and held the Steelmen to 113 yards rushing and one 18-yard pass completion.

Lorain missed field goals from 37-, 34- and 41-yards.

FOOTBALL

Michigan nearly scored on the final miss, with defensive back Matt Garca (Garden City) fielding the short kick and running 61 yards — getting tackled by the last man between him and the goal line.

John Gajda (Garden City) returned three punts a total of 76 yards to give the Twisters good field position but they were unable to capitalize.

Pat Bowie (Westland) ran for 61 yards on 8 rushes. Bob Pensari (Canton) and Aaron Brothers led the defense with four solo tackles and seven assists apiece. Garca had two solo tackles and six assists.

Canton JV still rolling

The Plymouth Canton junior varsity team recorded its seventh-straight victory with a 44-14 win over Northville Thursday. On a cold and rainy evening, Canton's defense dominated.

The Chiefs scored 20 unanswered points on two touchdowns by Reggie Joyner and one by Doug Davidson. After the Mustangs' Kyle Godatti returned a kickoff 87 yards to get the Mustangs on the board, Canton closed out the first half by rushing for three more TDs. Doug Davidson and Reggie Joyner finished with three TDs apiece.

Salem JV knot North

Plymouth Salem scored twice in the first quarter Thursday against visiting North Farmington, but the Rocks' junior varsity couldn't hold the lead and ended up tying the Raiders 14-14.

The result left Salem's JV with a 3-2-2 record.

A 3-yard scoring run by Jason Lewis and a 1-yard dive by Matt Cole, following a North fumble, gave the Rocks their early lead. Salem fumbles in the third quarter led to both Raider scores. Matt Trublowski, David Hull and Mike Jones (who had an interception) paced Salem's defense.

Canton freshmen fall

The Canton freshmen fell to 4-2-1 for the season after a 37-22 loss to Northville Thursday at Northville. The Chiefs scored first on a pass to Tom Balewski, and after the Mustangs answered two minutes later to make it 6-all Canton answered with a TD by Matt Paye and a two-point conversion by quarterback Ryan Rundle, making it 14-6 at the half.

Northville took command in the second half, however, scoring three touchdowns. The Chiefs got another score and a two-point conversion from Matt Paye.

Steeler varsity unbeaten

The Plymouth-Canton Steelers varsity football team remained undefeated with a 28-15 victory over the Redford Rangers. Andy Case, Joe Crist, Jake Powers and Russ Bruner scored touchdowns for the Steelers, and Dylan Tobin was good on a pair of two-point conversion kicks. Defensive standouts for the Steelers were Case, Steven Campbell, Tim Storch and Jeffrey Rork.

The Steelers' JV team came out on top in an offensive shootout with the Rangers, 40-30, bringing its record to 5-0. Shawn Little returned the opening kickoff for a touchdown, then added three more scores on quarterback keepers and passed for another to Deshon McClendon. Matt Czajkowski also scored a touchdown and added a key interception in the fourth quarter to halt a Rangers drive.

The Steelers freshman shut out the Redford Rangers, 16-0. Dalton Walser rushed for two touchdowns. The Steelers' other points came from the defense on an Alexander Avramoski safety. Tyler Rusin, John Kaptur, Paul Kanaan, Joseph Massel, Spencer Tobin and Nathan Bachert, who recovered a Ranger fumble late in the fourth quarter, led the defense.

Lions' varsity roars

Richard Ratcliff's third-quarter touchdown propelled the Canton Lions varsity team to a 12-6 victory over the Ypsilanti Braves Sunday in the Lions' Homecoming game. Julian Smith scored the game's first TD for Canton; after the Braves tied it, Ratcliff got the game-winner to give the Lions their fifth-straight win.

The junior varsity Lions weren't as fortunate, suffering a 12-0 defeat against the Braves. One Ypsi TD was scored on a fumble return, another on a long end-around. Twice the Lions drove inside the Braves' 5-yard line only to be turned away.

The freshmen Lions absorbed their first loss of the season by a 19-6 margin to the Braves. The Lions only points were scored by Chris Fischer on a 65-yard interception return. Erik Wright led the Canton defense with an interception and nine tackles; William Tidwell recovered a fumble, and Jeremy Epley and Justin Scott recorded quarterback sacks.

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Jennie Wind had 20 sets and Natalie Sayre seven. Sayre also delivered a team-best three aces.

Spring Arbor (1-28) was only able to put down six team kills on 42 tries.

Ocelots fall in tourney

Schoolcraft College's volleyball team took a break from conference action during the weekend and got reacquainted with losing.

The Ocelots, 11-1, in league matches, took part in the Jefferson College Invitational against some high-powered competition and finished fourth in the six-team field with a 2-3 record. Schoolcraft is 17-3 overall this season.

Barton swept the tournament with five wins, host Jefferson was a game behind and Kellogg Community College was next at 3-2. Johnson was fifth, 1-4, and Illinois Central was winless.

Kellogg defeated Schoolcraft on Friday night, 16-14, 15-11, and Jefferson defeated the Ocelots, 15-7, 15-4.

On Saturday, Schoolcraft upended Illinois Central, 10-15, 15-13, 15-12, and knocked off Johnson, 15-6, 15-7, before losing to tournament champion Barton, 15-8, 15-5.

Nicole Boyd was Schoolcraft's lone representative on the All-Tournament team.

Boyd led the Ocelots in the tournament with 45 kills. Amy Kiefer was next with 30, Fran Hamilton had 29 and Andrea Kmet 26.

Jana Nitschke was the serve lead with six aces. Hamilton had five, and Amanda Yaklin and Kmet four apiece.

Nitschke had 108 assists to kills while Yaklin recorded a team high 62 digs.

Hamilton was strong at the net with three solo blocks and seven assists.

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Ocelots shut out Columbus

The Schoolcraft College men's soccer team continued its hot play, but an icy field kept the Ocelots from finishing off a pair of Ohio teams last weekend.

On Saturday, Schoolcraft blanked Columbus State, an NCAA Division III school, 2-0, but Sunday's scheduled game with host Cuyahoga was called because of unplayable conditions due to Lake Erie effect sleet.

"Our guys were dressed and ready to go," said Schoolcraft coach Van Dimitriou, whose team is 7-3-2 overall. "I don't think Cuyahoga wanted to play after the 8-0 shellacking they took from us last year. They could have found a suitable site, but they didn't consult the officials who ultimately make a determination. I'm insisting this is going to be a forfeit."

Schoolcraft, which has shut out its last five opponents and allowed just one goal in seven games, was all over Columbus State.

Justin Fishaw (Plymouth Canton) scored in the first half from John Johnson (Plymouth Salem).

Dan Lipon (Livonia Stevenson) tallied a second-half goal from Nick Skotanis (Northville). The play was initiated by outside midfielder Corey Goulet (Berkley), whom Dimitriou calls "one of the three top players in the region."

"That first half was the best we've played since the 1997 season when we finished third in the country (NJCAA)," Dimitriou said. "We're coming along as a team. They're communicating and we're starting to put it all together."

Goalkeeper Doug Koontz (Canton) made five saves to lower his goals-against average to 0.58.

Anchoring the defense is Brighton's Tom Stark, the Region 12 Player of the Year and second-team NJCAA All-America.

Stark has gotten ample help in the shutout run from Sergio Mainella (Stevenson), along with a pair of freshmen, Chris LaMasse (Canton) and Phil Moore (Brighton).

Defensive midfielders Casey Cook (Redford Catholic Central) and Shaun Presnell (Redford Union) have also contributed to the streak.

Crusaders split pair

The win counted but the loss didn't.

Madonna University's men's soccer team split a pair of matches Saturday.

Sure, they both counted on the Crusaders' record — but only one was a Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference contest.

Madonna visited Concordia (1-12, 0-9) for its first match Saturday and blanked the helpless Cardinals, 4-0, to improve to 6-2-1 in WHAC play.

Madonna then went home to host Illinois-Springfield — and got drilled, 6-0, in the non-league encounter.

Salvatore Piraine scored an unassisted goal at 76:37, just 1:57 after Michael Healy scored unassisted to give Madonna a 1-0 lead against Concordia. It was the sixth goal of the season for each player.

Ryan Kracht and Alan Gieleghem each scored their first goals of the season at 83:26 and 88:40, respectively. John Hirshey assisted on the final goal.

Joe Suchara was in goal for Madonna and only needed to make three saves to get the shutout. The Crusaders had 14 shots on Matthew Gilbert.

Madonna had a 30-5 edge in shots.

Later, Madonna dropped to 8-6-1 overall and was outshot 20-9 by Illinois-Springfield. Both goalkeepers made five saves.

Illinois-Springfield only held a 1-0 halftime lead but goals at 48:16 and 56:48 broke it open.

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want to know how you stack up against the competition."

By halftime of Saturday's Lewis and Clark match, Tolstedt knew. "It was a team we dominated," he said, noting a 19-6 advantage in shots on goal. "It was fun to watch.

"At halftime I talked to my coaches and, even though it was scoreless, there wasn't anything we wanted to do differently."

The only thing that changed in the second half was the score. Kelly Connell (from Plymouth Canton) gave SC the only goal it would need before the second half was 15 minutes old; Emily Alford (Livonia Clarenceville) and Angela Maile assisted.

With 10 minutes left, Alford gave the Ocelots an insurance goal, with Tina Albaugh (Redford Thurston) assisting.

"I didn't think Lewis and Clark ever really threatened," said Tolstedt. "Even though we only had a one-goal lead, I felt pretty comfortable with the way we were playing (defensively).

"Our defense did one helluva job."

Sunday's match against Monroe started the same way, with the Ocelots carrying the play. The result was a goal scored 10 minutes into the match by Maile, with Kristah Manteuffel (Redford Thurston) and Kristen Hait assisting.

But then, near-disaster struck. "We made a couple of errors in back" Tolstedt said, and the result was two Monroe goals in a five-minute span, making it 2-1 at halftime.

Playing into the wind in the second half, SC "spent a lot of time defending our goal" — which wouldn't get the Ocelots the equalizer. But that managed it, with Manteuffel netting the game-tying goal with 18 minutes remaining. Maile and Hait assisted.

Monroe did score an apparent go-ahead marker late in the match, but it was disallowed by an offside call.

"I think the girls found out this weekend what it takes from a total-team standpoint to win," said Tolstedt. "They wanted to know if they would get the chance to play (Monroe) again.

"The girls are convinced they can take them."

That chance may come at the NJCAA Tournament. But SC must get there first.

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Top scorer: *Ryan McKendry shot a 79 at Tuesday's WLAA Tournament, the best score for the Chiefs.*

WLAA golf

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son. For that matter, so did sixth golfer Dru Girard, who shot an 89 — two strokes better than Western's sixth golfer, Ryan Schultz.

That allowed the Spartans to finish third in the tournament standings, behind Farmington but ahead of Western. Which gave them 10 points, one more in the overall league standings than both Western and Farmington.

"The kids improved and I was happy to see that," said Stevenson coach John Wagner.

Kids that weren't too happy to see their scores were those from Salem.

"We prepared well for this," said Salem coach Rick Wilson. "But obviously we didn't play well at all. I mean, the conditions were windy for everyone, but we didn't handle the windy conditions well. And we didn't putt well.

"It's disappointing. This is one of the biggest events of the year, you hope to have a better showing."

The state regional tournaments are Friday, with Division I Salem and Canton playing at Leslie Park, hosted by Ann Arbor Pioneer. Churchill, Stevenson, Franklin and North Farmington will play at Pontiac Country Club (hosted by West Bloomfield), with John Glenn competing at the Monroe regional.

Harrison and Farmington, both competing in Division II, travel to the Hartland regional.

WLAA tennis

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gles, along with No. 4 doubles, while Northville took No. 2 singles and the first three doubles flights.

"I'm pleased we hung in there because I knew it would be close," Staniszewski said. "We've been here before when we've had the advantage, but when it's a one-day tournament anything can happen. I've seen things go either way."

With dark rapidly approaching late Tuesday afternoon, two singles matches remained with the final tally yet to be determined.

But North sophomore Amy Berke clinched the win with a three-set victory over Joanna Lee in the finals at No. 3 singles.

"Our key matches were first singles and fourth doubles, and Berke's clutch match," said Staniszewski, whose Raiders edged Northville in a dual meet earlier this fall, 5-3. "Amy lost to Lee in the dual meet, but today she made a nice comeback."

North's Emily Jaffe defeated Livonia Stevenson sophomore Erin Mazzoni to grab the title at No. 1 singles with a 7-5, 6-4 triumph.

Jaffe is following in the footsteps of her brother Brad, a former Division II state singles champion now playing for Emory University (Ga.). Emily is ranked No. 12 in the Southeastern Michigan Tennis Association for Girls 14s and is No. 67 in the Western Tennis Association rankings.

Mazzoni proved to be a lot tougher than the September meeting when Jaffe prevailed, 6-4, 6-2.

"She (Mazzoni) was a lot more consistent and she hit more balls in the court, she played well," said Jaffe, who has only two losses all season. "The conditions were very tough today. I don't like playing in the wind."

Jaffe, who will also play softball as an infielder this spring for North, has honed her aggressive baseline game since she was 10 from teaching pros Steve Herdoiza Franklin Racquet Club and Joe Brennan of the Sports Club.

"Emily's not even 14-years-old yet and she'll get better as she gets older," Staniszewski said.

Another North title came when senior co-captain Joyce Chung outlasted Northville's Allison Long in a marathon two-set match for the No. 4 singles title, 6-3, 6-5 (injury default). Long suffered a leg cramp on match point and had to be helped off the court.

North added another crown at No. 4 doubles when Elina Pilnits and Jessica Hoffman took the crown with a straight set win over Christa McKay and Jennie Kazmierczak of Plymouth Canton.

North also had runner-up finishes at No. 2 singles (Bethany Nestor), No. 1 doubles (Michele Boothroyd and Chrissy Dwyer), No. 2 doubles (Allison Kay and Julie Shindler) and No. 3 doubles (Jenna Street and Sarah Williams).

Northville's chances of repeating were diminished when No. 1 singles player Kerry Woolfall defaulted with a pulled hamstring and bad knee. The Mustangs also lost to Canton in the semifinals at No. 4 doubles.

"We kind of self-destructed," said Northville coach Uta Filkin, now in her 33rd year.

The two teams will meet again Friday in the Division II regional with Northville being the host.

"It was kind of surprising because we've been second to Northville for so long," said Jaffe, who obviously knows the history between the two schools. "We just wanted to go out and do our best.

"We're used to having close matches with them, but the last few years they've dominated."

To become the outright WLAA champion, North needed a dual meet victory Wednesday against host Canton on Wednesday in a make-up match.

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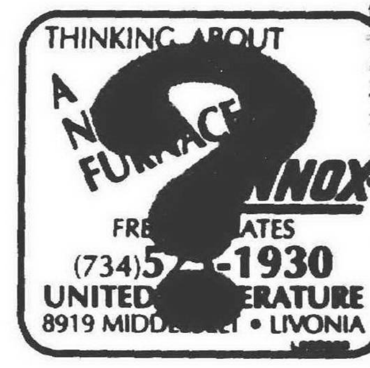

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Tournament team standings: 1. Northville, 390; 2. Farmington, 408 (won tiebreaker, best sixth score); 3. Livonia Stevenson, 408; 4. Walled Lake Western, 408; 5. Westland John Glenn, 412; 6. Walled Lake Central, 414; 7. Plymouth Salem, 416; 8. Plymouth Canton, 421; 9. North Farmington, 424; 10. Livonia Churchill, 427; 11. Farmington Harrison, 430; 12. Livonia Franklin, 450.

Final dual-meet standings: 1. Salem, 9-2; 2. Northville, 8-3; 3. (tie) Canton, Stevenson, W.L. Central, W.L. Western, Livonia Churchill, all 7-4; 8. Farmington, 5-6; 9. John Glenn, 4-7; 10. North Farmington, 3-8; 11. Harrison, 2-9; 12. Franklin, 0-11.

Final league standings (combined dual and tournament results): 1. Northville, 20 points; 2. Stevenson, 17; 3. (tie) W.L. Western, Farmington, 16 each; 5. Salem, 15; 6. W.L. Central, 14; 7. (tie) Canton, John Glenn, 12 each; 9. Churchill, 10; 10. North Farmington, 7; 11. Harrison, 4; 12. Franklin, 1.

Tournament results

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Livonia Stevenson (408): Scott Wolfe (tournament medalist), 71; Matt Courtright, 81; Zac McKenzie, 83; Chris Thomas, 86; Matt Bartnick, 87; Dru Girard, 89.

Walled Lake Western (408): Russ Walk, 77; Scott Williams, 78; Ralph Martello, 80; Steve Sobleck, 84; Trevor Monfette, 89; Ryan Schultz, 91.

Westland John Glenn (412): Jeremy Fendelet, 80; Keith Fukuda, 81; Rich Sudak, 82; Randy Villemure, 84; Jason Lang, 85; Justin Johnson, 87.

Walled Lake Central (414): Tony Rishell, 78; Sean McMahon, 81; Steve Percha, 83; Matt King, 83; Mike Mittra, 89; Andrew Naylor, 89.

Plymouth Salem (416): Bobby Jones, 81; Jay Smith, 81; Brian Gullen, 82; Mike Thackaberry, 83; Jon Gordon, 89; Ryan Williams, 94.

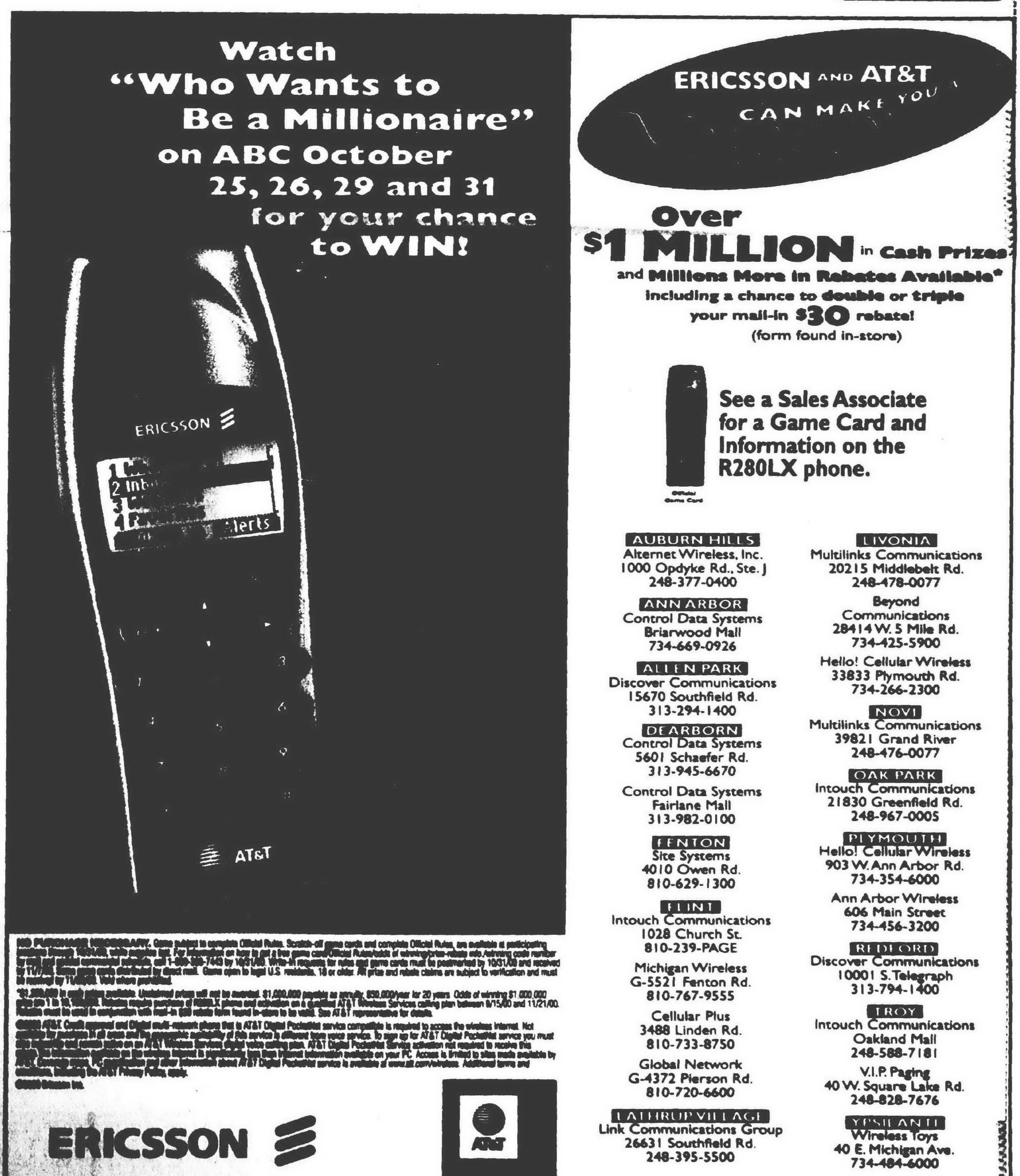
Plymouth Canton (421): Ryan McKendry, 79; Derek Vermeulen, 80; Scott Oliver, 85; Andrew Wagner, 87; Michael Beracy, 90; Chris Pell, 92.

North Farmington (424): Tony Rea, 82; Randy Yu, 84; Mike Patterson, 85; Aaron Newman, 86; Brian Bober, 87; Bob Turkovich, 90.

Livonia Churchill (427): Evan Chall, 81; Kevin Kasten, 84; Kevin Zielinski, 85; Gary Buber, 87; Steve Robinson, 90; Scott Condrowski, 90.

Farmington Harrison (430): Matt Lee, 76; Tony Pellegrino, 84; Joey Graves, 88; Junichi Miura, 91; Chris Fitzgerald, 91; Dave Nash, 91.

Livonia Franklin (450): [illegible], 86; Jim Priebe, [illegible]; Ryan Tracy, 90; Mike Bakun, 91; [illegible] Garbett, 95; [illegible] Thompson, [illegible].



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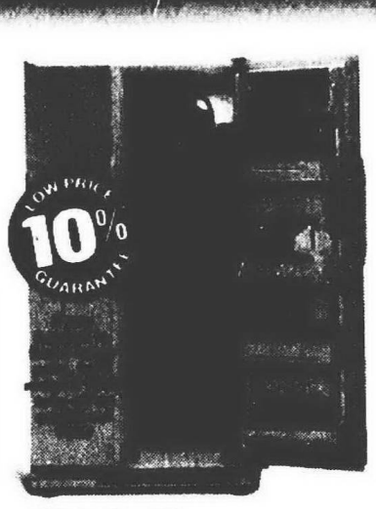

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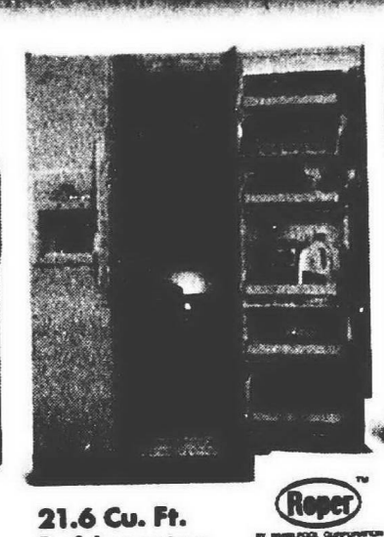

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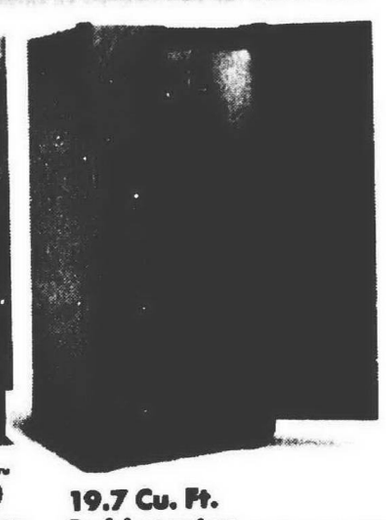

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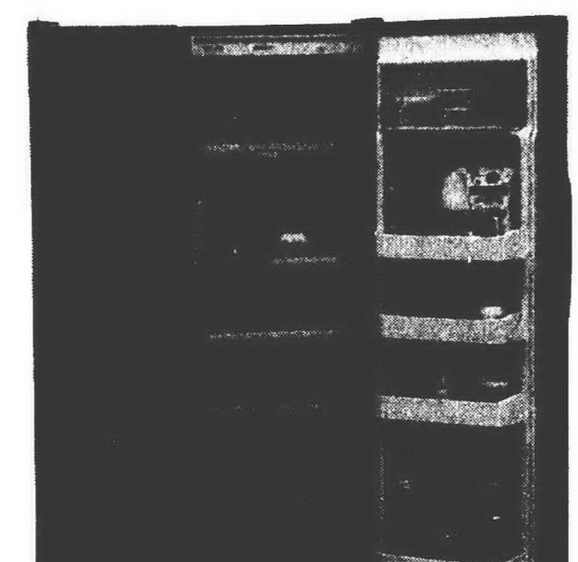

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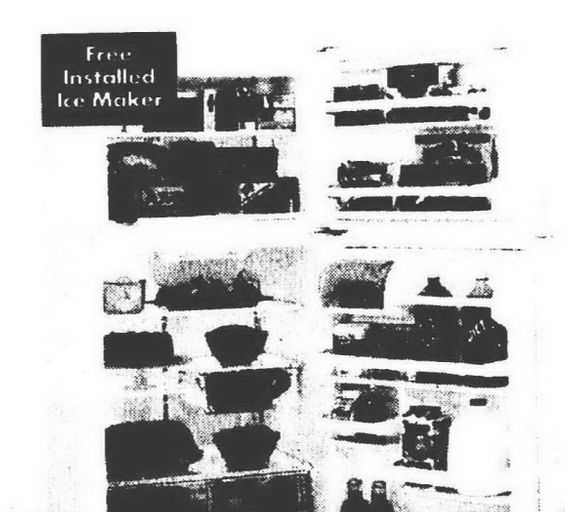

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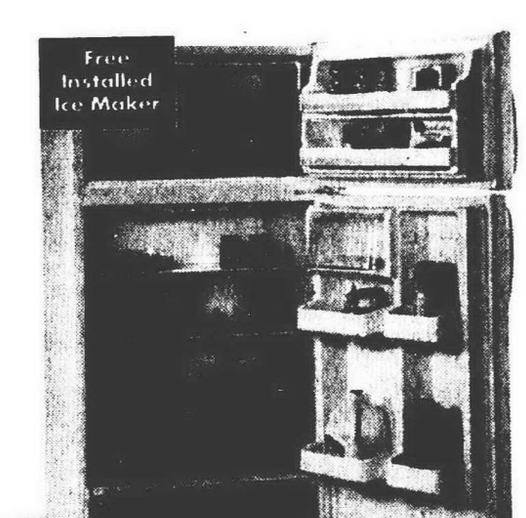

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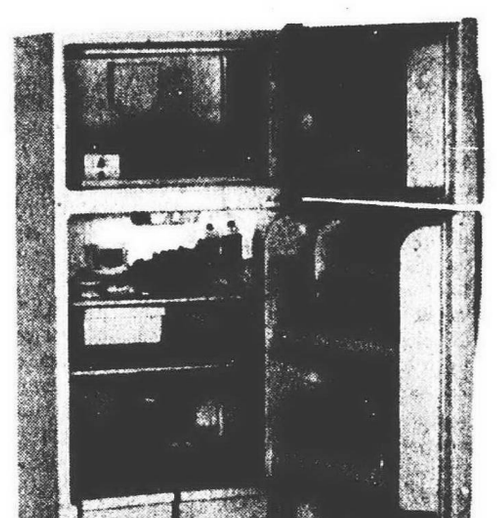

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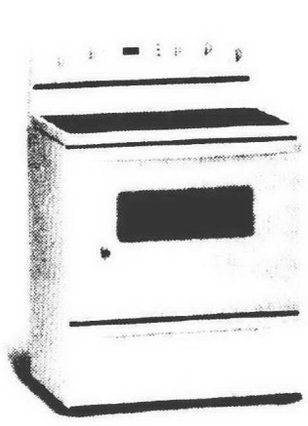

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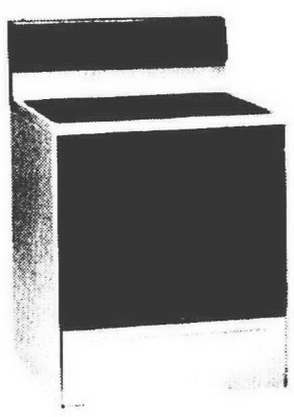

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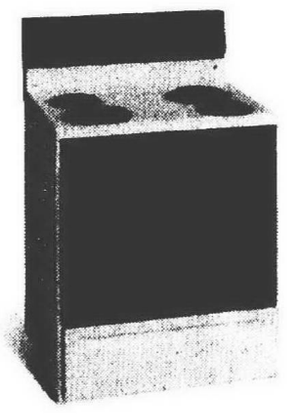

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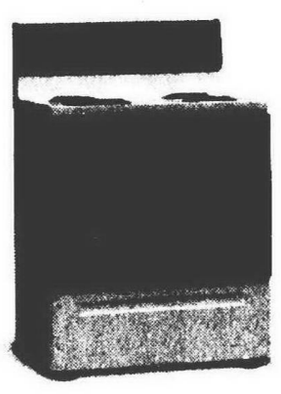

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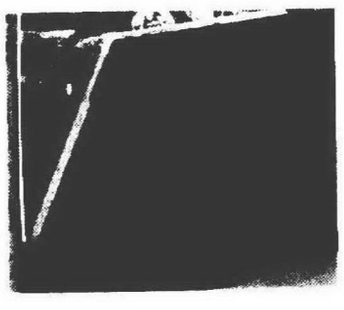

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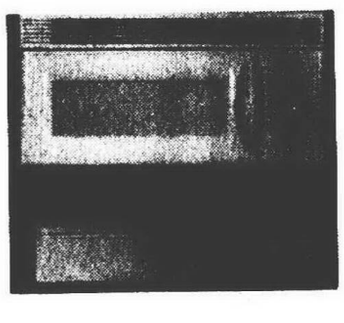

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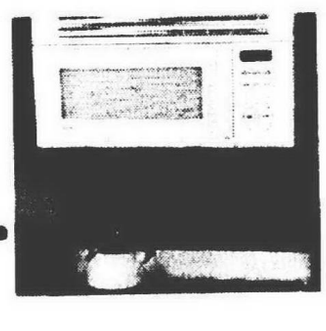

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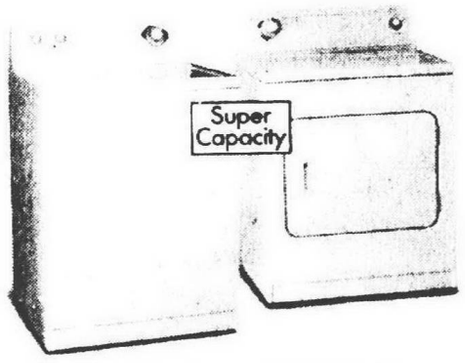

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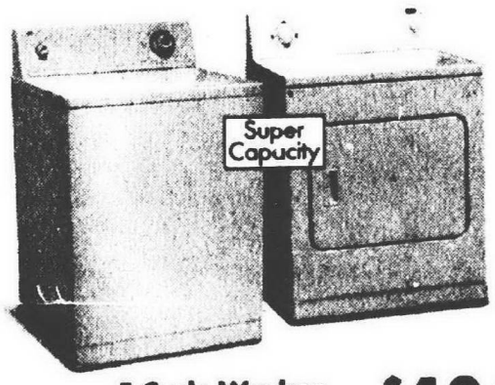

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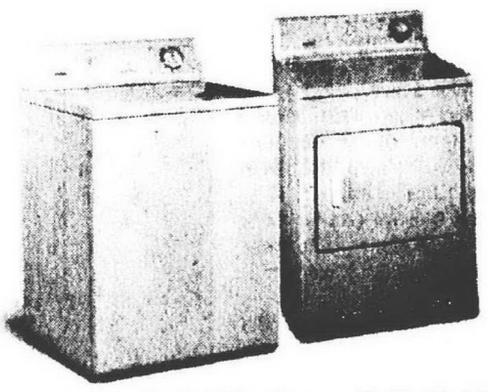

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Salem powers past Pats; Canton crushes Glenn

The preliminaries are over for Plymouth Salem's girls basketball team.

They ended on Tuesday with the Rocks' 43-20 victory over Livonia Franklin. The win improved Salem's record to 5-1 in the Western Lakes Activities Association, 9-3 overall. Franklin fell to 2-4 in the WLAA, 4-7 overall.

"I didn't think we played very well," said Salem coach Fred Thomann. "It wasn't a very productive game for us."

The Rocks led 14-2 after one quarter and 26-7 at the half, then coasted — something they won't be able to do in the upcoming games. Salem plays at Livonia Stevenson tonight (the Spartans upended Farmington Harrison Tuesday), then host hosts Harrison Tuesday. Both teams have 4-1 WLAA records.

"It should be interesting," noted Thomann.

The win over Franklin wasn't. "We walled them up (defensively) pretty good," the Salem coach said. "They didn't present much of a problem."

Amy Szawara paced the Rocks with 11 points. Dawn Allen [redacted] added 10 and Kelly Jaskot scored six. Franklin was led by Gabrielle Nixon with five points.

Stevenson, a 64-62 winner over the Hawks, converted 12-of-18 three-point shots (66.7 percent). That kind of shooting should make tonight's game a challenge.

Canton 57, John Glenn 34: The Chiefs took control in the second half Tuesday night to brush aside the challenge from the Rockets.

Leading 25-17 at the half, Plymouth Canton (8-4 overall, 5-1 in the WLAA) went on a 16-6 run in the third quarter to clinch the WLAA victory.

Janine Gaustella scored 16 points to lead the Chiefs and Anne Morrell, whom John Glenn coach John Albrecht termed "a big-time defender," chipped in with 11.

Bianca Woods led John Glenn (4-8 overall, 1-5 in the WLAA) with 12 points and freshman Jennifer Thauvette added 11.

"We hung in for two quarters," said Albrecht, whose team helped itself by going 11-for-17 from the free throw line. Canton was 8-for-13 from the line.

It won't be that easy for the Chiefs tonight, when they host Farmington Harrison (5-1 in the WLAA).

"We're going to have a hard time matching up with those guys," said Canton coach Bob Biohm. "I've watched them play two or three times and I thought this was one of Pete's (Mantyla, the Hawks' coach) better teams.

"There's no question in my mind they'll be ready. We'll just have to be ready, too."

Biohm felt Tuesday's loss to Stevenson would only make Harrison hungrier. "I still think they're a very good team," he said.

At present, the WLAA is led by 6-0 Northville, with four teams boasting 5-1 records — and those four play each other tonight, with Salem at Stevenson and Harrison at Canton.

Agape 60, Huron Valley 38: The Wolverines won the middle periods 32-16 Tuesday night to take this one.

Canton Agape Christian (7-3 overall) turned turnovers into points in the 12-7 second quarter at the old Wayne Memorial gym. Sophomore guard Amy Henry scored 17 points and senior forward Amber Cross had eight as seven different Wolverines scored.

Rachel Zahn led Westland Huron Valley Lutheran (7-5) with 15 points and Lauren Merlon had 12.

Agape sank 4-for-9 free throws while Huron Valley was 6-for-17.

PCA 51, S.H. Bethesda 29: Seven was certainly not a lucky number for Sterling Heights Bethesda Christian Tuesday at Plymouth Christian Academy.

The visiting Eagles scored seven points in each period, but that wasn't nearly enough to offset the offensive barrage led by PCA's Laura Clark. Clark finished with 19 points and four assists as PCA improved to 9-3 overall.

Bethesda fell to 2-9.

PCA led 25-14 at the half and 33-21 after three quarters before burying Bethesda with an 18-7 fourth-quarter surge. "A lot of people played, everyone scored and everyone contributed," said PCA coach Rod Windle.

Amanda Saagman collected six points and three blocked shots and Erin Young also had six points for the winners. Mary Able's eight points paced Bethesda.

Divine Child 37, Ladywood 34: The inability to hit outside shots is leaving the Blazers on the outside looking in.

The host Falcons mixed traps in with a zone defense Tuesday night and packed the middle against the Blazers to win the Detroit Catholic League Central Division struggle.

Michelle Harakas led Livonia Ladywood (9-4 overall, 5-2 in the Central Division) with 10 points but Dearborn Divine Child (8-5 overall, 3-4 in the division) had the game's high scorer in Maria Jillan, who scored 16.

"We did a pretty good job defensively," Coach Andrea Gorski said. "But all the teams are going to play us zone now. We got the looks, we've just got to knock them down."

The Blazers were 10-for-39 from the field and only 2-for-14 from beyond the three-point line.

The score was tied at 13 at halftime and Divine Child led by one after three quarters, 25-24.

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON
BOARD PROCEEDINGS – OCTOBER 3, 2000

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton was held Tuesday, October 3, 2000 at the Summit on the Park Recreation Facility, 46000 Summit Parkway, Canton, Michigan 48188. Supervisor Yack called the meeting to order following dinner at 7:30 p.m..

ROLL CALL

Members Present: Bennett, Burdziak, LaJoy, McLaughlin, Sheffierly, Yack
Members Absent: Kirchgatter
Staff Present: Director Conklin, Debbie Bilbrey-Honsowetz, Alice Ahem, Julie Burt, Tom Arbaugh, Sean Fletcher, Jim McNellis, Julie Eves, Jamie Freese, Randy Jackson, Bryan Paquette, Dennis Speck, Matt Wisniewski

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to adopt the agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

OVERVIEW

Director Conklin explained that this meeting was scheduled in an effort to provide useful information to the Board of Trustees of the following programs offered at the Summit on the Park Facility: Fitness, Personal Training and Aquatic Operations. Practical demonstrations would be presented including those with numerous pieces of the new fitness equipment. Director Conklin explained that the banquet contract would require board approval at a future date. The dinner served showed a wide range of options which are available at the facility. Summit Manager, Debra Bilbrey-Honsowetz explained that the programs at the facility are running smoothly and at capacity.

ADJOURN

Motion by Bennett, supported Sheffierly to adjourn at 9:20 p.m.. Motion carried unanimously.

The above is a synopsis of the actions taken at the study session meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton held Tuesday, October 3, 2000. The full text of the approved minutes will be available following the next regular board meeting of October 10, 2000.

THOMAS J. YACK, Supervisor
TERRY G. BENNETT, Clerk

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON
CDBG PROGRAM PUBLIC HEARINGS

On Wednesday, November 1, 2000, at 3 p.m. in the first floor conference room, Administration Building, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, Michigan, the Community Development Block Grant Advisory Council or Canton Township shall hold public hearings to take citizen comment on the following:

1. FY 1999 Consolidated Annual Performance Evaluation Report (CAPERS).
2. Program amendment to permit "pre-award "(pre-obligation) waiver for FY 2001-2005 (or FY 2003-05) CDBG programs, to allow Canton Township to pre-obligate, beginning in FY 2001, up to $275,000 per CDBG program year for a maximum of five program years, for the construction of the Canton Human Services Center. During the pre-obligation period the public services component of the CDBG program shall remain funded at the statutory maximum and the housing rehabilitation program shall be funded. The total project construction cost is estimated to be $1.6 million. The Human Services Center was established in the FY 1999 CDBG program final statement and is a priority of the 2000-2004 Consolidated Plan (May 17, 2000).

Written comments or requests for information should be directed to: Gerald Martin, Development Specialist, Resource Development Division, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, Michigan 48188, (734-397-5392).

TERRY BENNETT, Clerk

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON
REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS
FOR ARCHITECTURAL SERVICES
CANTON PERFORMING ARTS EDUCATION CENTER

The Charter Township of Canton will accept qualifications from architectural firms at the Resource Development Division, third floor, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, MI 48188-1699, until 5:00 p.m., Wednesday, October 25, 2000, for the development of a general design for a 400 seat Performing Arts Education Center.

The Request for Qualifications describing this project and the scope of services is available in the Resource Development Division at the above address. Questions may be directed to Michael Ager, 734-397-5389.

Late submittals will not be accepted. Canton Township reserves the right to reject any and all submittals. Canton Township does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age or disability in employment or the provision of services.

TERRY BENNETT, Clerk

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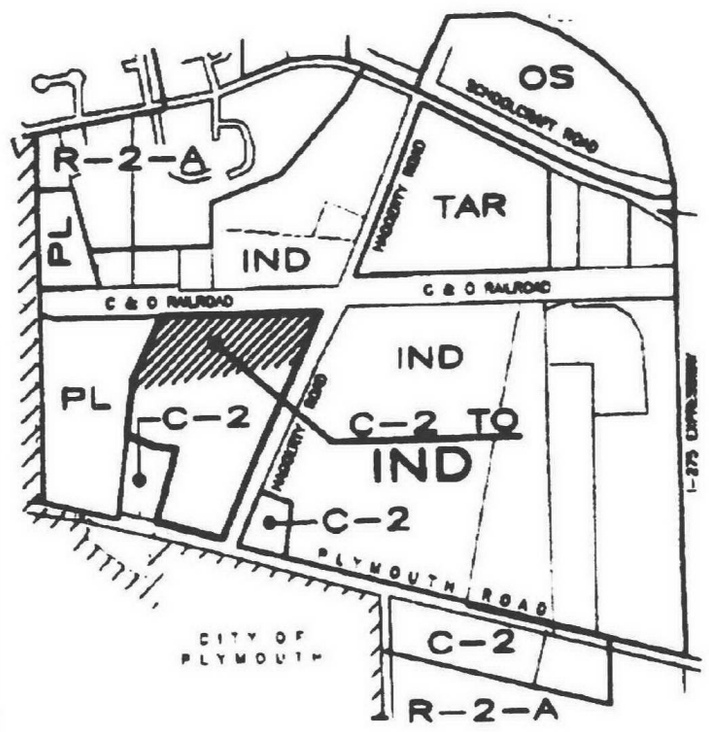
PLYMOUTH CHARTER TOWNSHIP
PLANNING COMMISSION

TO REZONE FROM: C-2 – COMMERCIAL
TO REZONE TO: IND – INDUSTRIAL
DATE OF HEARING: OCTOBER 18, 2000
TIME OF HEARING: 7:00 P.M.
PLACE OF HEARING: Plymouth Township Hall, 42350 Ann Arbor Road

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Planning Commission of Plymouth Charter Township has received a petition to rezone the following described property from C-2, "COMMERCIAL" District to IND, "INDUSTRIAL" District. Containing 22 acres, more or less.

Application #1642



LEGAL DESCRIPTION: TAX ID NO R78-026-99-0003-001
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ORDINANCE NO. 83

AMENDED ZONING MAP NO. 121
PLYMOUTH CHARTER TOWNSHIP
WAYNE, COUNTY, MICHIGAN

ADOPTED BY THE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES ON _____
EFFECTIVE DATE _____

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the proposed amendment to the map, as printed, may be examined at the Plymouth Township Department of Public Works Building, Community Development Department, during regular business hours, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Written comments will be received prior to the meeting. The address for application review and written comment is 46555 Port Street, Plymouth, Michigan 48170. Telephone No. (734) 453-8131, ext. 37. The meeting will be held in the Meeting Room at Township Hall. The address for Township Hall is 42350 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth, Michigan 48170. At the public hearing, the Planning Commission may recommend rezoning of the property to any use allowable under the provisions of the Plymouth Township Zoning Ordinance No. 83.

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JOE BRIDGMAN, Secretary
Planning Commission

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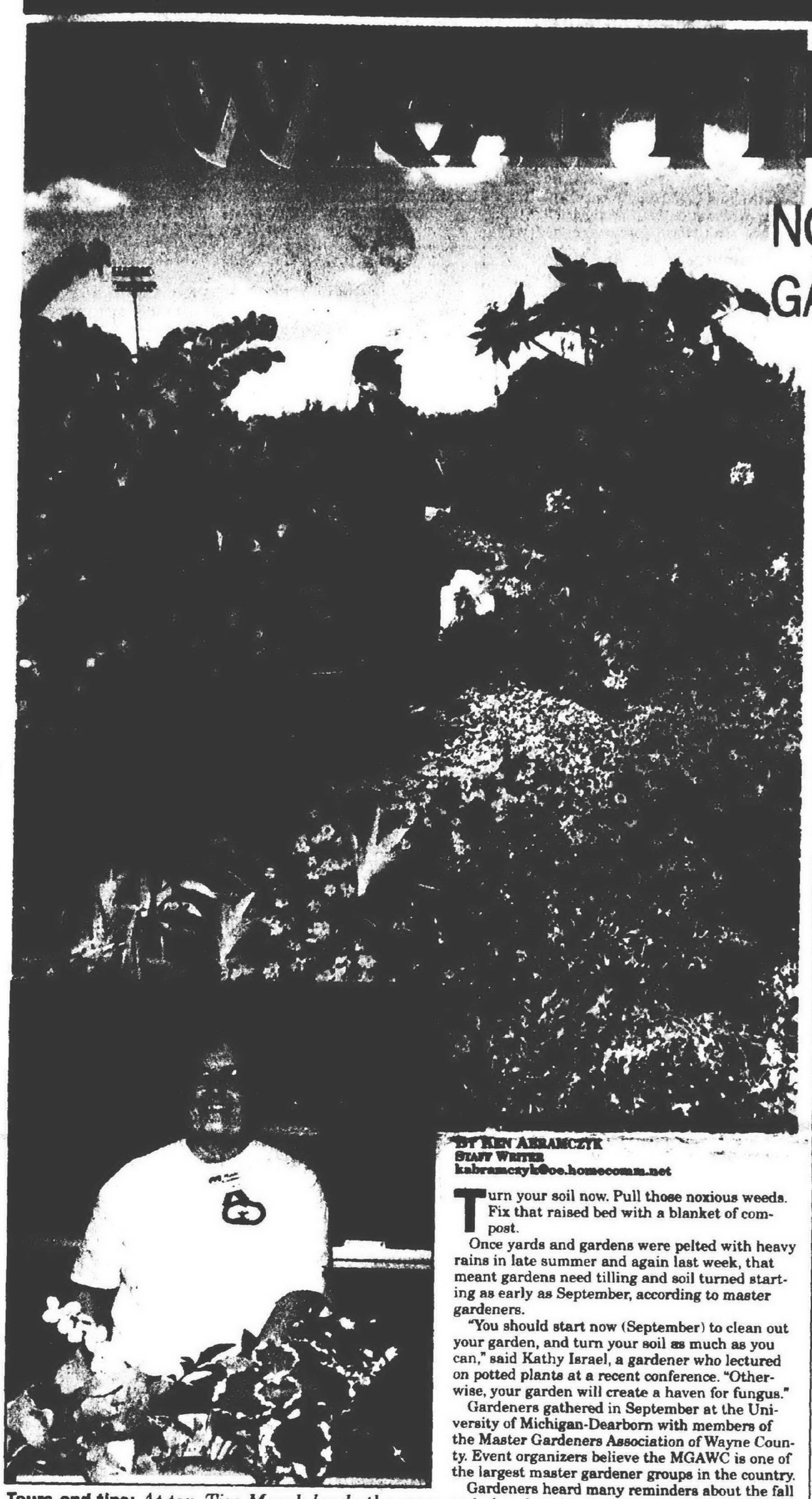

BY KEN ABRAMCZYK
STAFF WRITER
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Turn your soil now. Pull those noxious weeds. Fix that raised bed with a blanket of compost.

Once yards and gardens were pelted with heavy rains in late summer and again last week, that meant gardens need tilling and soil turned starting as early as September, according to master gardeners.

"You should start now (September) to clean out your garden, and turn your soil as much as you can," said Kathy Israel, a gardener who lectured on potted plants at a recent conference. "Otherwise, your garden will create a haven for fungus."

Gardeners gathered in September at the University of Michigan-Dearborn with members of the Master Gardeners Association of Wayne County. Event organizers believe the MGAWC is one of the largest master gardener groups in the country.

Gardeners heard many reminders about the fall and what they should do to prepare for winter. Fall is an ideal time to seed for lawns, plant shrubs and trees, plant spring bulbs and create compost bins.

Israel focused on potted plants, telling gardeners to dump the old soil in the compost bin. "Wash terra cotta pots in bleached water and set them in the sun to dry, especially with terra cotta, because diseases can absorb into it."

Moisture in the terra cotta pots also can crack them if they aren't dried completely, Israel said.

Trees and shrubs

Conference attendees also received tips on pruning at a lecture on shrubs.

Prune to the outside – not inside – so the shrub grows and blooms outward. "You don't want the plant to grow into itself," said Judith Watkins, who lectured on shrubs and trees.

When branches cross each other, one should be pruned.

"Crossing over causes branches to rub against each other, and removing that outside layer (of the branch) opens it up to diseases and bugs. Take one (branch) out."

Electrical shears should be avoided because they shatter the branch tips, Watkins said. She demonstrated how to use manual pruners, which she also sterilizes with one part bleach and nine parts water before moving onto the next tree to avoid spreading diseases or pests that may be present.

Gardeners should cut just above the bud. Using electrical shears on a burning bush will create a spider web, in that one branch becomes five, then that five becomes 25, "creating a canopy," Watkins said. The lower part of the plant remains bare due to the canopy creating shade and inhibiting sunlight from reaching the lower branches.

Shrubs that flower in the spring should be pruned after they flower. If they flower in the summer or fall, prune them in the spring.

Diseased shrubs or trees can be pruned at any time of year, but growers should research pest or disease problems with a local nursery or garden expert. The best time to prune is late winter or early spring, before buds break.

Lawns

Owners of a new home with a cleared lot often want and work toward a full, thick green lawn. They should order enough top soil for a lawn and select the right kind of grass, and prepare the root zone and the topsoil.

Anyone who spends $250,000 on a home should spend more than a few hundred dollars on a lawn, said Dean Krauskopf, who hosts a gardening show on WJR on Sundays.

"If I'm going to drop $5,000, over 20 years that's not so bad," Krauskopf said.

For lawn growers who can't afford a 4-inch layer of topsoil, they should at least till a smaller amount into the clay. Krauskopf also recommended that grass should be watered about 1 1/2 inches a week, applying water every day if possible.

Grass should be dry before evening. Grass also can store nutrients in the winter, so homeowners should use slow-release fertilizers.

While most residents spend thousands on dollars on lawns, some scientists and environmentalists may argue lawn maintenance is costly and is not the natural or native landscape that belongs in Michigan.

Native landscaping

Orin Gelderloos, a professor at UM-D and director of the natural area there, conducted a seminar on native landscaping

Gardeners can plant native plants, such as aspens and golden rods instead of attempting to maintain large grassy meadows. "We're trying to shift how we behave to a more sustainable picture," Gelderloos said. "Acres of this size are not sustainable." He showed a slide of a large meadow.

Gelderloos said the Natural Heritage Program identifies native plant and animal species and attempts to protect, manage and restore them. Native species are identified as those in this area before 1700.

Such native approaches to yards can help save water as the average 1/3-acre lawn requires 9,000 gallons of water a week or 109,000 gallons a summer, Gelderloos said. It also saves on financial and environmental costs of fertilizer, which contributes to the nutrient runoff, one of the surface water problems that federal, state and local officials are trying to tackle through the Rouge River Wet Weather Demonstration Project. Nutrients contribute to algae and plant growth in the Rouge's water.

The current runoff exceeds state standards for nutrients in the water, Gelderloos said.

Native landscapes also reduce runoff and erosion and saves gasoline from lawnmower use.

Gelderloos suggested gardeners plant oaks or other species suggested in the Michigan Natural Heritage Program including varieties of ash, hickory and maple and native shrubs including varies of dogwood and chokeberry.

Plant spring bulbs

By November, growers should have many of their bulbs lined up and buried.

Scott Kunst, owner of Old House Gardens in Ypsilanti, which sells heirloom bulbs of species dating from the 1600s-1800s, said spring's warmth brings early blooms, of snow drops and little yellow wolfe-bane, along with glory of the snow, snake's head fritillary and nodding star of Bethlehem.

More common bulbs that bloom a few weeks later include tulips and daffodils.

Kunst suggested gardeners should plant their spring bulbs using a ruler or marked trowel to a depth of six to eight inches. And there is no need to water them. "After all, your grandmother didn't water," Kunst said.

Gardeners should be wrapping that up by now. "By November, it's way too late. It's raining and starting to snow."

If gardeners are plagued with deer, they should plant daffodils, Kunst said.

Kunst said the older bulb varieties offer a living connection with families of the past – a grandmother, the family that built your home, Thomas Jefferson or even ancient Chinese emperors.

"If they last a couple of centuries, they'll last in your garden, too," Kunst said. "A lot of heirlooms have a built-in toughness that allows them to survive."

Kunst also told gardeners to check on the oldest garden and gardener in the neighborhood or older family members for bulbs.

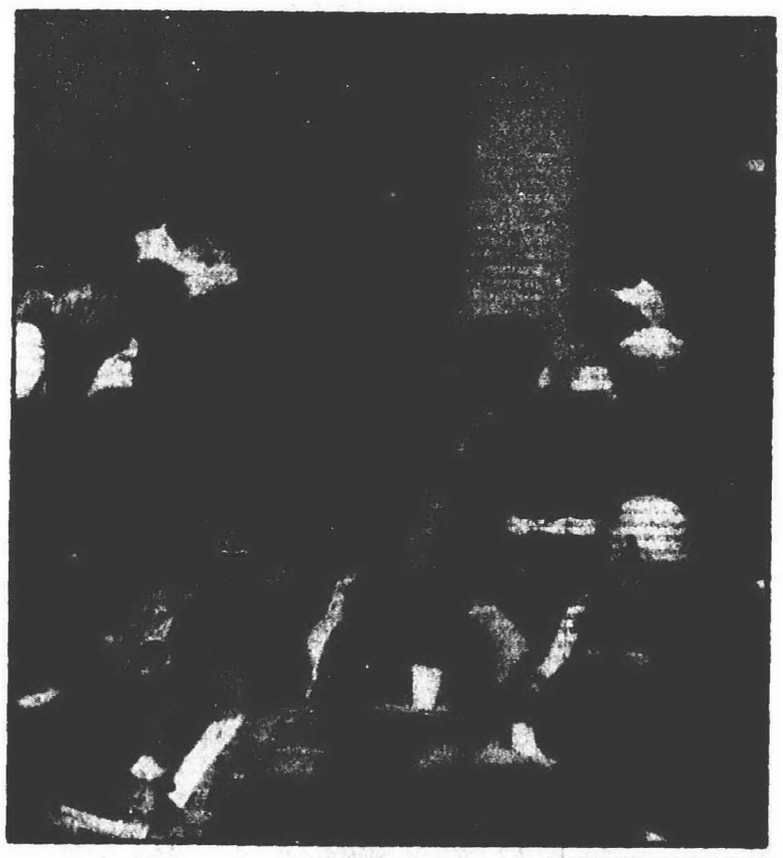
"It's like an old bed - George Washington never slept in it, but it's still an old bed."

For more information on the Michigan State University extension services master gardener program, click on www.msu.msue.edu or call Wayne County's extension services at (313) 833-3417. Applications also are being sent out now to any Wayne County gardeners interested in becoming a master gardener from the county's extension services. Check the gardening calendar inside the At Home section for classes or club information.

Tours and tips: *At top, Tim Marsh leads the way through the community garden at the University of Michigan-Dearborn. Above, Kathy Israel gives gardeners a few pointers about potted plants and some fall garden preparation tips.*

Garden shoe: *Chad Smith is concentrating on his garden shoe during the Budding Botanists program, the youngster's portion of the "Growing with Master Gardeners" conference on Sept. 16 at the University of Michigan-Dearborn.*

Jacob's ladder? *Jacob Innomen is planting flowers in the terra cotta pot he decorated during the Budding Botanist Kids Program.*



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Heirlooms: *Scott Kunst, a heynote speaker at the Growing with Master Gardeners conference, shows the audience a pink landmark 1927 dahlia called Jersey's Beauty. Kundy owns Old House Gardens - Heirloom Bulbs in Ann Arbor.*

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Warning on range prompts question from reader

APPLIANCE DOCTOR

JOE GAGNON

Here's just a few questions I've received from readers and listeners:

Q: I have just had a new kitchen range delivered to my home and there is a label on it which states that this product contains hazardous materials which can affect a woman during pregnancy. I just happen to be three months pregnant and I'm sending this range back to the store. How do I know if the next new stove doesn't have the same materials?

A: Thank you for the question, as it was an education in itself. This is the first time I've heard this concern and your question quickly prompted me to visit an appliance retail store.

I picked a different brand that what you had delivered to your home, pulled the instruction booklet out of the package and found a warning of sorts which explains that the insulation behind the oven walls does indeed contain hazardous material. This can be harmful to anyone who is working with the material and in particular I would think that they mean a service technician.

I really don't think you have anything to worry about unless you buy the new baby a set of tools and give him or her the run of the kitchen. I doubt that will happen.

■ I pulled the instruction booklet out of the package and found a warning of sorts which explains that the insulation behind the oven walls does indeed contain hazardous material.

Appliance manufacturers should be more precise in their explanations.

The state of California has a law which the rest of the country doesn't. It states that any product sold which contains even a small harmless trace of hazardous material must so be advised to consumers. In this case I think we are thinking about fiberglass which in quantities can produce ill effects. Even though the amount of it in the insulation of a range is very small, and of no concern in the hidden areas where it is installed, it must still be published. Now, you tell me how smart a manufacturer is, by putting on a warning label without explanation on a product. I'll leave you to form your own opinion.

Q: You advertise a hot tub company on your radio show and yet you have written several columns on your concerns about the quality of water we consume. Are you not afraid of the water that sits in you tub for months? What if you slipped and swallowed a mouthful?

A: I don't know if you're poking fun at me or if you might be serious. Either way, I'll take the concern to heart. I have had this hot tub for over three months now and let me tell you that I play it safe. Instead of leaving and using the same water for months at a time, I have been changing the water every four weeks on the nose. It is very easy to hook up the garden hose and run it to the street. Filling it is even easier.

You are correct, I don't trust sitting water and that is exactly why I do this. The company gives you an easy to use test kit and I test it every day. I add the necessary chemicals to keep things from growing.

Q: My next door neighbor uses her dishwasher to defrost frozen food. Do you think that is an OK idea?

A: Your neighbor is so cheap, excuse the expression, she is trying to save energy by using the heat of her dishwasher. Who knows how much contamination is created by doing this and just how safe would it be to be eating a meal off the plates? I'll give you a sound warning of advice: make up an excuse why you can't go over for dinner when she invites you.

This month starts my busy season for home shows etc. I will be in contact with many thousands of readers of this column and I would like to remind you of a certain fact. I am an easy-going guy. I love to talk and help people along the way. Stop and say hello.

Joe Gagnon can be heard Saturday and Sunday on 760 WJR.

He is a member and past president of the Society of Consumer Affairs Professionals. His phone number is (313) 873-9789.

Keep your patio door sliding smoothly by cleaning tracks

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■ Wash the track and channel annually with a household cleaner.

From its massive size and weight, you might guess that keeping your patio door sliding smoothly would be tough.

Surprisingly enough, it can roll on for years without needing attention. And when it does start sticking, you need just two tools to get to the root of the problem – a flat-blade or Phillips screwdriver and a pair of pliers.

Occasionally in older doors, you'll encounter really big problems, like a rotting wood frame or sagging overhead beam. Such repairs are not do-it-yourself. They often call for major surgery or a completely new door unit.

To find a replacement for a damaged roller or other easily fixed part, try calling the door manufacturer for a local dealer (check the door hardware for a label). If that fails, contact local window repair and glass companies. They stock weatherstripping and probably rollers, too. Even better, they can order or tell you where to find parts they don't stock.

Here are some tips on keeping your patio door rolling smoothly:

■ Keep track of screws when you disassemble parts for repair. Thread the screws into the edge of a piece of corrugated cardboard, then tape the cardboard to the disassembled items.

■ Anytime you need to inject oil in a tight space around the rollers of your patio door, use a disposable irrigation syringe available at pharmacies. The tip is curved and the taper lets you snip it at different points to adjust the size of the opening.

■ Wash the track and channel annually with a household cleaner. You can vacuum up dust and other debris, but you'll have to scrub to remove the grease and grime that stick to the track and clog the rollers.

■ Spray your sliding door tracks with a silicone lubricant. Or try aerosol polish. The wax in the polish reduces friction and doesn't attract dirt.

■ Adjust the roller height if the door scrapes or binds against the track at the top or bottom. On wood doors, the adjusting screw is on the inside of the bottom rail. On aluminum doors, it's on the vertical edge.

■ If your rollers still don't glide smoothly, remove the door and clean or replace the rollers. Have a friend help you because patio doors usually weigh about 150 pounds each. To remove a newer wood door, unscrew the top drawer stop, tilt the sliding portion inward, and lift it off its track. If you have an older wood door or one with an aluminum frame, lift the sliding door up and swing the bottom inward. You may have to loosen the roller adjustment screw first.

■ Unscrew the latch assembly if it operates poorly. Clean and lubricate it with light oil. If that fails, or if the parts have broken, you'll have to replace the assembly.

■ Adjust the latch strike plate if the latch operates smoothly but fails to catch the plate.

■ Replace weatherstripping when it doesn't seal the door properly. It's inexpensive, but some types might be hard to find since there are many sizes and shapes. Take a sample of your old weather stripping along to find the closest match when you buy the new material.

■ To make the vinyl insect screens in your doors look like new again, spray the screening with an automotive protectant. It removes the dirt and restores the color, which washing alone can't do.

Sunrooms brighten home, spirits during the cold winter months

/PRNewswire/ - With the onset of winter, people can become quite creative in their attempts to hold on to some sunshine.

Some will head south. Others will visit tanning beds. Increasingly, more and more people will simply stay put, enjoying the year-round sunlight of a glass- enclosed sunroom.

"Sunrooms create an in-home haven of sunny relaxation that revitalizes a person's spirit, not to mention creating that needed extra room," said Rick Jones, president of Patio Enclosures, North America's largest manufactu er and installer of custom-designed sunrooms and solariums.

"Fall is a great time to install a sunroom," he said. "With that closed-in feeling in mind, imagine what it would feel like to enter a room that's entirely open to nature - and sunshine," said Jones.

In addition to becoming the most sought after spot in the home, sunrooms create the perfect atmosphere for holiday celebrations, whether dining under the moonlight or wrapping presents under a snowfall.

"The day after Thanksgiving, I transform my sunroom into a Christmas tree display room. Our guests tend to gather there, surrounded by the decorations and snow outside," said Francine Mangoni, of Cleveland, Ohio.

"We painted blue skies and clouds on the ceiling of our wintergarden to create a summer-like room no matter what the season," said Grace Weidaw, a Patio Enclosures, customer. "I also added a large paddle fan to enhance the atmosphere."

Sunrooms are also used as an enclosure for hot tubs, creating a romantic get-a-way for stargazing, or as a place for plants and gardens to thrive. Surrounded by soft, casual furniture and sunlight, the blooming flowers help create a warm, springtime feeling even in the dead of winter.

There are many things to consider when adding a sunroom for wintertime enjoyment. First, for year-round use, you will want to make sure your sunroom is supplied with the latest technology and glass design. Glass combinations that utilize selective tints and coatings along with thermally improved framing members offer the best performance.

Patio Enclosures, Inc. offers a new design that combines the thermal properties of Geon Fiberloc, a glass reinforced PVC, and the structural properties of thermally broken aluminum to optimize sunroom comfort while maintaining the structural soundness of the room. A triple weather-stripping system enhances this performance by keeping air infiltration well below industry standards.

You will also want to design your room so that it can be closed off from the rest of the house. French doors and sliding doors are popular for this purpose. When you close the room off and leave the blinds or shades open, you can collect solar heat in the room while you are out for the day.

In the evening, open the doors to bring in natural warmth to adjoining rooms. "It's a heating method used in New England for decades when they used to call their glass-filled rooms sunrooms," says Jones. "Your plants will also reap the benefits of the warmth and sun."

Jones noted that many homeowners create useful, home-brightening sunrooms simply by enclosing an existing porch, carport or patio overhang.

Solariums can be built upon an existing deck, patio or existing concrete pad.

However sunrooms are used, they offer homeowners a chance not only to expand their homes, but also to display their creativity and enhance their overall health and spirit.

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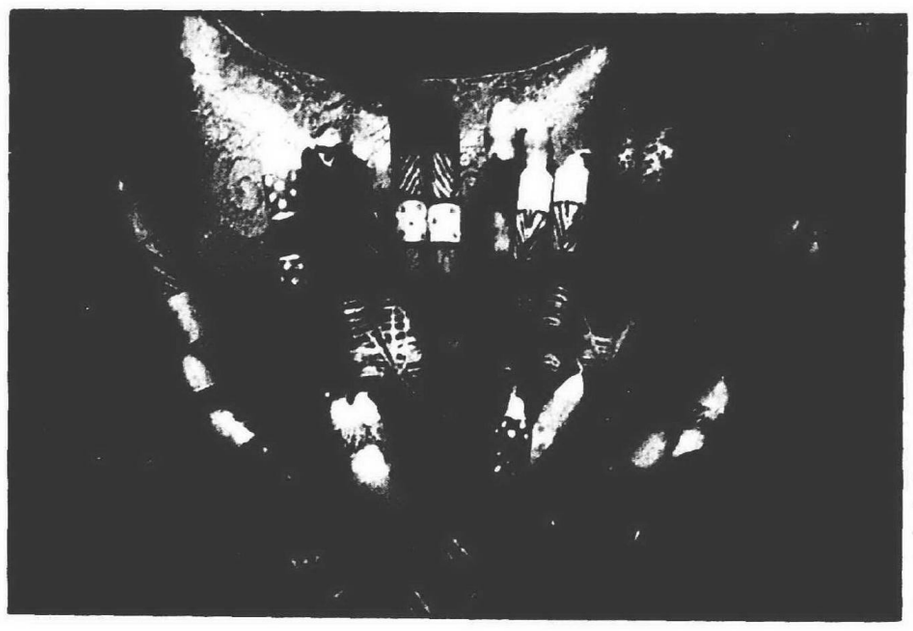
A haunting centerpiece

Dazzling decoration: *Scare up some Halloween fun and add a little festive spirit to your home with this easy-to-make candle centerpiece from PartyLite Gifts. Simply fill a large decorative glass bowl with candy corn, then nestle five orange tealight candles into the candy corn. Place two brass candlesticks, topped with black candles, to one side of the bowl. Place a 4-by-9-inch orange pillar candle atop the ceramic holder; accent around the base with candy corn and position near the bowl. Place another Halloween-themed candle on the other side of the candy-corn filled bowl, then wind a fabric leaf garland around the holders, or add a few loose leaves. To learn more about PartyLite candles, call (508) 830-3100 or visit www.partylite.com*

Waxing artistic

Terrific tapers: *Colorworks Uncommon, the boutique in the Colorworks Design Studio at 32506 Northwestern Highway in Farmington Hills, is featuring hand-painted candles from South Africa. The vivid colors and range of designs in these candles reflect the variety of the South African landscape and its diverse cultures. The cost per pair is $12 for small tapers and $30 for long tapers. Colorworks Uncommon is also featuring elegant, handcarved candles between $22.50 and $45 in price. Colorworks is a full-service interior design studio that provides space planning, color and finish selection, layout design, custom furniture design and fabrication, buying of furniture, draperies, bedding, wall and floor coverings, and kitchen/bath design and fabrication. It provides new construction services and management, such as blueprint review, electrical planning, interior specifications, and exterior, plumbing and finish selections. Call (248) 851-7540.*



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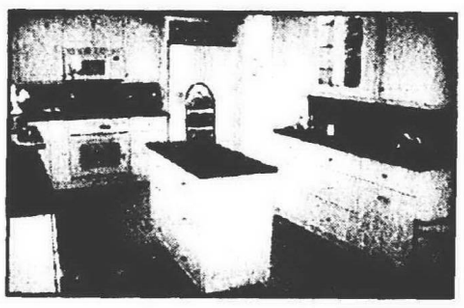

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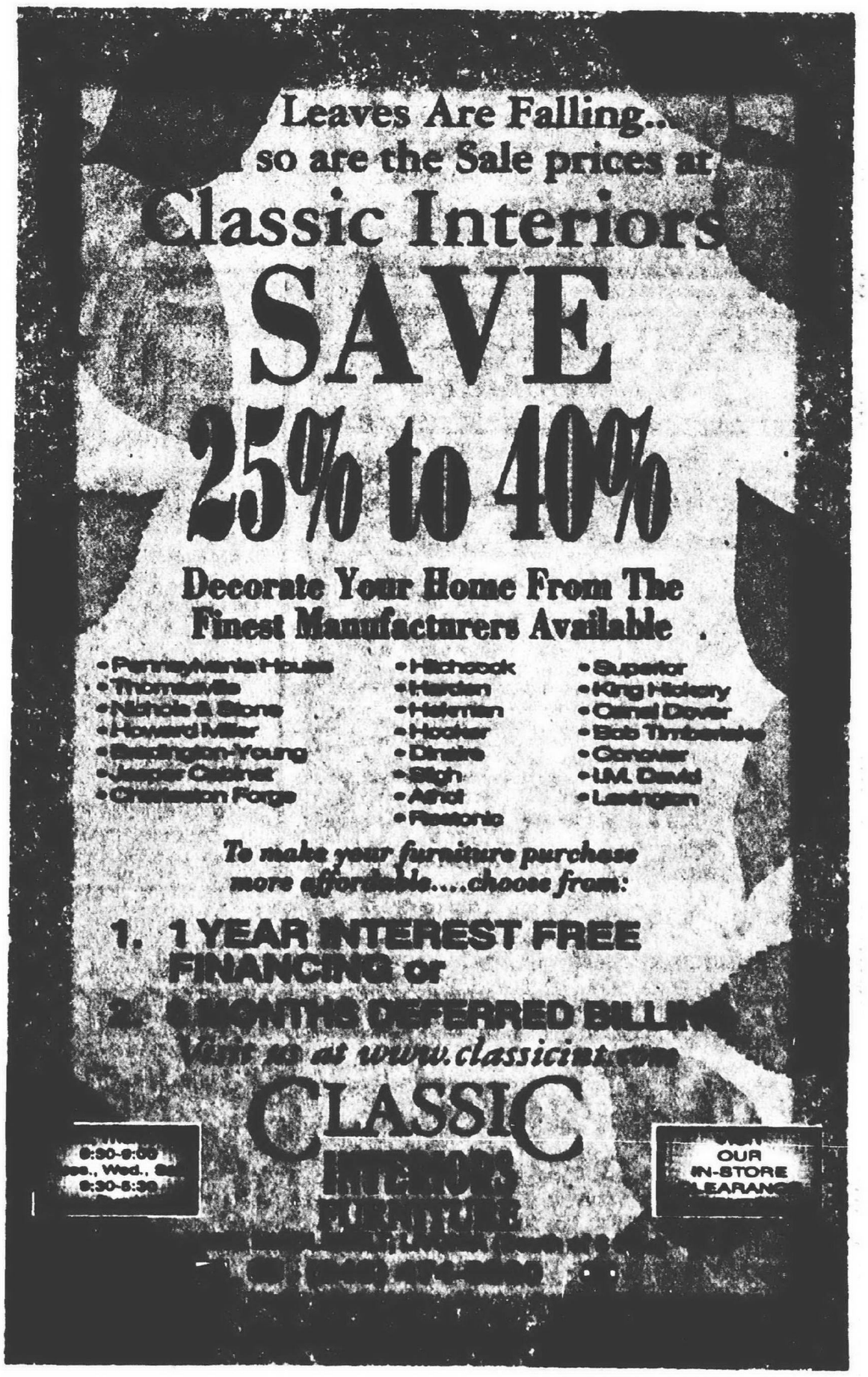

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GARDENING

Many homes for bulbs available in the garden

GARDEN SPOT

MARTY FIGLEY

As we tuck the spring flowering bulbs into the ground this fall, we have faith that these plain little things hold all the nutrients necessary to bring them to life in just a few short months.

Sometimes we look around our property and wonder just where to plant the bulbs for the most effect. You might consider the following:

A Christmas bed – The site could be next to a regular walkway, or possibly near the kitchen door, so that the color and scents can be enjoyed as you pass.

It's possible that an area like this will be lit at night, giving you a greater chance to see the plants. Trees will have shed their leaves and be beginning to mulch the beds, so light will be adequate.

Good drainage is essential, so a raised bed will improve that. A few other plants can be intermingled with the bulbs to add interest and possibly protect the bulbs.

Snowdrops, *Galanthus species*, the Christmas rose, *Helleborus niger*, Narcissus, Crocus and *Cyclamen coum* are some from which to choose.

The whole bed can be top dressed with a fine bark mulch to provide a good contrast to flower and foliage and also prevent mud being splashed on this most select grouping.

Herbaceous borders – When you clean up the borders this fall, you can give some thought to where bulbs will grow and be seen at their peak.

If your border contains a few shrubs, then the areas around them make ideal islands for planting bulbs. Perennials that are rarely divided also are good spots.

Plant in groups or drifts as individual plants can create a "spotty" picture. Incorporate plenty of grit and insert the bulbs deeper than usual so any surface cultivation will miss them.

If this is a problem, assess the structure of the garden in late winter when the "bare bones" can be seen and plan where bulbs will go in the following fall.

Bulbs in grass – Naturalizing bulbs in grass can be one of the most effective plantings, but does need to be carefully planned.

Site this type of planting where grass won't be mowed until the foliage has died down to allow the leaves to build up the food supplies for next year – perhaps under a tree or a wilder part of the garden.

Narcissus and Crocus are the favorites for naturalizing in grass and give a great display year after year with little effort for the gardener. A group planting of a single color is most effective.

Raised beds – As soon as you raise the soil 8 inches or more above the surrounding land, a greater variety of bulbs can be grown because of the improved drainage.

For formal gardens, the walls of the bed can be built of bricks or blocks to match the surroundings; in more informal surroundings treated timber, such as old railway ties, is appropriate.

If treated timber is used, it will give you added peace of mind to line the inside with plastic, just in case creosote is still seeping from the wood. *(Treated lumber is fine, also. M. Figley.)*

These are some of suitable "homes" for bulbs found in the book *The Plantfinder's Guide to Early Bulbs* by Rod Leeds ($34.95, Timber Press).

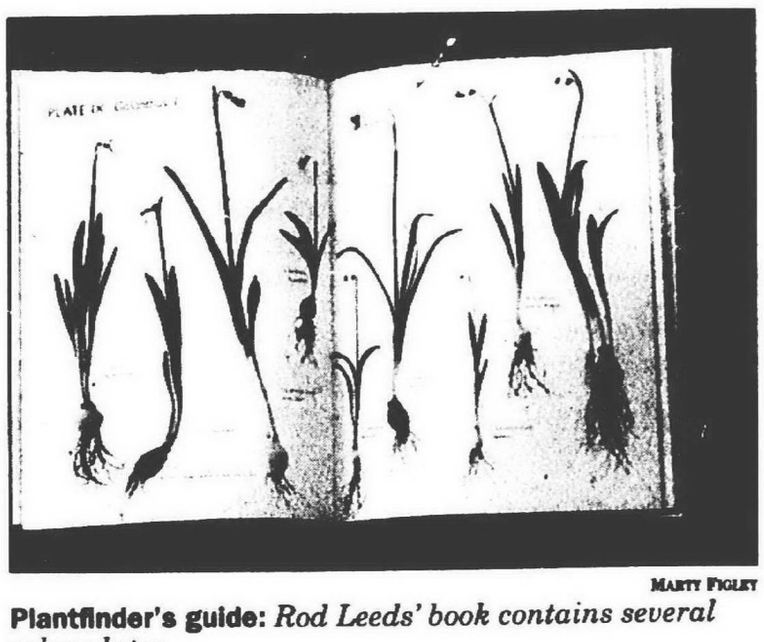
Leeds gives insight into planting in rock gardens, frames, in pots and bowls, and bulbs as cut flowers, and gives instructions for making a tussie-mussie.

Specific cultivars are included as he suggests the best bulb for the site. The bulk of the book is encyclopedic and provides much information to help with selection. Photos enhance.

About the book, Leeds says, "The word bulb is used loosely to cover all storage organs and so includes true bulbs, corms, tubers and rhizomes ...

"The aim of this book is to show the range of plants that can be grown quite easily in temperate gardens.

"By utilizing a knowledge of the environment together with tried and tested methods of cultivation, the gardener can get great enjoyment in almost cheating winter and in so doing eradicate those winter blues by growing some of the most diminutive and beautiful plants in the world."



MARTY FIGLEY

Plantfinder's guide: *Rod Leeds' book contains several color plates.*

Among the sources for early bulbs is our own local Scott Kunst of Old House Gardens, 536 Third St., Ann Arbor, MI 48103-4957. His illustrated, 48-page catalog is a treasure trove of heirloom and rare bulbs and is available for $2, or visit www.oldhousegardens.com

Marty Figley is an advanced master gardener based in Birmingham. You can leave her a message by dialing (734) 953-2047 on a touch-tone phone, then 111, then 3445. Her fax number is (248) 644-1314.

Repair those leaky garden hoses

BY SCOTT GIBSON
TODAY'S HOMEOWNER MAGAZINE

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It's an unspoken law of yard work that a garden hose always stops just short of where you need it. But tugging on the hose to gain the last bit of ground only shortens its life. Eventually, a spray of water at one of the couplings tells you it's time to fix the hose or pitch it.

You can stop the leaks with replacement couplings, of which there are several styles. Quick-disconnect fittings are great, but they're not cheap. There's also an older type of coupling that requires you to bend metal tabs around the end of the hose to secure it. But these are more leak-prone and harder to install.

The most practical are two-part plastic replacements, which consist of a fitting that slips inside the hose and a clamp tightened with two screws; they cost less than $2 each. The only tools you need are a knife and a screwdriver. Do the job right, and the repairs shouldn't leak.

If your hose is beyond repair, replace it with a bargain model only if you don't use a hose often. But beware that cheap hoses are thinner, less pliable and more susceptible to bursting. The best hoses coil easily, and have heavily reinforced, multiple plies and heavy-duty brass hardware. Also look for a lifetime warranty. A high-quality 50-foot, five-eighths-inch hose costs $25 to $30. You should take care of your new hose. After each use, shut off the water, relieve the pressure in the hose and store it on a reel, not slung over a nail. At the end of the season, disconnect and drain the hose, and store it indoors.

It's also a good time to inspect paint on windowsills and exposed trim. Don't paint in direct sunlight, which causes the finish to dry too quickly, lowering adhesion and durability.

GARDEN CALENDAR

Send items for consideration in Gardening Calendar to Ken Abramczyk, Observer Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI 48150 or e-mail kabramczyk@oe.homecomm.net. To send a fax, call (734) 591-7279.

GARDEN TALKS

FREE LECTURE

Saguaro Rare and Traditional Plant Nursery and Gardens offers a series of free lectures by various garden experts 1 p.m. Sundays at the nursery, 470 W. Five Mile in Whitmore Lake, including 100 Great Ornamental Grasses, by nursery owner Richard Tuttle, Oct. 8; Great Hardy Plants for Fall and Winter Interest, Oct. 15 by Tuttle; Successful Wreath Construction, Oct. 22 by nursery manager Antonio Cuellar, and Bamboo for Michigan Gardens, Oct. 29 by Tuttle. The topic on Nov. 5 is Indoor Light Gardening Techniques, and on Nov. 12 November Garden Tasks for Spring Success. The talks last about an hour. Reservations aren't necessary. A 10-percent discount is given on the plants discussed. Call (734) 449-4237.

GARDEN CLUBS

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MORE GARDENING

The Michigan School of Gardening, 29429 Six Mile, in Livonia offers a variety of subjects. Level 1 classes last through December and are prerequisites to many others. Register in advance. Many classes are limited in size.

Here is a list of some of the classes:

Janet Macunovich teaches a practical gardening class Monday, Oct. 23. A focus on design class will be taught in November by three instructors. Advance classes include shade gardens on two consecutive Tuesdays starting on Oct. 17, instructed by Pam Palechek. Also, Vines and Vertical Features, a class on using plants for wall covering or as vertical divisions in a garden, will be taught by Sue Grubba 6:30-9:30 p.m. Thursdays, Oct. 26, and Nov. 2.

Learn about water gardens from Janet Macunovich in her overview of pond design, construction and plants 6:30-9:30 p.m. or 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Wednesdays, Oct. 25 and Nov. 1. Learn how to take care of your tools and learn how to sharpen blades and keep wooden parts in good shape at a three-hour tool-care class offered on at either 9:30 a.m. or 6:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 9.

Gardening is great fun as long as gardeners maintain health. Avoid common problems by participating in a discussion of safety and health concerns, such as back and muscle strains, skin exposed to poisonous plants and toxic substances and airborne irritants. The three-hour class is scheduled for 9:30 a.m. or 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 7.

Learn about ground cover from Pam Palechick, who will discuss plants, mulches and other materials used to pave areas, which ones to use where, how to establish them and maintain these areas. The three-hour class is scheduled for 9:30 a.m. or 6:30 p.m. Wednesdays, Nov. 8 and Nov. 15.

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MONTE NAGLER

■ Don't forget candids close to home. Whether it's a family gathering at holiday time or a ball game in the back yard, candid shots will provide you with natural looking, lasting memories.

Most of us remember the excitement of *Candid Camera*, the popular television show from many years back. Well, with a little thought and planning, you too can become an Allen Funt with your camera.

After all, people are among the most fascinating of photographic subjects.

Posed deliberately in front of the camera, people often become stiff and self-conscious. But if they're caught unawares, you'll end up with shots that are natural in expression and exciting in content.

Approaches

Basically, there are two approaches to candid photography. You can intentionally provoke a reaction by attracting your subject's attention and snapping the camera at that instant, or you can try to be unnoticed and capture life as it happens.

The first approach will freeze people's snap response to your camera and you'll get expressions of surprise and humor that can be very revealing.

The second approach, shooting unobserved, will produce natural looking pictures of people going about their daily lives. If photographing in public places such as an airport, stadium or crowded street, try to attract minimum attention to yourself. Blend in with the surroundings and become a quiet observer of the action.

Telephoto lenses are certainly helpful in candid photography because you can fill the frame without having to get too close to your subject. Often, with a telephoto, you can get striking shots of people absorbed in work or play and they won't even know you're there.

But don't rule out normal or even wide angle lenses. They'll give you more of the background in your shot, which can be valuable in placing subjects in their natural environment.

Wide angle lenses

Wide angle lenses, due to their increased angle of view, will enable you to include people in the viewfinder without having to point the camera directly at them. People rarely believe they're being photographed unless the camera is aimed in their direction.

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On vacations, too, don't overlook that joyful expression just as the fish is hooked or Junior's glow of accomplishment as he completes his sand castle at the beach.

To help you get these shots, try to have your exposure predetermined so that you can trip the shutter without having to fuss with the camera's controls.

Speed

In all candid photography, speed is an important ingredient. Not so much the shutter speed or film speed, but the speed with which you can react to the image and decide on the composition, focusing and exposure of your shot.

A thorough familiarity with your camera equipment is essential if you are to operate quickly and unobtrusively to get the shots that count.

Exhibit

Monte Nagler will be holding his annual Fall Photographic Exhibition at Barnes & Noble, 6800 Orchard Lake Road, West Bloomfield Monday-Tuesday, Oct. 16-31. Nagler, a former student of Ansel Adams, specializes in moody, atmospheric landscapes he photographs while traveling around the world. He will host a reception 7-9 p.m. Friday, Oct. 20 and present a discussion "A Journey Through the History of Photography," 2 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 21. The discussion will focus on photographs from his own collection, which features the works of Ansel Adams, Alfred Stieglitz, Alfred Eisenstadt, and Arnold Newman.

Monte Nagler is a fine art photographer based in Farmington Hills. You can leave him a message by dialing (734) 953-2047 on a touch-tone phone, then 111, then N-A-G-L-E-R. His fax number is (248) 644-1314.

Reel life: *Late afternoon backlighting and a telephoto lens helped Monte Nagler obtain this very dramatic candid of this "sunset fisherman."*

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INVITING IDEAS

RUTH MOSSOK JOHNSTON

I spent a very long and lonely night this week baking a multitude of cookies for some special people in my life.

That got me thinking, "Next up, Halloween. More stuff to send, and by golly, I'm not creating those goodies alone."

As these thoughts went through my mind, my eye hit a copy of Bruce Weinstein's new book, *The Ultimate Candy Book*.

A-ha! Now there's something that would be great fun to do with friends. Make the goal of the day assorted batches of candies to give as Halloween gifts.

This might also be a fun idea for a fund-raiser. Do your very own candy sale instead of a traditional bake sale. Or just make some treats to satisfy your insatiable sweet tooth.

Bruce does it again, another in a series of *ultimates* – goodies that are quick, simple and yummy.

The Ultimate Candy Book ($15) is just arriving on the shelves of local book shops. Here are a couple of recipes from the book.

PUMPKIN SEED CRUNCH

"Pumpkin seeds, called pepitas in Mexican markets, are usually sold raw, shelled and unsalted. You will need to toast them before making this recipe. It takes about 5 to 7 minutes in a skillet over medium heat. The seeds pop as they toast. When the popping stops, the seeds are done."

Makes about 1 1/2 pounds

1/2 cup water
1 cup sugar
1/2 cup light corn syrup
1 1/2 cups shelled, toasted pumpkin seeds
1 tablespoon butter, plus additional for greasing the cookie sheet
1 tablespoon vanilla extract
1/2 teaspoon baking soda

1. Butter a large cookie sheet (preferably non-stick) and set it aside. Alternatively, butter a large marble slab. If you have a marble or granite counter, by all means use it. Simply clean it, then generously butter it.

2. Combine the water, sugar and corn syrup in a heavy medium saucepan. Place the pan over medium heat and stir until the sugar is completely dissolved and the mixture comes to a boil.

3. Clip a candy thermometer to the inside of the pan and cook, without stirring, until the syrup reaches 285 degrees F (just over soft crack). Stir in the toasted pumpkin seeds.

4. Bring the mixture back to a boil and cook, stirring often, until it reaches 300 degrees F (hard crack). Immediately remove the pan from the heat.

5. Add the butter, vanilla and baking soda. The mixture will be very thick and will foam.

6. When the foaming subsides, pour the hot candy onto the cookie sheet or the buttered marble slab. Pour it as thinly as possible, but don't spread the hot candy. After a few minutes, run a long, thin, buttered spatula or knife under the candy to make sure it isn't sticking.

7. While the candy is still quite warm, start pulling the candy. Grab the edges and stretch out the brittle. Pull it thin enough (about 1/4-inch) to keep the seeds in one layer, if possible. Alternatively, use two buttered forks to help you pull and stretch the candy.

8. As you pull, pieces of the candy may break and holes may form. That's OK – you're going to break it into pieces later on anyway.

9. The candy will become harder to pull as it cools, and will quickly become impossible to stretch without breaking. At this point, allow the candy to cool completely, about 1 hour. Using your hands, break the candy into small, irregular pieces about the size of a credit card. Store the candy in an airtight container at room temperature for up to a month.

GRANOLA CHEWY BARS

Makes about 16 bars

1 1/2 cups sugar
1/2 cup water
1/2 cup corn syrup
1/2 cup honey
1/2 cup real maple syrup
1 teaspoon vanilla extract
7 cups granola cereal
Vegetable oil for greasing the pan
Confectioners' sugar for coating

1. Oil a 9-by-13-inch Pyrex baking pan and set it aside.

2. Combine the sugar, water, corn syrup, honey and maple syrup in a heavy medium saucepan. Place the pan over medium heat. Stir until the sugar is dissolved and the mixture comes to a boil.

3. Clip a candy thermometer to the inside of the pan. Raise the heat to medium-high and cook, without stirring, until the mixture reaches 250 degrees F (firm ball).

4. Remove the pan from the heat and add the vanilla and granola all at once. Stir until the cereal is thoroughly incorporated. Spread the hot mixture into the prepared 9-by-13-inch pan. Set it aside on a cooling rack until the bottom of the pan feels cool.

5. Use a sharp knife to cut the cooled granola mixture into bars while it is still in the pan. Lift each bar out with a spatula and wrap them individually in wax paper. If the granola bars are too sticky to handle, you may coat them with confectioners' sugar before wrapping.

6. Store them at room temperature in an airtight container for up to 2 weeks.

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After the paint is dry, use a natural sea sponge available at your local paint store and dampen it in water. Then touch the side of the sponge to the paint and blot it on some newspaper. This will prevent your sponge from depositing too much paint on the wall.

Start in the middle of the area, gently touching the sponge against the wall. Dab a two- to three-foot area, varying the sponge angle to create different patterns. Put spaces between dab marks to give the room a gentle feeling and to let the basecoat shine.

After the first sponge coat dries, you can repeat the process with a second and even a third color to give the room a real designer look.

Another designer technique is ragging. This technique conveys the look of crushed fabric on a wall.

First, apply your basecoat and let it dry. Next get a lint-free rag, wet it with water and wring it out to remove any particles. Wad the rag up so the edges are not exposed, and dip the rag in paint. Test the look by blotting the rag on newspaper.

Again, start in the middle of the wall and work in a two- to three-foot area. Dip the rag in the paint and dab on the wall. Keep refolding the rag until it is dry. Repeat the process. For best results, use only one color over the basecoat.

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CRAFTS CALENDAR

If you would like to announce an upcoming craft show, bazaar, or arts boutique — items can be sent to: Crafts Calendar, 36251 Schoolcraft Road, Livonia, MI, 48150 or e-mail kmortson@oe.homecomm.net

HANDCRAFTERS SHOW
Handcrafters will be sponsoring its 18th annual Fall Arts and Crafts Show Oct. 13-15 in Northville at the Northville Recreation Center (303 W. Main Street). Over 70 juried artisans. Show hours are Friday, Oct. 13 from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.; Saturday, Oct. 14 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday Oct. 15 from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Lunch will be available. Admission is $2. No baby strollers please.

HOLIDAY MART 2000
The Grosse Pointe War Memorial (32 Lake Shore, Grosse Pointe Farms) will be turned into a gallery of shops filled with merchandise from 31 of the nation's premier specialty vendors Oct. 13-15. The annual Patron Preview Party will kick off the event Oct. 12. The Holiday Mart will be open from 9:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. Oct. 13; Oct. 14 from 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. and noon to 5 p.m. Oct. 15. A cafe will be open for lunch and light snacks. Parking at the War Memorial is free. To obtain tickets for the preview party ($50) or for information call (313) 884-7624.

FALL ARTS/CRAFTS SHOW
St. Damian Paish will be having their annual Fall Arts and Craft Show on Saturday, Oct. 14 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. throughout the school. Over 85 tables of craft items will be featured. Admission is $1. All proceeds will benefit the High School Youth Group's Summer Mission Trip to the Appalachian Mountains in West Virginia. St. Damian is located at 30055 Joy Road, between Middlebelt and Merriman Roads, Westland. Call (734) 421-6130 fot more information.

CRAFTERS WANTED
Crafters are wanted for the Redford Suburban League's Annual Lunch, Boutique and Fashion Show — Oct. 18 at the Burton Manor. Please call Margaret at (734) 261-3737 or Gloria at (734) 591-9167 to reserve your table.

CRAFTERS NEEDED
Crafters are needed for the 14th annual juried show Saturday, Oct. 21 at West Middle School (44401 W. Ann Arbor Trail) of Plymouth sponsored by Delta Kappa Gamma. A single space starts at $70 with table rental available and electricity free of charge. The show will run from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Call Terri at (248) 349-5344 for information. This year, the members of Delta Kappa Gamma are planning to continue scholarship funding with the proceeds of their 2000 Craft Fair.

CRAFT FAIR
Delta Kappa Gamma's 14th annual scholarship craft fair will be held on Oct. 21. The show will run from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at West Middle School (44401 W. Ann Arbor Trail - SW corner of Sheldon and Ann Arbor Trail) Plymouth. Over 100 juried crafters, admission $2. Call (248) 349-5344.

SIGN UP NOW
Crafters can sign up now for St. Theodore Catholic Church annual craft show 9 a.m.-3 p.m., Saturday, Oct. 21 at the Parish Social Hall, 8200 N. Wayne Road, in Westland. Table rental is available for $20. Call Becky at 721-3454 to reserve a table.

FALL CRAFT SHOW
Churchill High School PTSA is holding its 9th annual Fall Craft Show from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 21. We are located at 8900 Newburg Road just north of Joy Road. Admission is $2. Call 523-0022.

CRAFTERS WANTED
The 19th annual Christmas Bazaar will be held from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Oct. 28 at St. Robert Bellarmine Church (West Chicago & Inkster Road) in Redford. Admission is $1. Tables are still available, cost is $25. Call Josie (734) 522-2963 or Joann (313) 937-0226.

HOLIDAY BAZAAR
St. Elizabeth's Episcopal Church (26431 W. Chicago Road) between Inkster and Beech Daly Roads. Crafters are needed. Order tables now. Saturday, Oct. 28 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Call (313) 937-2880.

HARVEST MOON CRAFTS
Exhibitors are being sought for the Harvest Moon Craft Show at Livonia Mall will be held Nov. 2-5. Tables available. This is a juried event. Livonia Mall is located at Seven Mile and Middlebelt in Livonia. Call (248) 476-1160.

HOLIDAY MAGIC CRAFT SHOW
Crafters applications are being accepted for the 14th juried Leonard Elementary Holiday Craft Show on Saturday, Nov. 4 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The school is located East of Livernois, North of Wattles. For more information and applications, call (248) 689- 1533 or (248) 689-7672.

CRAFTS & MORE SALE
Nov. 4 from 10am to 4pm St. John's Episcopal Church, 555 S. Wayne Rd. Westland. For space call (734) 729-1605

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HOLIDAY BOUTIQUE
Tables are still available for the 17th annual St. Anselm Holiday Boutique to be held on Saturday, Nov. 4. The school is located in Dearborn Heights on Outer Drive just North of Ford Road. Crafters may call (313) 563-754 or (313) 563-0572 for more information.

HOLIDAY CRAFT SHOW
Crafters are wanted for St. Paul Lutheran's (20805 Middlebelt and Eight Mile roads) 13th annual Holiday Craft show from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 4. Tables are $30. Call (248) 476-0841 or (734) 591-0224.

HOLIDAY HAPPENING
Livonia Stevenson "Holiday Happening" Fall Craft Show from 10:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 4. Located on 6 Mile Rd just west of Farmington Rd. Pictures are required. Over 150 Crafters. Lunch and bake sale are available. The spaces are $60.00 and are 6 x 16 or 10 x 10. Limited electricity is available at no additional cost. For an application or additional information, please call (248) 478-2395 or (248) 476-0315. Sponsored by the Stevenson Booster Club.

HOLIDAY CRAFT FAIR
Frost Middle School PTSA presents their 24th annual Holiday Craft Show from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 4. Admission is $2 (no strollers please). Over 150 quality crafters. Lunch room and bake sale offered. Frost Middle School is located at 14041 Stark Road west of Farmington Road and north of I-96.

BENEFIT CRAFT SHOW
A holiday craft show, featuring the work of a variety of artists, benefiting the Salvation Army in their efforts to provide a holiday meal to local families in need will be held from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Nov. 11 at the Oakwood Healthcare Center - Canton (7300 Canton Center Road). Admittance is free. Come out and support Oakwood's efforts to provide a bountiful holiday to families in need. Call (734) 454-8001.

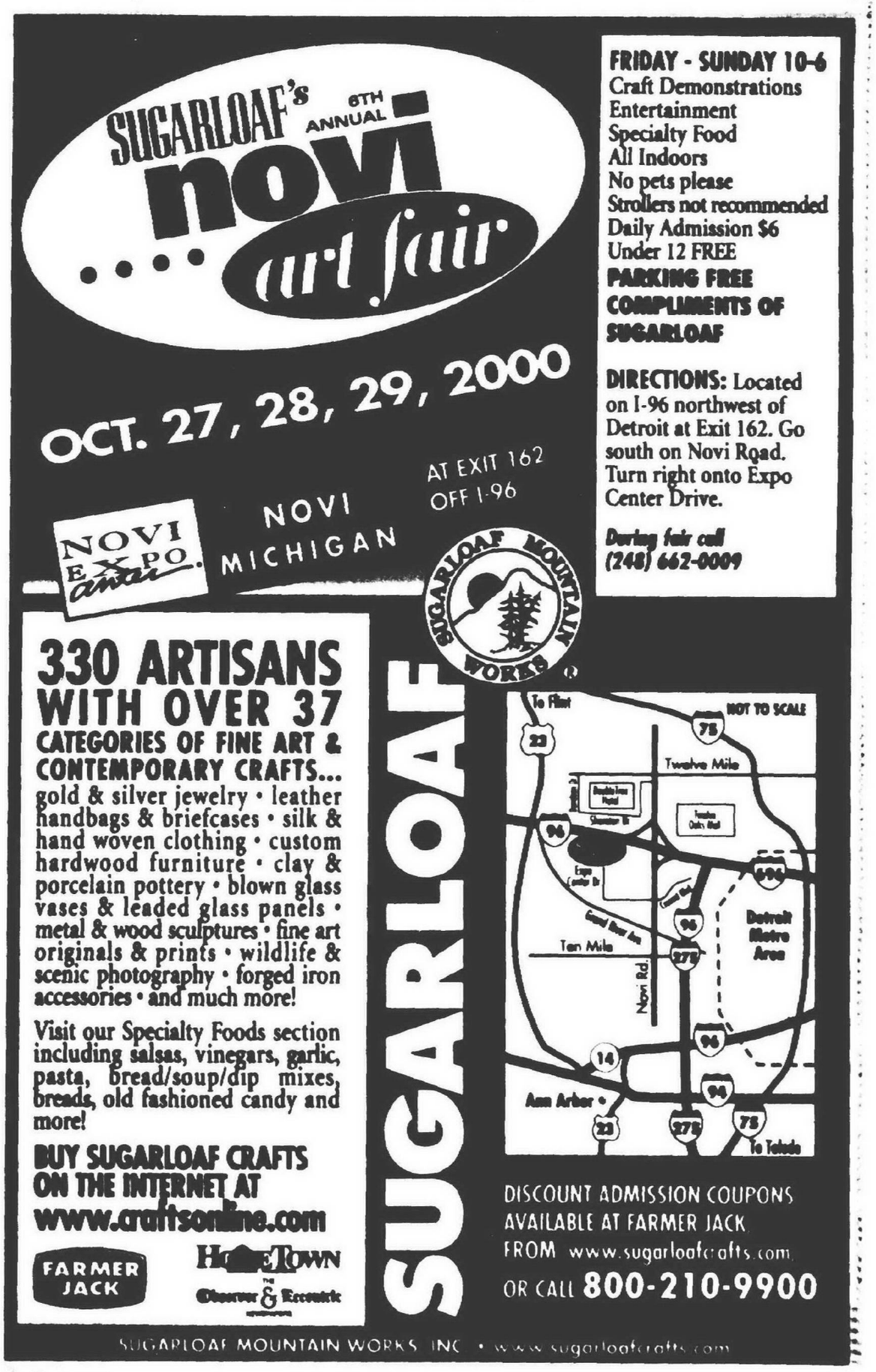
HOLIDAY BOUTIQUE
The Athletic Booster Club of Clarenceville High School will hold a Holiday Boutique from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 11 at Clarenceville High School (Middlebelt between Seven and Eight Mile roads). Over 150 juried crafters featured. Babysitting offered, bakesale and raffle. No strollers please. Admission is $2. Monies raised will provide college scholarships, training equipment, and uniforms.

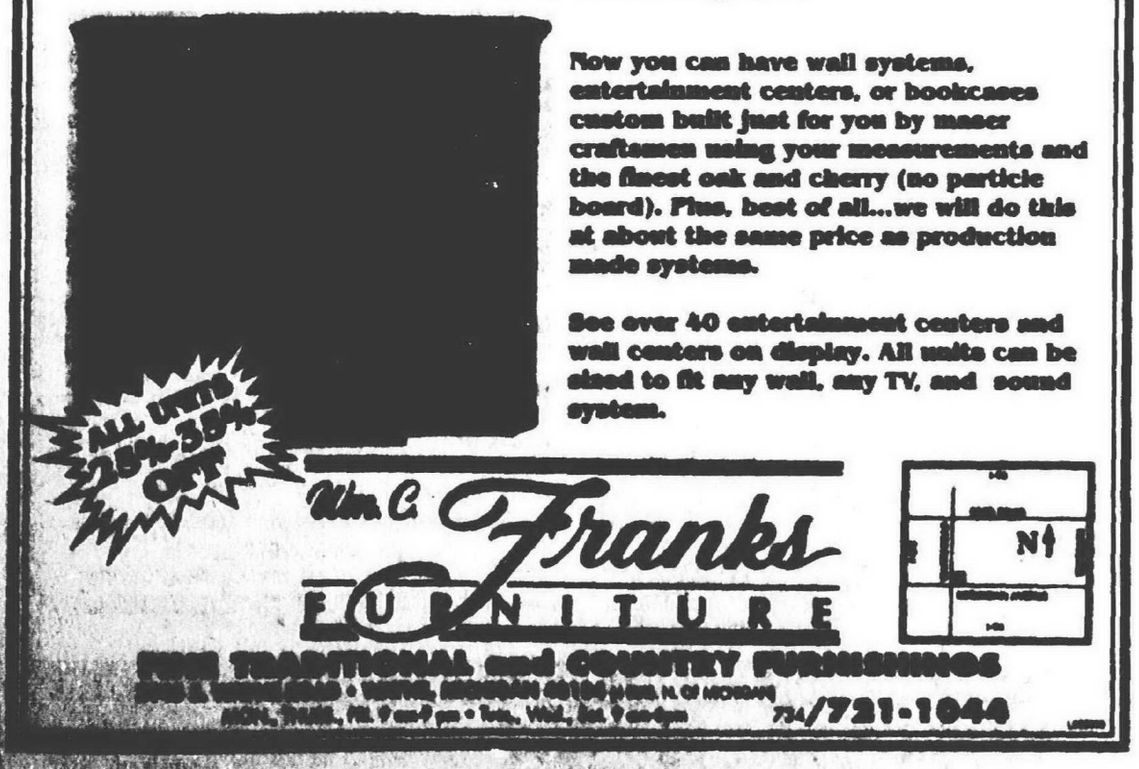
ARBONNE GIFT BOUTIQUE
Handmade gift baskets for everyone on your gift list. Arbonne International will hold a holiday gift boutique at the Embassy Suites Hotel - Livonia (19525 Victor Parkway) from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 18. Raffles and refreshments offered.

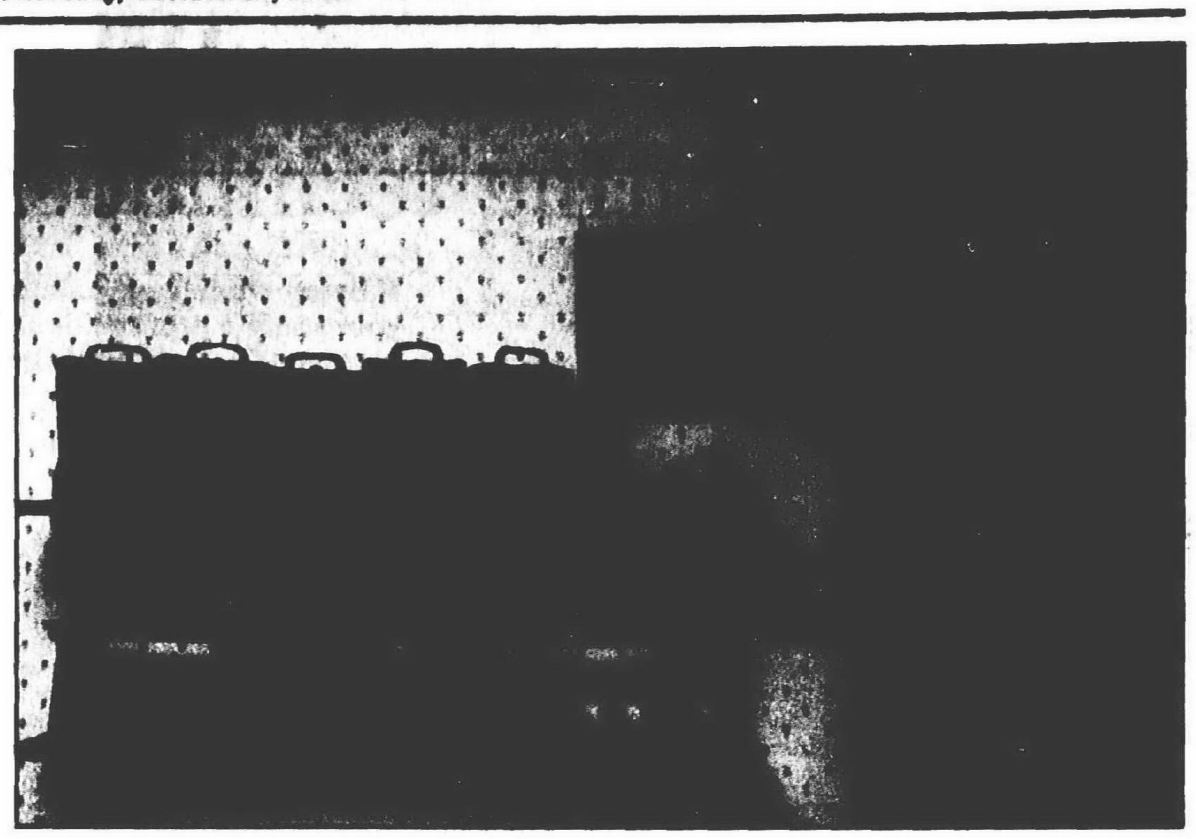
FRANKLIN CRAFT SHOW
Franklin High School will be the site of a craft show from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 18 (31000 Joy Road) in Livonia between Middlebelt and Merriman roads. Over 175 crafters. Admission $1. No strollers. Applications still accepted. Call Julie Culp (734) 522-5287.

CRAFTERS SOUGHT
Crafters wanted for the Mercy High School holiday show Nov. 24-25. Call (248) 476-8020 ext. 253 for an application or information.

CHRISTMAS SHOW
Expressions Arts & Crafts will be hosting an Art & Craft Pavilion at the Michigan Christmas Show that will be held at the Novi Expo Center Nov. 30 - Dec. 3. All work must be original work of the artist or crafter. Please call (248) 348-5448 for more information.

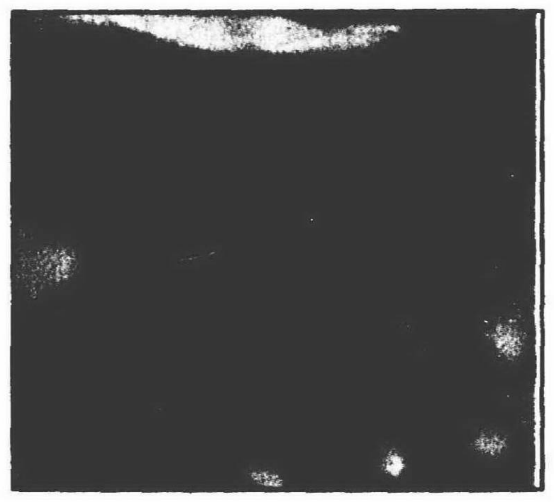






Pieces of history: *A room (left) in the residence of Mary Starr holds a colorful collection of majolica, and clock that Mary Starr discovered in a case. Orson Starr made these cowbells (at right) now displayed in the home.*

Even cowbells sing charm of antiques in Franklin



Nothing to sneeze at: *This snuff box in Mary Starr's collection dates from the 1700s.*

BY MARY KLEMIC
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Orson Starr came to Royal Oak from New York in 1831 to seek his fortune in the Territory of Michigan.

Starr built a factory and manufactured cowbells, selling them to settlers coming through the territory. It was the community's first industry and Starr operated it for more than 40 years.

His great-great-granddaughter, Mary Starr, has collected an assortment of the cowbells. Today they are displayed in her Franklin home.

They are among the variety of antiques furnishing the residence with additional charm, beauty or both.

"I've had the fever (for antiques) forever," Mary Starr said.

What is the appeal of antiques?

"The individuality of the pieces and the interest and I would say the 'artistic-ness' of being able to put things together," Starr replied.

Find the appeal for yourself by visiting the sixth annual Franklin Community Antiques Show, Friday-Saturday, Oct. 20-21, at the Franklin Community Church, 26425 Wellington.

The church is on the Village Green at Wellington and Normandy in the historic district of Franklin Village, south of Maple.

Hours are 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Oct. 20 and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Oct. 21. Admission is $6.

More than 30 dealers will present brass, silver, porcelain, linens, quilts, rugs, jewelry, Flo-Blue, Orientalia, American decorative arts, lamps, paintings, primitives, books, Meissen, Quimper, and English and American furniture. The show will also feature a country cafe and bake sale.

The event will kick off with a Preview Night, 6-9 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 19, featuring hors d'oeuvres and cappuccino. Preview tickets are $40 and include re-admission to the show.

"It's one of the nicest shows in the area," Starr said. "It's very well attended."

Starr bought a pine table from the event one year. It is in the same room with a teal pine cabinet and some of her majolica pieces on a shelf.

"I love the colors," she said of majolica.

Another room houses a deep red cabinet.

Orson Starr's cowbells were made of sheet iron, zinc and copper. At that time it took several days to make the trip to Detroit to obtain the materials.

The cowbells came in eight sizes – the smallest (which were put on sheep) about 3-1/2 inches high and 2-1/2 inches in diameter, and the largest about 8 inches high and 6 inches in diameter.

Sometimes payment was made in farm produce. Once Starr exchanged a load of bells for a farm, which replaced the two-room log house in which he and his family – consisting of his wife, four daughters and six sons – lived.

Some of the larger cowbells in Mary Starr's collection hang from wide straps on the wall. Others are arranged on shelves.

Other items in Mary Starr's home have stories. She bought what she thought was a case at an auction. When she got home, she discovered that it contained gears for a clock. Starr had the clock assembled and repaired, and now it hangs on a wall.

Over the fireplace is a delicate sampler, made in the 1800s by an ancestor who was 13 years old at the time. The softly colored sampler features the alphabet, numbers, a ship and flowers.

Old iron beds, including one from Starr's grandmother's house, display a special grace. Among Starr's other collections are boxes, one of which is an exquisite papier-mâché snuff box from the 1700s.

Starr is an advocate of really living with antiques, instead of keeping them at a distance.

"You can put your feet up on it ... You don't have to be careful of furniture at all," she said.

The Franklin Community Antiques Show will take place a short walk from the village center, with boutiques and the Franklin Cider Mill offering cider and fresh baked doughnuts.

Proceeds from the antiques show will benefit outreach programs supported by Franklin Community Church and selected Franklin community organizations. For more information, call (248) 626-6606.

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Comfortable: *Old iron beds in Mary Starr's home have a special grace.*

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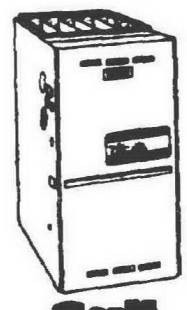

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DESIGNER DATES

■ An exhibit by fine art photographer and At Home columnist Monte Nagler will run Oct. 16-31 at Barnes & Noble, 6800 Orchard Lake Road in West Bloomfield. A reception will take place 7-9 p.m. Friday, Oct. 20. Nagler will be in attendance at the exhibit 3-9 p.m. every day, and will present a program, *Journey Through the History of Photography*, 2 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 21. Hours are 9 a.m. to 11 p.m. Monday-Saturday, 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. Sunday.

■ The Fall Remodeling & Furniture Show, presented by the non-profit Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan, features products and services for the home Thursday-Sunday, Oct. 12-15, at the Novi Expo Center, I-96 and Novi Road. Hours are 2-10 p.m. Thursday-Friday, 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. Saturday, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday. Admission is $6, $4 for seniors, $3 for ages 6-12. For information, call (248) 862-1019 or visit www.builders.org

■ The sixth annual Lansing West Side tour will take place 1-5 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 15. The tour will feature nine homes spanning a 70-year era, most of them from the 1920s. Tickets are $15 and can be bought Sunday afternoon at Fire Station No. 7 at Saginaw and Jenison, or in advance from several businesses in Lansing, East Lansing and Okemos. For information, call Advent House Ministries at (517) 485-4722.

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SRO Productions presents "The Last Night of Ballyhoo" 8 p.m. at the Burgh, corner of Civic Center Drive and Berg Road, one block east of Telegraph, Southfield. Tickets $10, $8 seniors/ children, call (248) 827-0701.

SATURDAY

Plymouth Symphony Orchestra opens its new season with "Gala 55 – Opening Night Orchestral Showcase" 8 p.m. at Plymouth Salem High School Auditorium, 46181 Joy, Canton. Tickets: $14, $12 seniors/ college students, no charge for school children through grade 12, (734) 451-2112.

SUNDAY

The Nardin Park United Methodist Church Music Series opens 7:30 p.m. with the Motor City Brass Band. Reception precedes concert at 6:45 p.m. The church is on 11 Mile, west of Middlebelt in Farmington Hills. No charge, (248) 476-8860.

HOT TICKET

Blast! A theatrical production that roars with color, music, movement and emotion continues to Sunday, Oct. 22, at the Masonic Temple Theatre in Detroit. Performances 8 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday, 2 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, and 7:30 p.m. Sunday. Tickets $30-$55, (248) 645-6666.

The ... [illegible] ... Tarpanski and Stephanie Piquet practice one of the ... [illegible] ... in "Little Shop of Horrors."

Theatre Guild of Livonia-Redford to present fun musical season opener

By Keely Wygonik
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Addiction can be a [illegible] thing, just ask [illegible] and her husband [illegible]

[illegible] allows us to spend [illegible]

They've been spending a lot of [illegible] at the theater [illegible] of crew and cast to get ready for the opening of the Guild's first show this [illegible] ... [illegible] inspired in theater. After graduating, they worked for a professional theater company, the Actors & Playwrights Initiative in Kalamazoo.

When Ryan, who is now 5, was born, they decided to move to Hazel Park to be closer to family. Sean grew up in Rochester and is a graduate of Adams High School.

"There's not enough money in theater to raise a family," said Heidi, [illegible] that Sean now works as a computer programmer. But, when [illegible] introduced him to the Theatre Guild of Livonia-Redford, Sean [illegible] he had found a second home.

[illegible] group has been in transition. [illegible] year the guild presented just one show, but the Guild's on the [illegible] and has scheduled a season [illegible] shows plus a festival of one-[illegible]

[illegible] made the group so appealing was its similarity to the group I had worked with in Kalamazoo," said Sean. "Both are small, intimate, Off-Off-Broadway style theaters and I have always loved theater where you can closely interact with [illegible]

[illegible] was in trouble. [illegible] theater has a long history in this community, but [illegible] was not enough new involvement to sustain it. I thought I could change that, so I went out and gathered some people I knew, as well as people I just met that had a deep desire to see this theater succeed, put them together, and reenergized this theater. We are slowly rebuilding and spreading the word that this is the place to go to see quality theater."

"We bring in people from all over," said Heidi. "We pretty much cast everyone. If you're there, we'll use you. It enables people who aren't professionals to do something that's a dream of theirs.

Great experience

"Community theater really starts people on their way to professional theater," said Heidi. "Being in a show makes people appreciate theater more and broadens their awareness of the world."

On stage

What: The Theatre Guild of Livonia-Redford opens its 2000-2001 season "Little Shop of Horrors," 8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 20. Performances 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, through Nov. 4 and 2 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 29 and Nov. 5.
Where: At the theater, 15138 Beech Daly just south of Five [illegible] ford Township Hall, Redford.
Tickets: $12 adults, $10 senior citizens and students, call (313) 531-0554. Discounts for groups of 10 or more.

Rehearsing: *Mark Ripper (left) and Janet Stevenson rehearse a scene from "Little Shop of Horrors."*

Please see GUILD, E2

Beckett drama reflects on human nature

By Linda Ann Chomin
Staff Writer
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David Kelly's Irish brogue rings through the phone lines strong and clear. The 72 -year-old actor is on the road playing the role he first took on more than 40 years ago in *Krapp's Last Tape.*

The one-man drama is part of a Samuel Beckett mini-festival the Gate Theatre of Dublin will perform Friday-Saturday, Oct. 13-14, in the University Musical Society series in Ann Arbor.

Kelly plays an old man looking back over his life in the 45-minute play that became the sensation of the off-Broadway season in 1960.

"We get older and we understand the whole bizarre mystery tour a little better," said Kelly as he rested between performances in Iowa City. "Krapp's listening to a tape he records every year on his birthday. This one is from 30 years ago as a young man. I had the exuberance of youth then. I was only 30 when I first played Krapp.

What: The Gate Theatre of Dublin presents a mini-festival featuring the plays of Samuel Beckett
When: *Waiting for Godot*, 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Oct. 13-14 at the Power Center for the Performing Arts, 121 Fletcher Street; and *Krapp's Last Tape* 2 p.m. and 5 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 14 at the Residential College Auditorium located in East Quad, 701 East University, Ann Arbor.
Tickets: $20-$42 for *Waiting for Godot*, $25 for *Krapp's Last Tape*, call (734) 764-2538 or (800) 221-1229

Soul searching: *David Kelly plays an old man looking back over his life in the one-man drama "Krapp's Last Tape."*

"It's about looking back and what might have been. It takes tremendous energy to create the thing that makes you hold an audience."

Four decades later Kelly is as taken with the role as when he first played Krapp, a hard-drinking unsuccessful writer, in a 1959 Gate Theatre production. Kelly joined the company after studying theater at the Abbey School of Acting associated with the Abbey Theatre in Dublin. Founded in 1928 by Hilton Edwards and Michael MacLiammoir, the Gate Theatre is renowned as one of the most adventur-

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DOCUMENTARY

Movie explores little known rescue mission

By Jon Katz
Special Writer

"It was an idyllic life and I was the center of the universe." For Kurt Fuchel, that was the Vienna, Austria he knew in 1938 as a seven year old.

Then, in March of that year, the Nazis came. And Kurt's idyllic life was ripped asunder.

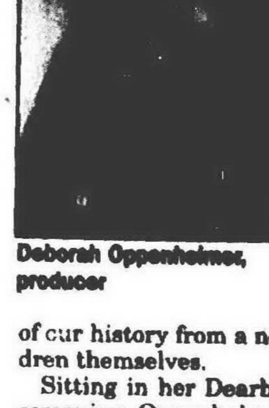
For baby boomer Deborah Oppenheimer, executive producer of "The Drew Carey Show," the years preceding World War II had become a personal jigsaw puzzle.

"I couldn't ever get my mother to sit and tell me her story. She would start crying and I would start crying, but I could see what it did to her emotionally. She died without my ever knowing what happened to her."

Until now. Oppenheimer discovered that her mother, like Kurt Fuchel, was one of more than 10,000 children in Germany, Austria and Czechoslovakia whose parents made the voluntary but agonizing decision to send them away to Great Britain. These children, or Kinder, as they came to be known, were taken into foster homes and hostels, expecting eventually to be reunited with their parents. Most of them never saw their families again.

Rescue mission

This extraordinary but relatively unknown rescue mission called Kindertransport is the subject of Oppenheimer's feature-length documentary, *Into the Arms of Strangers: Stories of the Kindertransport*, opening Friday exclusively at the Landmark Maple Art Theater in Bloomfield Hills.



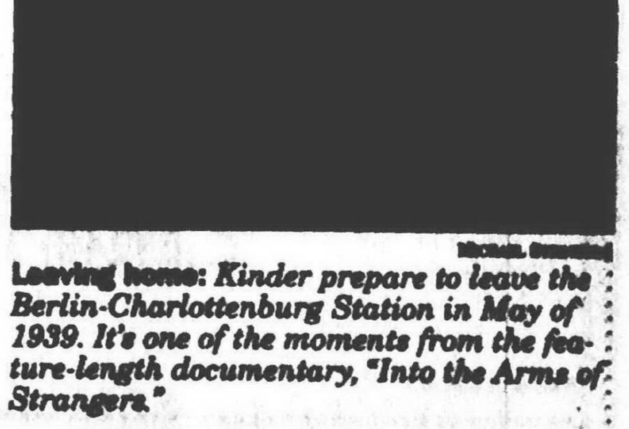
Deborah Oppenheimer, producer

With the cooperation of the U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum, Oppenheimer found and interviewed Fuchel and more than a dozen other participants, parents and rescuers. Their accounts meld with remarkable footage – and the narration of Dame Judi Dench – to present a disturbing yet uplifting look at that dark chapter of our history from a new perspective, that of the children themselves.

Sitting in her Dearborn hotel suite after the film's screening, Oppenheimer and Fuchel – one of the few who did reunite with his parents and who now lives in the New York area – discussed the documentary and the importance of its message.

Important message

"I didn't make the movie to make a statement; I made it because nobody had heard of the Kindertransport," said Oppenheimer. "But I think that the people in the film are eloquent in their honesty and what they say has tremendous relevance today, because we don't learn from history."



Michael Bromberg

Leaving home: *Kinder prepare to leave the Berlin-Charlottenburg Station in May of 1939. It's one of the moments from the feature-length documentary, "Into the Arms of Strangers."*

It was Hitler's policy of forced emigration prior to Germany's invasion of Poland that allowed Jews and others to leave for friendlier lands. But it wasn't [illegible]

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Guild from page E1

While two-month-old Katharine sleeps peacefully nearby, Heidi talks about the positive impact the Theatre Guild of Livonia-Redford has had on Ryan.

"He sits and watches the story, and sees his daddy do something he doesn't usually do. He understands the difference between real and play, and will come home from rehearsal and act out scenes."

The cast ranges in age from 16 to 35. There are no age requirements to audition for a show. Three high school students were cast.

Fun show

"I chose *Little Shop of Horrors* to open the season because it is a fun show for both the audience and the cast, it is challenging, and was a good opening for a season that begins near Halloween," said Sean. "Though I have never done the show myself, I have seen the original movie it was based on and I have seen the movie version of the musical. I love the music in this show. Many musicals today are more like one long song interrupted by dialogue, but each of these songs are unique as well as an intricate part of the story."

Sean is cast as Seymour Krelborn, a meek, mild-mannered florist who dreams of getting out of his life on skid row. He is also desperately in love with a girl named Audrey who also works at the flower shop. All of his dreams start to come true after he discovers a new breed of plant. The only problem is that the plant needs blood to survive, and as it grows, so does its appetite.

Excellent cast

Director Adam Organ of Livonia is happy with how the show is progressing.

"We have an excellent cast and a talented crew who are working very hard," he said. "It's the best live entertainment you'll find for $12. It's a fun show, family-oriented, with excellent characters everyone can relate to."

Organ joined the group in June and says he was welcomed with open arms. "I like the fresh ideas and energy."

He encourages people who are thinking about getting involved in theater to consider joining the group. "Anyone who has talent — they'll find a way to work with them," he said.

Mark Ripper of Westland has been involved with the Theatre Guild of Livonia-Redford for a few years.

"This is a show I've always wanted to do," he said of *Little Shop of Horrors*. He likes the symbolism of '50s and '60s B movies, the music and campiness of it. Ripper also liked the 1986 movie version.

He's cast in fun bits including the chorus, salesman and a bum.

"They always come together to put good shows up," he said about the group. "The small size gives actors an opportunity to grab the audience."

Janet Stevenson of Novi, who serves on the board as vice president, portrays Mrs. Mushnick. Her specialty is improv, and she was previously with Second City Chicago.

She joined the Theatre Guild of Livonia-Redford in March. "I like the way they work," she said. "They really try to bring the community into theater."

"*Little Shop of Horrors* has been challenging, but fun. "It's so cheesy," said Stevenson. "There's so much room for the characters to explode. It's been so much fun. You're kind of seeing a monster Hollywood-type movie on stage. It's just a very fun, goofy, cheesy, play. We've bonded as a cast and work well off of each other."

Members sought

The Theatre Guild of Livonia-Redford is looking for more members. "We could use a few extra hands," said Ripper, who is also designing the lighting for *Little Shop of Horrors*. Painters, plumbers, and other technical people are needed to help with sets and lights.

"I think membership in the Theatre Guild is very beneficial," said Sean. "Membership helps support cultural activity in your community, and are tax deductible. However, you do not have to be a member to get involved. Any help is appreciated, whether you donate time to come down and help paint a set or just want to donate some office supplies. You can also help by purchasing an ad in our program, or just see a show."

"Saturday is our work day," said Heidi. "Anyone who wants to join and have fun is welcome. "Our doors are open."

This year, for the first time, the guild will host a by-invitation-only President's Preview at 8 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 19. This special performance of *Little Shop of Horrors* is open only to members and businesses that advertise in the guild's seasonal program.

"This is our way of showing our appreciation to all of those who are supporting the arts in this area," said Heidi. Appetizers and wine will be served, and the audience will have a chance to meet cast members, and even walk on stage to see how it feels.

For more information about becoming a member of the guild, call (313) 531-0554 or e-mail theatreguild@ hotmail. com.

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ous playhouses in Europe.

"It's an awfully good part," said Kelly. "I have no interest in quitting. In fact, after I'm dead, I plan to play Yorick in *Hamlet*. In Beckett, there's a message with everything he writes. 'Do it now, don't write things off.'

"People think of Beckett as all despair and dustbins, but it never is. It's always about hope and the unsinkable human spirit. And it's always a challenge. Beckett hands you these beautiful words. It's your job to hold the audience. You want them to be riveted to the spot."

And that's not always easy. The significance of a scene may take a while to evolve whether the play is *Krapp's Last Tape* or the second production in the mini-festival – *Waiting for Godot*.

Kelly, like Krapp, is a creature of habit himself. Born and raised in Dublin, Kelly still lives in the house he grew up in as a young boy.

"Krapp has this thing about bananas," said Kelly. "He eats two bananas every day. When he listens to the old tape he finds himself saying 'I nearly had four bananas today. Overindulgence is not good for a man in my condition.' He still persists with these little indiscretions despite the warnings."

Unlike Krapp, Kelly is taking care of his health. Between now and spring, Kelly will need all his energy for the three films in which he's been cast. Acting on screen is his second love.

Kelly's best known for starring in the award-winning film *Waking Ned Devine* for which he received Hollywood's Golden Satellite Award for Best Actor in 1998. The last few years he's also appeared in *Ordinary Decent Criminal* with Kevin Spacey. He has just finished filming *Rough for Theatre I* with Milo O'Shea for the Beckett Film Project.

"Film is totally different – you only have to speak a couple of words a day and leave it to a director to chop it," said Kelly. "It's not acting in the real sense of acting. I love live theater. That's what keeps me going. It's my very breath. It's playing to that audience, the wonderful rapport.

"I don't think an audience realizes how important they are. They supply one of the main ingredients of your performance."

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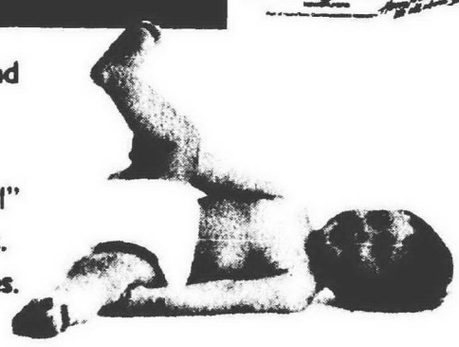

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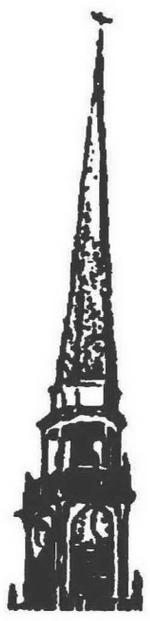

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Local economy profits from an investment in arts

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We knew it was good for us, but it isn't often that the economic impact of a major event in the arts community is assessed as thoroughly as the study of this spring's *Van Gogh: Face to Face* exhibit at the Detroit Institute of Arts.

Research conducted and recently released by Yee/Minard Associates indicated that nearly $93 million was pumped into our local economy by the 315,000 visitors to the show. The drawing power was best illustrated in the findings that 50 percent of visitors were from out of town, 11 percent of which were making their first trip to Detroit.

The study demonstrates that an investment in the arts can bring a hefty return. The dollars are best tabulated and estimated by the economists and researchers. But each of us can obtain first-hand knowledge of how we benefit from our cultural institutions.

Some recent attractions may have lacked the economic clout of the Van Gogh exhibit, but certainly packed a wallop in revealing the diverse advantages of a thriving arts scene.

Let's begin with opportunity. Cultural institutions go to great lengths to be accessible to all – not just as spectators, but participants as well. Take, for example, the stories of a Detroit police officer and an automotive engineer who performed alongside international stars as extras in the Michigan Opera Theatre production of *Aida*.

Role in education

Then there's the important role that the arts play in education. For over 30 years, the Detroit Symphony Orchestra has been training new generations of musicians through the Detroit Symphony Civic Orchestra. Young people from middle schools, high schools and colleges can get an open audition, and earn the privilege or working with and learning from world class professionals like Pinkus Zuckerman and local greats like Marcus Belgrave.

The arts make an enormous contribution in preserving our cultural traditions. Amid the triumph of the Van Gogh exhibit and other events that boosted the gate at the DIA in the past year, a little known Mexican folk art received prime exposure in the Rivera Court. As artist Alejandro Garcia Nelo created an altar of Papel Picado, or "punched paper," attendees were introduced to the techniques that are often used to beautify tables, windows, and ceilings.

To remain vibrant, the Detroit area's key cultural institutions have consistently delivered something extra – a fresh perspective.

Cranbrook

Whenever we're seeking a diversion from our everyday lives, the renowned Cranbrook Art Museum is one of the first places to look. A recent installation offered filmmaker Robert Anderson's quirky, yet accommodating view of the dramas that unfold in motels across the country. Anderson's short films provided an escape for those that checked in. An award-winning segment to air at 5:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 19 on Detroit Public TV's BACKSTAGE PASS gives you a glimpse.

The Van Gogh exhibit affirms that we get a good return on our investment in the arts. But let's also put a value on the other benefits from exhibits and activities that provide opportunity, teach, preserve our cultural traditions and otherwise enrich our lives.

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– from either side of the operation.

"Countries had quotas that were filled very quickly," said Oppenheimer.

"The only country that was willing to do anything, and then only for children so as not to be a burden on their economy or to take jobs away, was Great Britain, which forced the parents into the devastating decision of having to send their children away alone to strangers."

And what of the United States? While a bill allowing an additional 20,000 children to our shores was submitted to Congress, it died before coming to a vote. "The American response was shameful," said Oppenheimer. "Canada, in fact, said none is too many," added Fuchel.

Research

Oppenheimer researched the Kindertransport operation for over two years and developed a general script with Academy Award-winning documentary filmmaker Mark Jonathan Harris (*The Long Way Home*). They threw out half the script after putting their interviewees on film. What the Kinder told them, no one could possibly have written.

■ The vast majority of children left their parents bound for British holding centers, where they would remain unless selected by foster parents. Inevitably, the cutest and youngest children were picked first. Brothers and sisters were separated.

"All of the people were surprised by the emotion that was tapped from inside of them (during the interviews)," Oppenheimer said. "They had never sat for hours and told their stories like that."

Writer/ director Harris, in previously released materials, commented that "when they talk, you can still see the child in their faces as they remember. They're back there at that moment and it's clear they're all still living it."

The vast majority of children left their parents bound for British holding centers, where they would remain unless selected by foster parents. Inevitably, the cutest and youngest children were picked first. Brothers and sisters were separated. Teenagers were often chosen to work as servants.

Others had to be placed in hostels. The parents of director John Schlesinger (*Midnight Cowboy*) organized a hostel for 13 children. The parents of Lord Richard Attenborough (*Cry Freedom*) took in two girls.

Kurt Fuchel's story was less typical than most. He had already been sponsored by a couple in Norwich, England when his parents put him on the train.

"They told me to do whatever the nurses on the train would tell me to do and to be a good boy. I'm sure they said something like they'd be along soon, but of course they said it in German, which I don't speak anymore," recalled Fuchel.

"My parents got out by hiding out in France, and that's where they stayed throughout the war. I lost touch with them when the Vichy government (in France) was taken over by the Germans. But they knew where I was, and after the war they sent a telegram saying that they were alive. They said good-bye to a seven year old and found a 16 year old."

Fuchel emigrated to America in 1956, and is a past president of the Kindertransport Association of North America. He estimates that one-fourth of the original 10,000 Kinder found their way to the United States or Canada.

"The message today I hope reaches the young people," Fuchel says with the quiet optimism of a real-life survivor. "Who knows, 20 years from now they may see in the papers that there are places where the children are in danger and need a helping hand, a place to live for a while, an education. And perhaps they will think back and respond."

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Jon Katz is a Rochester resident and writes about theater and movies for the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers.

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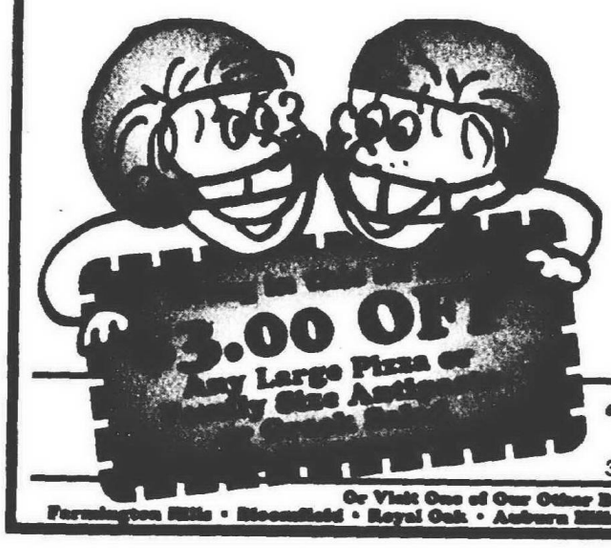

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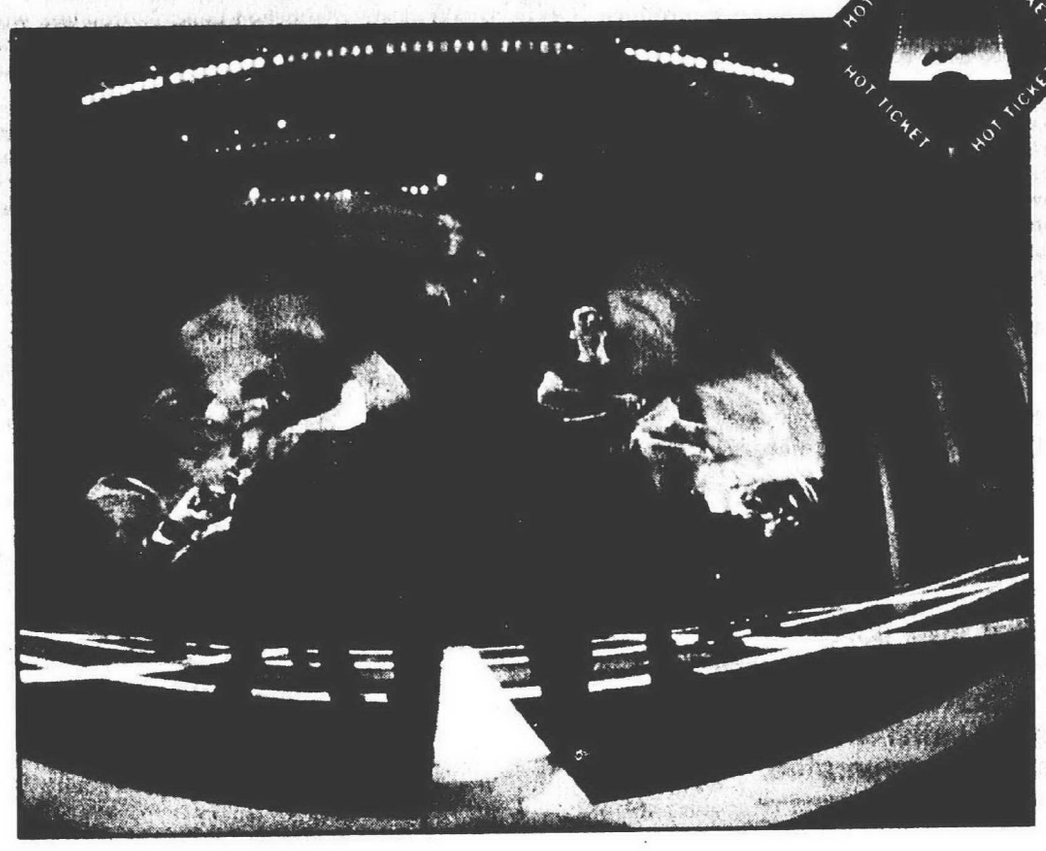
COLLEGE THEATER

HILBERRY THEATRE: *Picasso at the Lapin Agile* runs in repertory through Dec. 9, at the theater on the Wayne State University campus, Detroit. (313) 577-2972
OAKLAND UNIVERSITY: *Oleanna* by David Mamet, 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Oct. 13-14, Oct. 20-21 and 2 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 15, Studio Theatre, Varner Hall on campus, Rochester. $12, $10 seniors, $6 students. (248) 370-3013/(248) 645-6666
U-D MERCY: *The Lark* continues to Oct. 22, 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, and 2 p.m. Sunday, at the theater, Detroit. (313) 993-1130
U-M MUSICAL THEATRE: *Of Thee I Sing*, a spoof filled with tunes by George and Ira Gershwin 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, Oct. 12-14 and 2 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 15, at the Lydia Mendelssohn Theatre, Ann Arbor. $20 and $15 reserved seating, $7 students. (734) 764-0450



Blast off: *A theatrical production that roars with color, music, movement and emotion, don't miss "Blast!" See what happens when a marching band meets Broadway. Showtimes are 8 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday; 2 p.m. Saturday-Sunday now through Oct. 22, Masonic Temple Theatre, 500 Temple, Detroit. Tickets are $30-$55, call (248) 645-6666. For more information, call (313) 832-2232 or visit the Web site at www.fisherdetroit.com*

U-M THEATRE: *A View From the Bridge* 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, Oct. 12-14, and 2 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 15, at the Trueblood Theatre, Ann Arbor. $15, $7 students. (734) 764-0450

YOUTH PRODUCTIONS

CONLEN PRODUCTIONS: *Hansel and Gretel* 7 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 21 and 3 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 22, at the Automotive Hall of Fame on the grounds of the Henry Ford Museum, Dearborn. $8, $5 ages 12 and under. (248) 888-8528
KIDS KONCERT: Percussionist Kevin Collins presents a show, *Hands on Hands*, featuring African drums and dancing 1:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 14 (geared to children ages 4-10), at the Southfield Centre for the Arts. $3.25. (248) 424-9022
MICHIGAN THEATER: *Reading Rainbow*, a new musical revue based on the Emmy award-winning PBS TV program 1:30 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 15 at the theater, Ann Arbor. $10, $36 for four show series. (734) 763-TKYS
PUPPETART: *A Journey That Never Ends*, an excursion through the world of puppetry featuring guest puppeteer Eugene Clark 2 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 14; *The Firebird*, a rod-puppet show with classical and ancient Russian music, 2 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 21 and 28, at the Detroit Puppet Theater. $7, $5 children. (313) 961-7777
YOUTHEATRE: *Reading Rainbow* 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 21 and 2 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 22, at Millennium Centre, Southfield. $8 advance, $10 at door.(248) 557-PLAY or visit the Web site at www.youtheatre.org

SPECIAL EVENTS

DOLL SHOW & SALE: 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 21, at the Royal Oak Senior Community Center. No charge. (248) 546-2060/(248) 851-9795/(810) 781-2970
EDUCATION EXPO: PBS aardvark Arthur and librarian Ms. Turner host the event, includes Harry Potter Look-Alike Contest, a book swap, and hands-on activities, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 22, storytime with Arthur noon to 3 p.m., at the Southfield Civic Center. No charge. (248) 352-0990
FALL REMODELING SHOW: 2-10 p.m. Thursday-Friday, Oct. 12-13, 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 14 and until 6 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 15, at the Novi Expo Center, Novi. $6, $4 seniors, $3 ages 6-12. (248) 862-1019 or www.builders.org
MOON WALK: 7 p.m. Friday, Oct. 13, at the Nature Center in Kensington Metropark, near Milford/Brighton. Pre-registration required, call (248) 685-0603/(800) 477-3178
MOTOR CITY COMIC CON: 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 21, until 5 p.m. Sunday, oct. 22, at the Novi Expo Center. $10 or $16 both days, $6 children ages 6-10 with paid adult admission. (248) 645-6666
OCTOBERFEST: 4 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Oct. 20-21, the outdoor party features music by Gary Tunstall (Friday) and Lost Highway (Saturday) bands start at 6 p.m., at Nankin Mills Tavern, Westland. No cover. (734) 427-0622
REDFORD THEATRE: *Phantom of the Opera* starring Lon Chaney, 8 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 14, organ overture begins 30 minutes earlier, at the Redford Theatre, Detroit. $10. (313) 383-0133/(248) 258-5806/(313) 538-4394
TOUR OF THE WORLD GYMNASTICS CHAMPIONS: 4 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 4, Joe Louis Arena, Detroit. $22.50-$48. (248) 645-6666

HALLOWEEN

FARM FALL FESTIVAL: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday-Sunday through Oct. 29, includes hay rides, visiting the barn animals, milking a cow, sheep shearing, butter churning, and a magic show by Baffling Bill the Magician, at Upland Hills Farm, Oxford. $7, $5 children to age 18, $2 pony rides for small children. (248) 628-1611
HAYRIDE WITH STORYTYTELLING: Friday-Saturday nights in October, hayrides include storytelling performance by Debra Christian, cider and donuts, at the Plymouth Orchards and Cider Mill. $12, $7 ages 4-12, $3 under age 3. (734) 451-1128
PUMPKIN FESTIVAL: Continues to Oct. 31 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. weekends, pumpkins, fresh apple cider, donuts, corn stalks, gourds, straw, pony rides noon to 7 p.m. weather permitting, also small petting barn, at Wilson Barn, Livonia. (734) 466-2410/(313) 427-4311. For group outings or to arrange hay rides call (313) 278-8265

RON ESPINOZA

Fire-breathing rock and roll: *Together more than a decade now, The Dragons rock like radio never existed. Ignoring the industry standards that claim Limp Bizkit and Britney Spears as rock and pop royalty, the San Diego-based quartet strip down to a raw sound, declaring all you need is a few guitars, a bass and drums. The Dragons features (left to right) Steve Rodriguez on bass, Ken Mochikoshi Horne on guitar, Mario Escovedo on vocals and Jarrod Lucas on drums. The band's latest release R.L.F. on Junk Records shrieks with the anthemic "Roll The Dice," punk aesthetics of "Sleep When I'm Dead" and doomsday-style vocals reminiscent of Evan Dando on "Killing Time." The Dragons prove that punk is alive and well. Johnny Rotten should be proud.*

Rock out with The Dragons, when they perform with headliners Gaza Strippers and The Von Bondies, 9 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 14, Magic Stick, Detroit. Call (313) 833-9700.

ZOOBOO: A merry-not-scary way for ages two to eight to celebrate Halloween and trick or treat, 6-9 p.m. Friday-Sunday, Oct. 20-22 and Wednesday-Tuesday, Oct. 26-31, at the Detroit Zoo, Royal Oak. $4. (248) 541-5835/(248) 645-6666
ZOORAMA SAFARI: Fun-filled and spooky events, trick or treat down the Belle Isle boardwalk and see the animals, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Wednesday-Sunday, Oct. 18-22, at the Belle Isle Zoo, Detroit. $2. (248) 398-0900

BENEFITS

BALFOUR CONCERT: 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 18, at Orchestra Hall, Detroit. Proceeds benefit the Zionist Organization of America's domestic public relations and information programs and Israel-based education and cultural project, ZOA House. (248) 569-1515/(248) 356-4191
DETROIT INTERNATIONAL WIN AUCTION: 6 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 28, at the Detroit Marriott Renaissance Center Ballroom. To benefit Center for Creative Studies-College of Art and Design. (313) 664-7464
EMPTY BOWLS: An Empty Bowls meal will be held 5-7 p.m. Friday, Oct. 13 and people will be asked to "pay what you can, if you can" for their meal and bowl, at Swords into Plowshares Peace Center and Gallery, Detroit. For information about the Oct. 13 benefit to help several local and national organizations, call (248) 628-4842 or visit the Web site at www.emptybowls.net
PERFORMANCE NETWORK: A Taste for Theater gourmet win and beer tasting event 7:30-10 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 25, in the Atrium Ballroom of Weber's Inn, Ann Arbor. $30, $50, $75, proceeds go to support the Performance Network's theater programs. (734) 663-0696 or e-mail at pnetwork@bizserve.com
PURPLE ROSE THEATRE: World premiere of the film *Escanaba in da Moonlight* 3 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 22 (festivities begin at 2 p.m.), at the Fox Theatre, Detroit. $15, $50, $250, to benefit the Purple Rose Theatre. (248) 645-6666

CLASSICAL

BIRMINGHAM-BLOOMFIELD SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA: Opens its "Bach to the Future" season with "The Three B's" featuring Bach, Beethoven and Brahms 7 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 15, at Temple Beth El, Bloomfield Hills. $20, free for students with photo I.D. (248) 645-2276
DEARBORN SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA: Opens its season 8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 13, at Edsel Ford High School, Dearborn. $18, $2 students. (313) 565-2424.
DETROIT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA: Performs "Carmina Burana" with the University Musical Society Choral Union 8 p.m. Thursday-Friday, Oct. 12-13, 8:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 14, and 3 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 15,at Orchestra Hall, Detroit. $15-$71. (313) 576-5111
ICELAND SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA: Performs as part of the University Musical Society series 8 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 12, in Hill Auditorium, Ann Arbor. $14-$46. (734) 764-2538/(800) 221-1229
PLYMOUTH SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA: Opens its 2000-2001 season with an orchestral showcase featuring music by Berlioz, Ifukube and Ginastera8 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 14, at Plymouth Salem High School, Canton. $14, $12 seniors/college students, children (k-12th grade) free. (734) 451-2112
QUORUM CHAMBER ARTS COLLECTIVE: 8 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 18, at The Ark, Ann Arbor. (734) 763-8587

KAYO TATEVE: Performs solo piano recital 8 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 12, at the Kerrytown Concert House, Ann Arbor. $7-$10, $5 students/seniors. (734) 769-2999

JOSE VAN DAM: The bass-baritone performs 8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 20, in the Lydia Mendelssohn theatre, Ann Arbor. $35-$45. (734) 764-2538/(800) 221-1229

CONCERT BANDS

BIRMINGHAM CONCERT BAND: 3 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 22, at Birmingham Seaholm High School Auditorium

AUDITIONS/ OPPORTUNITIES

CLARKSTON VILLAGE PLAYERS: Open auditions for *Move Over Mrs. Markham* 2-4 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 15 and 7-9 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 17, at the Depot Theater, Clarkston. For Performances Jan. 10-11, 13, 17-20, 25-27. (248) 666-3094
DEXTER COMMUNITY PLAYERS: Open auditions for *Amahl and the Night Visitors* 7-9 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 22 at Copeland Auditorium and Monday, Oct. 23 at Mill Creek Middle School, Dexter. (734) 449-2472/(734) 426-4623, ext. 7DCP
GROSSE POINTE THEATRE: Auditions for Alan Ayckbourn's comedy thriller Communicating Doors 2-5 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, Oct. 14-15, at the theater, Grosse Pointe. (313) 884-4685/(313) 882-9879
JAZZ MASTER CLASS: With Billy Taylor, 10 a.m. Wednesday, Oct. 25, Stage 2, the Macomb Center for the Performing Arts, Clinton Twp. To register, call Mary Jo Heft at (810) 286-2249
MOTOR CITY BRASS BAND: The traditional British-style competition brass band based at the Southfield Centre for the Arts, is seeking new members. The group meets Monday evenings, brass and percussion instruments needed. (248) 349-0376
PLYMOUTH SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA: Is looking for qualified, energetic and excited community members to fill volunteer and part-time production, stage management, educational, and music library positions, hourly wages commensurate with experience, there are also a number of volunteer clerical positions available. If you're interested in helping the orchestra, call (734) 451-2112 or visit them at their new office in Forest Place, 470 Forest Avenue, Suite 18, Plymouth
P.R.C.U.A. SYRENA DANCE ENSEMBLE: The Polish group for all school age children is enrolling new students for the current dance year, practices are held Wednesday evenings at St. Michael's, Redford. (313) 563-1761
SINGERS WANTED: Learn to sing male four-part harmony, audition not required but the ability to sing "on key," 7:30-9 p.m. Wednesday, in the music department of the Arts Building at Henry Ford Community College, Dearborn. (734) 261-5321/(313) 278-1078

POPS/SWING

MICHAEL JAMES/DEBORAH JIMMERSON: Piano bar 7-11 p.m. Wednesday-Thursday, and 8 p.m. to midnight Friday-Saturday, at La Bistecca Italian Grille, Livonia. (734) 254-0400
JIM PARAVANTES & COMPANY: 8:30 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. Saturday through October, at Excalibur, Southfield. (248) 358-3355

JAZZ

MARK ARSHAK: 9 p.m. Friday, Oct. 14, at Edison's, Birmingham. No cover. (248) 645-2150
B'JAZZ VESPERS: Features Sandra Bomar and the Legends of Jazz 6-8 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 15, at the First Baptist Church, Birmingham. (248) 644-0550
RON BROOKS TRIO: 9 p.m. Thursday, at the Bird of Paradise, Ann Arbor. $5 cover. (734) 662-8310
BROTHERS GROOVE: 8:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 12, at Edison's, Birmingham. No cover. (248) 645-2150
DETROIT BLUES SOCIETY: Presents a tribute to Eddie Burns, 2-4:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 14, at the Scarab Club, Detroit. No charge. (313) 831-1250/(248) 262-6890
GEM JAZZ TRIO: Performs 7-11 p.m. Friday-Saturday, at the Century Club Restaurant, Detroit. (313) 963-9800
AL HILL: 9 p.m. Friday, Oct. 13, at Edison's, Birmingham. No cover. (248) 645-2150
PAUL KELLER/CARY KOCHER QUARTET: 9 p.m. Tuesday, at the Bird of Paradise, Ann Arbor. $5 cover. (734) 662-8310
LOS GATOS: 9 p.m. Wednesday, at the Bird of Paradise, Ann Arbor. $5 cover. (734) 662-8310
CHRISTIAN MCBRIDE: 7:30 p.m. and 11:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Oct. 13-14, at the Bird of Paradise, Ann Arbor. $20. (734) 662-8310/(248) 645-6666
CHARLES MCPHERSON QUARTET: Featuring Rodney Whitaker, bass and Gerald Cleaver, drums, pianist to be announced, 7 p.m. and 9 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 21, at the Kerrytown Concert House, Ann Arbor.$10 $25. (734) 769-2999
MATT MICHAELS TRIO: With trumpeter Louis Smith 8 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 18, at Ron's

8 days a week

Making contact: Please submit popular music items for publication to Stephanie Casola; all others to Linda Chomin, two weeks in advance to the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150 or by fax (734) 591-7279. Items must include the date, time, venue, admission price and a telephone number.

Fireside Inn, Warren Road, east of Middlebelt. $5 cover. (734) 762-7756
PARADISE JAZZ SERIES: Presented by the Detroit Symphony Orchestra, featuring vocalists Jon Hendricks and Annie Ross, 8 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 19, at Orchestra Hall, Detroit. $16-$62. (313) 576-5111
TONY POPE'S DIXIE SIX: Play 3-6 p.m., Saturday, Oct. 14 and 28, at Steak and Ale, Madison Heights. $5 cover. (248) 588-4450
SISTERS IN JAZZ: Featuring Sunny Wilkinson, Sheila Landis, Marion Hayden and Kathy Kosins 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Friday-Saturday, Oct. 20-21, at the Bird of Paradise, Ann Arbor. $10. (734) 662-8310
ED WELLS: 7-11 p.m. Friday-Saturday, at the Century Club Restaurant, Detroit. (313) 963-9800

FOLK/ BLUEGRASS

LARRY ARBOUR: 7 p.m. Friday, at the Flying Fish Tavern, Beverly Hills. (248) 647-7747
GREAT BIG SEA: 8 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 14, at The Michigan Theater, Ann Arbor. $25, $20, $15. (734) 763-TKTS
SPAELIMENNINIR: Traditional and contemporary folk music from Scandinavia 8 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 17, at The Ark, Ann Arbor. $13.50. (734) 763-8587
THE LIMELIGHTERS: 8 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 17, at Troy High School. $15. (810) 979-8406/(248) 435-5307
THIRD NATURE AND BOB GERICS: 8 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 14, at the Depot Theater, Clarkston. $12. (248) 625-8811

WORLD MUSIC

ARMENIAN CLASSICAL MUSIC: 8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 13, in St. John's Armenian Church Hall, Southfield. $20, proceeds benefit future Armenian cultural events. (248) 661-2276/(248) 538-0551/(248) 661-6252
BALDUCK MOUNTAIN RAMBLERS: 9:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 26, at Conor O'Neill's Irish Pub, Ann ARbor. (734) 665-2968
BUENA VISTA SOCIAL CLUB: Returns with Omara Portuondo and Barbarito Torres 8 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 14, in Hill Auditorium, Ann Arbor. $34, $28, $24, $14. (734) 764-2538
ENNIS SISTERS: 8 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 22, at the Capitol theatre, Windsor. $18, $15 seniors/students. (519) 253-8065 (Celtic)
TOM PAXTON: 7:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 20, at The Ark, Ann Arbor. $15. (734) 763-8587
SCOTLAND'S BLACK WATCH: With the Band/Choir of the Prince of Wales Division 2 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 22, at Joe Louis Arena, Detroit. $18.50-$37.50. (248) 645-6666
THE DROVERS: 8 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 19, at The Ark, Ann Arbor. $12.50, $8 with student I.D. (734) 763-8587 (Irish and alternative folk)
TRINIDAD TRIPOLI STEEL BAND: Tuesday nights, at Leopold Bros. Ann Arbor. $3.

DANCE

ADVANCED ENGLISH FROLIC: 8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 13, at the Pittsfield Grange, Ann Arbor. $8. (313) 937-1552
COBBLESTONE FARM DANCERS: 8 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 21, at the Pittsfield Grange, Ann Arbor. $7. (734) 426-0241/(734) 665-8863
COUNTERGROOVE DANCE COMPANY: Presents *One American Landscape* and the premiere of *Hurry Up & Live* 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Oct. 27-28, in the Maggie Allesee Dance Studio at Wayne State University, Detroit. (313) 577-6154
ENGLISH COUNTRY DANCING: 7 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 17 and Tuesday, Oct. 31, at the Chapel Hill Condominium Clubhouse, Ann Arbor. $5. (734) 662-5158
GENDER FREE CONTRA DANCE: 2 p.m. Sunday, oct. 22, at the Pittsfield Grange, Ann Arbor. $6, $5 students/members. (734) 434-0953
POLISH DANCE: The Polish Alliance Dancers of Dearborn and the General Pulaski Polish Language School from Lodge 2525 are offering adult Polish dancing and language classes Saturday mornings at the Prince of Peace Lutheran Church, Dearborn. Call (313) 581-3181/(734) 789-8801
SCOTTISH COUNTRY DANCE: Lessons 7-8 p.m. Thursdays, no partner needed, at the Madison Heights United Methodist Church. $3. (24) 637-2824/(810) 775-7936
VERIOKOVA-UKRAINIAN NATIONAL DANCE COMPANY: 8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 22, at the Capitol Theatre, Windsor. $35. (519) 253-8065
WOLVERINE SILVERSPUR DANCERS: 7:30-11:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 14, at the Italian American Cultural Center, Warren. $7. (810) 774-9148

COMEDY

BINGO!: An audience participation comedy romp open 8 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 18, and continues 8 p.m. Wednesday-Saturday each week, and 4 p.m. Sunday, at the 7th House, Pontiac. (248) 335-8100/(248) 645-6666
JOEY'S COMEDY CLUB AT PAISANO'S: Roger Kabler Thursday-Sunday, Oct. 12-15; Mark Knope Thursday-Sunday, Oct. 19-22,at the club, Dearborn. (313) 584-8885
MARK RIDLEY'S COMEDY CASTLE: Jeff Altman Thursday-Saturday, Oct. 12-14, Venus Attacks, a hilarious interactive campy comedy event 8 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 15, at the club, Royal Oak. (248) 542-9900
SECOND CITY: "Gratiot Happens," at Second City, Detroit. (313) 965-2222/(248) 645-6666 or online at www.ticketmaster.com; The Detroit Improv Festival – featuring the premier of Josh Funk's independent film, at the club, Detroit. (313) 965-2222 or www.secondcity.com.

MUSEUMS AND TOURS

ANN ARBOR HANDS-ON MUSEUM: Math becomes interactive and fun for families with the newest exhibition *Fun 2,3,4: all about a number of things*, continues to Oct. 17; the Ann Arbor Host Lions Club has donated magnetic blocks that have both printed and Braille letter for the magnetic wall so that visitors can write poetry or leave their names on the wall; the museum offers more than 250 interactive exhibits intended to make science fun, at the museum, Ann Arbor. Hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday and noon to 5 p.m. Sunday. $6, $4 children/seniors/students. (734) 995-5439
AUTOMOTIVE HALL OF FAME: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily (through end of October), at Hall of Fame, on Oakwood Boulevard, adjacent to Henry Ford Museum and Greenfield Village, Dearborn. $6, $5.50 seniors, $3 ages 5-12. (313) 240-4000
CRANBROOK HOUSE: Open for walk-in Sunday tours 1-3:30 p.m. to Oct. 29, at the house, Bloomfield Hills. $10, Thursdays to Oct. 26 lunch at noon may be purchased for an additional $12. Stroll through the Cranbrook Gardens at no additional charge or enjoy only the gardens for $5, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday-Saturday (open 11 a.m. Sunday). Free parking at Christ Church Cranbrook directly across Lone Pine Road from Cranbrook House. (248) 645-3149
DETROIT INSTITUTE OF ARTS: Hudson's First Fridays features a performance by Latif Bolat, a singer, composer and scholar of Turkish music, tour of Bill Viola's video art exhibition with curator Becky Hart, drop in workshop on decorating your own pumpkin, Chris McCauley demonstration of the ancient encaustic painting technique of applying color mixed with wax, and drawing in the galleries, 6-9 p.m. Friday, Oct. 6, at the museum. (313) 833-7900

FLEETWAY TUNNEL: Historical exhibit marking 70th anniversary year of Detroit-Windsor Tunnel, memorabilia and photographs, video showing construction of tunnel, through Dec. 22, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday, and 2-5 p.m. Sunday, at Windsor's Community Museum, 254 Pitt Street West. (519) 253-1812
HENRY FORD MUSEUM/GREENFIELD VILLAGE: *Cirque du Soleil: Journey of Man* plays in the museum's IMAX Theatre, in Dearborn, open 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily. $12.50, $11.50 seniors, $7.50 kids 5-12, members and children under 5 free. (313) 271-1620
MEADOW BROOK HALL: Tours 1:30 p.m. daily and 1:30 p.m. and 3:30 p.m. Sunday, Oakland University campus, Rochester. $8, $6 seniors, $4 children ages 5-12. (248) 370-3140
PLYMOUTH HISTORICAL MUSEUM: *The First Ladies of Fashion* exhibit featuring 14 reproduction inaugural Ball Gowns continues to Feb. 1, at the museum, Plymouth. $3, $1 students, $7 family. (734) 455-8940
ROCHESTER HILLS MUSEUM: *On the Streets Where You Live* exhibit continues to Saturday, Oct. 28, 1-4 p.m. Wednesday-Saturday, at the museum. $3, $2 seniors/citizens. (248) 656-4663
TIFFANY: THE ESSENCE OF LIGHT: From the Meadow Brook Hall Collection continues on exhibit to Thursday, Nov. 2, at the Oakland County Galleria, Pontiac. Free. (248) 858-0415

LIVE MUSIC

ALBERTA ADAMS: 7 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Oct. 27-28, Fox and Hounds, Bloomfield Hills. All ages. Free. (248) 644-4800
THE ALLIGATORS: 9 p.m. Friday, Oct. 13, Ford Road Bar and Grill, Westland. Free. 21 and over. (734) 721-8609
RICHARD ASHCROFT: 8 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 5, Magic Bag, Ferndale. $22.50. (248) 544-3030
THE ASTRO PIMPS: 10 p.m. Friday, Oct. 13, The Cave, Ann Arbor. 18 and older. $5. (734) 975-0621
AT THE DRIVE-IN: 7 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 2, St. Andrews Hall, Detroit. $8 advance. (313) 961-MELT.
BAD RELIGION: With Promise Ring, Kid with Manhead, Gutter Punx, 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 24, Clutch Cargo, Pontiac. $17.75. All ages. (313) 961-MELT.
THE BELLRAYS: Monday, Oct. 23, Magic Stick, Detroit. (313) 833-9700
BLUE ROSE: Friday-Saturday, Oct. 13-14, Bachelor's, Keego Harbor. (248) 682-2295
BRIDGE: With Blasternaut, Diner Junkies, Rusty Lunchbox, 8 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 14, Magic Bag, Ferndale. $15. (248) 544-3030.
SARAH BRIGHTMAN: 8 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 14, Palace of Auburn Hills. $35-$50. (248) 645-6666.
THE BROTHERS GROOVE: 8:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 12, Edison's, Birmingham. (248) 645-2150; 9:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 13, Hunter House, Detroit. (313) 965-0265; Saturday, Oct. 14, Northern Lights, Auburn Hills. (248) 373-7330
BT'S JENSENERGY TOUR: With Hooverphonic, and an interactive pavilion, Saturday, Oct. 14, St. Andrews Hall, Detroit. (248) 645-6666.
CARL CRAIG: *Designer Music* events on Thursday, Oct. 12: Listen for his 10 a.m. appearance on the Judy Adams Show, WDET 101.9 FM; In-store, meet and greet record signing, 7:30 p.m. Record Time, Ferndale; Record Release Party, 4 hour DJ set, 10 p.m. The Temple, Ferndale. Free. 21 and older. (313) 964-8899.
CATCH 22: With Midtown, 01S01, 8 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 21, Magic Stick, Detroit. $8 advance. All ages. (313) 833-9700
DANDY WARHOLS: With Creeper Lagoon, Thursday, Oct. 12, St. Andrews Hall, Detroit. (313) 961-MELT
THORNETTA DAVIS: 7 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Oct. 13-14, Fox and Hounds, Bloomfield Hills. All ages. Free. (248) 644-4800; 9:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 19, Karl's Cabin, Plymouth. (313) 455-8450
DEVIL'S NIGHT PUNK-OUT: Featuring The Gutterpunx, Dead Heroes, The Unfriendlys, Multi-Grain, Caulfield, 7 p.m. Monday, Oct. 30, Magic Stick, Detroit. $8. All ages. (313) 833-9700
CHRIS DUARTE: With Bernard Allison, 8 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 25, Magic Stick, Detroit. $15. (313) 833-9700
DYNAMITE HACK: With Marvelous 3, Friday, Oct. 20, St. Andrews Hall, Detroit. (248) 645-6666
FISHBONE: With Primitive Reason, Soot, 8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 13, Magic Bag, Ferndale. $15. (248) 544-3030
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CD REVIEW

Are We There Yet
Treblehead

It's the epitome of a family vacation. The whine emitted from the back seat, about three hours into any road trip. "Are We There Yet." It's also the debut album by Livonia-based quartet, Treblehead.

By the end of the second song, *What Have I*, if you're not jumping and at least tempted to chirp along to the punk-pop sounds emitted by vocalist Brian Shaney, bassist Lori Gidley, drummer Ron Vensko and guitarist AJ Pahl, someone seriously needs to slip you a Prozac. With opening harmonies on *Mashed Potatoe (sic)* that swing back to Weezer's *Buddy Holly* days and the straightforward rock of such tracks as *Happytown* and *Lies*, Treblehead is establishing a strong reputation in the area.

The band was chosen out of 5,000 contestants to perform at Toronto's North By Northeast music showcase last June. Treblehead was most recently seen on stage at Arts, Beats and Eats in Pontiac.

Listen for yourself. "Are We There Yet" can be found at www.trebleheaad.com and will be released nationally Oct. 16 on Sound 360 Records. Treblehead will perform 11 p.m. Friday, Oct. 13 at Lili's 21 in Hamtramck. Opening the show is Royal Doos and QWTS. Call (313) 876-6555 for more information.

–By Stephanie Angelyn Casola

Sally Field gives beauty lessons in comedy

By Carrie Cooper
Special Writer

It is said that beauty is only skin deep and that beauty is in the eye of the beholder. But, could beauty actually make your dreams come true and give you everything you have ever wanted?

Is being beautiful really all that matters in life? Mona Hibbard (Minnie Driver) seems to think so in the upcoming female-charged comedy *Beautiful*.

A Destination Films presentation, *Beautiful* is a Sally Field film. It stars Minnie Driver, Joey Lauren Adams, Hallie Kate Eisenberg, Kathleen Turner, Leslie Stefanson, Bridgette Wilson, and Ali Landry.

Beautiful takes a look at young girls' fascination with beauty pageants and wanting to be the next "Miss American Miss." Mona Hibbard is a young woman who grew up in an unhappy and unloving household. Her only escape was participating in beauty pageants.

After losing several pageants, Mona starts to realize that maybe she could gain attention by winning the most creative costume category.

But when you have a mother who doesn't even attend your pageants, let alone make you your costume, you have to be more than creative. Mona befriends Ruby (Joey Lauren Adams), who knows how to sew and agrees to make Mona's costumes. When Mona wins for most unusual costume she knows she is on her way. Throughout the years Mona makes her way up the pageant ladder.

Now Mona has one thing on her mind, and that is to be the next "Miss American Miss."

But, there was one thing she didn't plan on – having an illegitimate daughter, Vanessa (Hallie Kate Eisenberg). Ruby decides to help her friend hide the secret that could prevent Mona from becoming the next "Miss American Miss."

But when Vanessa emerges as Mona's biggest supporter, Mona finds herself losing her hunger for winning. Not only does she have the media and her fellow competitors threatening her chances at the crown, but her maternal instinct may cause her to lose it all by herself.

Academy Award nominee Minnie Driver (*Good Will Hunting*) returns to the screen with yet another heart-warming performance. She is the epitome of beautiful. Joey Lauren Adams (*Chasing Amy*) possesses a warm and friendly smile that makes her perfect for her role. Hallie Kate Eisenberg (*The Insider*) is no longer just the Pepsi girl. She proves she can hold her own with veteran actors and steals the show.

Sally Field brings us a comedy for all ages, with a life lesson – being beautiful doesn't guarantee happiness.

A looker: *"Beautiful" stars Minnie Driver (left) and Hallie Kate Eisenberg (right) as a mother and daughter learning what it takes to be beautiful, inside and out. It is the directorial debut by Sally Field.*

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ELECTRONIC MUSIC

BT 'comes back down' to Detroit

By Stephanie Angelyn Casola
Staff Writer
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If the symbol of true stardom is seeing one's name in lights, then BT achieved it first in Detroit.

The last time he was in town, the renowned producer, musician and singer – also known as Brian Transeau – saw his name on a marquee for the first time in his career. He even sent the photo of Detroit's State Theatre home to his mother with pride.

Considering the 29-year-old pioneer of electronic music has been consumed by the pursuit of sounds all of his life, it was about time.

But BT has always moved one step ahead. Innovative soundscapes virtually run through his veins. "I started studying music when I was four," he said, calling from his hotel room in St. Petersburg, Fla. "I've told this story before, but I remember sitting in the back of my Aunt Gloria's Camero when I was 2 1/2, with my mom, my aunt, and my grandmother, listening to *Bad Bad LeRoy Brown*. And I just started shouting my 2-year-old head off. My grandmother leaned over and said 'Watch out for this one.'"

Turns out, grandma was right; they had a musician on their hands. A classically-trained child prodigy, the Maryland native entered the Washington Conservatory of Music when he was only 8 years old. But BT wouldn't stop at Rachmaninov. He moved onto another realm, one that would shift the electronic revolution toward trance and house music. "My real introduction to electronic music was via break dance culture."

Coerced by his break dance crew, BT bought his first drum machine and began creating dance tracks for his friends. It was then he discovered something "open-ended and infinite."

BT

While he officially broke into the scene in the mid 1990s with his first release, *Ima*, BT's formal introduction to rave culture came long after he began making the music.

"I first started in 1987 when I was at the Berklee School of Music in Boston," he said. "It was weird house music."

Again ahead of his time and misunderstood, BT recalled a time when friends asked "'What are people going to do in the 2 to 3 minute breakdown where there are no beats?'" So he took his sound to England, where the music had already taken hold, where he wouldn't have to explain himself.

Gaining ground with club favorites like *Embracing the Future* and *Blue Skies*, BT won over American fans as well. Eight years later trance has taken over. As the masses embrace it, BT looks ahead.

Don't call it a departure; BT's latest *Movement in Still Life* takes on a whole new musical dimension. "This is the first record where I get to do all of what I do in one album," he said. And the influences he grew up with are all there. The first single, co-written with Soul Coughing frontman and friend M. Doughty, *Never Gonna Come Back Down*, shows shades of New Order with its infectious beat. *Shame* is BT's ode to Depeche Mode. *Satellite* shines with atmospheric reminders of Pink Floyd. *Madskillz* and *Smartbomb* give a nod to the power of hip hop.

"I don't think of it as a departure at all," he said. "I think of it as the first time I get to be honest."

Rather than sticking to one genre, BT comes into his own, defying the boundaries of progressive house music.

Collecting a group of friends that reads like a list of who's who in the scene, BT worked with Paul VanDyk, Sasha, Kirsty Hawkshaw, Jan Johnston, Mike Truman of Hybrid and Doughty, to create a record in which each track complements and illuminates the next. The album reflects the artist's wide-eyed, anything's-possible approach.

"He's pretty straight-forward," said Doughty in a recent phone interview. "He's one of the happiest people I know. He's a ray of sunshine."

An appropriate metaphor for a man who claims he's never more inspired to write music than in those moments when he can walk barefoot through the grass. "I feel really plugged in when I'm able to spend time in beautiful, natural places."

On the Jensenergy Tour BT will plug in like never before – with a live band. "It works," he said with that air of enthusiasm and charm. "I didn't know if it would work. It's scary because a lot of people expect something similar to a DJ set, except live. I want it to still feel like that."

Aside from his own music, BT scored the critically acclaimed soundtrack to the 1999 feature *Go*, directed by Doug Liman. That was just the first step. His credits now include a soundtrack

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Wayne Coyne was one of the lucky ones. It seems his yellow brick road was chosen for him.

"I always grew up in a house of music," said the Flaming Lips frontman. "I don't think I ever considered it being something weird. I wanted to be in a band. I always thought I wanted to do this.

"It wasn't until I was 28 years old that I woke up and realized, 'Oh my gosh, this is crazy, this career I've chosen for myself. Why didn't I become a banker.' I was too far into it."

For fans of the trio, which also includes Michael Ivins and Steven Drozd, the Flaming Lips are lucky he didn't take the "rational" route. The Oklahoma City-based band, that gained national attention with its 1994 hit *She Don't Use Jelly*, will bring it's on-stage hijinks – complete with hand puppets, fake blood and possibly a rendition of *Over The Rainbow* – to Detroit's Majestic Theatre this Friday, Oct. 13.

I called Coyne while he was on the band's bus in Chapel Hill, N.C.

Chapel Hill is a place he knows well. The band has been playing there since 1985. Actually, there aren't many places Coyne and company haven't been. When you're a member of the Flaming Lips, touring is life. And they've going been nonstop now for a year and a half, on the road supporting *The Soft Bulletin*, an album critics hailed as art-rock at its finest.

"We've been touring since 1984," said the seasoned musician on the line. "There have only been a couple of years when we didn't tour." Much of that hiatus was filled with recording the album, The Flaming Lips ninth offering, as well as working on *Zaireeka*, an innovative musical project that involved four CDs played simultaneously to produce a fifth, living, synchronous sound.

If the Flaming Lips must be known for something, let it be the band's intense songwriting, music that makes you think. Still, Coyne approaches it as he would any career. Quite simply, rock and roll is his job.

"When I write songs, I come up with the initial impact. I think 'Oh, that's a song that moves me.' That's when a song has some kind of personal identity."

But it doesn't last, he insisted. "It's sort of like asking 'Do you feel a connection to the clothes you wear?' In a sense you do. You're just so used to it. When I was making all of these songs, something of me was invested in it. I want people to feel they know me through the songs."

Coyne said there's a perception that everything in the business is exciting, but after more than a decade making music he's found it's truly a career. "Sometimes it's not exciting at all. I kind of use the analogy of guys building a big, tall skyscraper. Brick by brick it goes up. I don't think they're necessarily inspired. If all along you're making records and songs, you get inspired. (But) it becomes boring to work on big ideas that take a long time."

So you don't have to live that rock and roll lifestyle myth, he claimed. The *Behind the Music*-style drama where the music is great and the musicians are a mess doesn't apply here. "We don't have to worry about egos getting in the way," said Coyne. "It allows us to do bigger, better things."

Some of those things include re-creating *Zaireeka* visually using DVD. Since the DVD would play all tracks at the same time, it would prove more user-friendly this time around. The band plans to tour through Thanksgiving and will later begin work on a new album.

Before they disappear, The Flaming Lips promise to give quite a show. "I just do these things to give people something to look at," Coyne said of the stage antics. "I was kind of awkward. People just went crazy. We'll bring 400 pounds of confetti to a show. They love it. I don't think it detracts from the music. It gives it a really spontaneous element. I thank god that there are things like confetti and fake blood."

Pucker up: *"We were just so bizarre, it really drew people to us," said Flaming Lips frontman Wayne Coyne (right). The Lips also include Michael Ivins (left) and Steven Drozd (center).*

Check out the Flaming Lips 9 p.m. Friday, Oct. 13, Majestic Theatre, Detroit. $13.50. 18 and older. Call (248) 645-6666.

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for the Sony Playstation game *Die Hard*, and music for a film due out this month, *Under Suspicion*. He describes the latter as "going back and forth between 20th Century romantic Rachmaninov classical to full on, intense, 145-150 b.p.m. Detroit, sounding techno." At the film's premier, viewers shook his hand and told him he was crazy.

Maybe he is. It seems to work.

"When you're making music for yourself, the music is sort of a catalyst for purging something, some experience, some emotion," said BT. "The music chronicles how you feel. Whereas working on a film, you have to find something that pulls you even further into the picture. You have to complement what someone else has said emotionally."

While invested in the prospect of films, especially those embracing the music he's helped to define, BT remains rooted in his own vision.

"I've been really selective in picking the stuff I've worked on," he said. "It's really hard. Things that work on a record seem so over-the-top for film. Subtlety can be 10 times more powerful."

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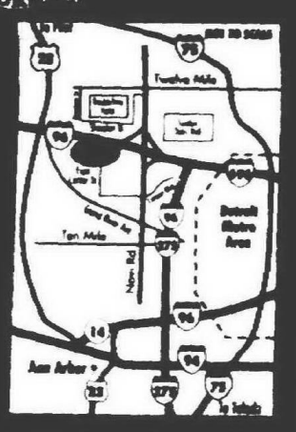

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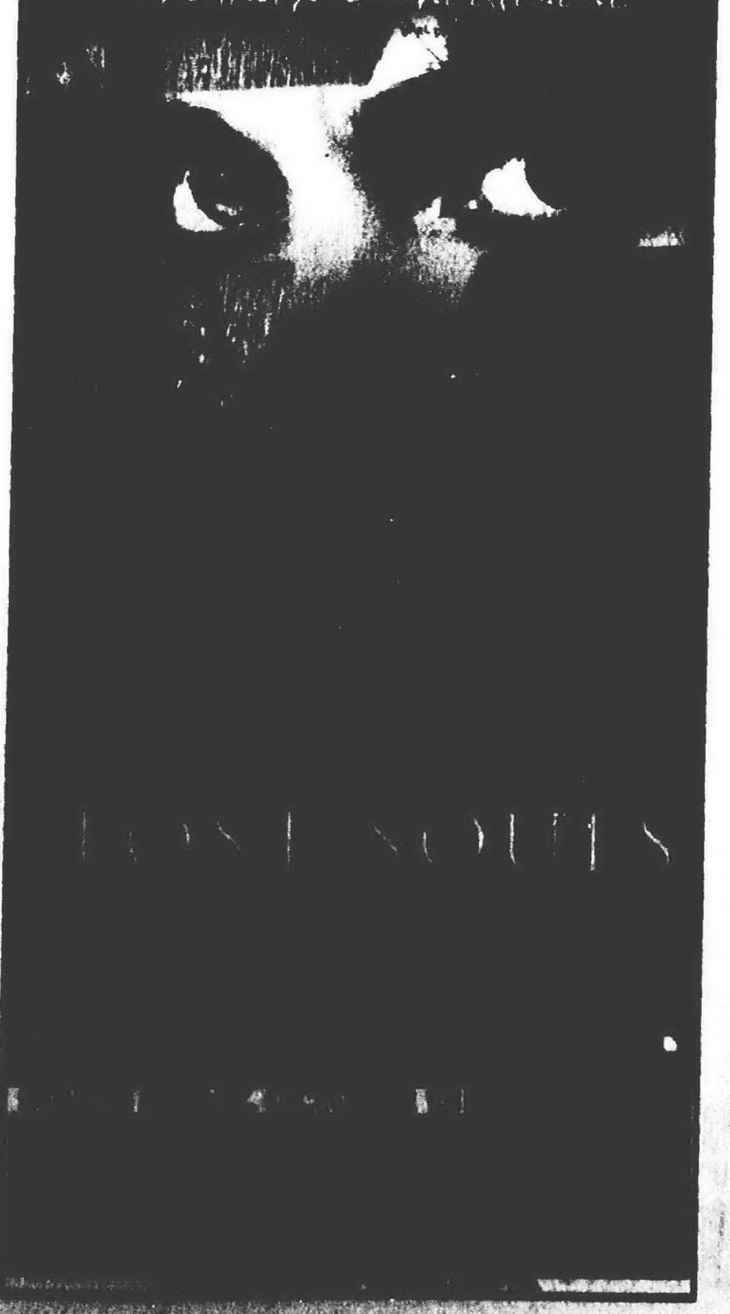

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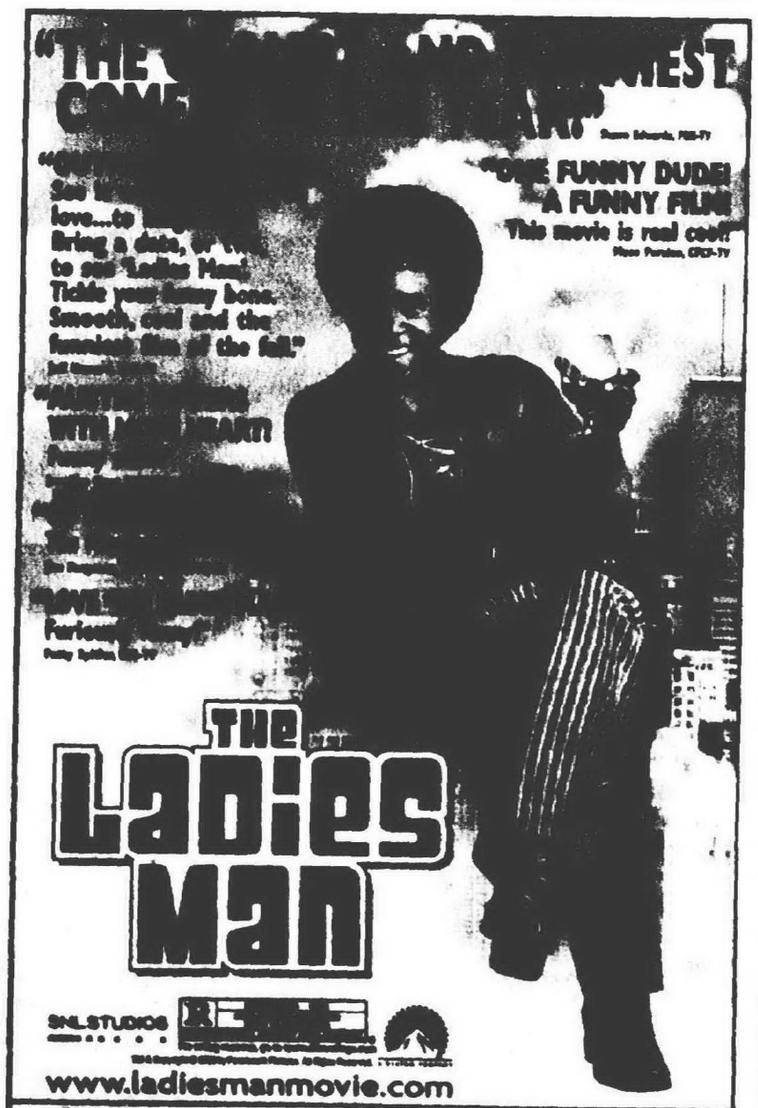

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Legendary Mario's opens new restaurant

BY ELEANOR HEALD
SPECIAL WRITER

In a half century, Mario's (on Second Avenue near Canfield in Detroit) has served 4.5 million people and cooked enough spaghetti to stretch around the world twice. More than nine million tomatoes have been made into the famous red sauce or become a minestrone ingredient. More than 4.5 million shrimp have been served on antipasto trays.

In Troy, legendary Mario's hopes to have similar success in its newly opened, first suburban location.

Beginnings

Mario Lelli founded Mario's downtown in 1948. The Passalacqua family bought it in 1981. Today, Vince Passalacqua, third generation restaurateur, whose grandfather owned the first pizza parlor in East Detroit (now Eastpointe), is proprietor of both locations.

Mario's of Troy moved into the former Capraro's Italian Den, which closed in the spring. It sports a new interior and a new lunch menu but serves the same classic northern Italian cuisine as the downtown restaurant.

"This location operated as a restaurant since 1974," Passalacqua said. "We've brought in the Mario's name, our expertise, our hospitality and tender loving care."

Much of that expertise is in the hands of Executive Chef Eric Alderton, who held the same position at Mario's downtown for six years. In saying, "The Mario's style is not about greet 'em, seat 'em, and get 'em out," he gives you the clue that if you reserve a table, don't be in a hurry.

Take time to enjoy

Expect to take, on average, two hours to enjoy a Mario's dinner. At a ristorante in northern Italy, diners linger for three or four hours, savoring each course. They are not in a hurry to add another event to an evening. Eating is entertainment.

Retaining a classic ambiance, Mario's of Troy takes on the appearance of a private club with plush booths and tables for two, four, or larger groups. The reverse side of their business card reads, "We feed the whole mob." Translation: Mario's welcomes large groups.

If you order an entree, your meal begins with an antipasto tray. Don't fill up on the delicious European-style bread because your next course is a choice of minestrone or onion soup, followed by Mario's table side-served salad. A side of pasta arrives before your potato and vegetable garnished main dish.

But you can dine a la carte. Appetizers such as Crabmeat Cocktail, Caponata, Oysters Rockefeller or Casino, Calamari and Alaskan King Crab hint that you don't need to go beyond page one of the expansive menu to feast. Consider that Alaskan King Crab. You can't get shelled crab legs in a creamy sherry-cognac sauce everywhere.

Pasta

If you like pasta as an entree, try the Manicotti/Cannelloni combination, a half portion of each. Insider info: Chef Eric suggests that you tell your waitperson to put in your order as marinara sauce on the manicotti and bolognese sauce topping on the cannelloni.

Chicken Moretti is a chef's favorite. Chicken breast is sauteed with green onions, mushrooms, sherry wine, and a hint of tomato sauce. "Served on a bed of wild rice, this dish is clean and fresh – what I call the best of all worlds," he said.

All veal dishes are prepared using milk-fed Provimi veal. Veal Alitalia Bonissimo is consideration numero uno, followed by Veal Tosca and Spiadini of Veal. These and all dishes are well-described on the menu. For a longer explanation, just ask your formally dressed, experienced server.

Among beef and lamb dishes, Chef Eric recommends Pepperonata of Beef Tenderloin or Beef Stefanelli. But if you've never had Mario's famous Zip Sauce, then Broiled Filet Mignon is the way to go. Three cuts from petite to extra are available. With Zip Sauce, it's outstanding.

For seafood, baked-to-perfection English Dover Sole is not found on many menus. Served table side with Almondine butter, it is elegant.

Romantic evening

Out for a romantic evening, there's nothing more classic than Chateaubriand for Two, complete dinner at $50, a dining bargain. Keep the romance going by ordering one of the table side prepared flaming desserts.

And if you missed the flag under "On the side," I repeat, prices at Mario's of Troy are 20 percent less than Mario's downtown.

"We're trying to make new friends in the suburbs," Passalacqua said. "We're here for the long term. I want everyone to learn that we're about dining in the grand Italian tradition."

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Table-side cooking: *Chef Eric Alderton flames pepperonata of beef tenderloin for Trish DeGracia, at Mario's of Troy, while waiter Doko Prenkocevic watches.*

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Going away?

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BY NORMAN PRADY
SPECIAL WRITER

You've sold the house and now you want to sell the stuff that's in it. Quick, name three things you shouldn't do when you hold your moving sales.

One, no matter how much you loved Grandma, don't price her maple veneer night stand at a half million dollars.

Two, don't price anything too high or two low.

Three, don't have a snowstorm.

Professional sellers say that you can lose money with low prices, you can lose sales with high prices, and you can lose the flow of customers if the weather is bad.

"Disappointment," said Haig Jevahirian. After all, you've sold the house, you've sent People magazine your change of address and the moving van is coming the day after tomorrow. "What are you to do now?"

Well, whether you call it moving sale, estate sale, garage sale or yard sale, maybe the call you needed in the first place was to someone such as Jevahirian. He's the manager of Re-Sell-It Estate Sales in Farmington. His company is one of a number in the area which will have your moving sale for you.

What we can do

"We can do two things," he said. "On-site estate sales in which we organize all their things in their own home. We sell over two days, generally a Friday and Saturday.

"Or lesser quantities of merchandise can be consigned to our showroom." That also could include, he said, "better furniture" that didn't sell at the house.

"We clean up and clean out," Jevahirian said, explaining that there's more to having a moving sale than just having a sale and moving.

"After the sale, any items that would be donated would be expedited. Any trash that needed to be carried away would be carried away. We clean up the house," he said, leaving it broom-clean as required by the home-sale contract.

Jevahirian's fees for these additional services "vary according to what has to be done and the size of the house." He said that his company's commission of 25 percent on sales is about average in his business.

For the sale, he said, "We need approximately 10 days lead time to advertise, prepare the merchandise, price everything" and plan staff for two days.

If you'll feel better about Grandma's night stand by not selling it, you out to get it out of the house, Jevahirian said. And get yourself out of the house. Even leave town, if that's where you're headed. "We can manage the entire thing," he said, even if you're already on the packet boat to Anchorage.

Okay, so Grandma's night stand is going into the sale. What do you want for it? "Most people don't know value," Jevahirian said. "They tend to try to sell something for two much or give it away. We know what the market will bear. Much of the sales that occur are negotiated and you have to know where you stand in order to negotiate."

Don't interfere

At Lilly M & Co. in Southfield, Irving Meisner said his wife's company doesn't want you to be home when it's selling your stuff. "That's the interference we don't want. It gets very touchy." It's an emotional time, Meisner said, considering all the changes which come with selling the house and moving.

He also thinks it's a mistake for you to try to sell things yourself. Homeowners "don't have the knowledge" of prices and the market, "they don't have the tact for dealing with the consumer, and they're so tied in with what they own it's hard" to be objective.

Meisner said that home sellers should choose a reselling company based on its experience. "We get most jobs through recommendations."

Ruthann Helmer of Braun & Helmer Auction Service wants to set up the sale to take place "a day or two before they have to move out."

Helmer said that her company, headquartered in Ann Arbor, knows that everything at this time is an emotional challenge for the owner." Especially trying to decide, in a do-it-yourself sale, which things are treasures and which are trash.

"There are a lot of family feelings. But auctioneers can do it in a day."

On the other hand, Susan Shacket of Birmingham set up a little moving-sale training program for herself.

Planning to move next summer, she recently helped her California-bound next door neighbor run the house sale there.

When its her own turn, Shacket said, "I'm going to move out what I want and take it with me.

"A lot of other things, like my daughters' Formica bedroom sets, the kitchen table and chairs and stools will stay. Then I'll have a big sale and let people come in and buy what they want.

They know prices

"I go to a fair amount of estate sales, so I know about prices. If you want to sell your merchandise and not have to follow it, and make a fair amount of money, you have to make the prices cheap enough and appealing enough that people will want to buy it."

When Shacket goes to a moving sale, she sometimes asks the owner to call her if a certain item is left over. "It may not be overpriced but it might be more than I would pay at the time.

"And it's nice to tell the seller what a treasure something is and they'll sometimes make you a better deal because it's going to a good home. You know, like the puppy they can't take with them."

It's not a puppy Russell Harris can't take with him, but 90 suits, 100 jackets, 300 shirts, scores of cuff links and a gold-inlaid French desk he said is worth $25,000 which he's willing to share for a fraction of that claimed value. The desk presumably once had a role in his Oakland County family's steel and oil business.

RANDALL MASTERSON / STAFF ARTIST

Beware if your broker is online

MORTGAGE BITS

TIM 'TIMBO' PHILLIPS

Some homebuyers may find a competitive mortgage interest rate on the Internet, but many of these tech-savvy shoppers will miss the hidden costs.

Many Internet mortgage lenders impose additional up-front fees to compensate for their advertised low rates. Some virtual mortgage lenders require borrowers to meet certain credit criteria and down payment requirements to get the advertised rates. Others mandate that borrowers adhere to strict timelines or incur higher rates and fees.

Even if a borrower successfully overcomes these hurdles, he still has to contend with unknown "what-ifs". As a full-time mortgage broker, I have yet to see two identical home loans. All are different, and most have unique challenges that have required my personal intervention. People who borrow online should make sure they have a "virtual loan officer" who will help them with unforeseen issues.

Airplanes have been able to take-off and land themselves for decades. So why do commercial air carriers still employ pilots? The answer: There are some important aspects of life that people are not willing to trust solely to technology. People want contingency plans in case technology fails. This holds true whether it is flying or making huge financial decisions.

Since there are almost as many moving parts in the mortgage approval process as there are in an airplane (I'm in a position to discuss both) borrowers should carefully weigh the benefit of an online mortgage with the opportunity cost of not having an expert readily available. The old adage, "You get that for which you pay," holds true in mortgage lending, too.

Would you have a "discount" heart surgeon operate on a family member?

If not, you understand the value of having a professional loan officer assist you in finding the right mortgage at the right price. Shop online if you must, but let the buyer beware: You may find yourself needy and alone.

Tim "Timbo" Phillips is a loan officer for Commonwealth National Mortgage Corp. in Livonia. You may contact him at timbo@ tir. com, or at (734) 591-5900 for information about upcoming free homebuyer seminars, or with questions about residential or commercial mortgages. Homebuyers should always consult a professional for guidance specific to their situation.

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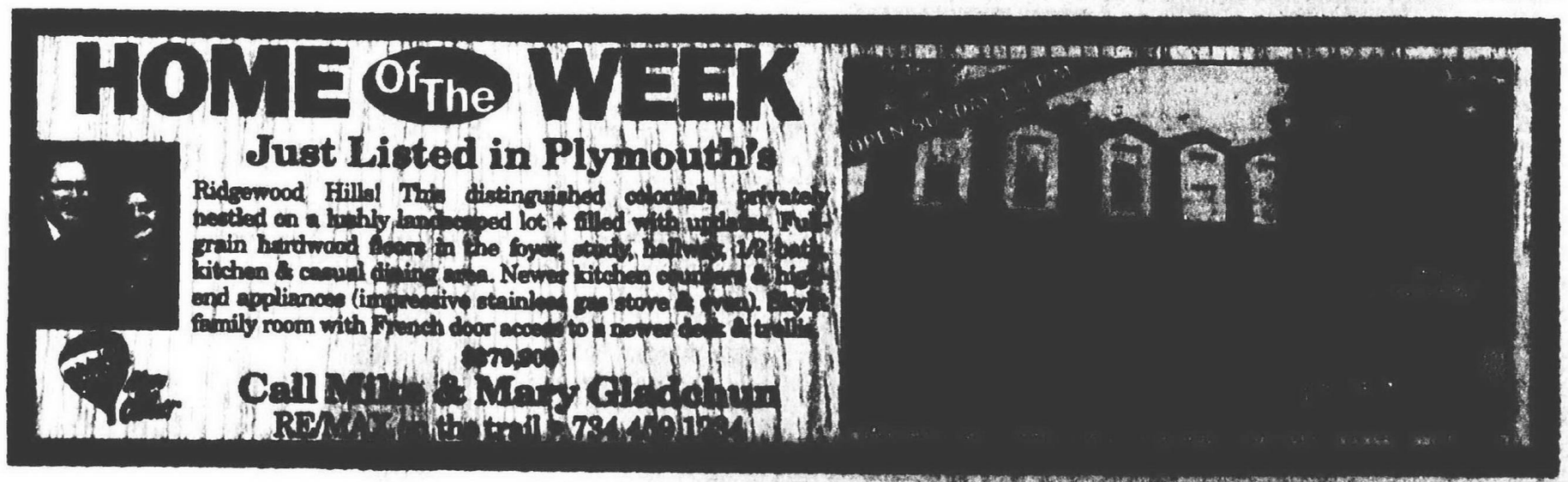

HOMES SOLD IN WAYNE COUNTY

These are the Observer-area residential real-estate closings recorded July 31 - Aug. 4, 2000 at the Wayne County Register of Deeds office and compiled by Advertising That Works, a Bloomfield Township company that tracks deed and mortgage recordings in southeastern Michigan. Listed below are cities, addresses, and sales prices.

Canton

42829 Boulden Ct	$226,000
7051 Epping Dr	$197,000
45642 Fountain View Dr	$335,000
7046 Fox Path	$266,000
202 N Willard Rd	$175,000
47854 Pavilion Rd	$408,000
48001 Red Run	$308,000
4259 S Cerrine St	$25,000
8115 Tillotson Ct	$318,000
48645 Wildrose Dr	$350,000
40340 Winfield Rd	$161,000

Garden City

32130 Cambridge St	$67,000
271 Cardwell St	$120,000
28428 Donnelly St	$80,000
32439 Donnelly St	$80,000

Livonia

36457 Ann Arbor Trl	$248,000
36463 Ann Arbor Trl	$250,000
28732 Bayberry Ct W	$180,000
33227 Fargo St	$68,000
14810 Flamingo St	$172,000
29746 Grandon St	$147,000
27870 Long St	$149,000
32521 Lyndon St	$207,000
32321 Maryland St	$155,000
27917 Western Golf Dr	$286,000

Plymouth

530 Byron St	$203,000
12170 Chandler Dr	$345,000
41310 Crestwood Dr	$205,000
10301 Jo Ann Ln	$340,000
8924 Northampton Dr	$340,000

Redford

16970 Beech Daly Rd	$100,000
24601 Elmira	$115,000
15220 Garfield	$80,000
18451 Garfield	$73,000
26979 Glendale	$138,000
8858 Winston	$120,000

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34566 Pardo St	$190,000

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Then, use your friends and family to find a real estate agent. Find one who listens well and understands your needs. Most importantly, choose an agent you feel comfortable with.

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Playground safety still a real problem

Recent reports indicate that playground safety continues to be a very real problem across the nation. Homeowner and community associations need to pay particular attention to these findings and other studies that support the same conclusions.

Community Associations Press (CAP), the publishing division of the Community Associations Institute (CAI), recently reissued a classic work by Donna Thompson and others entitled, "Playgrounds for Young Children". This book outlines the nature of the problem and offers some very real solutions. The safety checklists in this book make finding the hidden dangers in a playground quick and easy. Also included is detailed information on maintaining a safe playground.

"When children are on the playground, their safety should be the last thing a parent has to worry about," said Barbara Byrd Keenan, president of CAI.

"In 'Playgrounds for Young Children', parents and community managers alike will find the tools and resources to ensure that these environments are both safe and enjoyable for all. A little peace of mind goes a long way when children are involved," she said.

"Playgrounds for Young Children" (250 pages) is available for $40 by calling (703) 548-8600, or via CAI's Web site at www.caionline.org. CAI members receive a 40-percent discount.

Check the checker

Try these to avoid home inspection blues

Home buying is a lesson in delayed gratification. But eventually, you get the payoff you've been waiting for... moving day. It's hard to believe you're really there.

Just remember that sooner or later, some flaw in your dream home will bring you back to earth. It's inevitable.

"New homeowners should keep minor problems in perspective. Every home has them," says Richard Roll, president of American Homeowners Association (AHA).

"The way to avoid larger problems is to pick a qualified home inspector and really understand the inspection report, before you go to closing."

Maybe a kitchen circuit breaker trips every time you run an appliance, or a balky door won't close. Why did you miss the problem?

■ 'New homeowners should keep minor problems in perspective. Every home has them.'

Richard Roll,
president,
American Homeowners Association

Home inspections are such a routine part of the closing process these days it's easy to assume that any inspector will do. Don't take your home inspector's qualifications for granted.

The home inspector is your last line of defense between you and problems that could bust your budget to repair.

Dig a little deeper rather than accept a referral with no questions asked from your real estate agent. How long have they been in business? Ask for customer references and call them.

Call the Better Business Bureau, (248) 644-9100, just to make sure there are no complaints.

Before you hire someone, ask to see a sample copy of the inspection report. Look for a narrative description that fully explains each problem – a check-off box with good, fair and poor isn't good enough.

Every inspection should cover all the major systems at a minimum, including plumbing, heating, and cooling; the structural conditions, including the roof; and the electrical system.

When you receive the report, make sure you actually read it. If you don't understand something, get your inspector to explain it. Don't let unanswered questions come back to haunt you on moving day.

What if a problem rears its ugly head before closing?

Your response really depends on the nature and severity of the problem. For example, do you want to engender bad feelings with your seller by complaining about a torn screen in a window?

What if you discover something after moving in that the seller failed to disclose and your inspector missed? Good inspectors make mistakes. And good inspectors encourage customers to call them whenever problems surface.

That's why every inspector should have errors and omissions insurance.

For more information on any aspect of buying a home, go to www.realhome.com, the Web site for American Homeowners Association.

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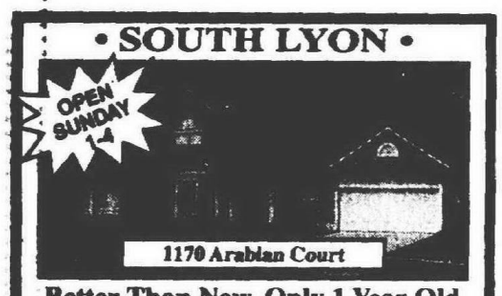

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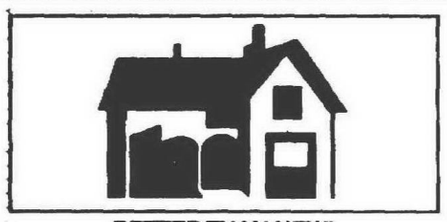

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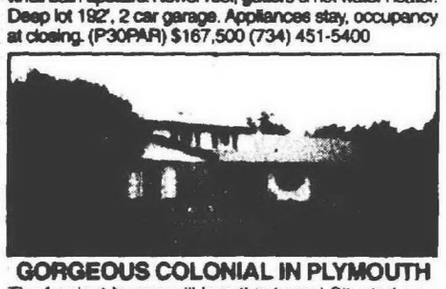

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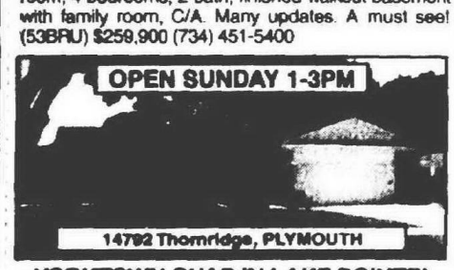

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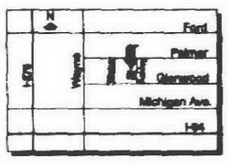

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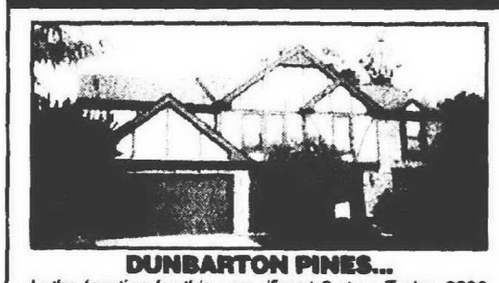

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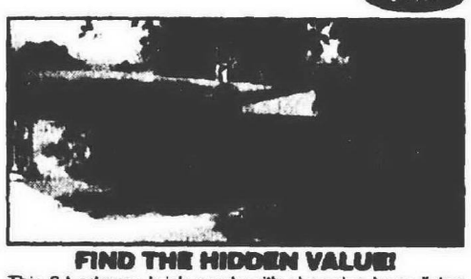

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REMODELING SHOW

The Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan sponsors its eighth annual fall remodeling and furniture show Thursday-Sunday, Oct. 12-15, at the Novi Expo Center, I-96 at Novi Road.

More than 200 exhibitors are expected.

Show hours are 2-10 p.m. Thursday and Friday, 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. Saturday and 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday.

Cost is $6 for adults, $4 for senior citizens and $3 for children 6-12 years of age. Parking is available on site for an additional fee.

For information, call (248) 862-1019 or visit www. builders. org

BUY HOME CLASS

Approved Mortgages sponsors a free seminar for home buyers 7-8:30 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 17, at Summit on the Park, Canton Center between Cherry Hill and Michigan Avenue, Canton.

For reservations, call Diane Adamick at (734) 455-2219 Ext. 217.

CONDO CLASS

Robert M. Meisner, a lawyer and O&E columnist, presents a class, "Advanced Condominium Operation: The Essentials for Success," 7-9 p.m. Tuesdays, Oct. 17 to Nov. 7, at the Bingham III Office Park, 30200 Telegraph, Bingham Farms.

Cost is $95. To register, call (248) 471-7729 or (248) 644-4433.

IREM MEETING

The Institute of Real Estate Management Michigan Chapter 5 hosts a breakfast program on how to communicate with and do business with the state Department of Environmental Quality 8 a.m. Wednesday, Oct. 18, at the Westin Southfield-Detroit, 1500 Town Center, Southfield.

Speaker: Russell J. Harding, DEQ director.

Cost is $15 for members, $20 for nonmembers. To register, call Bea King at (248) 615-3885.

ARCHITECTURE TALK

Lawrence Technological University hosts Patricia Patkau, who will speak on "The Material and Immaterial," 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 19, at the college of architecture and design auditorium on campus, 21000 W. 10 Mile, Southfield.

No charge for the lecture. For details, call Michelle Juras at (248) 204-2880.

NAHB SHOW

The National Association of Home Builders hosts its 10th annual Remodelers Show and Seniors Housing Show Thursday-Saturday, Oct. 19-21, at the Cobo Conference & Exhibition Center in Detroit.

A variety of on-site registration packages are available starting at $25. For information, contact Robert R. Jones at (248) 332-1600 or visit the Web at www. RemodelersShow. com

BUY HOME CLASS II

Hometown Mortgage Lending and Remerica First co-sponsor a free class, "How to Buy a Home with Zero Down and Finance Closing Costs," 6:15-8 p.m. Monday, Oct. 23, at the Sandburg Library, 30100 Seven Mile, Livonia. To register, call (888) 899-7807.

CAREER EXPO

The Washtenaw Contractors Association sponsors a free construction career expo 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 24, at the Eastern Michigan University Convocation Center in Ypsilanti.

Apprentice schools and colleges will describe programs available for construction careers. Demonstrations also will be given.

For information, call (734) 662-2570.

COOPERATION SEMINAR

The sales and marketing council of the building industry association offers a course, "Effective Builder-Broker Cooperation," 8 a.m. to noon, Wednesday, Oct. 25, at BIA headquarters, 30375 Northwestern, Suite 100, Farmington Hills.

Cost, which includes continental breakfast, is $50 for sales and marketing council members, $65 for BIA and apartment association members and $85 for others. To register, call (248) 862-1033.

WRIGHT IMPERSONATOR

The Construction Specifications Institute, metro Detroit chapter, sponsors Frank Lloyd Wright impersonator Lyman Shepard at a dinner/ program 6:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 3, at the Birmingham Country Club.

Free for members, $35 for nonmembers. To register, call (248) 433-5555.

REAL ESTATE FORUM

The University of Michigan/ Urban Land Institute present their 14th annual real estate forum, "East Side Story: Riding the Wave of Real Estate Development in Macomb County," Thursday-Friday, Nov. 9-10.

A bus tour of Macomb County is scheduled for Thursday, workshops at the University of Michigan Student Union in Ann Arbor Friday.

Cost for both days is $250 before Oct. 23, $280 after that date. Single-day registration is $150.

To register or obtain more information, call (734) 764-4276.

HAZARD REPORT

VISTAinfo, a publicly owned company based in San Diego, has a Web site that offers a free overview of environmental conditions – contaminated waste sites, hazardous waste locations and landfills – by ZIP code.

The Internet address is www. NearMyHome. com

More specific reports are available for a fee.

PLAYGROUND SAFETY

A book available from the Community Associations Institute can help community association managers and board members ensure that their playgrounds and tot lots are as safe as possible.

Detailed information is provided on safety inspections and implementing an effective maintenance plan.

"Playgrounds for Young Children" is available for $40 by calling (703) 548-8600, or ordering through www. caionline. org

Guarding your home from outside threats

Imagine the kind of damage that a violent lightning storm would have on your home and its electrical equipment. Robert and Joanne Zipparo experienced this terror firsthand when they found themselves in the midst of a violent thunderstorm one night, when severe lightning hit their region. Such weather is not unusual for their neighborhood, which is why they installed surge protection throughout their home. Surely enough, "Lightning struck our block with a vengeance," says Robert Zipparo.

All five houses on the Zipparo's block were struck by lightning. "I know ours was struck because we had a circuit breaker trip," says Joanne. But of all the homes, the Zipparo's was the only one that did not suffer damage. Neighbors told of high repair or replacement costs of fried computers, telephones, alarm systems, appliances and other electronics. In contrast, the Zipparo's equipment survived.

What the Zipparos had on their side was surge protection. One feature of their protection shields a home's electrical panel – the main entry point for electricity-from damaging high-voltage surges.

Savvy homeowners should be aware that, aside from a home's electrical panel, there are many paths through which electricity enters a home. Signal lines, such as TV cable lines, telephone lines, and modem connections for computers, are gateways for dangerous surges to travel through. Panamax, the manufacturer of the Zipparo's surge protection, features signal protection in their products. The combination of main electrical service entrance protection and signal line protection is critical.

"It's vital to protect every energy pathway in your home," warns Panamax's president, Henry Moody. "It's not just lightning that can harm your home; about 40 percent of all potential voltage surge dangers come from outside sources, which include accidents and downed power lines." When these surges come into your home via energy pathways, they can wipe out expensive appliances and electrical gear.

One installer recalls the harm that surges emanating from outside a home can cause to home equipment. A customer called him after the customer's house had experienced a power surge. Most of the customer's home office and home entertainment devices had blown out as a result of the surge.

"When I got there I realized that calling it a 'surge' was an understatement," says the installer. "What had happened was a power company employee was working on an underground transformer when a wrench fell out of his pocket and into a transformer," he recalls.

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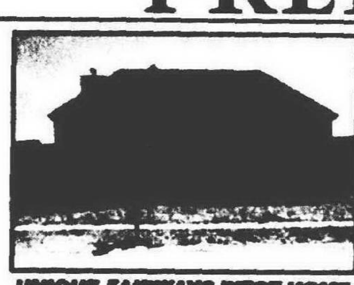
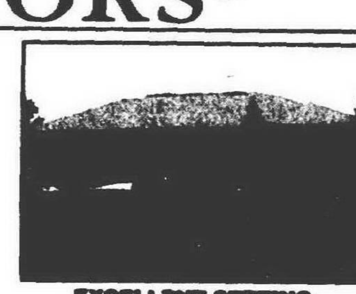


UNIQUE FAIRWAYS WEST HOME
Over 3,400 sq. ft., 3 full baths, hardwood floors, formal living and dining rooms, 2 story great room and den, huge master suite with pan ceiling, sitting or exercise room and beautiful master bath, 4 bedrooms, 1st floor laundry and 3 car attached garage.
(461TO) $424,900

ENTERTAINING DELIGHT!
You'll be mesmerized by this nearly new Emerald Pointe home! 4 bedrooms, 2½ baths, full finished walk-out level with family room, great room with fireplace, island kitchen, private master suite, C/A, paver patio and neutral throughout! Absolutely breathtaking!
(462TE) $214,900

GREAT OPEN FLOOR PLAN
Great 3 bedroom brick ranch with a full basement and garage. Open floor plan and nicely updated. Ideal location near shopping and schools.
(224BA) $134,900



EXCELLENT SETTING
with access to 15 acre private lake. Outstanding views with all the privacy you could ask for. Ranch with master suite and all large bedrooms located on 3.2 acres with walkout.
(365AN) $549,900

WATERFRONT
4 bedroom, 4 bath waterfront home with flexible floor plan that accommodates in-law's quarters or rental unit. Spacious family room with cathedral ceilings. Many updates and 200 feet of shoreline. Enjoy!
(3391-0402E) $[illegible]

DOLLHOUSE RANCH
Beautifully updated 3 bedroom home. Inviting oak kitchen, hardwood floor, newer Berber carpet, vinyl windows, brand new furnace and C/A, all new vinyl siding and 2 car garage.
(367FI) $114,900

LOCATION, LOCATION
A wooded paradise is the setting for this beautiful 3 bedroom, 2 bath home. Open floor plan with newer windows & doorwall, newer roof, spacious updated kitchen, freshly painted, neutral decor & gorgeous landscaping with waterfall.
(565AL) $229,900

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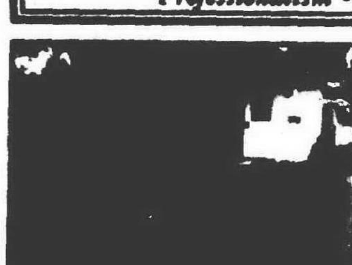
([illegible]) $749,900

EXQUISITE 2 STORY COLONIAL
in Salem Township with circular drive leads to 4 bedrooms, 2½ baths on 5 (+ or -) wooded acres. Spacious kitchen with island and snack bar, hardwood floors, large great room with stone fireplace, large master bedroom and many updates. 32x30 pole barn.
(791NA) $389,900

SPACIOUS COLONIAL
Two story foyer with custom tile, oak stairs and railing, 4 bedroom, 2½ bath colonial built in 1994. 2,629 sq. ft., family room with fireplace, freshly painted, professional landscaping, 2½ car attached garage, full basement and 1st floor laundry.
(732TI) $[illegible]

NORTH CANTON COLONIAL!
Mayfair Village sub, ravine lot, 3 bedrooms, 2½ baths, family room with fireplace & cathedral ceiling, formal dining room & spacious kitchen, 1st floor laundry, new windows on front, new roof & finished basement.
(476EL) $[illegible]



SPACIOUS RANCH
Well maintained, extra large ranch, library, family room, 3 large bedrooms, basement, 2½ car garage and lots of nice updates!
([illegible]) $[illegible]

THIS HOME HAS IT ALL!
3,000 sq. ft., great room with fireplace, oak kitchen cabinets and hardwood floors, all kitchen appliances included. Library/den, huge master suite 16x21 plus large private bath and attached sitting room, 3 car garage, brick paver patio and 16x20 inground pool.
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Stunning 1st floor master suite, dramatic foyer and great room, 2 staircases, gathering room with fireplace, custom kitchen and octagon nook, formal dining room, full walk-out basement, 4 car garage, almost 2 acres and so much more.
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GREAT BEGINNINGS
Updated ranch home offers many quality features. Hardwood flooring, updated bath and kitchen, fireplace in family room, deck overlooking large lot and more.
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Two professionals on staff of **Soil & Materials Engineers** in Plymouth received high honors at the annual conference of the Michigan Section of the American Society of Civil Engineers.

Bedenis

Byrum

Tim Bedenis, P.E., was named Outstanding Engineer of the Year for 2000. He was honored for dedication, problem-solving abilities, professional ethics, commitment to mentoring young engineers and dedication to client service.

Bedenis has been involved in the profession for 18 years.

Chris Byrum, P.E., was named Outstanding Young Civil Engineer. He was cited for valuable and innovative contributions to transportation engineering.

Byrum joined the professional association as a student member in 1985.

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Century 21 Town & Country Plymouth has opened a new office at 705 S. Main, (734) 455-5600.

John Kersten is president and founder of the multi-office Century 21 Town & Country franchise. **Tim Reilly**, associate broker, is sales manager of the Plymouth office.

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Fairway Construction of Southfield has been named exclusive installer of the Owens Corning Basement Wall Finishing System for southeast Michigan.

Adam Helfman is president of Fairway Construction.

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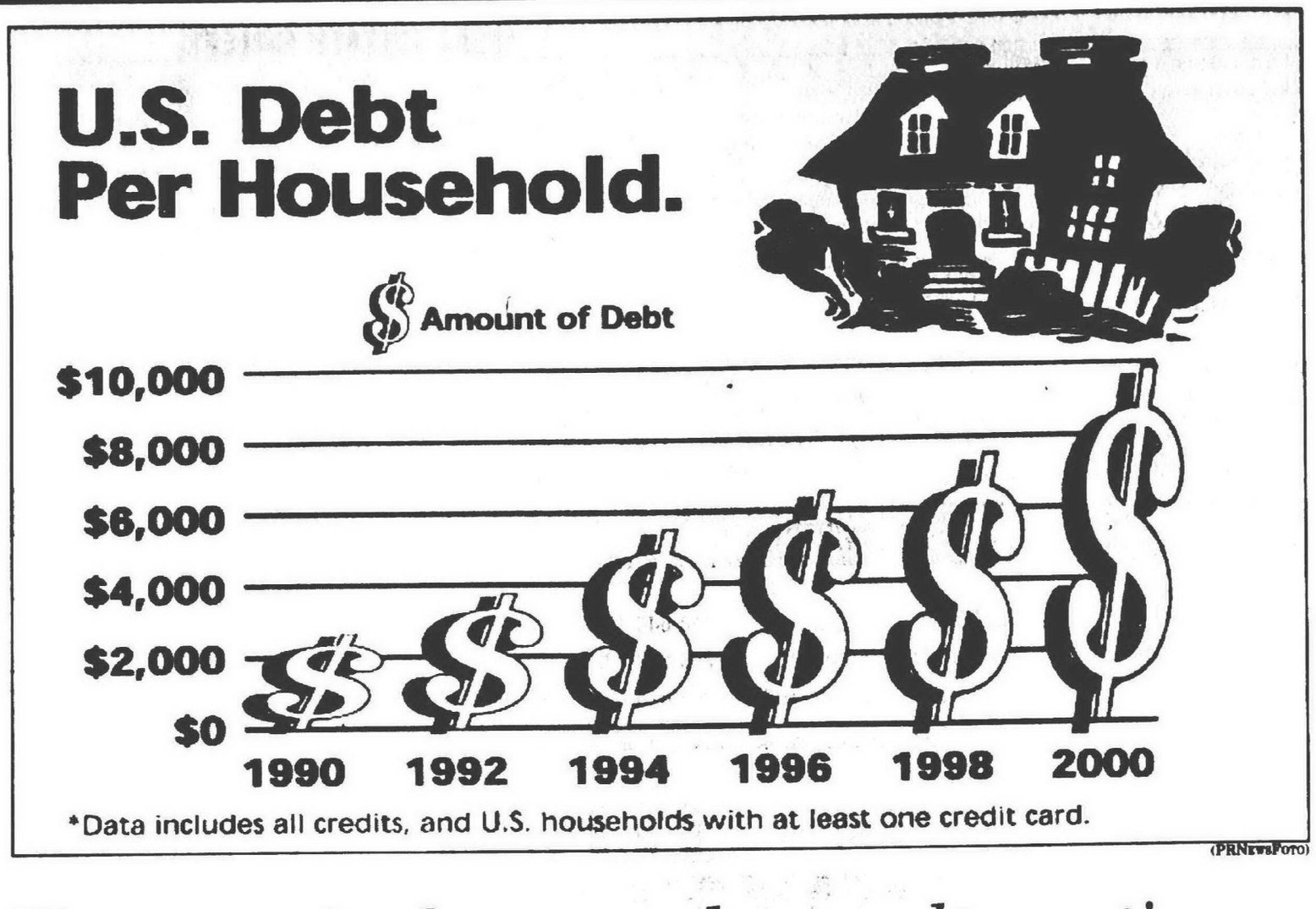
First Commercial Realty & Development of Southfield will build, lease and manage a 93,000-square-foot shopping center in Brownstown Township.

Construction of the $14 million center, anchored by a Kroger store, is expected to begin in mid November and finish next summer.

The firm is building a 54,000-square-foot Kroger store at Gratiot and Lappin in Detroit.



Home equity loan can be an alternative

With the recent interest rate increases – 2 percentage points since June 1999 – the national average of credit debt has reached an alarming $10,000 per household.

Financial experts suggest reviewing your credit card statements and looking into consolidating increasing debt before it's too late. The average interest rate on a standard variable-rate credit card is the highest ever at 17.08 percent, according to Bank Rate Monitor. Still, many cardholders are unaware of the rising rates and the additional funds it is costing them. "People are paying hundreds of dollars in interest rate charges today," said Don Mather, senior vice president, Champion Mortgage. "Actually, the first $142 of a consumer's monthly payment on an unpaid balance of $10,000 (with an interest rate of 17.1 percent) is totally consumed by credit interest charges."

With hopes to control credit card spending and consolidate rising debt, Mather finds that many people are in a position to explore home refinancing or apply for a home equity loan to relieve credit card debt and to finance other needed expenditures. Currently, many are already taking advantage of home equity loans, which they are using to help pay off credit card bills, as well as lower their monthly payments and interest rates.

"The average credit card interest rate is 10 percent higher than the average home equity loan's rate," said Mather. "Home equity loans help pay off high credit card bills with substantially lower monthly payments as well. Home equity loans can also assist many with funding home improvements, college tuition and weddings." According to Mather, many people fall into debt due to unusual circumstances, such as sudden medical bills or the recent rising interest rates, while their money management skills are otherwise excellent.

Refinancing or using a home equity loan is a worthwhile option for homeowners to consider when confronted with such situations.

"Whether or not they are interested in pursuing refinancing or a home equity loan, homeowners should be well aware of their financial situations and credit card interest rates before the FED meets again," recommends Mather.

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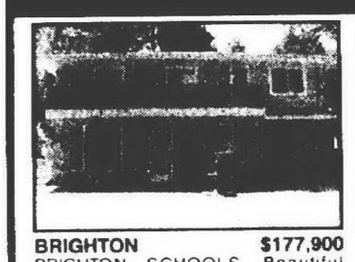
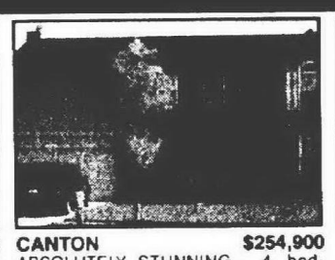
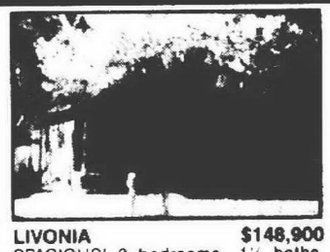

BRIGHTON $177,900
BRIGHTON SCHOOLS. Beautiful updated colonial overlooking peaceful Dibrova Lake. Spacious great room with natural fireplace, formal dining room, 4 bedrooms, freshly painted, new interior doors, all ready to move in and enjoy. Great location, close to highways and schools. (OE-L-82DIB) 734-462-1811


CANTON $254,900
ABSOLUTELY STUNNING... 4 bedroom, 2½ bath ideally situated on beautiful cul-de-sac premium lot. Features include upgrades full basement, A/C, wood deck, bay windows in dining room & living room, spacious kitchen with center island, 1st floor laundry, upgraded larger family room with fireplace. (OE-P-95Cre) 734-453-6800

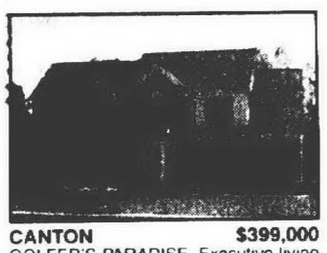
DETROIT $124,900
MINT CONDITION. Best describes this beautiful 1340 sq. ft. 3 BR brick bungalow w/aluminum trim. Home located in popular Rouge Park sub. Excellent kitchen w/newer counter & stainless steel sink. Large family room for your relaxing comfort. Finished basement. Updated elec. service. One year home warranty. (OE-L-90BRA) 734-462-1811

HIGHLAND $338,900
NEW CONSTRUCTION BACKING TO HARVEY LAKE. Located on a quiet cul-de-sac in Highland. Features include 4 bedroom, 2½ bath Colonial with walk-out basement and 3 car garage. 2 story foyer with dramatic bridge overlooking great room with fireplace. Master suite with luxurious fashion bath. (OE-L-73ADA) 734-462-1811


LIVONIA $148,900
SPACIOUS! 3 bedrooms, 1½ baths. Open floor plan with cathedral ceilings. Great room with fireplace, large kitchen with dining room and eating area. Fenced yard for the children. Finished basement. (OEN12DEE) 248-347-3050

PLYMOUTH $229,000
IMMACULATE INSIDE & OUT... Totally renovated! New oak kitchen, 2 full baths, family room addition. New flooring, oak banister, Andersen windows, roof, siding and electrical. Large cul-de-sac lot plus half of adjacent lot! Great colonial... great location. (OE-P-18Suz) 734-453-6800

SOUTHFIELD $229,900
SPACIOUS COLONIAL. Looking for a large 4 bedroom home with immediate occupancy, look no further. Important updates have been done. Freshly repainted inside, exposed hardwood floors throughout. Furnace and air conditioning new in '99. (OE-L-30STE) 734-462-1811


CANTON $399,000
GOLFER'S PARADISE. Executive living at its best in this large 3,770 sq. ft. colonial at "Fairways of Pheasant Run." This home is spotless and offers many quality features. Private lot overlooking creek and trees, ceramic foyer entry & thru-out hall & kit. area, extensive crown molding & wainscoting, butlers & neutral decor. (OE-L-36SAN) 734-462-1811

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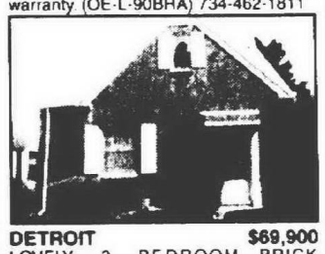
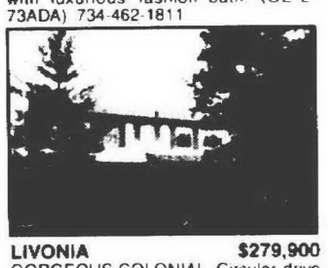
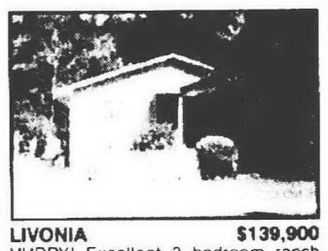
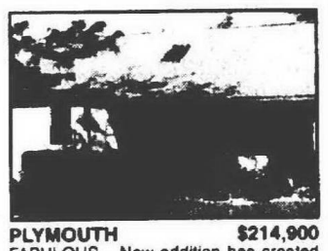
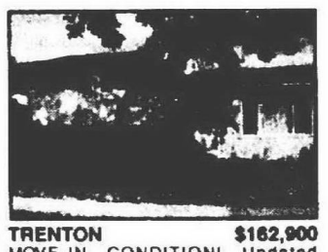
FABULOUS LOT. Backing to partially wooded commons. Nicely decorated 4 bedroom with huge master suite. First floor laundry, family room with fireplace and finished basement. (OEN28MAI) 248-347-3050


DETROIT $69,900
LOVELY 3 BEDROOM BRICK BUNGALOW! with basement and garage. New carpet and paint throughout. Updated bath with ceramic floor and pedestal sink. Large dining room, large master bedroom and more! Must see! (BOEN26COY) 248-347-3050


LIVONIA $279,900
GORGEOUS COLONIAL. Circular drive leads to this beautiful 4 bedroom, 2½ bath Colonial in northwest Livonia sub. Offers 2220 sq. ft. home with fenced yard. Features include family room with fireplace, master bedroom with master bath. First floor office. Many updates. (OE-L-37FAI) 734-462-1811


LIVONIA $139,900
HURRY! Excellent 3 bedroom ranch with neutral decor, full basement, 1 bath, 1107 sq. ft., shed, fenced and so much more! All appliances stay. Great starter home. Hurry! (OEN07DEE) 248-347-3050


PLYMOUTH $214,900
FABULOUS... New addition has created a 4 bedroom, 2 bath beautiful home with newer maple kitchen, formal dining room, formal living room plus a 19x14 family room with access to a covered rear porch/deck, a great rear yard. 2 car garage with opener. (OE-P-92Far) 734-453-6800


TRENTON $162,900
MOVE-IN CONDITION! Updated throughout. White bay kitchen with hardwood floors, nook with doorwall to patio. Large family room. Great location on a tree-lined street. Spotless. (OEN37JAC) 248-347-3050

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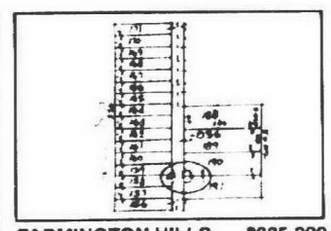
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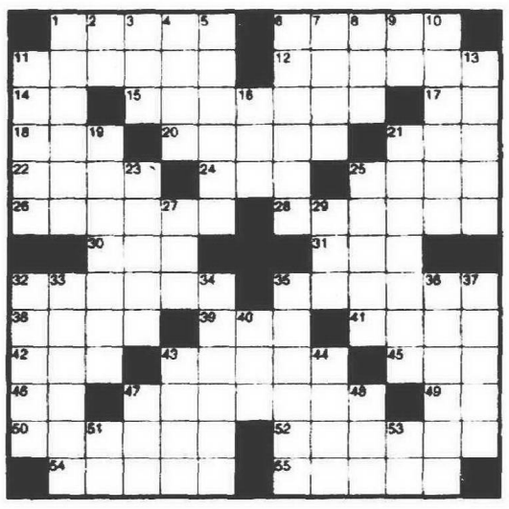

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325 Livonia

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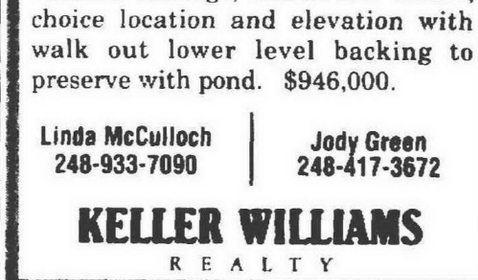

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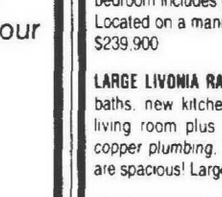

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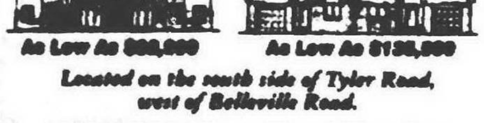

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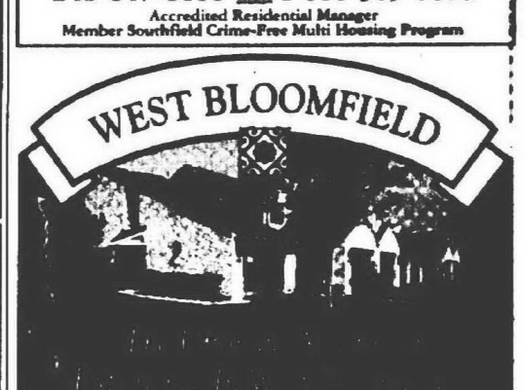

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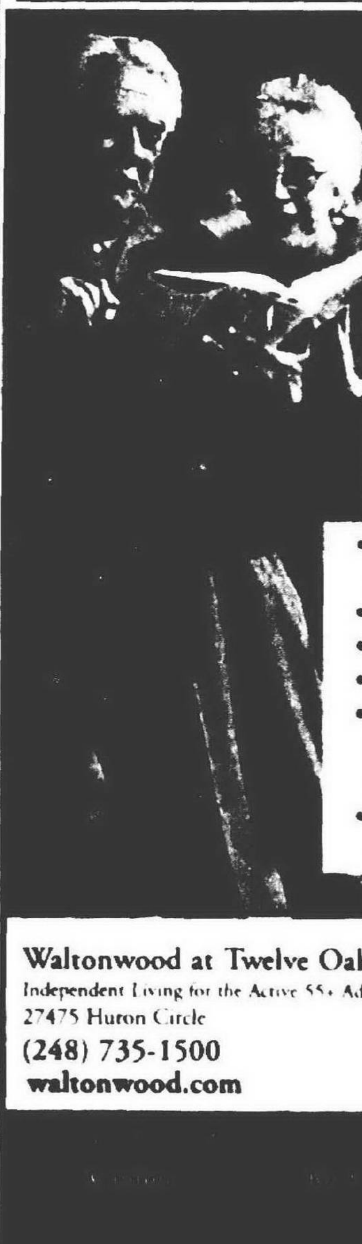

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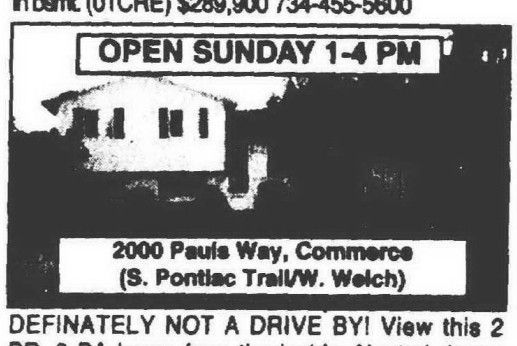

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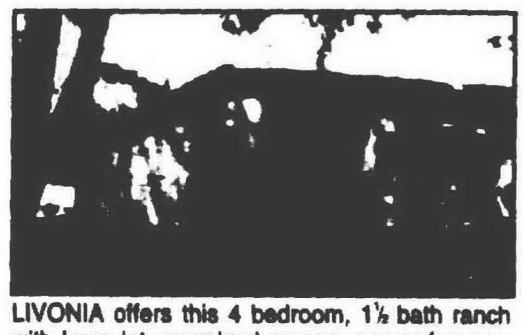

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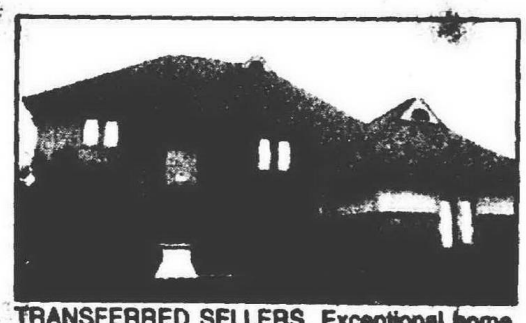
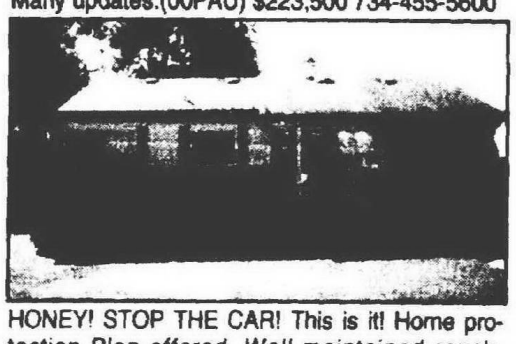
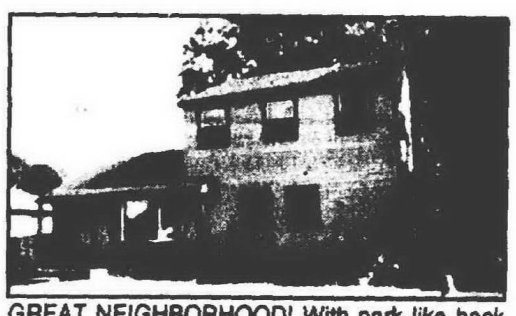


TRANSFERRED SELLERS. Exceptional home completed in '99, upgraded throughout. Fabulous floor plan, oak floors, maple kitchen w/island, FP in LR, FR & master BR. Novi schools. (16AND) $559,000 248-349-5600



HONEY! STOP THE CAR! This is it! Home protection Plan offered. Well maintained ranch. Newer: windows, roof, furnace, C/A. Ceramic tile with oak accents. Owner has love & care in this home. (25FAI) $118,500 734-455-5600

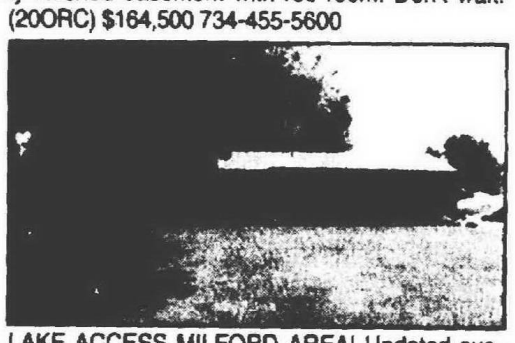


GREAT NEIGHBORHOOD! With park like back yard. Updated kitchen & bath, large family room, vinyl windows, newer furnace, C/A & HWH, partially finished basement with rec room. Don't wait! (20ORC) $164,500 734-455-5600

HOWELL - Move in at closing. Cozy 3 bedroom home with possible 4th bedroom upstairs. Newer kitchen windows, plumbing, hardwood floors, basement, freshly painted throughout. 1 year home warranty. (34NAT) $124,900 248-349-5600

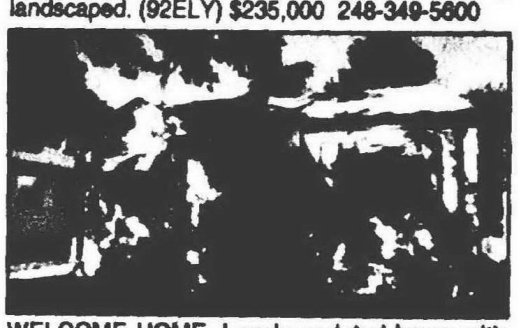
SMILE YOU FOUND IT...Well maintained colonial located walking distance to schools and town of Northville. 3 Bedrooms, 1½ baths, Great family neighborhood. Private fenced yard, nicely landscaped. (92ELY) $235,000 248-349-5600

TONS OF SQUARE FOOTAGE! Lots of storage space in this 5 Bedroom Colonial, 2 bath , huge kitchen, all appliances stay, circuit breakers, newer entry door & roof lovely yard, covered patio (60HAZ) $124,900 734-455-5600



LAKE ACCESS MILFORD AREA! Updated custom kitchen, Andersen windows, entry doors, carpet. Freshly painted interior. Resurfaced driveway,spacious deck w/view of maintained yard. (50TAR) $184,900 734-455-5600

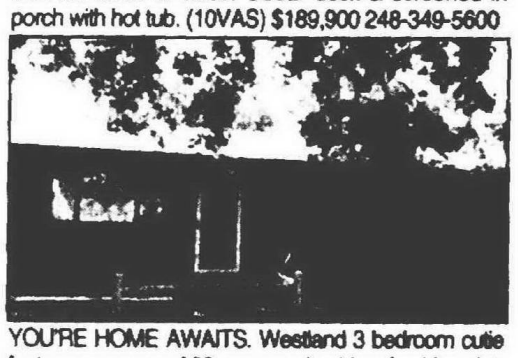
SOUTH LYON COLONIAL. Lovely well-cared for home on a quiet cul-de-sac location. Large fenced-in yard. Updated kitchen and baths. finished lower level with rec room & office. Cedar deck & screened in porch with hot tub. (10VAS) $189,900 248-349-5600



WELCOME HOME. Lovely updated home with open floor plan features large living room, spacious dining room, newer carpet, newer windows, hardwood floor. One year Home Warranty. (84SEM) $89,900 248-349-5600

GREAT 3 BR BUNGALOW! Move-in condition, aluminum trim, 1½ baths, 2½ car garage, newer: roof & vinyl windows, hardwood floors, steel insulated doors, huge master bedroom Don't miss this one! (98LAM) $129,900 734-455-5600

1ST LEVEL 2BR 2 BA CONDO! Remodeled to create more spacious living. Updated kitchen, Premium location backs to pond. Relax on private patio. Swimming pool, clubhouse, tennis courts. Laundry room w/storage unit next door. $91,160 (96WOO) 734-455-5600



YOU'RE HOME AWAITS. Westland 3 bedroom cutie features newer roof-98, copper plumbing, freshly painted thru-out, new carpeting thru-out, updated bath with Jacuzzi tub, large 2½ car garage, on a quiet peaceful street. (31WAL) $109,900 248-349-5600

LIVONIA SCHOOLS AT THIS PRICE? 3 Bedroom home w/2 car garage in a wonderful neighborhood. Kitchen updates, a skylight, mechanicals have been updated too. Wood entryway & newer carpet. (23MIL) $124,900 248-349-5600

Too New for Photo!!!

WINDING TREE LINED STREET! Large 4 bedroom, 3½ bath, walk-out to pool area. Master BR, formal LR & DR., hrdwd & tile in most rooms. Circle drive, 2 fireplaces, large addition with Rec room, hot tub, HPP approx ½ acre (72MEA) $309,999 734-455-5600

PICTURE PERFECT! Pride of ownership throughout. Lovely layout. 3 br, full basement, garage, formal dining room & large rec room. Great neighborhood. All new windows. Just one of many updates. Don't miss out! (03WOO) $136,900 734-455-5600

POPULAR MEADOWBROOK HILLS. Sharp home.Newer windows & doorwalls. Freshly painted inside & out. Newer carpeting & kitchen flooring. Private lot. 4+ bedrooms, 2½ car garage & basement. (68CEN) $268,900 248-349-5600

FAMILY READY 5 BR, 4 BA home with large rooms. Beautiful oak hardwood t/o. Bay window, French doors, fireplaces, LL w/walk-out, large living room w/FP. Out building is now a 2 bedroom home. (00NIN) $399,000 248-349-5600

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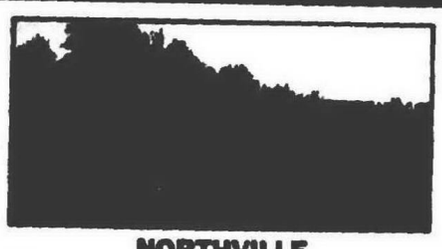
GROSSE ILE

SPECTACULAR WATERFRONT HOME. Custom built with many updates. Great room with 9 ft. ceiling & fireplace. Cherry cab in chef's dream kit. Master suite with fireplace & jetted tub. Library with bay.

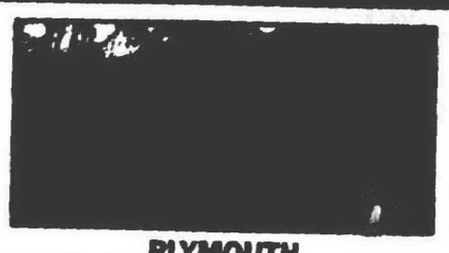
$705,000 (M18100) 734-591-9200



NORTHVILLE

WALK TO NORTHVILLE from this beautiful home on wooded lot in Shadbrook. 4 bedroom, 4.5 baths, finished lower level, library & 3-car garage.

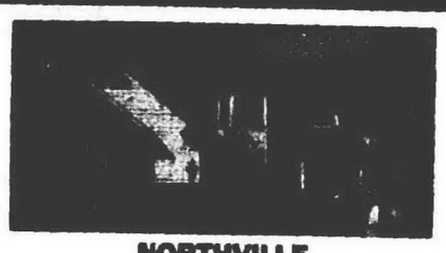
$600,000 (12PIN2) 248-348-6430



PLYMOUTH

LUXURIOUS CONDO! Private gated community - 4 bedrooms, 3 car garage, 2 fireplaces, Master bath with jetted tub for 2. Deck with hot tub, walking paths thru out community.

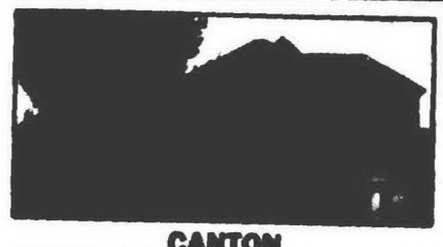
$449,900 (23111985) 734-644-4700



NORTHVILLE

MUST SEE! Beautiful Northville colonial features 4 bedroom, 2.5 bath, 1st floor laundry, dining room, family room, library, central air. Nearly 3000 sq. ft.!

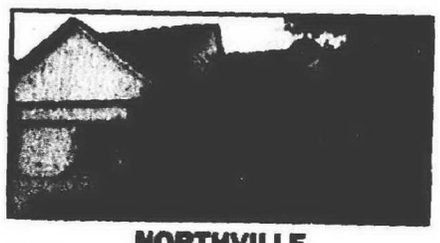
$434,900 (W39762) 734-591-9200



CANTON

REMARKABLE '93 BUILT 4 bedroom, 3.5 bath home in prestigious Buckingham Place! Dual staircases, 3-car garage, 2,866 sq. ft. finished basement & Plymouth/Canton schools!

$389,900 (o4wad2) 248-348-6430



NORTHVILLE

GREAT CONDO LIVING! 3 bedroom, 2 baths, 2 levs, great 1st floor master with cathedral ceiling & private bath, super finished basement.

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PLYMOUTH

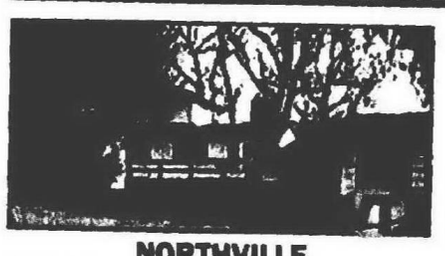
THIS 2445 SQ. FT. COLONIAL shows like a model home. From the full basement to the bonus room off the 4th bedroom, the extras add up. Extra windows too.

$329,900 (T45620) 734-591-9200

LIVONIA

NEW ON MARKET. Laurel Park colonial offers the best of everything - N.W. Livonia location, backs to nature preserve, open floor plan, updated throughout & maintained to perfection.

$329,900 (M16001) 734-591-9200



NORTHVILLE

UPDATED 1850'S VINTAGE HOME with post & beam construction. Full of charm, including a fieldstone fireplace, plank flooring. Northville schools, 2+ acres, horse barn. Creative financing!

$289,900 (62NAP2) 248-348-6430

FARMINGTON HILLS

SUPER RANCH in popular Meadowbrook Hills! Newer roof, Central Air, freshly painted, parklike lot, 3-full baths, stone fireplace, part finished basement, Farmington Hills schools & quick occupancy.

$249,900 (37HAL2) 248-348-6430

DEARBORN HEIGHTS

CLASSY, COMFORTABLE COLONIAL is this 4 bedroom, 2½ baths, formal dining room, family room with fireplace, full basement, 2 car attached garage, C/A, and patio, Crestwood Schools.

$244,900 (T272) 734-326-2000

DEARBORN

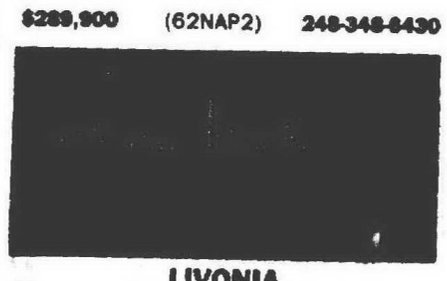
YOU MUST SEE FOR YOURSELF! A 5 bedroom colonial close to Oakwood Hospital. Maintenance free exterior. Many updates inside and out. Neat, clean and open!

$234,900 (23s1714) 734-647-7100

CANTON

EVERYTHING UPDATED. 4 bedroom, 2 bath Colonial has a 7 person hot tub in enclosed all season Florida room. Family room with fireplace, master bedroom with bath & walk-in.

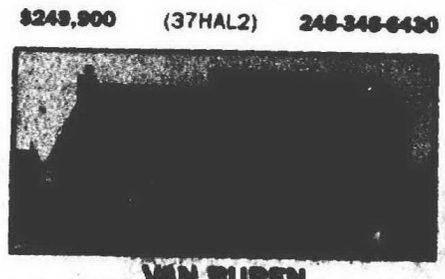
$224,900 (B808) 734-326-2000



LIVONIA

LARGE FAMILIES welcome to this 6 bedroom colonial with 4 car garage with workshop! Huge open kitchen to family room with brick fireplace. Jacuzzi tub in ceramic bath, partially finished basement in great neighborhood.

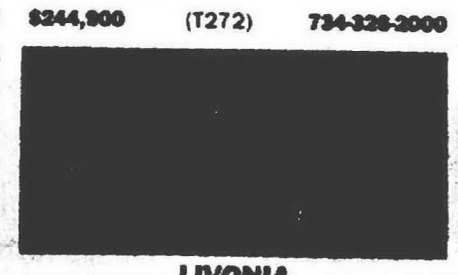
$219,900 (R38906) 734-591-9200



VAN BUREN

BESIDES STYLE & CHARM this Colonial has 4 bedrooms, 2½ baths, upgrades like ceramic tile, privacy fence, deck, sprinkler & alarm system, 2nd floor laundry.

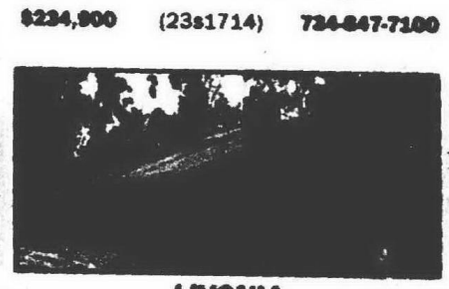
$214,900 (B428) 734-326-2000



LIVONIA

SUPER SHARP LIVONIA BRICK RANCH. Many updates - roof, wind, furnace, air. Kitchen & baths, electric, carpet & floor. Finished basement with 4th bedroom. Screened in porch, 2 car garage.

$197,900 (I14209) 734-591-9200



LIVONIA

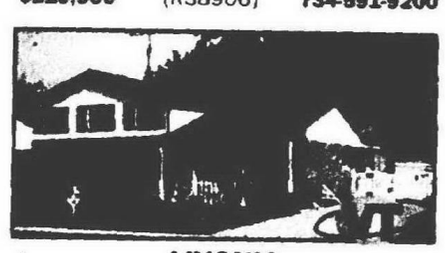
STUNNING & UNIQUE gorgeous custom-built home. 3 bedroom, 2 bath, beautiful woodwork, huge family room, cathedral ceilings, oversized garage.

$196,900 (L942) 734-326-2000

CANTON

CANTON FOREST CONDO! 3 bedrooms, 2.5 baths, professionally finished basement. Features great room with gas fireplace. Dining room, deck, master with cathedral ceiling. 2 car attached garage.

$195,900 (23s42279) 734-455-7000



LIVONIA

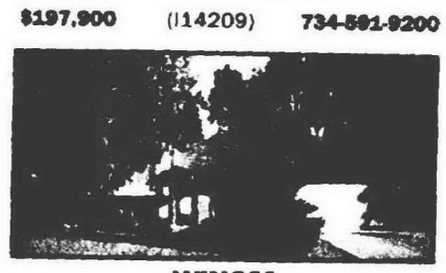
WELL MAINTAINED TRI-LEVEL IN LIVONIA. 3 bedroom, 2 full baths, recent updates; Andersen windows, carpet, kitchen floor & landscaping. Finished lower level with natural fireplace.

$188,900 (26BUC2) 248-348-6430

LIVONIA

NEWER LIVONIA HOME under 200K! Features 3 bedroom, dramatic cathedral ceilings and skylights, walk-in closet in master bedroom, large 2 level deck with private yard that backs to trees.

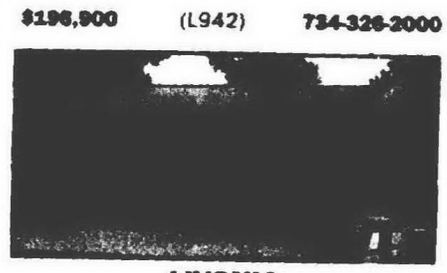
$182,900 (D27451) 734-591-9200



WIXOM

MOVE-IN BY THE HOLIDAYS! Freshly painted, newer flooring throughout this wonderful 3 bedroom, 2 bath home! Living room, sunroom with fireplace, upgraded oak kitchen cabinets. Don't wait!

$174,000 (72APA2) 734-348-6430



LIVONIA

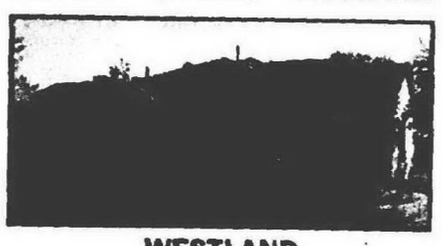
AWESOME 2000 SQ. FT. QUAD, 4 bedroom, 2.5 baths, 2 car garage, move-in condition - has it all - location, quality, value, and charm.

$169,900 (T29537) 734-591-9200

DEARBORN

OPEN SUNDAY 1-4. 2212 Nowlin St. GARDENER'S PARADISE! Flowers galore!! A little bit of country in the city! Charming bungalow, 2.5 car garage, finished basement, 2 full baths.

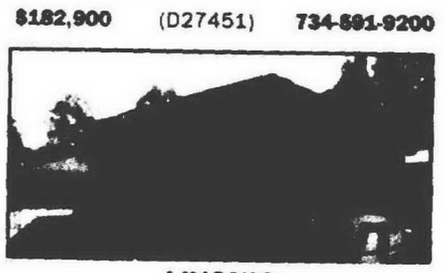
$159,900 (23n22212) 734-455-7000



WESTLAND

2 BEDROOM, 2 BATH BRICK CONDO! Built in 1993, fireplace & doorwall to large deck off living room, upgraded cabinets in kitchen, 1st floor laundry, vaulted master suite, 2.5 car attached garage, full basement.

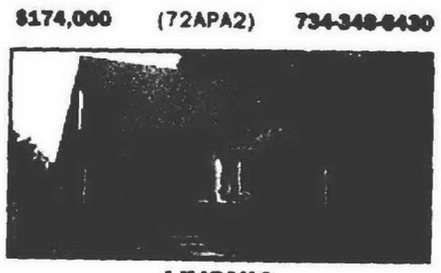
$155,000 (33QUA2) 248-348-6430



LIVONIA

JUST REDUCED! Enjoy superior comforts. Finished basement adds livability to this very special 3 bedroom, 2 bath ranch. Attractive home. Newer windows, kitchen & more.

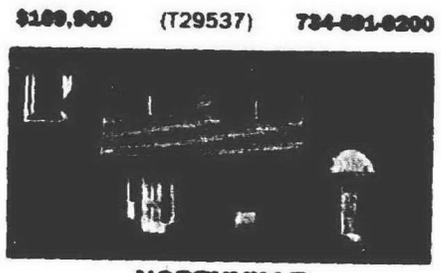
$154,900 (F18878) 734-591-9200



LIVONIA

COMFORTABLE BRICK HOME. 3 bedrooms, 1.5 baths. Newer roof, A/C, windows. Updated kitchen. Nice rec room in basement. Fenced backyard. Garage.

$154,000 (C9610) 734-591-9200



NORTHVILLE

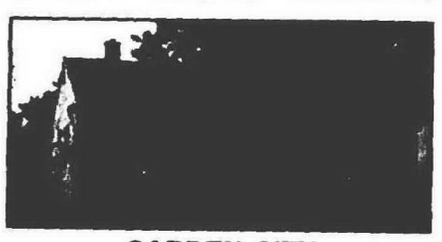
NICE 3 BEDROOM, 1.5 BATH TOWNHOUSE CONDO in Highland Lakes. Formal dining room, sunken living room, finished basement & beautiful fenced patio. Association with many amenities including 3 lakes!

$149,900 (50IR02) 248-348-6430

WESTLAND

TASTEFULLY DONE INSIDE AND OUT. Updates include furnace with C/A, hot water heater, roofs (house & garage), siding, kitchen & bath, windows, driveway, landscaping, 20x12 deck.

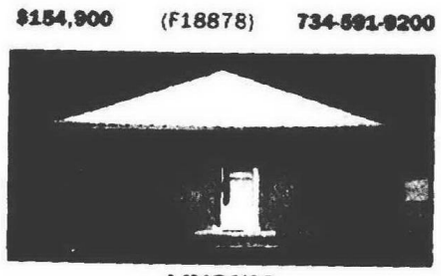
$139,900 (L334) 734-326-2000



GARDEN CITY

YOU WON'T BELIEVE all the updates in this 3 bedroom ranch. Neat, clean, beautiful. Wait till you see the backyard. The basement has storage everywhere!

$136,900 (R297) 734-326-2000



LIVONIA

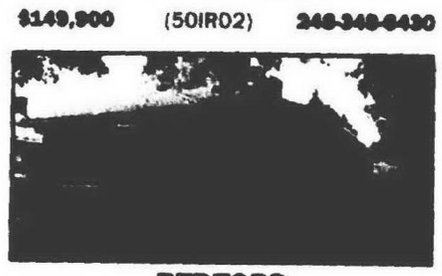
VERY NEAT BRICK RANCH with deep backyard, very large breakfast nook, roof approx. 8 years, master bedroom has a master lav. Immediate occupancy, home warranty.

$134,500 (B9093) 734-591-9200

REDFORD

REDFORD'S BEST MAINTAINED 3 bedroom ranch. Partially finished basement with rec room & workbench. C/A. 2 car garage with open kitchen area. Best value around.

$129,900 (B9655) 734-591-9200



REDFORD

3 BEDROOM BRICK RANCH with hardwood floors, remodeled ceramic bath, remodeled kitchen with new cabinets, stove, dishwasher, C/A, 2½ car garage.

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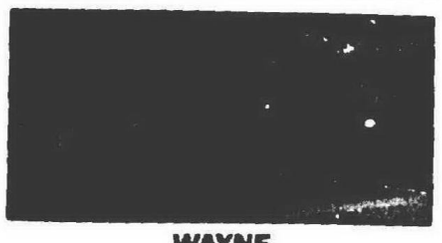

WAYNE

3 BEDROOM HOME ON A CORNER LOT. 2½ car garage. 12x14 deck, covered front porch. Newer windows, vinyl, furnace, roof. All appliances included.

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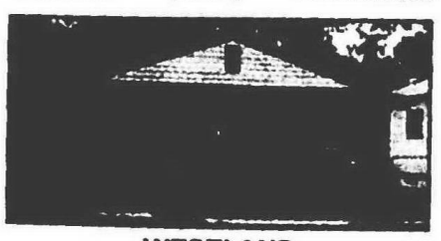

WESTLAND

A PLACE TO BEGIN! All the work has been done in this home! Remodeled kitchen, bath some carpet, fresh paint, new HWH, newer furnace, C/A, windows; roof. All appliances.

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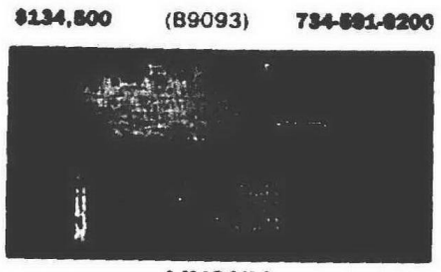

LIVONIA

ATTENTION INVESTORS/BUILDERS, this prime piece of property is in desirable Dohany Sub. Backs to protected woods. More for land than house.

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- MacArthur from Curtis to Clarita
- Margareta from MacArthur to Kinloch
- Woodworth from MacArthur to Seven Mile

R-101
- Lyndon from Minock to Berwyn
- Minock from Lyndon to Schoolcraft
- Lucerne from Minock to Barbara
- Barbara from Minock to Rockland
- Rockland from Lucerne to Barbara
- Kendall Ct. from Minock to Minock

R-126
- Schoolcraft from Fenton to Dixie
- Dixie from Schoolcraft to Glendale
- Winston from Glendale to Dead End
- Fenton from Glendale to Schoolcraft

R-147
- Fordson from Rockland to Kinloch
- West Chicago from Rockland to Kinloch
- Rockland from Plymouth to Elmira
- Kinloch from Fordson to West Chicago

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Mary Bartlett
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Second Shift Position

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101 N. Lafayette
South Lyon, MI 48178

Printer

Lead Printer

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If qualified, please mail or fax resume to Cathy Seccia, Human Resources, Botsford General Hospital, 28050 Grand River Ave., Farmington Hills, MI 48336. Fax: 248-471-8454. Email: scaccia@botsford.org EOE

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PRINTING PRESS OPERATOR Full time day shift printing press operator needed to operator our Heidelberg duplicator press. Experience with other small presses acceptable. Must have at least 2 yrs. experience, be reliable and be able to efficiently produce quality work. We offer medical, dental, 401K, vacation & holidays and a good working environment. Up to $15 per Hr. for a fully qualified operator. Call Alphagraphics, Canton (734) 455-6550

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Farmington Hills, MI 48334
or Fax: (248) 851-8534

PURCHASING

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Observer & Eccentric Newspapers
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Livonia, MI 48150

QUALITY INSPECTOR HI-LO OPERATOR PACKAGING SUPERVISOR

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Kurtis Kitchen & Bath Centers
Attn Lisa RE RG/RC
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Livonia, MI 48150
Fax: 734-522-9987

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Employment Positions
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Livonia, MI 48150
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Sr. Vice President
P.O. Box 9050
Farmington Hills, MI 48333-9050
Fax 248-553-3791
Phone 248-553-7749

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TEACHER needed for Bloomfield Preschool. Full/part time. Experience preferred. Good pay. 248-646-5770

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The Charter Township of Canton is accepting applications for the position of Programmer/Analyst. Professional work in the programming, maintenance, development, training, and user support of the Township Management Information Systems. A minimum of two years work-place programming experience with a minimum of one year FoxPro and/or Visual Basic experience. Must have already passed or must pass within 12 months of being hired or promoted Microsoft certification exam 70-176 and one other of the following Microsoft exams: 70-029, 70-175, or 70-100. Extensive hands-on experience with personal computers, Novell networks, and database engines (SQL Server and FoxPro). Graduation from a college or university with specialization in Computer Programming, or a related field; or any equivalent combination of experience and training. Applications must be picked up at the Canton Township Personnel Division, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, MI 48188 or send a self-addressed stamped business size envelope to above address to request Programmer/Analyst application form. A Canton Township application form must be completed in its entirety and on file with the Canton Township Personnel Division by 4 p.m., October 20, 2000. Resumes will not be accepted without completed application form. Job description will be posted at the Township Administration Building. The Charter Township of Canton does not discriminate on the basis or race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age or disability in employment or the provision of services. An Equal Opportunity Employer.

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Responsibilities include Back-up for operations on AS/400, AS/400 peripheral support, installation and support of PC hardware and software. Forward resume and salary requirements to:

Attn: IS Management
12265 Dixie Hwy
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Fax 313-531-3706
ISMgmt@TernesPackaging.com

502 Help Wanted-Office Clerical

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To assist with A/R, A/P, and payroll. Part-time for engineering firm, average 20-25 hours/wk. Must possess good aptitude, detail-minded and well organized. Manufacturing background helpful. Non-smoking environment. Please send resume with salary requirements to:

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General Accounting Clerk needed for established company in northern suburb. Experience required in cash receipts posting, A/P processing, bank reconciliations & general accounting responsibilities. Ideal candidate will have solid computer application skills & work well in team environment.

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ACCOUNTS PAYABLE CLERK

Some experience needed. Good keyboard skills a MUST. Must be detail oriented. Good benefits and salary. Farmington Hills office. Please fax resume to Rosemarie at (248) 865-9064

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To help with past due accounts, collections & other related duties. Full-time. Send resume & salary qualifications to Smede-Son Steel & Supply, Inc. 12584 Inkster Rd. Redford, MI 48239

502 Help Wanted-Office Clerical

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Attn: H.R.3 Department
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Redford, MI 48239
Fax: 313-531-5243

ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE
A Plymouth-based company is looking for full-time help in Credit and Collection. Primary responsibilities will be to assist Credit Manager in collections of Accounts Receivable, analyze accounts and extend credit. Applicant should work well on his/her own and have 3-5 years experience in collections/Accounts/Receivable. Applicant should also have experience with Microsoft Office and knowledge of the PC. Send resume and salary requirements to: 45657 Port St., Plymouth, MI 48170 Attn: Credit Manager.

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ATTN: HR DEPT/A/R
Fax: 734-374-5763

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mail@bestss.com

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36251 Schoolcraft Rd
Livonia, MI 48150

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT / RECEPTIONIST
Secretarial support for sales and management. Good working knowledge of MS Office. 50 WPM. Ability to handle both busy switchboard and projects. Excellent communication skills required. Team oriented environment. Benefits and 401K. E.O.E.
Mail or Fax resume to:
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Westand, MI 48185
Fax: 734-722-0051
Attn: Jill Barr

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to Gloria (248) 932-3661
www.harperjobs.com

ADMINISTRATIVE SECRETARY
The City of Wayne is currently accepting applications for the purpose of establishing an Administrative Secretary original eligible list. Salary range is $28,189.756 - $34,127.237. Must have a High School diploma or successful completion of the General Educational Development (GED) test. Must be able to type accurately 40 wpm. Have a minimum of three years experience in secretarial work and have considerable knowledge of municipal government operations. Must have a minimum of one year experience in computer applications including spreadsheets and word processing. Applications are available in the Personnel Department, 3355 S. Wayne Road, Wayne, MI 48184 or send a self-addressed stamped envelope to the above address to request an application. Completed applications must be received in the Personnel Department by 4:30pm on October 20, 2000. Resumes without completed applications will not be accepted.
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Or fax (734) 453-9987

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Seeking an In Charge Bookkeeper for a large local homebuilder. Must be experienced in QuickBooks Pro. Experience in construction industry a plus.
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Plymouth, MI 48170
Attn: F.T.
Fax 734-453-9987

CALL COORDINATOR needed for a busy real estate office in the Brighton area. Must be able to handle a multi line phone system and have a pleasant speaking voice. Interested applicants please contact Miles Winn @(810) 225-0600 or fax your resume to (810) 225-8167.

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CLERICAL POSITION
A Plymouth based manufacturing company needs a flexible and energetic person in our purchasing department. Must have excellent organization skills and good computer skills. MS Word, AS400 & Access experience would be helpful. Send resume to: ETAMIC Corp.
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Attn: President

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Southfield, MI 48075

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Attn: Lisa RE: Credit
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Livonia, MI 48150
Fax: 734-522-9987

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Livonia	248-473-2933

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DATA ENTRY
Part-time data entry clerk wanted five days a week in the A.M. Bloomfield Hills area. Data entry experience a plus. Call Chris at
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610 W. Congress
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E-mail: bde.jobs@bowne.com

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INDIVIDUAL NEEDED to organized, review and summarize medical records for Southfield law firm. Job includes phone contact with clients, doctors and hospitals. Must be articulate, mature, professional; have ability to work independently to manage high-volume workload. Windows experience necessary to prepare medical summaries; Microsoft access a plus.
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Friday, October 13th .... 9:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.
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FREE PARKING, WEDNESDAY EVENING EXHIBITION

FEATURING THE ESTATE OF MARY V. FISHER OF LEXINGTON, KY & BAL HARBOUR, FL, INCLUDING IMPORTANT PAINTINGS BY SUCH ARTISTS AS JOHN F. HERRING, SR., WILLIAM WILLIAMS, SAMUEL HENRY ALKEN, ADOLF SCHREYER, HENRY STULL; GEORG JENSEN STERLING, INCLUDING A PAIR OF CANDELABRA, A TEA & COFFEE SET, A CENTERPIECE AND COMPOTES, "CONTINENTAL" FLATWARE; TIFFANY & CO. STERLING AND ENAMEL DRESSER SET; AND FINE JEWELRY. THE ESTATE OF ROBERT & BETH HUTTON, GROSSE POINTE PARK; PAINTINGS FROM THE ESTATE OF MILO O'LEARY OF ROCHESTER.

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Tues., Oct. 17, 9am-6pm
Wed. Oct. 18, ($2/bag day) 9am-2pm.
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710 Estate Sales

ANOTHER ESTATE SALE BY ENCORE
Fri. & Sat.,
Oct. 13 & 14 10-4
REDFORD - 16806 Norborne. 2 blks. W. of Beech Daly, 1 blk. S. of 6 Mile. Queen bedroom set, dining room table, 6 chairs, sewing machines, hand quilts, jewelry, linens, rattan porch furniture, washer/dryer, double door refrigerator, small freezer, work bench, household, basement & garage misc.
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DEARBORN: SAT only, Oct 14. 9-5. Furniture, organ & misc. household items. 1132 Drexel. W of Telegraph/S of Ford.

ESTATE SALE - Oct 13,14,15, 8:30-4:30. 31521 James, corner Merriman & Warren.

ESTATE SALE
October 14 & 15
9:30 AM
Southfield, Michigan
20220 Winchester, N. of 696 on Evergreen, then 2 blocks W.
Art, Warhol book set, Peter Max items, Signed Picasso Litho, B & G figurines, Loetz, Steuben, Waterford, Roseville and McCoy pottery, Art Modern lamps and chairs, chrome chairs, bedroom set, framed advertising, Dresden, prints, chandelier, 1986 Mercury Topaz w/66K miles, piano, sofa and chairs, sleeper sofa, antique rocker, lawn furniture, TV & CD equipment. Marble coffee table, WI bench, Deco toaster, Office furniture, Luggage, men's clothing, wooden table and chairs, Frames and matting supplies, miter saw, drill press, sander, drafting table, step ladder, lawn tools, many hand tools.
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GIANT SALE, 10-14-00, Sat., 10am-4pm. Antiques, trunks, watches, in-line skates, size 8 & 11, bikes, dorm fridge, small appliances, luggage, church pew, air conditioner, TV, some furniture. Decorative items. Oak Dr., in Livoina, N of 5 mile, Bet Middlebelt Inkster

GREENTREES ESTATE SALE
Fri-Sat., Oct. 13-14, 10am-4pm
1483 Ravineview Court, Bloomfield Hills. Adams Woods Condos. Take Timberview W. off Adams, just N. of 175 entrance/exit. Ravineview Court is 1st right. NO SIGNS.
Traditional living room, mahogany dining room, wrought iron & glass dinette, tea cart, bakers rack, maple twin bedroom, family room, wrought iron patio set, Spode china, misc.

4 HOME IN 1 ESTATE SALE. ABSOLUTELY NO JUNK! Antiques, collectibles and mid-century modern furnishings. Sale includes entire kitchen of Schmidt solid Oak cabinetry as well as all appliances. 21936 Wildwood St., Dearborn. S. of Ford Rd., E. of Outer Dr., Oct. 13-14-15, 10 to 6pm

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LIVONIA 14731 Melrose, SW corner of 5 mile, and Merriman, Oct 13-15, 9-5pm, 50 yrs accumulation loads of good stuff.

REDFORD - Oct. 12-14, 10-5pm Entire contents of house must go! 9927 Marion, S of Plymouth, 2 blocks E of Beech.

TROY - Everything goes! French dining set: factory finish beige, blue border, china cabinet, 10 chairs, buffet; Wurlitzer piano, upright, white; bedroom set; living room w/velvet material; oriental rug; crystal glasses; crystal chandelier; chinese chest; pool table; womens size 12-16 clothes; lots more. Fri-Sat-Sun., 10-7. 2630 Fox Chase (Long Lake & Beech between Adams & Coolidge).

711 Garage Sales Oakland

Check These GARAGE SALES Near You!

Birmingham - Accumulation. Oct 14th Only, 10-4. 619 Vinewood, N. of 15, W. of Woodward.

BIRMINGHAM - Dont miss 5 family sale! Everything imaginable. Antiques to baby clothes & furniture. Sat., 10-6, 460 Henrietta, W/Woodward, N/ Lincoln

BIRMINGHAM - Fri. only! Oct 13, 9-5pm, 1086 Lakeside, W of Woodward/S of Quarton. Great Stuff! Home decor, antiques, furniture, childrens toys &clothes.

BIRMINGHAM - Hidden treasures galore!! Furniture, clothes, some toys & misc. Thur., Fri., 9:30-3:30. 1275 Suffield, N. of Maple, W. of Southfield Rd.

BIRMINGHAM - 6 Family - Sat., 8-4 2805 Windemier, W. Coolidge, N. Maple. Antiques/tools, furniture, Bellini crib, appliances, men/women's designer, size 2+, girls clothes.

BLOOMFIELD HILLS - Oct 12, 13, 14, 9am-6. Clothes, furniture, accessories, misc. 5270 Inkster Rd., between Lone Pine & Quarton.

BLOOMFIELD HILLS - Oct 14, 15, 10am-4. 3637 Walbre Dr., S. Long Lake, W. Squirrel. Great stuff, great deal! Dont miss it!

BLOOMFIELD HILLS - Sat. only, 9am-4pm. 3596 Darcy, off Lahser, between Maple & Quarton. Furniture, TV's, bikes, toys, clothes, much more.

BLOOMFIELD VILLAGE: Thur-Sat. 8-4. 2655 Bradway Blvd. N of Maple/W of Cranbrook. Antique ice box, flat cook top, furniture, designer fabrics.....

FARMINGTON HILLS - Farmington Sq. 6 homes. N. of 9, W. of Halsted. Fri-Sat., 9:30-4:30.

FARMINGTON HILLS - Fri, 9-12, Sat., 8-1. 31079 Hunter Whip, Rolling Oaks Sub, 14 Mile & Farmington Rd. Multi family-furniture, kids clothes, misc.

FARMINGTON HILLS - Moving. Household, furniture, dryer, humidifier, a/c, freezer. Thurs - Sat. 9 to 4. 30026 Fernhill, W. of Orchard, N off 13. Canterbury.

FARMINGTON HILLS: Huge Garage & antique sale at the farm house. Queen size bed set. 29529 Ten Mile. W of Middlebelt. Sat & Sun 9-5.

FARMINGTON HILLS - 22112 Malden, W. of Inkster, N. of Shiawassee. Oct. 12th-14th, 9-4. household, holiday, baby, books & more.

LATHRUP VILLAGE - Fri., Sat., 9 to 4. Toys, toddler clothes, furniture, etc. 27840 Lathrup Blvd., E. of Southfield, S. of 12.

NOVI - huge sale. Oct. 13-15, 9-5. Meadowbrook Sub between 9 & 10 Mile off Meadowbrook Rd., turn on to Chattman to Gilbar. Weather permitting.

PLEASANT RIDGE - Sat. 10-6, Sun. 10-4. Designer, trendy, vintage clothing, jewelry & accessories. Collectibles, misc. mannequins, red leather loveseat, black wall unit, kitchen cabinets. No presales. 90 Oakdale. W. off Woodward, S. of 696.

SOUTHFIELD - Church Yard Sale - Sat. 10-14, 9 to 4. 22355 W. 11 Mile Rd., Oakland Church of Christ

SOUTHFIELD: OCT. 13-15, 9-5. 17225 Alta Vista; N of 10 Mile, E off Southfield.

SOUTHFIELD - Fri., Sat., Sun., 9 to 5, exercize equipment, clothes, jewelry, shoes, computer, furniture, tools, more. 28836 Heritage Ln. 12/Evergreen.

TROY - Furniture, pictures, clothes. 5 family sale. Fri. 4 to 9pm. Sat. 9am to 5pm. 2486 Avery, between John R & Dequindre off Long Lake Rd.

TROY - Oct. 11-14, 9-5. 2818 Creek Bend, 1 block E. of Adams, W. of Long Lake off Longview. Clothes, toys, misc.

TROY - Oct 12, 9am-5. 4755 Riverchase Dr, Oak River Sub, S. Long Lake, W. Coolidge.

W. BLOOMFIELD - MOVING/ Garage Sale! 4410 Savoie Trail, Orchard/Walnut Lake Rds. Fri. 10/13, 9-6 & Sat, 10/14 9-6.

W. BLOOMFIELD: Sat Oct. 14, 8-4. Women's, men's & children's designer clothing & winter jackets, toys, household, contemporary kitchen chairs, much more. 5403 Pond Bluff; Walnut between Farmington & Drake

712 Garage Sales Wayne

Check These GARAGE SALES Near You!

BARN SALE - Oct. 13, 14, 15. Antiques, horse tack, misc. 3340 N. Territorial, W. of Pontiac Tr.

CANTON - 2 Families! Thurs-Sun, Oct 12-15, 9am, River Meadow Sub, on Aaron's Way, W of Canton Center/off Geddes.

CANTON - Multi-family. 47934 Pavilion (Fairways West Sub, W of Beck, S of Cherry Hill) Oct. 12-13-14, 9-5.

CANTON - Oct 13 & 14, 9-5pm. 42699 Woodwind Ln, Palmer/ Lilley. Christmas, floral, misc...

CANTON - Oct 13 & 14 9 to 4, Household, clothing, preschool toys & more. 6860 Woonsocket, E. of Sheldon, S. of Warren

DEARBORN HEIGHTS Garage/ Estate Sale. 6571 Highland, E./ Telegraph, N./Ford. Oct. 14 & 15, 9-4. Tools, lawn equipment, gun cabinet, some furniture.

DEARBORN HGTS - Thurs-Sun, 9-5. 8315 Silvery Ln, Ann Arbor Trl, btwn Beech/Telegraph

GARDEN CITY - Thurs.-Fri., 10-5; Sat., 10-4. 32724 Cambridge near Venoy & Warren.

IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY
Garage Sale/Live Auction
Sat., Oct. 14th, 10-5pm.
16000 Pembroke near Greenfield

LIVONIA - books, furniture, lamps, mens-women clothes, coats shoe etc. Thurs-Monday. 33149 Allen St.

LIVONIA - Collector plates, old lace doilies, tools, fishing equipment, Kingsley printing machine & more. Oct. 12-15, 9-6. 18684 Westbrook. E/Levan, S/7.

LIVONIA - Don't Miss It! Thurs-Mon, 10/ 12-16, 9-5. 14610 Westmore, E of Farmington/N of Lyndon. Boys 7x-14, teens, stereo, furniture & much more!

LIVONIA - 4 family. Household/ kitchen items, toys, family & bedroom furniture, clothes, office items. Lawnmowers. Thur-Sat., 9-2. Sun. 11-4. 36786 Margareta. 4th house S. off 7 Mile, btwn. Newburgh & Levan.

LIVONIA - Fri-Sat., Oct. 13-14, 8:30-3pm Furniture, misc household, young boys games/toys, Craftsman snowblower, much more. 20173 Hubbard (1 blk S of 8 Mile, W of Merriman).

LIVONIA - Fri-Sat., Oct. 13-14, 10-4. Lots of items, kids clothes, misc, furniture. 14173 Yale (N of Schoolcraft, E of Levan).

LIVONIA - Highlights include Designer wedding gown, mink stole, fur vest & coat. Lots of decor, lamps, Christmas ornaments & cool Halloween stuff. Fri., Sat., Sun., 10 to 6. No earlys.

LIVONIA - Misc. 35046 Grove, 4blks W. of Farmington, 2 blks S. of 8. Sat. Only, 9 to 5.

LIVONIA - MOM'S SALE
OCTOBER 14, 9-NOON
St. Edith Parish Hall, 5 Mile & Newburgh. $1 Admission.

LIVONIA - Multi-family. 36319 Hammer (N of Six Mile, E of Levan). Furniture, toys, Beanie Baby collectibles, clothing, household, etc. Wed-Fri., 9-5.

LIVONIA - Oct 14, 15. 9am-6. 3 family. Storm door, RCA TV, bar stools, household items, maternity, baby items, toys, children & adult clothes, lots of misc. 29151 Bretton Rd., E. Middlebelt, between 7 & 8 Mile.

LIVONIA: OCT 13 & 14. 9-4. 11415 Merriman Rd., S of Plymouth Rd. Baby stuff & more

LIVONIA - Pack Rats selling their stuff! Thurs-Fri, 9-5. TV's, furniture, microwave, dog kennels. Lots of misc. items for everyone in your family including the petal 15912 Marsha, S. of 6 Mile, W. of Newburgh.

LIVONIA: SAT only. 9-5. 31754 Summers. N of Schoolcraft/W of Merriman. Washer/dryer etc.

LIVONIA: SAT & Sun 10-5. 11349 Inkster Rd., S of Plymouth. Sports items & more

LIVONIA - Sat-Sun., Oct. 14-15, 9am-4pm. 14920 Bassett (S of 5 Mile between Newburgh & Eckles, enter Knolson).

LIVONIA - Sept. 14, 1 day only, 9-5, Rain or Shine, 9390 Cardwell, Bet Joy & W. Chicago bet Inkster & Middlebelt. Collectibles.

LIVONIA - 10-12 thru ? 14947 Alexander, S. of 5 Mile, E. of Middlebelt. Girls clothes/ toys.

LIVONIA - Thurs.-Sat., 9-4pm, 15820 Auburndale, N. of 5, W. of Merriman. Lots of STUFF!!

LIVONIA - Thurs-Sat, 9-5, 10529 Laurel, S. of Plymouth, E. of Wayne. 2 family. Old Life magazines etc.

LIVONIA - Thurs-Sat, 9-3, 15232 Blue Skies, S. of 5 mile, W. of Newburgh, furniture, toys, womens clothes sizes 10-16, kids 1-4 clothes, household & large tent, Race car bed.

LIVONIA - 19402 Whitby (7 Mile & Norwich). Sat-Sun., 9am-4pm. Clothes, books, many household items & misc.

PLYMOUTH - Don't Miss This One! Christmas decorations, computer games, hitches for Explorer & Cherokee, sports items, Jeep Wrangler wheels/ tires/acces. Plus household items & misc. Fri. Only. 10 to 6pm. 48948 Harvest Dr.

PLYMOUTH - Sat. only., 10-14. 9 to 4. Huge Christmas, Santa bears, tins, lites, wreaths, decorations. Quilting hoop, Sears car top, ski rack, housewares, books, lots of clothing, men's X-tra large, womens small. 8920 Briarwood, S. on Tavistock off Ann Arbor Rd., E. of 275.

PLYMOUTH- Trailwood Sub., 1 blk E. of Canton Ctr., 1 blk S. of Ann Arbor Trl. Fri. & Sat., Oct. 13 & 14, 9am-3pm. Furniture-Home & patio, childrens large yard toys, clothing, bikes, etc

REDFORD - 3 family sale. Fri, 12-5pm, Sat., 9-4pm. 13581 Lenore Telegraph & Schoolcraft.

REDFORD - Moving Sale, Sat & Sun, 9-4, 36338 Margareta, N. of 6 mile, E. of Inkster. Furniture, big screen TV.

REDFORD - Sat & Sun, 9-5, 14198 Berwyn, N. of 96, W. of Beech. washer, refrigerator, stove, household goods, clothing, etc.

REDFORD: Sat., Sun. 10 to 5. Furniture & misc. 9081 Sioux, S of W. Chicago, E. of Inkster.

REDFORD - Thurs-Sat, 9-4, Huge Sale, quality adult clothing shoes and accessories. Big variety of nice books, many good household and misc. items. Everything in good condition, lots of it. 25441 Donald, Beech Day & Lyndon area.

REDFORD - 15919 Woodworth, Oct. 13-14, 10am-5pm, Mens stuff, movie collectibles, video's, books, electronics, lots of misc. N. of 5 Mile, E. of Inkster.

WESTLAND - Fri & Sat. Oct. 13 & 14, 9-5, 8540 N. Hubbard, Joy & Merriman. Lots of misc!!!

WESTLAND - Fri., 4-7, Sat., 10-4. Sun 11-3. S. Ford Rd off Wildwood, 34215 Barton.

WESTLAND - Sat & Sun, 10-14 & 10-15, 10am-5pm. 1303 Denice, off Venoy, between Cherry Hill & Palmer.

WESTLAND - Thurs-Sat, 9-? 8035 Fremont, 1 blk. W. of Middlebelt, off Ann Arbor Tr. Multi family. Lots of misc., tools, girls clothes size 4 & 5.

713 Moving Sales

CANTON - Fri & Sat, 9-4, furniture, household items, everything must go. 1580 Stafford, Turn on Allegany Off Haggerty

CANTON: WEST Pointe Manor 41021 Old Michigan Lot 181. Furniture etc ... 734 397-7165

DEARBORN - Oct 13, 14, 10am-4. 436 Woodcrest, N. Cherry Hill, E. Military. Antique player piano & piano, chairs, typewriter, record player, lamps, furniture, pictures, air condioner, glassware, full garage

LIVONIA - Moving Sale. Oct. 13 & 14, 10-5. Beds, refrigerator, couches, clothes, toys, tables 15785 Green Lane, 1 blk. W. of Inkster, N. of 5 Mile

LIVONIA - Nottingham Woods, 16801 Yorkshire. Oct. 12 & 14, 9 to 5; Oct. 13, 9 to Noon. Downsizing. 30 Yrs. accumelation. Furniture, some antiques & collectibles. (6 Mile, W. of Merriman).

LIVONIA - 14406 Merriman, between Schoolcraft & 5 Mile. Sat. 10-14, 9-5. Sun, 10-15 Noon-? Small & large items with furniture, no appliances.

LIVONIA - 34426 Munger. Oct. 12th-15th, 9-5. Misc. furniture.

PLYMOUTH - Oct 12, 13, 14, 9am-4. Furniture, misc. household items. 9073 Mayflower, W. Sheldon, N. off Joy.

PLYMOUTH 46208 Green Valley Ct. Sun. Oct 15, 9-4. Furniture, appliances, Nintendo.

REDFORD - Moving! Oct. 13, 14, 15, 9-5pm 13032 Tecumseh. S/Schoolcraft, E/Inkster.

REDFORD - 25060 Doris Ct. ½ E of Beech Daly, S. of Plymouth, off Brady. furniture, and varies items. Sat, 9-5.

ROCHESTER HILLS- Fri., Sat., 9-4. 3695 Worthington, N. Walton, Hunters Creek Sub. Entire household, quality items

TROY - Furniture, tools, household, yard & garage items, camping gear, must go. 5898 Andover (S of Square Lake, E of Adams) Fri-Sat. 9-3.

TWO FAMILY - Adult/baby clothes, furniture, appliances, tools, computers, car access. Sat-Sun 9-5. 38595 Ann Arbor Tr., Livonia.

W. BLOOMFIELD - dining set, glass, 6 chairs; kitchen dining set, glass, 4 chairs; 4 bar stools; sofa; loveseat; Lazyboy, recliner loveseat; sectional; cocktail table; side table; end table; Frigidaire freezer; Kenmore washer/dryer. All good condition - must go. 248-626-6914

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GRAND CARAVAN 1999 - 126K mi., good cond. $... best. (248) ...

GRAND CARAVAN 1996 SE - ... 734-...

GRAND CARAVAN 2000 SE, V-6, 7 passenger, power windows, locks, tilt, cruise, loaded & priced to sell $16,499.

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GRAND VOYAGER 1996 - 108K, many new parts, drives super. $... (248) 335-0160

MERCURY 1993 VILLAGER, ... exec. cond., loaded, must sell. $5500. (248) 335-0699.

MONTANA 1999 - extended, like new, exec. cond. inside, out, 37k, $15,500. (248) 360-7932 days. (517) 223-8541 eves.

OLDS 1995 SILHOUETTE Leather, rear air, fully loaded, no smoker, $7500 248-335-3609

PLYMOUTH 1995 Grand Voyager, Rally, loaded, excellent, 85k, $5,800/best. 734-383-0832

PLYMOUTH 1993 voyager - original owner, runs great, must sell. $2600/best. (734) 762-7752

PLYMOUTH 1990 Voyager - 4 cyl. 114k, runs good, looks good. $1600. (734) 397-1275

PONTIAC TRANSPORT 1995 - 7 seats, leather, sunroof, remote start, 81K, $7800. 248-545-4309

SUBURBAN 1999, LP, 4 x 4, with all factory options, exec cond., 17,000 miles, $33,000/take over lease 313-320-8583

TOWN & Country 1996, CD, quad seats, dual air, chrome wheels, low miles and perfect! $10,995

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TOWN & COUNTRY 1995 dual air, leather, CD, AWD, 60k, $9500/best. (734) 425-9876.

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VENTURE 1999 LS 4 dr., tilt, cruise, long wheel base, aluminum wheels. Loaded, family special. $13,995

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VENTURE 2000 Warner Bros - like new condition, priced to sell. (248) 889-9414

VILLAGER, 1994, 63K, full power, white, $6,900. 248-737-4419

VILLAGER, 1994, LS, exec cond, loaded, 90K miles, $7800. (734) 459-2966

VOYAGER 1994 - auto, air, power locks, cruise, stereo cassette, rear defrost, hitch, 90K miles, $3700. 734-464-6128

VOYAGER 1992 New trans, struts, shocks & battery. Runs great. $1800. (734) 414-8827.

VOYAGER 1993 - very good cond, 6 cyl, air, 74,000 mi, asking $3900. 734-464-3866.

WINDSTAR 1995 GL - Auto, air, full power, 1 owner. 68K mi. Great cond. $6995. 248-588-0329

WINDSTAR 1995 GL - 75K miles, clean. $8000. (734) 422-2859

WINDSTAR GL 1996-52K, power, rear heat, very clean. $10,700 (734)981-6153

WINDSTAR 1998 GL - Quad seats, dual air, full power, 52K miles, $12,900. 734-591-2080

WINDSTAR 1998 GL 3.8 v6, 60k, rear air & heat, loaded, $10,500/best. (734) 427-5818

WINDSTAR 1995 - green, 78K, repair & maintenance history, excellent-$8200, 734-427-3154

WINDSTAR, 1999 SE, blue, mint cond., loaded, 14K miles, $17,500. 248-681-5285.

826 Vans

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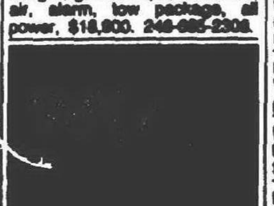
FORD 1992 Club Wagon - 1 owner, 79K mi., well maintained. $6600. 248-477-0085.

FORD CONVERSION 1995. 127K miles. 1 owner. Well maintained. $3400. 248 549-1976

FORD, 1998 E-150, Clubwagon, Chateau, Triton V-8, 7 passenger, great shape, low miles, air, alarm, tow package, all power, $16,600. 248-682-2308



FORD 1999 E350 Cube Van, turbo diesel, 16' box, auto, air, 27K, $22,749.

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FORD 1999 E350, 31K, 15 passenger, dual air/heat, $21,495.

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FORD 1998 High Top Van. V8, air, ..., 65,000 hwy. miles. Good cond. $11,000. 248-476-1473

FORD 1998 Hi-Top Conversion Van, TV/VCR, captains chairs, 35K. Priced to sell. John Rogin Buick 734-525-0900.

VOYAGER 1992, 68K miles. Air, ... Very clean, runs good. $3,000. (248) 737-2683

828 Jeeps/4 Wheel Drive

Cherokee 1992 Laredo, 4WD, ..., 4x4, tilt, cruise, air, 100K, good cond. $5500. 248-683-3573

CHEROKEE 1998 Sport, chrome wheels, power windows/locks, tilt, cruise, hunter green and spotless, $13,995

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CHEROKEE 2000 Sport - 11K, mint condition, auto, air, all power, $21,000. 734-454-1836

CHEROKEE 1998 Sport 4x4, auto, power windows/locks, tilt, cruise, air, priced to sell, $13,999.

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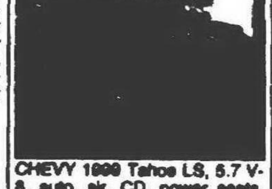
CHEVY 2000 Silverado, 4x4 extended cab, LS 1500, Sportside, 5.3L, auto, leather, power steering, Z71, air, trailering, aluminum wheels, CD, Autotrac, locking differential, more. Only 5500 miles! Like new. $26,250/best. (248)676-9690

CHEVY S-10 1994, 4x4, 5 speed, V-6, 79,000 miles, $9,500 or best offer, tilt kit, very good condition. (313)292-8136



CHEVY 1999 Tahoe LS, 5.7 V-8, auto, air, CD, power seats, ABS, $22,895.

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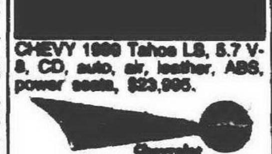

CHEVY 1999 Tahoe LS, 5.7 V-8, CD, auto, air, leather, ABS, power seats, $23,995.

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DAKOTA 1996 SLT, V-8, extended cab, 4x4, chrome wheels, get ready winters coming. $13,995

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DODGE 1998 Durango 4x4 - every option, warranty, mint, must see, $19,999/best. 734-662-4600 x 11 or 734-604-4242

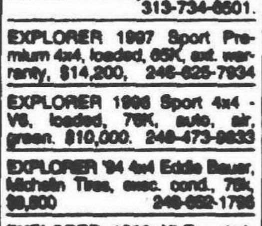
Dodge 1996 Ram 4x4 extended cab, V8, sport, black, loaded, $14,995. 734-416-0897, eves

DURANGO 1999 - Chili pepper red, excellent cond., $22,700. Call after 5pm. 248-380-3681.

EXPEDITION '99 Eddie Bauer, ext. warranty, burgandy/tan, 28K mi. $26,900 (734)427-7284

EXPEDITION, 1997, Eddie Bauer, loaded, black, tan leather, 90K miles. (734) 453-7449

EXPEDITION 2000, Edie Bauer 4x4. Loaded. Leather red, 32K, lady owned. $33,000. (248) 505-4601



EXPEDITION 2000 XLT, third seat, dual air/heat, 32K, $25,995.

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EXPLORER 1999 - 38K, new Michelin's, dark green, $19,900. 313-754-6561.

EXPLORER 1997 Sport Premium 4x4, loaded, 65K, ext. warranty, $14,200. 248-626-7934

EXPLORER 1998 Sport 4x4 - V6, loaded, 78K, auto, air, green, $10,000. 734-673-...

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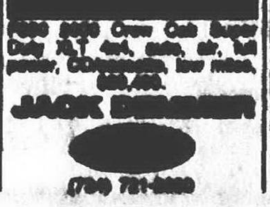
EXPLORER 1998 XLT - 4x4, power, 57k, excellent condition, ... (734) 591-3132

EXPLORER 2000 4x4 - white/grey leather, moonroof, CD. Like new, $21,950. 734-254-0095



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828 Jeeps/4 Wheel Drive

FORD 1999 Expedition 4WD, 5.4 V-8, ABS, power windows/locks, power driver's seat. $24,895.

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FORD 1995 Explorer XLT, Red, 94k, CD, moonroof, leather, extras, $8,600. 248-...

FORD 1999 F250 4x4 4 dr. Supercab, V-8, turbo diesel, auto, air, CD, 24K, $27,995.

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FORD 1999 F-150, 4x4 extended cab, 5.4 V-8, 52K miles, loaded! $19,500. (248)347-5962

GMC 1992 Jimmy SLE - 2 dr., 4x4, original owner, exc. cond., $2,800, $5500. 734-495-0594

GMC 1998 Jimmy SLT 4x4, loaded w/CD & leather, new tires, extra clean, new car trade! 12 mo. 15,000 mi warranty, $14,950.

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GMC 1998 SUBURBAN 2500 SLE - 4x4, blue, 6.5 turbo diesel, 85K, balance of engine warranty 15K. $26,000. 810-759-2718

GMC 1998 Suburban SLT 4x4, black, loaded. Priced to sell! John Rogin Buick 734-525-0900.

GMC YUKON 1998 SLT - black, 38K mi. Loaded. Extended warranty. $23,500. 734-420-2419

GMC 1999 Yukon SLT, leather & more. $25,995.

Red Holman Westland (734) 721-1144

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GRAND CHEROKEE 1995 Laredo, auto, quadra-trac, leather, cd, loaded, new brakes, like new, original owner, 77K miles, $11,500. 248-642-5080

GRAND CHEROKEE 1996 Larado - excellent shape, cd, all power, alarm, $14,000. (248) 477-7125

GRAND CHEROKEE 1997 Laredo 4x4, black, low miles. John Rogin Buick 734-525-0900.

GRAND Cherokee 1994 Ltd., loaded, new engine/Warranty mint, 78K $9000. 248-682-7201

GRAND CHEROKEE 1993 Ltd, 112k, loaded, well maintained, $7000. 248-477-0085.

JEEP 1999 Wrangler Sport, met red, 5 speed, all options, warranty, low mi. $16,999. 734-662-4600 ext 11 or 734-604-4242.

JEEP 1997 Wrangler 4x4, roll bar, chrome wheels, 17,000 low low miles. Hurry. $11,995

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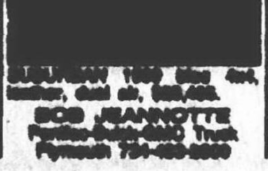

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828 Jeeps/4 Wheel Drive

SUBURBAN 1997 LT - leather, ... $21,500. ... financing available to qualified buyers. Livonia 313-...

SUBURBAN LT 1999 - Pewter, 14,500 mi., loaded, remote start, ... $33,500. 734-453-6137 after 6pm

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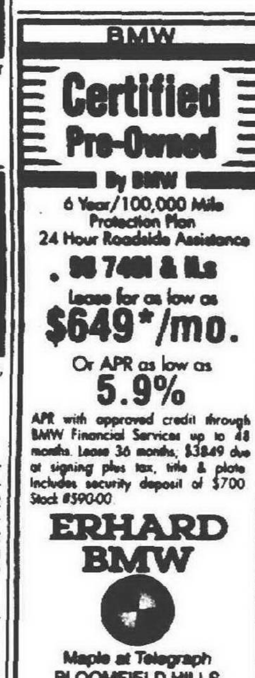

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ALPHA ROMEO 1986 Spider Graduate. 49,400 miles, bright red, $5000/best. 248-709-1330

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AUDI 1990, 80, gold, exc. condition, sunroof, 74,000 miles, $5900. 248-851-1842

BMW, 1995, 318I, All power, 74K miles, mint cond, $16,900. 248-889-8018, 519-980-9996

BMW 528I 2000 - Cashmere/tan. 18K mi. Take over lease, moving. $625/mo. 248-252-5443

BMW 1994 325i-Super clean car! Forest green/tan leather, cd, alarm, wood trim, anti-slip, sunroof. $14,500/best. 248-647-1377

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INFINITI G20 1996. Loaded. Black. Leather. Sunroof. 75K miles. $9400. (734) 453-7093

JAGUAR 2000 S-Type - black, loaded, low miles, exc. cond., $44,498. 248-524-2122

MERCEDES BENZ 1999 CLK 430, like new, 14k mi., black, loaded, $47,000. 248-469-7716

MERCEDES 1989 300 - loaded, exec. cond., no rust. Runs like new. 224k, many mechanical systems. $7,600. 248-645-9436, Mon-Fri. 8-5

PORSCHE Boxster 1998. Triple black. Sports Package, sixth shift, 11K Summer miles. $49,500. 313-715-3547

Porsche 1988 944 Turbo, black, ... 44K, loaded, ... exc. ... 248-...

PROWLER 2000, Yellow, Brand new! Loaded. 300 miles. Auto. $48,000. Eves. 734 379-6234

SUZUKI 1999 Esteem, low miles, fully equipped, priced to sell. John Rogin Buick 734-525-0900.

VOLVO 1994, 850 turbo, ... leather, ... 11K, $... 248-...

832 Antique/Classic Collector Cars

CHEVY CORVAIR 1964 Convertible, clean, $... (313) 535-...

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SEDAN DEVILLE 1987 - 4 door hardtop, like new, 48K all original. $4450. (734) 674-8463

VIPER 1994 GT, air, loaded, low miles, red/grey. $43,999

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834 Acura

ACURA 1998 Integra GSR - VTEC, 30K, loaded, excellent cond. $16,500. 248-288-0840.

ACURA 1990 Integra - loaded, 130,000 miles, good cond., $3300. 248-615-2635

INTEGRA, 1990 GS. 5 Speed, 2 door hatch, loaded, 128K, original owner, must see $5,799. 248-960-7133.

836 Buick

CENTURY 1993 Custom Sedan V-6, auto, air, power, tilt, cruise, cassette, 72K miles, good condition $3500/best. 248-377-4817

CENTURY 1998. 23K miles. Loaded. Auto. Excellent condition. $12,500. (734) 459-9754

CENTURY 1998 Limited. 29,500 miles, exec. condition non-smoker. $15,500. 734-207-8720.

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LESABRE 1995 - Custom 4 door, loaded, new tires, 52,000 miles. $10,500/best. SOLD.

LESABRE 2000, fully equipped, priced to sell $15,990. John Rogin Buick 734-525-0900.

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838 Cadillac

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COUPE DEVILLE 1983-loaded, very clean, well maintained. 90K. $2900/best. 248-674-1652

DEVILLE 2000, full equipped, 3 to choose. Priced to sell! $27,980. John Rogin Buick 734-525-0900.

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SEDAN DEVILLE, 1995, pearl white, sun roof, air, loaded, mint cond, 51K miles, great price. $10,500. (248) 652-8564

SEDAN DEVILLE 1999 - pearl white, chrome wheels, 12,700 miles, $27,700. 248-377-8845.

SEVILLE 1996, low miles, sunroof, loaded, $15,995.

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SEVILLE 1997 STS, double black, CD, power moonroof, chrome wheels. How about this?? $16,995

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STS 1992, only 80,000 miles! Dark green, looks & drives like new. $5995/offer. 248-624-3909

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CAMARO 1994, black on black, chrome wheels, V6, fully loaded and the right one, $6,995

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LUMINA 1995 - ... 75K miles, ... (313) 537-1480

842 Chrysler

CHRYSLER 1999 300M, V-6, leather, power windows/locks, ... $22,500. ...

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LEBARON 1994 Convertible, V-6, power windows/locks, tilt, cruise, loaded, low miles, $5,799.

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PT CRUISER 2001 - blue, many options. Must sell. $23,000. 734-453-2877

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SEBRING, 1996 JXi, convertible, Red, V-6, loaded, remote start, 50K, 7/75,000 Warranty, $12,000. Days, 248-474-4759 or Eve's. 248-363-0366.

SEBRING 1998, JXi, convertible, leather, V-6, power windows, power locks, tilt, cruise, aluminum wheels. $15,999

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844 Dodge

CASH - Dealer will sell on consignment or pay cash for your used car. Call for cash price. TYME AUTO (734) 455-5566.

INTREPID 1994 4dr, air, CD, all power, dual airbags, 120K, great condition-$3200. 734-495-0301

INTREPID ES 1997 - 4 dr. mint, extremely low miles, loaded, leather, power sunroof, $10,995. (248) 288-0109

NEON 1996 - 4 door, auto, air, stereo, $3400. TYME AUTO (734) 455-5566.

NEON 2000 Highline, auto, air, stereo, tape, low low miles too! $10,995

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SHADOW 1993, auto, 4 door, low miles, great condition, $4200. (248) 375-2178.

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SUNDANCE 1994 4dr, air, 35k miles, Great cond. Mother-in-laws car. $3500. (248) 681-3925

848 Ford

ASPIRE 1997, auto, air, red, low miles, only $4,480. John Rogin Buick 734-525-0900.

ASPIRE 1995, 30K, auto, air, stereo, tape, affordable and sharp. $3,995

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CONTOUR 1995 GL, Green, 59K, warranty, manual, great mpg! $4200/best. 734-394-1757

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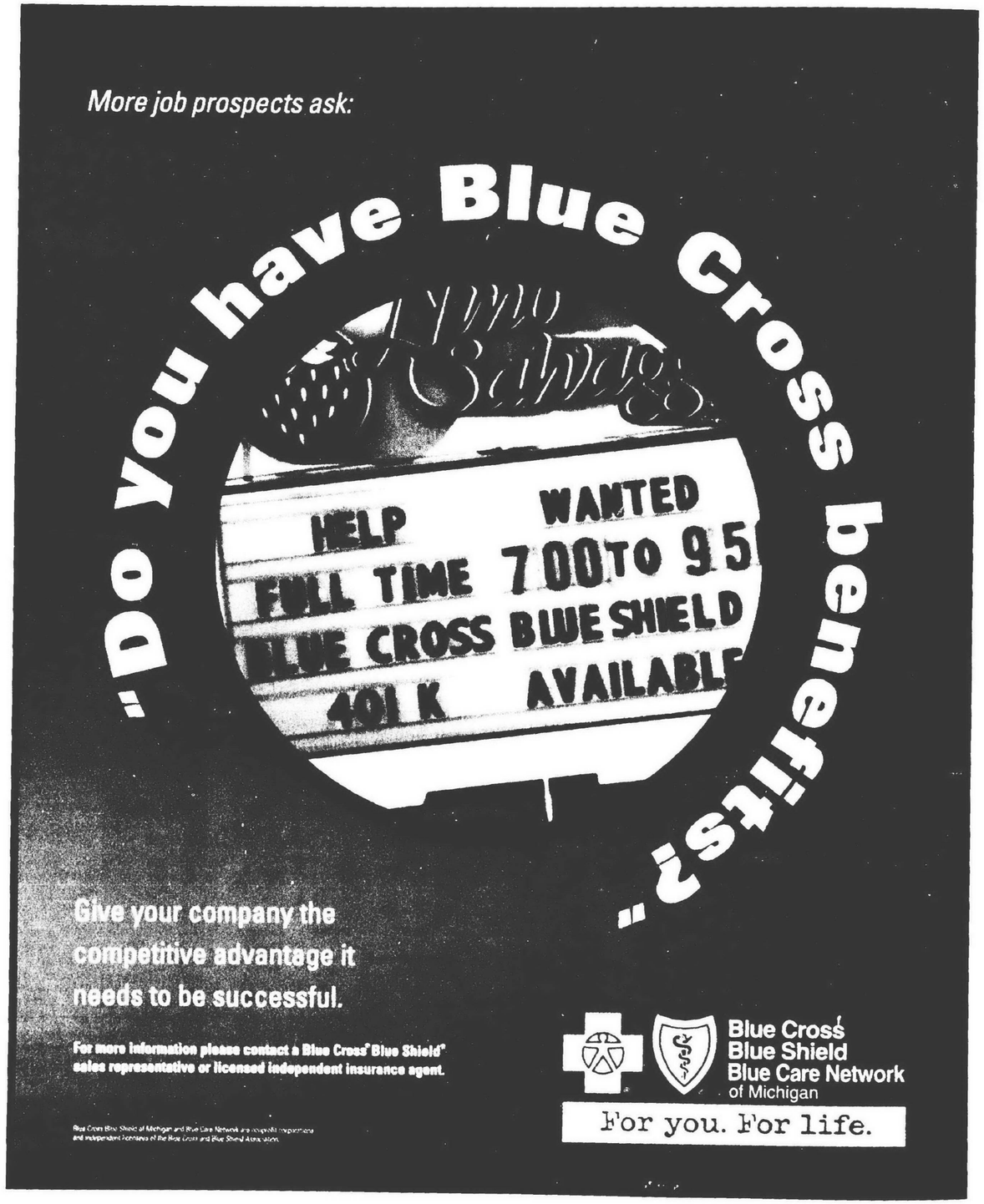

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Edward H. McNamara
Wayne County Executive

When Wayne County's Department of Jobs & Economic Development was formed in 1987, the economic picture in our County was not very bright. Unemployment rates were approaching double-digits, population levels were declining, housing sales were stagnant, and there weren't very many businesses who were considering expanding or locating in Wayne County.

If we fast-forward to today, we see a Wayne County that is far more robust.

An unemployment rate that had peaked at 15.8 percent in 1982 has been sliced to under 4 percent during the first seven months of this year.

In terms of business expansions, the County is among the nation's leaders, with more than $10 billion in new projects since 1998.

But we can't rest on our recent success. As the global economy continues to change, we must continually reinvent ourselves to keep step with the trends.

We are pleased to present our second annual Wayne County Economic Forecast. This forecast, prepared by the University of Michigan's Institute of Labor & Industrial Relations, is a valuable tool to help our citizens and our businesses prepare for the future.

We would like to thank Ford Motor Company, Wayne State University, Detroit Edison, Blue Cross/Blue Shield and the MGM Grand Casino for helping sponsor this publication. We hope you find it useful and informative.

Sincerely,

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High-tech key to growth; auto strong

BY DIANE GALE ANDREASSI
SPECIAL WRITER

Wayne County's economy has been driven by the auto industry since the start of the last century and the region's continued success depends on how well it does to provide high technology and skilled employees for that field in the future, according to two University of Michigan economists.

"We'll still be auto dependent no matter what we do and the key to be successful in the auto industry is to be in the center of the new high-technology development for auto vehicles," according to Donald R. Grimes who wrote *The Economic Outlook for Wayne County* with George A. Fulton.

"It's a big challenge for the county and maybe even a harder challenge than it was at the start of the 20th century," Grimes said from his Ann Arbor office.

In order to attract the new businesses and encourage the old to continue developing here, Fulton said, people around the world need to hear about the good things happening in the area.

"You have to advertise the advantages of being in this region where a lot of activity is going on now," Fulton said. "I think particularly where there is some concern about image and when some of the information is not correct it is important to be proactive in promoting the area to business outside of the region."

He added, however, that there is a higher level of optimism today in Wayne County than there was during the 1970s and 1980s.

"The aspect that struck me was that so much of the county outside of the major city and selected other cities was really doing very well and probably didn't line-up with the image that people have when you say that they're in Wayne County," Fulton said. "There are large parts of Detroit that you wouldn't find attractive, but there are large parts that are."

The national media doesn't seem to be aware that there is a labor shortage in Wayne County and how strong the local economy is, Grimes explained.

Fulton added that media people around the world, who call them for economic information, tend to lump the entire region with the city of Detroit without considering the diversity of the communities.

"One thing that has hit home for us is that when you're talking about Wayne County, we're not just talking about the city of Detroit," Fulton said. "The people on the street might look at them as synonymous. Many of those areas outside of the city are doing fairly well and are as constrained by labor shortages as some of the traditionally more well-to-do counties. Wide economic disparities within the region create problems for the region as a whole, even for its more prosperous locations."

On the other hand, Fulton said, regional cooperation among the communities in the county is essential for the area to prosper.

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Low unemployment

The economic outlook Grimes and Fulton prepared for Wayne County is a mostly cheery picture of prosperous times that points to low unemployment rates.

Take, for example, that in 1997 the unemployment rate for Wayne County was 4.7 percent; in 1998 it was 4.3 percent and in 1999 it was 4.2 percent. The unemployment rate so far this year is 3.7 percent. Grimes predicts by the end of the year the unemployment rate in Wayne County will be about 3.5 percent.

Last year the unemployment rate for Detroit was 7 percent and this year it was about 6 percent.

Taking these figures into consideration, the dilemma facing Wayne County in the new millennium, the report said, is finding enough qualified workers while "tens of thousands of high school dropouts in the city of Detroit, and to a lesser extent in its suburbs, cannot find work or are not even seeking employment."

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MARKETING CAMPAIGN DEVELOPS NEW BRAND

County invests $50 million to create new image

BY DIANE GALE ANDREASSI
SPECIAL WRITER

Jokes about the last person in Wayne County turning out the lights have been replaced by the lucrative buzz of construction equipment and executives talking about relocating to the Motor City and its suburbs.

Last year Wayne County was second, following only Orange County, Calif., in construction projects in the country.

Today Wayne County is among the fastest growing counties in the nation in terms of business attraction and plant expansions. It's a business-friendly environment in Detroit and Wayne County.

Dewey Henry, assistant Wayne County executive, has been one of the driving forces behind the county's growth and has managed to capture $65 million in land sales from more than 2,000 surplus acres in Wayne County.

"We like to think it's our efforts making all the successes, but really, it's all the economic forces that we just managed," Henry said. "Our efforts here are to promote the image that we want and to start developing our workforce."

Makeover

If the momentum is going to continue, however, the county, and especially Detroit, must undergo a major image makeover that will change perceptions about the Motor City for everyone from suburbanites to people around the world. Outside his third-story window, in the heart of downtown Detroit, is ground zero.

Change isn't going to come cheap. The county recently launched a $50 million, 10 year, campaign to build a new high-tech brand for the county.

Pilot program

The first effort will be a $500,000 pilot program to help rejuvenate three corridors: the Eureka Road Corridor in Taylor and Southgate, called the gateway to the airport; the Vernor Corridor in southwest Detroit, also known as Mexicantown; and the Livernois-McNichols Corridor in Detroit, anchored by the University of Detroit-Mercy.

Traffic coordination, landscape/street design, economic development strategy, project selection criteria and design guidelines will be targeted in those areas.

"It is our intention to erase that rust-belt image and replace it with the reality-based image of a dynamic and powerful community with a very high quality of life," according to County Executive Ed McNamara.

The cost of this effort will come from property sales revenues from parcels of the Pinnacle Aeropark of Wayne County - a high-tech development located south of Detroit Metro Airport, Henry said.

The goal is to capture some of the 10,000 location decisions that are made by corporations each year across the country.

"We have 43 communities in Wayne County and instead of competing with each other, we need to literally brand together to draw businesses, residents, retailers and revenues to our community," Henry said.

Kathleen Salla, Canton downtown and community development coordinator, predicts that a positive image for the region will help township businesses.

"Canton has been very proactive for some period of time by projecting a positive, vital image for the Canton community," Salla said. "So I think we're already headed in that direction."

Businesses in Canton and around the state are searching desperately for qualified professionals to fill high-tech jobs, Salla said.

Positive image

"I think a positive image of the entire metropolitan area is very important in bringing new people into these businesses," Salla added.

Revitalization of Livonia's Plymouth Road Corridor is a microcosm of what the county is doing on a larger scale, according to Livonia Planning Director Mark Taormina.

"The benefits derived by one community really shouldn't be at the expense of another and therefore pooling resources so that several communities can benefit together is certainly the goal of intergovernmental efforts, like the rebranding program," Taormina said.

But, shaking a bad image isn't easy. For instance, Henry said, crime rates have gone down in Detroit, yet losing the title of murder capitol of the world will take time.

Incentives, like tax abatements and affordable housing, have been tempting carrots that lure investors to Wayne County.

Henry stressed, however, that Detroit's image has to improve and investments have to continue to be made for the trend to continue.

If Wayne County is going to continue to thrive, however, planners have to keep an eye on what's happening around the world, as well as the national and local economies, Henry said, adding that the Federal Reserve controls more decision making than any other single entity.

Another cornerstone of continued growth in the region is to get local universities involved in developing technology, Henry said.

"Right now the demand for technical jobs is much greater than the supply," he said. "Wayne State and the University of Michigan are very strong in research. Those are the things that we need to promote, so research can be translated to commercialization."

If he could, Henry said, he would change the idea that Wayne County is singularly a blue collar place in which to live and work.

He added: "Our image has been brawn instead of brain, but that's shifting because Michigan is fourth nationally in technological jobs."

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The days of a lot of high paying unskilled jobs, especially in the auto industry, are gone.

"Now we're in a situation where we have to find people and we have to find people with the requisite training," Fulton said.

This could be good news for people who have traditionally been forgotten during less dramatic economic upturns.

Limiting job growth

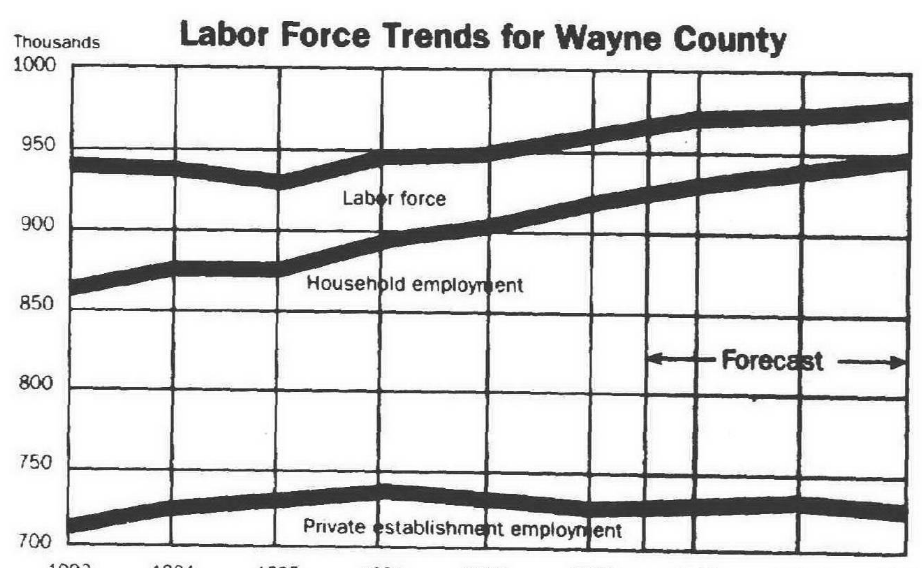
Fulton and Grimes reported that the shortage of workers qualified to fill these positions is already limiting job growth in the county.

Effective transportation networks and modern infrastructure are also going to be increasingly important in a faster-paced economic environment, the report said.

"You've got a region where you have areas of surplus and areas of labor shortage," Fulton said. "If you can match those up, you will be better off."

Just as parts of the county impact each other, the country's economy plays a strong role in what happens locally.

"The U.S. economy has been very hot," Fulton said. "We're just now seeing signs, we think, of some cooling off and that could have some implications for the local economy."



Fulton explained, however, that the county is still riding an economic upswing that followed the severe times of the early 1980s.

"Some of the pain, I think, is behind us," he said. "We're becoming a world center for engineering and technology related to the automobile."

All of the elements are here to make it happen, they said — research at leading universities, a trainable labor force and the headquarters of major corporations looking to step into the new age.

Ending on a bright note, the economists concluded: "By playing off of its strengths and reshaping its weak points, Wayne County may find at the beginning of (this century) what it discovered at the beginning of (the last) century. That is, the resources it needs to become a leader again may be no farther away than its own back yard."

The 2001 forecast is available at waynecounty.com/jed

CONSTRUCTION: STRONG, STEADY, GROWTH

County enjoys multi-billion dollar boom

BY DIANE GALE ANDREASSI
SPECIAL WRITER

Billboards promising $50,000 annually for construction workers, career expos, school programs and overtime are stop gaps to keep the local building boom on track.

"There's $11 billion of construction work in Detroit and Wayne County and $35 billion worth of work in the tri-county area and that's more than we've ever seen," explained Donald O'Connell, managing director of MUST, Management and Unions Serving Together.

"Our task is to excite people about the industry," he added.

Highway advertisements across the state are trying to lure new workers into the construction industry with promises of earning $50,000 annually. The average starting salary for four-year building trade apprentices is about $12.50 an hour with immediate contributions toward pensions and health and welfare benefits.

Industry leaders are [illegible] school partnership programs and career expos, like one in [illegible] last year where 1,900 Detroit [illegible] learned about the [illegible]

Career [illegible] ping up everywhere [illegible] Wayne, Washtenaw, Macomb and Oakland counties and the result has been between 1,000 and 2,000 new people in 21 building trade apprenticeships

> 'They're coming from high schools and colleges. They're coming from the inner city and the [illegible] — from wherever we can find people. We're trying to move people from jobs to careers.'
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> *Donald O'Connell, managing director, MUST*

annually in southeast Michigan, said O'Connell, who also serves as managing director of the Great Lakes Construction Alliance.

"They're coming from high schools and colleges," O'Connell said. "They're coming from the inner city and the suburbs – from wherever we can find people. We're trying to move people from jobs to careers.

Opportunities

"The way the construction industry has been built through many years is through family relationships. [illegible] the word is going out [illegible]. People don't understand the many opportunities that exist."

Beyond the apprenticeships, there are also opportunities on the management side of the construction business, like safety officers, [illegible] architects and financial experts.

The demand for new construction employees is increased not only by the amount of work, but by an aging construction industry and workers lost through retirement.

So far, the industry has managed its growth, explained Ronald Hausmann, president of the Michigan Society of Professional Engineers and vice-chairman of Walbridge Aldinger, Wayne County's largest builder.

"The owners, the building trades and contractors were working together to manage rather than reacting and that has been a big, big help," Hausmann said. "This area is made up of partners and not adversaries."

Instead of it all happening at once, the building boom turned out to be a tame upturn in business [illegible]

"The Detroit [illegible] instead of being a [illegible] with the benefit of [illegible] we saw that it turned out to be a [illegible]," said Hausmann, who also serves as chairman of the [illegible] committee of the Association of General Contractors.

"We're in the midst of that construction boom right now," he said. "But, everything didn't happen as immediately as we thought."

Meeting the demand came with a lot of dedication by the building trades, according to Pat Devlin, [illegible] of Greater Detroit Building Trades Council representing [illegible] 40,000 people in 14 [illegible] operating [illegible] fitters and brick [illegible] in Wayne, Macomb, Oakland, Sanilac, St. Clair and Monroe counties.

The average person employed in construction works 10-hour days, six days a week.

"We're in our seventh year saying that this year is better than last year and we're looking at a good five more," Devlin said. "We've been able to keep it up."

Meeting the demand

To meet the need, the Detroit Association of General Contractors and Michigan Society of Professional Engineers have sponsored the Detroit Building Boom Conferences.

The goal is to give Detroit designers, builders, contractors, subcontractors and owners a good idea of the long-term building challenges that lay ahead.

"If you listened to everyone beating their chests with pride there wouldn't be enough to meet the demand," Hausmann said. "All of these things were going to happen immediately and if you graphed the need for steel, engineers and architects, there wouldn't have been enough.

"We needed a reality check," he added.

In an article written for Frontiers, a trade publication for the Association of General Contractors, Hausmann identified 14 projects primarily in Wayne County worth $4.5 billion that were announced before 1997. That didn't include residential and highway work.

They include Comerica Park, Ford Field (future home of the Detroit Lions), Detroit Water and Sewerage Department projects, three temporary casinos, three permanent casinos, work on Detroit schools, work on suburban schools, Metro Airport construction, Metro Airport's mid-field terminal, and other public works.

Everything, except for the permanent casinos and Detroit school work, was on schedule as of August.

"The major projects that have slipped a bit really have eased the challenge for resources that we faced," Hausmann said. "What we were trying to do is get real information. We were trying to do some decent planning so Wayne County wouldn't be embarrassed by not having enough construction resources to meet the demand. We tried to work with the Detroit construction boom to plan for success rather than react to the problems."

As for the future, Hausmann said, he sees steady growth.

"Historically, construction has been a cycle of growth and abysmal period," Hausmann said.

But he's not expecting a sharp decline in business this time.

"We've been in this up-kick for as long as any of us have seen," he said. "Since the early 1990s it's been on an upturn. It doesn't show signs of dropping for a long time."

To learn more about the Greater Detroit Building Trades visit the group's Web site at www.detroit building trades.org. For more on apprenticeship opportunities visit the MUST Web site at www.must.org.

Projects under way in 2000

Project	Community	Investment	Product
American Axle & Mfg	Detroit	$40 million	Auto parts
Carron Industries	Inkster	$12 million	Auto parts
Dura Automotive Systs	Livonia	$20 million	Auto parts
Ford Motor Co.	Brownstown	$40 million	Parts distribution
Gage Marketing Group	Romulus	$9 million	Marketing material
Galaxy Industries	Plymouth	$11 million	Mach./diesel engines
Intercontinental Eng. Co.	Taylor	$1.2 million	Engineering services
Shiloh Industries	Canton	$9.7 million	Stamping
Plastech	Dearborn	$3.6 million	Plastic auto parts
National Steel Corp.	Ecorse	$166 million	Steel
LDMI	Hamtramck	$14.8 million	Telecommunications
Sumpter International	Belleville	$2.2 million	Plastic packaging
Trenton Forging Co.	Trenton	$2 million	Forging
Ash Stevens	Riverview	$6 million	Organic chemicals
BASF Wyandotte Corp.	Wyandotte	$5 million	Warehouse
Cambridge Dev. Corp.	Northville	$4 million	Spec. Office Building
Ford Motor Co.	Allen Park	$4.4 million	Testing facility
Home Depot USA	Redford	$5 million	Distribution center
Parkcrest Inn	Harper Woods	$1 million	Hotel
Johnson Controls	Rockwood	$4.5 million	Car seats

CASINOS, SPORTS ARENAS, THEATERS CREATE NEW JOBS

Entertainment sector pumps up county economy

Casino: *The 425,000-sq. ft. MGM Grand Detroit temporary facility features slot machines and table games.*

Winning combination: *Gaming operators report that business is strong at Detroit casinos, attracting visitors from throughout Michigan, northern Ohio and Windsor.*

Economic impact: *The Fox Theatre has created jobs and an exciting entertainment venue for residents.*

BY MARGO DEWEY
SPECIAL WRITER

The entertainment industry attracts billions of dollars and opens many doors of opportunity for employers and employees.

Wayne County has recognized this tremendous asset and is continuing to forge ahead by expanding its present entertainment venues as well as wooing other cultural and recreational attractions.

With the construction of two new sports stadiums in Detroit, the development of casinos and the expansion of the Cobo Conference and Exhibition Center, Wayne County is considered one of the best counties in the country for tourism. It also helps to have the renowned Henry Ford Museum/Greenfield Village in Dearborn, which is the largest indoor/outdoor museum in the nation.

Jim Rhein, labor market analyst for the Michigan Department of Career Development, views Wayne County as a leader in employment growth over Oakland County due to the increase in entertainment establishments.

Job opportunities

"There definitely is a stronger employment pattern in Wayne County," he said. "Detroit, especially, has been the leader in payroll growth for the state since January 2000, and that can be attributed to the continued development of the amusement industry in Wayne County."

Rhein said commuting patterns are also strong for employees traveling to and from work from Oakland County to Wayne County. He also said the overall growth of service-related jobs in the state, which can be attributed to the new casinos and stadiums being built, is approximately 41 percent.

Wayne County has two temporary casinos - the MGM Grand off the Lodge Freeway at Abbott, and MotorCity Casino at Grand River and the Lodge. A third casino in Greektown is expected to open in early November.

Nancy Ziolkowski, vice president of marketing for the MGM Grand Detroit Casino, believes the entertainment business is a vital asset for any county or state. She said revenues at the MGM Grand Detroit are second only to the MGM Grand in Las Vegas. Those figures are very impressive since the MGM Detroit does not have a hotel yet.

"We have about 2,900 employees," she said. "They come from all over the state. We're even pulling guests from all over southeast Michigan, Flint and northern Ohio."

Ilitch example

Linda Vivian, director of human resources for Olympia Entertainment, said the entertainment industry has made a tremendous impact on the overall job market. Olympia Entertainment, owned and operated by Mike Ilitch and the Ilitch family, encompasses the Fox Theatre, Cobo Arena, Joe Louis Arena, the Detroit Zoo services, Second City Comedy Theatre and various restaurants and retail establishments.

Olympia Entertainment is also a promoter and producer of major live events, including concerts and Broadway shows. Affiliated companies include the Detroit Red Wings, Detroit Tigers, Lakeland Tigers, the new Comerica Park, Detroit Rockers and Little Caesar Enterprises.

"The Olympia Entertainment management company has more than 70 years of experience in the industry," she said

Currently Olympia Entertainment has 250 full-time employees, but when all the venues are up and running, that list of workers grows from 1,500 to 3,000 employees.

"We draw employees from Macomb, Oakland and Wayne counties as well as the downriver area," Vivian said. "Some people work for the monetary reasons, but many work for Olympia Entertainment because of the excitement of the industry."

With so many venues represented by Olympia Entertainment, the future seems to promise only more success. Vivian said the possibilities are endless.

It can be said that Wayne County is very fortunate to have Olympia Entertainment. The Ilitches invested nearly $200 million into the city of Detroit when they moved the corporate headquarters of Little Caesars into the Fox Theatre office building which now houses more than 5,000 employees.

The move helped spark the rebirth of Detroit and its surrounding communities.

"The Ilitches are the catalysts," Vivian said. "When no one would go downtown with their business, they did. People are now enjoying downtown Detroit again for entertainment. Our mission is to create warm memories for people."

The Ilitch name is most notably synonymous with Little Caesars Pizza. Opening their first restaurant in Garden City in 1959, the Ilitches developed the popular establishment into an international chain, with locations in all 50 states and many countries throughout the world.

Wayne County is becoming a "little New York" for entertainment. As the market continues to expand, prosperity will definitely follow.

"I think we're (Wayne County) number three in the U.S. for entertainment," Vivian said. "New York and Los Angeles, of course, would be numbers one and two, but we're definitely number three. I think that is because Detroit fans are very loyal."

Casinos attract visitors to Detroit

■ MGM Grand – The 425,000-square-foot MGM Grand Detroit temporary facility features an exciting, art deco themed casino with 2,351 state-of-the-art slot machines and 83 table games. Restaurants include: The Hollywood Brown Derby, noted for its steaks and seafood; Nayla, featuring exotic Mediterranean cuisine; and the MGM Grand Buffet, featuring top quality international action food stations from around the world. The total cost for the project is approximately $210 million.

■ MotorCity – The MotorCity Casino, a $150 million temporary entertainment and gaming facility, offers approximately 70,000 square feet of gaming.

Owned by Detroit L.L.C., a joint venture of Detroit-based Atwater Casino Group and Las Vegas-based Mandalay Resort Group, the four-story temporary casino has two main floors of gaming as well as a third floor non-smoking gaming area and a fourth floor high-limit area. Two live entertainment venues, four restaurants and parking for 3,500 vehicles round out the casino.

■ Greektown – The Michigan Gaming Control Board issued a certificate of suitability to Greektown Casino L.L.C. Sept. 5, which leaves one final regulatory hurdle for Detroit's third temporary casino.

Greektown Casino is expected to open Nov. 10, pending the facility passing a final inspection. The $149 million casino will have 2,400 slot machines and 96 gaming tables.

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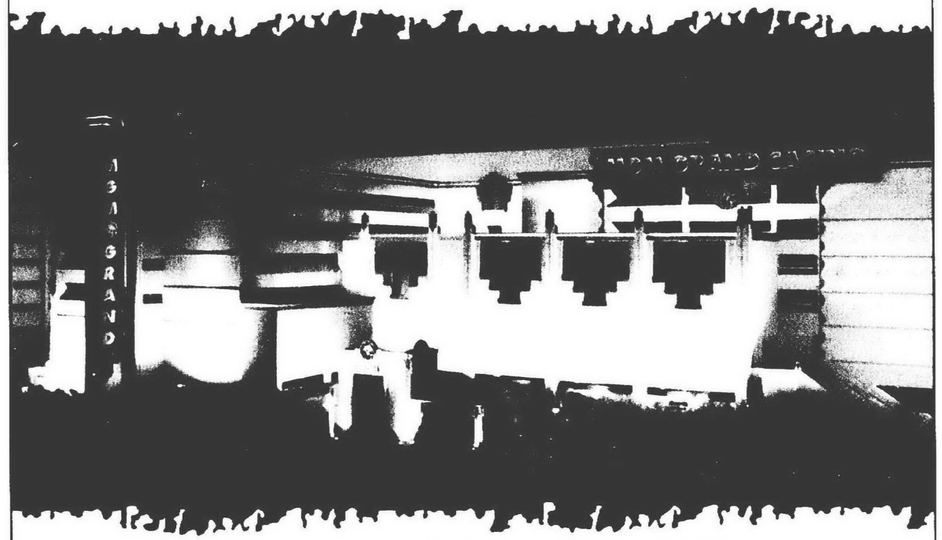

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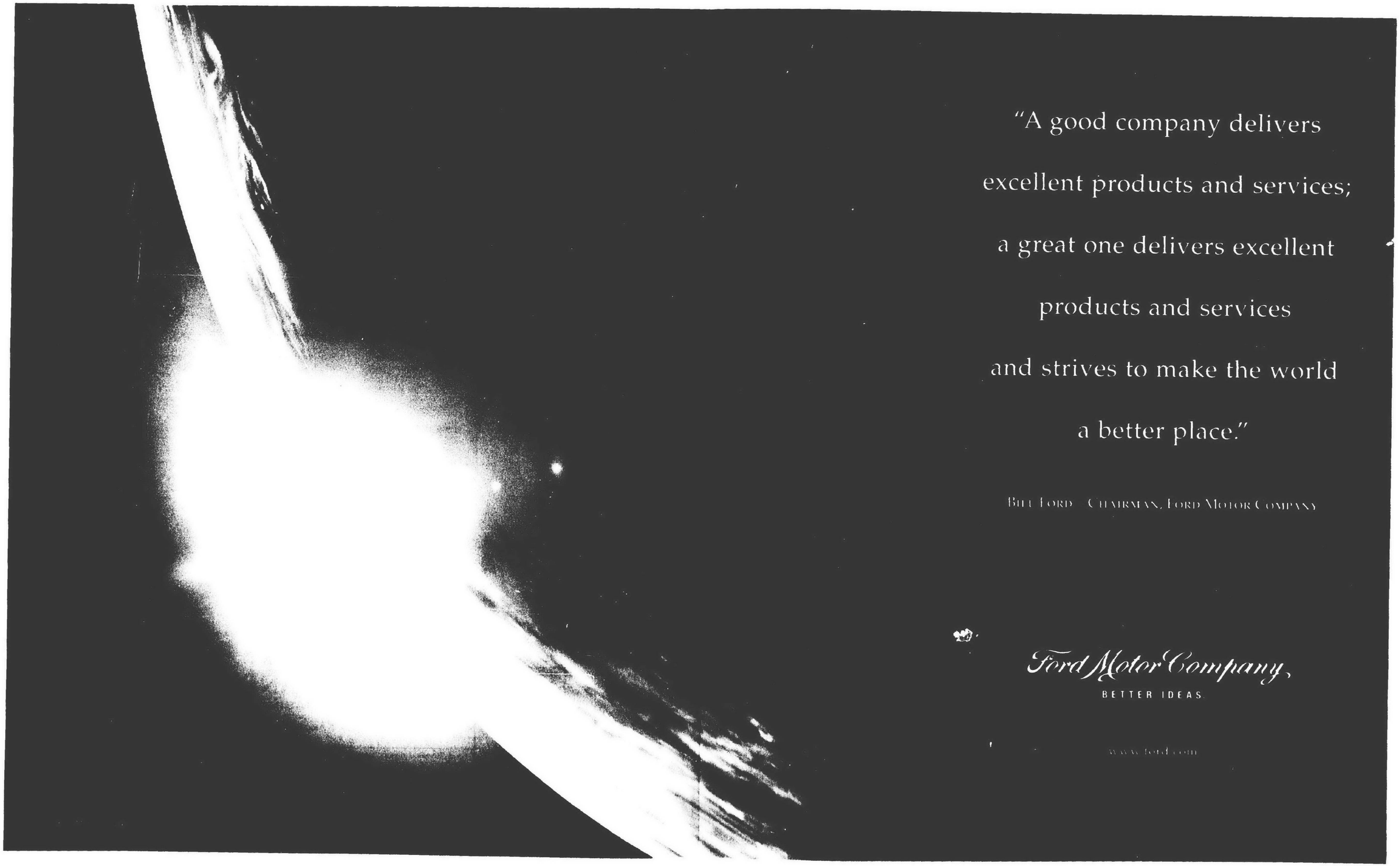

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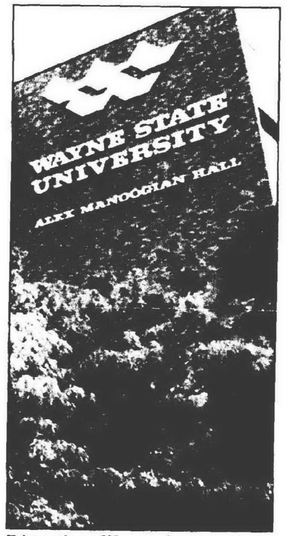

Education: *Wayne State University ranks among the top research centers in the country.*

BY DIANE GALE ANDREASSI
SPECIAL WRITER

Wayne State University is often the region's forgotten treasure, yet it ranks among the top research centers in the country. Meeting the demand from employers to fill high-tech jobs is its challenge for the future.

The university opened as a medical college in 1868 and has stood in the heart of what is known as the Cultural Center for so long that it's often taken for granted. Today it has one main campus at Woodward and Warren with a medical campus and extension centers throughout the tri-county area.

"I think that oftentimes those who live and work in Wayne County don't realize the extent that Wayne State is honored and revered outside the state of Michigan for its teaching and its research," said Jack Crusoe, WSU executive director of counseling and placement services.

Research dollars

One measure of the school's success is the amount of money it attracts for research and the total number of research dollars spent, most of which comes from grants and contracts, explained Richard Lintvedt, Wayne State associate president for research and associate dean of the graduate school.

The National Science Foundation recently ranked WSU 45th in research expenditures among some 400 public universities in the country. In fact, the university's standing has steadily increased over the last 18 years.

"The amount of research in the biomedical area has expanded hugely," he said, also pointing to growth in engineering, manufacturing and social science research.

While WSU is reaping a lot of positive attention in research, its reputation has always remained strong as a place for a solid education, even when Detroit was suffering its worst image problems.

"The fact that we've maintained a student population of 30,000 students for 15-plus years is evidence that we've been striving successfully to provide higher education to the citizens of Wayne County," Crusoe said.

Some 40 percent of the WSU student population are graduate students in a range of disciplines from chemistry to physics and engineering. While there are three primary on-campus apartment buildings, most of the students commute from Wayne, Oakland and Macomb counties. There has been recent talk, however, about new housing options for students.

"During the period of time which many folks thought that Wayne County was in a decline the university remained a very strong centerpiece of education," he added. "The Cultural Center has also remained strong. They're kind of pillars or beacons of the future. I think it needs to be sold and understood that it continues to be an institution that increases in excellence."

Looking ahead

For the future, the university strives to meet employment demands in areas like computers and other information technology by expanding and creating programs in engineering, computer science, computer engineering and management information systems.

"The university has a highly-ranked nursing school and an exceptionally strong program in allied health," Crusoe explained.

New programs have recently been developed to train physician assistants who provide primary health care support to patients.

Most of the growth at the university is centered on areas that demand a solid understanding of mathematics and science. Educators believe that the foundation of knowledge in these disciplines has to begin before the students

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Engineering: *One-quarter of the students at the University of Michigan-Dearborn are enrolled in the engineering program. The campus is located on 200 acres at Michigan and Evergreen in Dearborn.*

UM-D continues to train region's top engineers

Sitting on an environmentally and historically rich 200 acres at Michigan and Evergreen, the University of Michigan-Dearborn is known for offering a top rated education while being accessible logistically and financially to commuters.

At $4,500 for undergraduate residents, the public university's annual tuition is less than some area private high schools.

"Four years tuition here is cheaper than a lot of new cars," explained Terry Gallagher, director of public relations at UM-Dearborn.

By proportion of total enrollment, the UM-Dearborn has more engineering majors than any other school in Michigan except Michigan Technological University. At UM-Dearborn one-quarter of the students are in engineering; another quarter are taking management and education classes and half of the students are enrolled in liberal arts.

A new $40 million undergraduate liberal arts building will include 160,000 square feet and is expected to be finished in April 2001.

The campus also has 70 acres devoted to a natural area that draws 30,000 bird watchers and other nature lovers annually. In fact, three years ago the university launched a cooperative program with Wayne County providing interpretive programs at nearby parks. UM-Dearborn also conducts environmental research and outreach classes for teachers and children throughout the area.

Meanwhile, the Henry Ford Estate, a national historic landmark, is on campus and attracts some 30,000 visitors every year.

UM-Dearborn, a satellite campus to the world renowned

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Catholic consortium keeps downriver presence

Wayne County's three Catholic institutions of general higher education are planning a joint campus downriver.

The Detroit Area Catholic Higher Education Consortium, which includes Madonna University of Livonia, the University of Detroit Mercy, Marygrove College of Detroit, Sacred Heart Major Seminary in Detroit and St. Mary College of Ave Maria University in Orchard Lake will offer classes at the Catholic University Center in the recently closed Aquinas High School in Southgate.

Each institution will offer its own set of courses.

"The colleges and universities in the Catholic consortium are encouraged by the response from the community and agree there is tremendous potential in serving the educational needs of the residents of the downriver area," according to Ernest Nolan, Madonna vice-president for academic administration.

Archdiocese of Detroit Cardinal Adam Maida envisioned the Catholic University Center in hopes of keeping a Catholic presence in the downriver area.

A few classes will be offered at the Catholic University Center this year.

"Our goal is to have the center up and running in fall 2001," according to Andrea Nodge, Madonna director of marketing and public relations.

Each of the three Wayne County universities, that provide general courses, has something different to offer.

For instance, Madonna has the only formal program in hospice education at the bachelor's and master's levels in the country. The Livonia-based university is working with physicians to start a hospice in central Gabler.

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HENRY FORD, SCHOOLCRAFT, WCCC

Community colleges meet employers' needs

BY DIANE GALE ANDREASSI
SPECIAL WRITER

Kelly Herd knows first hand the benefits of retraining programs offered by community colleges working with businesses.

Herd is a human resources employee coordinator for Ghafari Associates, an 18-year-old architectural engineering firm located in Dearborn. A class on communication skills at Schoolcraft College has made a big difference in Herd's workdays.

"I learned there are different ways of doing things," she said. "A lot of the things we already did here, but we're adding to them."

Ghafari's link with Schoolcraft is among thousands of businesses throughout Wayne County that are reaching out to community colleges to retrain employees. In fact, a recent study by George A. Fulton and Donald R. Grimes, University of Michigan economists, points to a shortage of workers qualified to fill skilled jobs, and this is "limiting job growth" in Wayne County.

Although the demand is great, the concept of community colleges working with businesses isn't new. Schoolcraft, with a main campus in Livonia and the Radcliff Center in Garden City, has offered retraining programs since 1985, said Bruce Sweet Jr., Schoolcraft College director of business and industrial services.

Demand escalates

The need for retraining is especially strong in the health care sector, and Schoolcraft works with hospitals and nursing homes to prepare employees, especially in upgrading nurses. But, all business sectors have called on the college for specific needs, Sweet said. "Manufacturing is certainly a dominant area," he added.

WCCC: *Five campuses help serve student, employer needs.*

The demand for these retraining programs is escalated by new technology and rapid changes in organizations. In addition to business-oriented customized retraining, community colleges also offer continuing education programs with certification in areas such as real estate and computers. These are especially suited to the employee who lost a job from downsizing or who needs a change.

Henry Ford Community College is also working to retrain employees on a massive scale. In fact, about 10 percent of the 16,000 apprentices in Michigan are trained by Henry Ford instructors, said Joann Terry, vice president/ dean of career education.

Basic and advanced computer training, as well as instruction in major appliance repairs are booming areas, she said. Henry Ford Community College has a main campus in Dearborn with classes also held at a smaller facility in Dearborn Heights.

Henry Ford offers programs in skilled trades for General Motors, Ford Motor Co. and DaimlerChrysler; as well as Rouge Steel and smaller companies such as Douglas Electrical in Wyandotte and Detroit Diesel. These companies hire people who are required to attend classes while they get on-the-job training at the plants.

"We move people from the different levels they are at to where the employer wants them to be," Terry said. "This idea has been around a long time."

Henry Ford Community College inherited the Ford Motor Co. trade school about 50 years ago. That serves as the basis for its large apprenticeship program today.

Program for students

A newer concept at the college involves working with high schools giving younger people a head start on specialized training that employers are seeking.

"Students are getting very, very good jobs with less than a year training," Terry said, pointing to $30,000 salaries for students who earned two-year associate degrees in industrial drafting. Electronics, robotics and automation are other areas of growth.

Henry Ford Community College also has one of the largest nursing programs in the state, Terry said. Two-year graduates are earning between $30,000 and $40,000, she said. Some of the newest health care programs at Henry Ford offer specialized skills in surgical technology, radiology, emergency and medical technicians, fire science, personal computer software applications and Internet applications.

While these new courses are drawing a lot of attention, some of the traditional classes, such as training mechanics for Ford Motor Co. dealerships, are still in demand, Terry added.

At Wayne County Community College customized training is dictated by the "depth and breadth" of what employers need, said Joann Pieronek, vice chancellor for educational affairs. There are three campuses in Detroit, one downriver and another in Belleville.

Many employers call on Wayne County Community College to teach their workers computer languages, she said.

"We also are working with Rite Aid and CVS in training pharmacy tech students," she said.

Health care programs, in specialized areas such as respiratory technicians, nursing assistants and surgical technology, are growing. The school also offers guidance to students who can't decide what they want to do.

"We're in an instant mode with the fact that technology continues to change and boom," she said. "The curriculum cannot be a stagnant curriculum. People now are of a mindset where learning is a life-long task. We're no longer in a position where you work for a company 30 or 40 years and retire. Companies are being consumed, and their technology changes."

CATHOLIC *from page 10*

Madonna was also the first university in the country to offer a bachelor of arts degree in sign language studies and is now the largest sign language program in the country, Nodge said.

The independent liberal arts university is a Franciscan institution with 4,000 male and female students of varied economic, religious, social and cultural backgrounds.

Founded by the Felician Sisters of Livonia in 1947, Madonna College was all female before 1972. Madonna became a university in 1991 and now offers 50 undergraduate programs and 18 master's programs.

The annual full-time undergraduate tuition is $7,120.

University of Detroit Mercy

Meanwhile, the University of Detroit Mercy prides itself on being the only design center in metropolitan Detroit focusing on non-profit communities and civic organizations.

Additionally, one-third of all dentists in Michigan are graduates of the university. The School of Dentistry Clinic offers low-cost dental services providing about 81,600 visits each year for more than 13,200 patients.

The enrollment at the Detroit based university is more than 6,000. The average age of students is 29.

For the 1999 Michigan Bar Exams, UDM School of Law graduates ranked first among the five Michigan law schools in passage rates for first-time takers.

In 1999, 80 percent of UDM's premed graduates were admitted into medical schools, twice the national average for medical school admissions.

Last year, the university also launched the first class of Family Nurse Practitioners to provide primary health care in urban health care settings.

Tuition for full-time undergraduate students for the 1999-2000 school year is approximately $15,000.

Marygrove College

Across town, Marygrove College opened in 1927 and was founded by the Sisters, Servants of the Immaculate Heart of Mary as an all women's college. It became co-ed in the 1970s.

Many graduates of the liberal arts college concentrate in social work, education and the visual and performing arts, which was augmented by the college's purchase, last January, of the Institute of Music and Dance.

"The Institute of Music and Dance has a long history in Detroit and Marygrove is proud to expand on their tradition of excellence in music and dance," explained Daphne Hughes, Marygrove director of communications and marketing.

In 1998, the college also started GRIOTS to prepare more African American males to become teachers. GRIOTS is a West African word that means storyteller. The program was established to help place more African American male teachers in classrooms.

Marygrove tuition is $366 for each of one to 11 credit hours and $5,070 for 12 to 17 credit hours per semester.

Marygrove has 1,000 undergraduates and there are more than four times that number of graduate students. Many of those students are involved in a master's program, called the Master in the Art of Teaching, which is available from video tapes and at satellite locations for certified teachers.

- Diane Gale Andreassi / Special Writer

MANUFACTURING: COMING FULL CIRCLE

County rebuilds status as world hub

BY DIANE GALE ANDREASSI
SPECIAL WRITER

Wayne County is rebuilding its status as the world's manufacturing hub, but educators need to find a way to make science more exciting if the area is going to maintain that momentum.

Wayne County is "coming full circle," according to Nancy Berg, director of the Society of Manufacturing Engineers based in Dearborn.

Nancy Berg, director, SME

"It was the first place for manufacturing," Berg said. "During World War II, the metro Detroit area was one of the most important manufacturing areas in the world and known as the arsenal of democracy, making so much of the defense process used in World War II," she said.

The emergence of new companies and big investments from older organizations is resuscitating the area.

Bright future

"I see the future in Wayne County as being very exciting," Berg said. "As technology continues to change and as the computer further enhances our ability to design products faster and cheaper, we're going to see continued economies in the overall manufacturing process.

"It's a great time to be in Detroit," Berg said, echoing a slogan used to the promote the area.

In order to meet the demands of the future, however, science classes need a shot of excitement to attract technical people to electronics and computer jobs, which are the fastest growing areas, according to Keith Gardiner, director of the Center for Manufacturing Systems Engineering at Lehigh University.

Keith Gardiner, secretary-treasurer, SME

The United States needs to educate its youth better in science rather than forcing companies to import such specialists from Europe and Asia, he said.

Computer technology

Gardiner compiled data from Fortune 500 companies in 1976 and compared them to Fortune 1,000 companies 20 years later and found an "absolutely huge growth" in microelectronics, computers, biotechnology, plastics, chemicals and pharmaceuticals, explained Gardiner, SME secretary-treasurer.

"There's also been growth in automotive, transportation, and aerospace, but nothing as dramatic," Gardiner explained. "I think that trend is going to accelerate, because the mechanically-based, smoke stack industries are moving more and more to the cleaner, more physics-based operations."

High-tech jobs are available and Gardiner argues that if those jobs are going to be filled by local people, current teaching methods must change.

"I'd put much more emphasis on physics and chemistry," he said, adding that he would give less attention to teaching industry specifics that are bound to change.

Education in the traditional disciplines, like electrical, industrial and mechanical engineering, is being squeezed out by business demands for graduates who have business and computer skills, as well as communication and interpersonal strengths, according to the report "Manufacturing - A Redefinition for the 21st Century," which Gardiner prepared with Lehigh graduate student Roanna Burnell.

"In cases of many employers, the disciplinary labels are being given less attention in a search for individuals that can appreciate business issues, already possess some 'real world' experience, can solve ambiguous unstructured problems and work well in teams," Gardiner found. Another labor trend is that employees are likely to change jobs, and possibly industries, several times during their careers.

Meanwhile, the older industries are also changing technologies, and this, aside from requiring continuous lifelong learning for the older employees, means that employees skilled in the newer, more prevalent fields must be hired.

Employees in demand

The demand for these employees is great especially when you consider that manufacturing is the fastest growing area of the economy.

"Analysts throughout the United States predict a severe labor shortage," Berg said.

In response, SME has contributed more than $90 million since 1989 to colleges and universities in support of developing leading-edge manufacturing degree programs to stimulate interest.

Berg simply defines manufacturing as the process of making things.

Identifying three areas of every economy as farming, mining and manufacturing, Berg said, obviously, manufacturing leads the way in the U.S.

"When it comes down to it manufacturing can be described as the creation and the production of a product and that product can be an automobile, a telephone, a computer, food and clothing, the lawn furniture in your back yard and it could be the laser in the medical field," Berg said. "What brings them together is the commonality in manufacturing across all industries."

SME is the largest organization in the world representing engineers and management people in all manufacturing industries.

"Whether you're building big products, like an airplane, or a watch or a musical instrument, the process may be different, but you're always going through the same methodology," Berg said.

"Manufacturing is changing on a daily basis and part of our responsibility to industry is to make sure the latest information is disseminated," she said.

SME sponsors conferences, as well as three magazines and a Web site, www. sme. org to provide information about manufacturing, jobs and educational opportunities.

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reach the university level. Anticipating the future needs of employers, WSU is looking to attract students early in their education.

"We are involved in a number of initiatives to try to help students who are in middle school and high school to take mathematics and to take science and to become comfortable and successful in those areas," Crusoe said.

In fact, the university works with employers to develop programs that will capture the interest of students and provide courses that will prepare them for the high-tech and bio-medical fields.

"Without those things it's difficult to meet the high-tech career needs of our employers," Crusoe added. "I don't want to dismiss all the other areas, but that has been the absolute nagging shortage. It's true across the country, but especially true here that our economy has been powered by the auto industry for the past 100 years. We will be successful here in as far as we are able to generate enough talent to meet the auto industry's needs."

Cooperative programs have also been established between WSU and area corporations, like Ford Motor Co. providing work and study arrangements.

"We have done these kinds of specialty programs with employers to meet their needs often on-site," Crusoe said. "It's been the case for many years, but I think we've become much more acutely sensitive to the need to do this. Time is a valuable commodity for employees and the company. At the same time they have a need to enhance the education of the employee. It becomes a kind of in-service education and collaborative with the university."

Crusoe predicts that as Wayne County continues to polish its image, the reflection will shine positively on WSU, too.

The university is looking for other ways, like beefing up its sports program, to improve its reputation. WSU has recently become a Division I sports university for hockey.

UM-D *from page 10*

University of Michigan in Ann Arbor, was recently named among the top-10 public regional universities in the Midwest, according to a *U.S. News & World Report* annual guide to colleges.

The report ranked UM-Dearborn 29th among the country's undergraduate engineering schools without doctoral programs.

"The real measure of the success of this campus is how well we meet the needs of our current students and the contributions our alumni make in their communities and in their professions after graduation," UM-Dearborn Chancellor Daniel Little said in a press release prepared in response to the report.

Some 80 percent of the roughly 8,000 students at UM-D are working and about 25 percent of UM-D students come from a private high school.

"One recent year we found that students in our engineering co-op program earned $2.5 million from jobs that the university arranged for them in one year," Gallagher said, explaining that often such co-op jobs lead to future full-time employment.

"They're like scholarships that we don't have to pay," he added.

Pointing to other universities where students are often heard talking about parties and their social lives, on the UM-D campus, Gallagher said, the students seem much more committed to getting a good education.

"We think we get a real serious student who is already connected to the community in many ways," he said. "They're hard working kids who are very impressive and realistic. They're focused on academics and achieving.

"What impresses me is a real live campus life for a commuter school." Gallagher said pointing to 100 student organizations, including a weekly newspaper, a radio station, ethnic associations and a variety of other offerings for students who want to get involved in the university outside the classroom.

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EFFECTIVE TRANSPORTATION NETWORK

Road system drives economic success

BY MARGO DEWEY
SPECIAL WRITER

In order for any county to become a success economically, a solid transportation network must be created to keep people and goods moving from county to county, state to state and around the world.

Wayne County is a leader in developing and maintaining one of the most effective transportation networks which includes roads, rail, airports, waterways and bus systems. Wayne County is making the necessary improvements, especially to roads, as well as developing creative transportation projects that will bring prosperity to the region, according to region officials.

"Wayne County continues to invest in a good road system," said Tim Johnson, director of marketing and communications for Wayne County's Department of Jobs and Economic Development.

"It's an ongoing process. Since 1909, when we were the first county to have a paved road, we were expanding and improving," said Johnson.

The world's first paved concrete road in Wayne County became Woodward Avenue between Six and Seven Mile roads in Greenfield Township, which is now northwest Detroit. In 1942, Wayne County set another transportation standard when it built the world's first limited-access freeway, the Davison.

"The expansion of the Detroit Metropolitan Airport will also have a tremendous impact on our economy, and this will also result in more nonstop flights around the world," Johnson said. "It's just one more way for Wayne County to do business with the rest of the world."

Investing in roads

Wayne County has always strived to provide the best roads possible. Aided by a modest gas tax increase and a $60 million road improvement bond program, the pace of road repairs in Wayne County is twice what it was only a few years ago. "And as a result of this, more business and employment opportunities have increased," according to county officials.

John Roach, spokesman for the Wayne County Department of Public Services, said over the past five years the county has greatly improved the overall condition of its 720-mile network of primary roads, implemented several resurfacing and new road improvement projects.

"Wayne County has a serious advantage over Oakland County in that the majority of the roadways were developed much earlier; when road funding was less scarce; therefore, most of the major roads in developed areas of Wayne County are wide enough to handle increased traffic flow from year to year," said Roach.

When major roads and highways are in good condition, this creates an increase in business opportunities and employment as employers and employees can travel to and from their workplace with ease, added Roach.

"This is something we think entrepreneurs should take a look at when they consider locating a business," said Roach. "How long is it going to take you or your employees to get to work? Will there be any traffic jams you or your employees will have to face?"

Focus on Canton

Canton Township, however, will be one community in which Wayne County spends a lot of improvement dollars in the near future. It has become one of the fastest growing communities in the state, according to Roach.

"We're going to put a lot of money into paving roads in Canton due to the housing development boom," he said. "Recently Wayne County officials committed to widening Warren and Cherry Hill roads over the next several years in Canton to alleviate the current congestion along Ford Road."

"There are other new frontiers of development in Wayne County that will need road development or improvements in the near future, and they include Plymouth, Northville and Brownstown. These areas will see increased traffic flow, and we will continue to improve these areas as necessary," Roach said.

Addressing potential road congestion problems early is important for smooth traffic flow in the near future, according to Mary Kunkle, transportation planner for the Southeast Michigan Council of Governments (SEMCOG). According to a recent survey conducted by SEMCOG on congestion, Wayne County has far less road congestion than Oakland County in terms of vehicles traveling bumper-to-bumper on the roadways.

Sayeed Mallick, senior transportation engineer for SEMCOG, said congestion is a result of an increase in population and traffic flow.

"When you have an increase in population, jobs and drivers, then you have congestion," he said. "The future looks like even more jobs and more population so you can definitely expect more congestion.

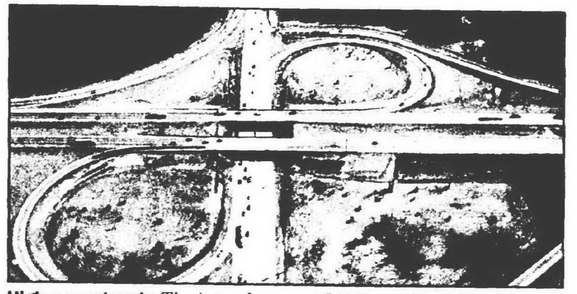
In the future, Wayne County residents will see many more improvement projects implemented as the county and state spend billions on the roadways and other transportation venues to meet the demands of the business world.

"We are discussing and seriously considering many major improvement projects for Wayne County in regards to transportation for the future," said Roger Safford, region development engineer for the Michigan Department of Transportation.

"One of the major expansion projects is the Ambassador Bridge Gateway project. It's a $100 million dollar project that will improve the access for vehicles from the Ambassador Bridge to enter the freeway system."

Other major roadway projects under consideration for the future, according to Safford, include: rebuilding I-94 to Detroit (estimated cost $1.2 billion); a reconstruction project involving Telegraph in Taylor between Ecorse and Eureka (estimated cost $25 million, target date 2001); I-75 between Goddard and the Rouge River (estimated cost $40 million, target date 2002); and reconstruction of Michigan Avenue between Greenfield and Livernois (estimated cost $20 million, target date 2003).

"The reason Wayne County is in such good shape is because the road system is so well developed," Safford said.



Highway network: *The interchange at I-275 and Ford Road in Canton Township is one of the busiest in Wayne County.*

Road projects planned for 2001

Wayne County Federal Aid road projects slated for 2001 include:

- Allen Road – Van Horn to West Road in Woodhaven – $710,000
- Allen Road – Oakwood to Greenfield in Melvindale – $710,000
- Beech Daly Road – Six Mile to Grand River in Redford Township – $870,000
- Butler – Greenfield to Schaefer in Dearborn – $325,000
- Eureka Road – Beech Daly to Telegraph in Taylor – $710,000
- Greenfield Road – Allen to DTI RR in Dearborn and Melvindale – $950,000
- Goddard Road – Allen to East of Buckingham in Allen Park and Southgate – $550,000
- Harper Road – Kingsville to Eight Mile in Harper Woods – $510,000
- Jefferson – Alter Road to Cadieux in Grosse Pointe Park – $830,000
- Merriman Road – Seven to Eight Mile roads in Livonia – $1,700,000
- Six Mile Road Farmington to Merriman in Livonia – $700,000
- Van Born Road – Beech Daly to Telegraph in Dearborn Heights and Taylor – $710,000
- Wayne Road – Cowan to Joy in Westland – $650,000
- Wayne Road – Cherry Hill to Ford in Westland – $750,000
- Other roads projects on tap include E. Jefferson through Grosse Pointe, Middlebelt from Plymouth to Schoolcraft in Livonia, Schoolcraft (north and south) from Inkster to Telegraph in Redford Township, Van Born from Venoy to Telegraph in the communities of Westland/Romulus/Wayne/Dearborn Heights and Taylor, Van Born from Southfield to Pelham in Dearborn Heights and Allen Park and W. Jefferson from Northline to the north Wyandotte border.

Wayne County Transportation

Metro Airport

Annual number of passengers (1999) ..... 34 million

International non-stop cities served 20

Amsterdam	Beijing	Frankfort	London
Mexico City	Montreal	Rome	Osaka
Paris	Toronto	Tokyo	Vancouver

Willow Run Airport

Annual number of operations 200,000

Annual number of international operations 2,000

Annual cargo tonnage handled ..... 40 million

Wayne County's Road Network

Miles of interstate & state highway 462

Miles of County primary roads 715

I-75, I-94, I-96, I-275

Ambassador Bridge to Canada

Annual vehicle crossing ..... 8 million

Annual truck crossing ..... 2.7 million

Annual amount of trade handled ..... $80 billion

Detroit-Windsor Tunnel

Annual vehicle crossing ..... 8.7 million

Annual truck crossing 270,000

Port of Detroit

Annual tonnage 1,575,400

MIDFIELD TERMINAL

Metro Airport project energizes economy

BY DIANE GALE ANDREASSI
SPECIAL WRITER

Detroit Metro Wayne County Airport's midfield terminal and the nearby Pinnacle Aeropark not only promise to help make Wayne County's economy take-off but will connect the state more efficiently to destinations around the world.

A $1.2 billion midfield terminal, built by Northwest Airlines and Wayne County, will more than double the current capacity and modernize the 70-year-old airport.

Last year, Metro Airport served more than 34 million passengers. International traffic at the airport has tripled in the last 10 years.

Wayne County Executive Edward H. McNamara referred to the midfield terminal as "by far one of the most important projects our community and state will ever see."

The facility will accommodate air traffic needs for a couple of generations, said Tim Johnson, director of marketing and communication for the county's jobs and economic development department.

"It's going to be a lot more user friendly and customer service focused," he added.

New terminal

The 97-gate terminal will include 72 jet gates and 25 commuter gates.

Once the midfield terminal is completed next year, the remaining 103 gates in the existing terminal will be modernized to provide similar standards seen at the midfield terminal for all the carriers, said Brian Lassaline, airport spokesman. New restaurants and more than 700 new parking spaces will be among the changes.

A south access road is under construction off I-275 at Eureka Road (south of I-94). The new six-lane access road will stretch four miles and has been called the "front door" to the airport. Because of the planned I-275 exit, traffic on I-94 near the airport's existing north entrance should be lessened.

The capital improvement project will include a $119 million, 10,000-foot runway that is expected to help reduce flight delays by more than 3,000 hours annually.

This will be Metro Airport's sixth runway and fourth parallel runway, which will make the facility one of the most efficient airport's in the world, Lassaline said.

The added space created by the midfield terminal is expected to encourage the airlines to add more non-stop destinations, which will make the region attractive to more foreign investors worldwide.

Metro Airport is the sixth-busiest in the world in take-offs and landings and 13th busiest in numbers of passengers.

New terminal: *An artist's drawing of the new midfield terminal at Detroit Metro Wayne County Airport which is expected to open late next year.*

Economic impact

The economic impact of the airport is large. An airport economic study put a price tag on the airport in 1996 when it was estimated that Metro Airport generates $4.2 billion annually in southeast Michigan. That figure includes jobs created, payroll and revenues for area businesses.

Metro Airport employs more than 15,000 people. An additional 60,000 people have found jobs at nearby restaurants, hotels, travel agencies and other spin-off businesses.

Other midfield terminal amenities include more than 125,000 square feet of new restaurant and retail space, including 80 new shops and restaurants. More than 11,000 new parking spaces will also be provided.

"With 10 international gates at the new midfield terminal, and the tremendous growth in the international air travel marketplace, we want to show the world that Wayne County and Detroit is the place to do business in the 21st century," McNamara said.

South of the airport, the 1,800-acre Pinnacle Aeropark will be Metro's newest and most impressive neighbor featuring office space, an 18-hole golf course, three business-class hotels, a conference center and a town center with retail stores and restaurants.

The $1.6 billion investment at the Pinnacle is expected to create 25,000 jobs and construction is scheduled to begin in spring, Johnson said.

"We think it will revolutionize commercial and industrial development around the airport area," Johnson said. "We feel that will be an entryway to Wayne County and the state, and we want a real high-quality development to make that real strong first impression.

County businesses plug into New Economy

BY TRACEY BIRKENMEIER
SPECIAL WRITER

Ask 10 people to explain the term New Economy and you'll likely hear 10 different definitions.

"All sorts of things are lumped into the term New Economy," said Kathy McMahon, director of communications for the Michigan Economic Development Corporation. "What it means to me is thinking outside the box and bringing new industry to Michigan."

For Wayne County businesses, training, attracting and retaining employees are primary initiatives. While the New Economy has brought techies from all over the globe to Wayne County, there still aren't enough techno-geeks to go around.

The MEDC recently shifted its advertising focus. Instead of recruiting companies to the state, it now recruits employees. Last May, the MEDC launched a nationwide, $5 million advertising campaign targeted at about 440,000 technical professionals now living elsewhere.

Compared to some of its competitors, Beth Chappell said, Compuware attracts and retains techies with relative ease. Then again, the executive vice president of communications said the company offers attractive perks, such as an in-house gym and day care.

"We realize how precious good, talented people are," Chappell said.

The computer company, formed 27 years ago, will move its Farmington Hills headquarters to Detroit in 2002.

Harvey Kahalas has studied the U.S. economy for 30 years. The dean of the Wayne State University school of business administration said Wayne County is a wonderful example of a county that's trying to move from an area focused on manufacturing to one that's becoming increasingly technical.

WSU recently proposed a new high-tech park, a private and public sector initiative to bring new business and research opportunities to the region.

"It will enable us to focus on how to use the expertise of our faculty and student body to enhance the economic basis of the region," Kahalas said.

He said Wayne County faces a unique challenge.

"What we want to do is balance and move from what we might call the Old Economy, which historically is represented by manufacturing activities and the auto sector here in Michigan," Kahalas said. "We want our fair share of e-commerce, the Internet and Web site initiatives in the U.S. and worldwide."

Ford Motor Company, headquartered in Dearborn, is recognized as a world leader in moving into the high-tech e-business.

Ford's efforts to transform itself from an Old Economy company into a streamlined New Economy company were featured last July in *Forbes* Magazine.

Author Jay Akasie writes in an article, "Best of the Web," "It would be hard to find a giant Old Economy company that is making this transformation more seriously than Ford. If it all comes together, the payoff could be huge: Decapitalized, brand-owned companies can earn huge returns on their capital and grow faster, unencumbered by factories and masses of manual workers. Those are the things that the stock market rewards with high price-earnings ratios."

Newspapers were predicted to fail in the New Economy but have managed to prosper.

"Companies like ours, which were known as denizens of the Old Economy, are figuring out new ways to adapt, assimilate and exploit the opportunities available through new technologies," said Philip H. Power, president of HomeTown Communications Network, Inc., headquarterd in Livonia. "Old Economy companies are blurring themselves into the New Economy."

HomeTown Communications recently announced the formation of hometowndigital.com, a web site that will include a virtual mall and several forms of e-commerce.

"Old companies are morphing into new companies," Power said. "What Wayne County businesses are learning is that, to be successful, you need bricks *and* clicks."

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