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Bus drivers worry about numbers

■ With numbers already dwindling and substitute bus drivers getting harder to come by, some veteran Plymouth-Canton drivers are wondering if the school district is doing enough to keep qualified people.

BY TONY BRUSCATO
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Plymouth-Canton school bus drivers say "we've had enough."

Drivers say the daily stress because of the lack of drivers to cover routes is a time-bomb situation that could lead to students being accidentally injured.

"Morale is extremely low, and the lack of recruitment of school bus drivers and monitors is at a chronic low," bus driver Del Templeton told the Board of Education Tuesday night. "The drivers and monitors are feeling increased pressure to do more and more on a daily basis, to the point some of us feel we could possibly be endangering our students and ourselves. Each of us are seeing increased pressure to cover our scheduled routes, with routes that are not being covered because of a shortage of drivers and monitors."

Templeton points out there are more bus runs than drivers are available to cover. And that fact is acknowledged by the administration.

Transportation Director Marv Bartal said the district has approximately 11 substitute drivers to help cover the 100 daily bus routes. However, that doesn't compare to the 15 drivers, on a daily basis, who call off work for various reasons.

"That's 15 percent, and that's a concern," said Bill Taylor, the district's interim assistant superintendent/employee relations and personnel. "We have enough drivers to take care of the routes every day, but the problem is finding enough substitute drivers. We're looking for them ...

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AT THE CrossRoads

Mission dedicated to helping the needy

Old hand: *Plymouth Township Trustee Ron Griffith started volunteering at Crossroads in 1979.*

BY SUE BUCK
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Few Crossroads clients arriv[illegible]y car. Usually they walk or take the bu[illegible]92 Forest in Detroit.

Some requests are simple: or[illegible]r two blankets. For those who have no be[illegible]one blanket will go underneath. The other [illegible] be used to cover up.

Others just want a hat or a p[illegible] of gloves. They were out of hats Saturday.

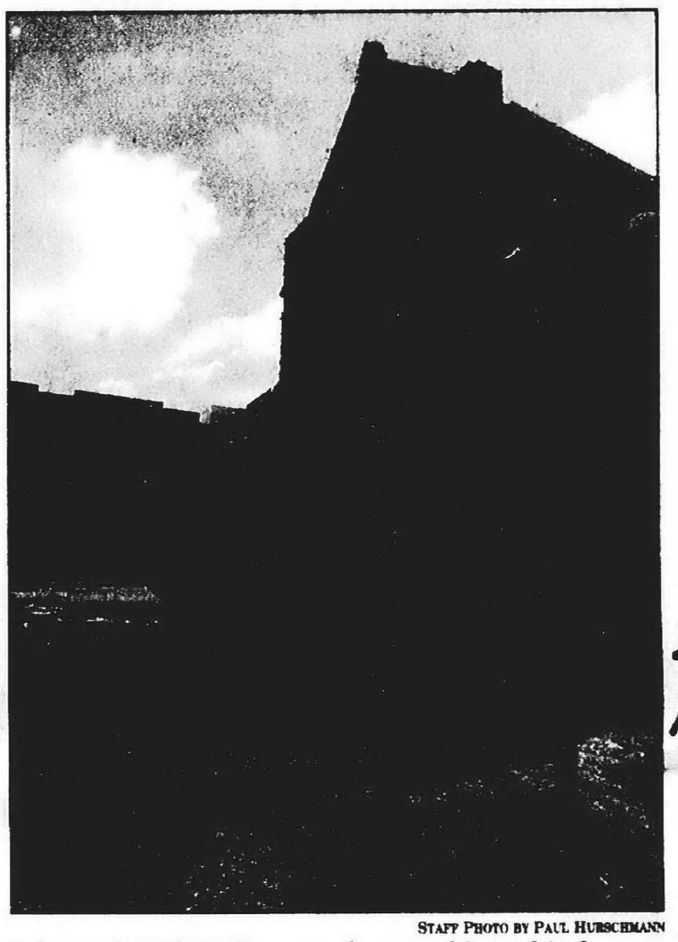
Crossroads, a non-profit ecum[illegible]ical social service organization whose main location is at Forest and John R, depends largely on private donations and volunteers. It is committed to working with the poor and low-income in the community.

That's where St. John's Episcopal Church in Plymouth Township comes in. Several volunteers from the church donate their time there. The staff of seven has about 100 volunteers.

Among the volunteers is Ron Griffith, a Plymouth Township resident and township board member, who has been a volunteer at Crossroads for more than 20 years. He carves out time to help.

"I started volunteering in the soup kitchen in 1979," Griffith said. "I have volunteered ever since."

The world of the poor and needy is stark and immediate here. Some stay in area shelters.



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Primary location: *Crossroads moved into this former Baptist church at John R and Forest in Detroit.*

Area volunteers find time to help

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Crossroads is a nonprofit ecumenical social service organization under the auspices of the Cathedral Church of St. Paul in Detroit. It is committed to working with the poor and low-income in the community.

With each new volunteer, Crossroads can welcome and serve more clients. Volunteers work half-day, full day and Saturday mornings, according to their schedules.

Volunteers, who come from various backgrounds and religious denominations, aren't expected to have a social work or counseling background.

Other Crossroads volunteer counselors besides township board member Ron Griffith who attend St. John's Episcopal Church on Sheldon in Plymouth Township are K. C. Clauser, Pat Delany, Bill Geddes, John Jacobs, Ken Merrill and Bob Wolf.

"St. John's has been very faithful in donating clothes for our clients," said Mary Honsel, Crossroads director. "Last year

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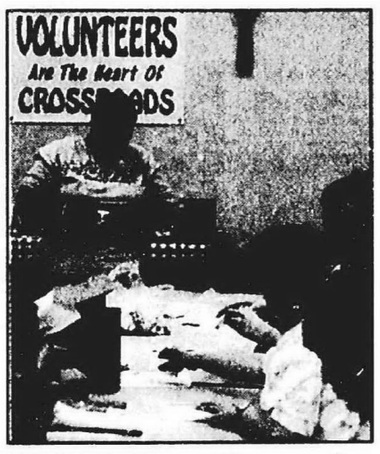

Vital volunteers: *Crossroads employee Latoria Glenn works with kids from Our Lady of the Woods Church.*

Some of their needs are met by countless volunteers from the suburbs, including the Plymouth area.

Volunteer counselors spend about 45 minutes interviewing clients to evaluate their needs.

"Ron took our training to be a volunteer counselor in 1985 and has been a faithful volunteer staff member since," said Crossroads Director Mary Honsel.

Honsel is the daughter of the Rev. Jim McLaren, who founded Crossroads in 1971. She approves client requests.

In 1983, Crossroads moved its main location to the former Baptist church on Forest and John R.

Crossroads depends largely on private donations, and a $10,000 Federal Emergency Management Agency grant to buy food, Honsel said.

"Most of the people who come here are respectful," Honsel said.

A young mother who has set goals for herself is among the clients seen by Griffith. Jovanne, an unemployed 19-year-old mother of two, was accompanied by her mother. Jovanne, her unemployed husband and two sons live with her mother.

"I have three other children at home," her mother said.

Jovanne wanted bus tickets to get to her high school completion classes and to a cosmetology class. She also wanted about $30 to purchase a luggage-type case on wheels she saw at Value City to more easily transport the curlers she needed for the cosmetology class.

Her face lit up at the thought of becoming a beauti-

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Cops foil robbery at Hiller's

Employee escapes, calls police

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Three men are in custody in connection with the robbery attempt at Hiller's Market, at the corner of Five Mile and Haggerty, early this (Thursday) morning.

Northville Township police report they received a 911 call at 4:51 a.m. from an employee.

"During the robbery attempt, an employee was able to escape and run across the street to the Sunoco station to call us," said Northville Township Public Information Officer Kelly Pigeon. "The suspects tied up some of the employees and were in the process of leaving when we arrived. We were able to apprehend one of the suspects, who was trying to leave the store."

Pigeon said a second suspect, waiting in a sport utility vehicle parked in the lot of the Plymouth-Canton school district's Tanger Center next door, was captured by Livonia police.

The third suspect was found hiding inside the store's trash compactor nearly two hours after the ordeal began.

Police say the suspects, all males from Detroit, wore ski masks and dark clothing. They were caught with at least two guns and were carrying walkie-talkies for communication.

Pigeon said there were four or five employees inside the store at the time of the robbery, however, none was injured.

Northville Township police were assisted by Livonia and Plymouth Township officers.

Plymouth Township police heard about the armed robbery in progress over the inter-city radio scanner and responded with four officers.

"Two of the suspects were coming out of the back of the building when we got there," said Sgt. Jim Jarvis of the Plymouth Township Police Department. "Our guys and Livonia were able to get one of them, and the other one went back into the store." That suspect is the one found hiding in the trash compactor.

A group of Hiller's employees, standing outside the closed store waiting for word as to when they would begin work, were surprised at the situation.

"I'm shocked. Nothing like this ever happens around here," said an employee who didn't want to be identified. "It's generally very quiet."

A company official said he was hoping to have the store opened by 10 a.m., pending the investigation by police.

Plymouth-Canton school officials closed the Tanger Center for the day when they received word of the robbery. The school houses a kindergarten class from Farrand Elementary and special education programs.

As of this morning, Northville Township police were still interviewing the suspects and employees before deciding on charges and arraignment in 35th District Court in Plymouth.

Township, city get money back from courthouse

BY TONY BRUSCATO
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Plymouth's 35th District Court is returning more than $1.2 million to the general funds of the five communities it serves.

The money was left over after construction of the courthouse, originally budgeted at $8.25 million.

"Because of the (electrical) fire in July 1997 which destroyed the courthouse, we suspended returning excess revenue from the court back to the communities," said Kerry Erdman, court administrator. "We held them in an account because we weren't sure how the insurance and expenses would pan out."

The 35th District Court Authority sold $4.25 million in bonds to pay more than half the total cost of the new courthouse. The remaining $4 million came from $2.4 million in insurance proceeds, and $1.6 million in excess court revenues held back from the cities of Plymouth and Northville, as well as the townships of

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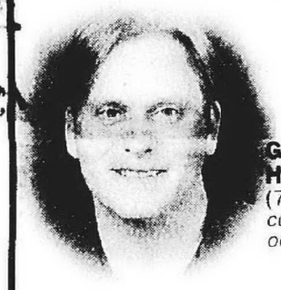

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Crossroads *from page A1*

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Griffith left the counseling area to speak with Honsel. "She's so young and her hands are already tied," Griffith said.

Besides assisting with Jovanne's requests, he suggested she bring her husband in with her next time so he could get some job assistance. He also suggested a part-time job for Jovanne to help assist with expenses.

Many requests seem simple for those on the outside looking in. They are pieces in the puzzle, sometimes stumbling blocks, for the needy.

William, a Vietnam veteran who served in the Army and is homeless, said he lost his state identification card for a second time and needed to find out how to obtain two necessary additional pieces of ID besides his veteran's picture ID so he could get a replacement from the Secretary of State office.

Last time, William repaid the money Crossroads gave him to pay for the replacement ID so the money could be used to help others.

"I believe in God and want to do what's right," he said.

William, who once worked as a welder, now stays in homeless shelters. His past history and financial situation is blurred in his conversation.

"Mostly I just walk during the day," said William, who suffered from a persistent cough. "I walk about eight miles every day. There's a lot of shelters around here."

He talked about selling his blood, his plasma, to get money.

Volunteer Eric Pope, a Grosse Pointe resident who works as a marketing consultant, counseled William. "A lot of people get caught up in situations," Pope said.

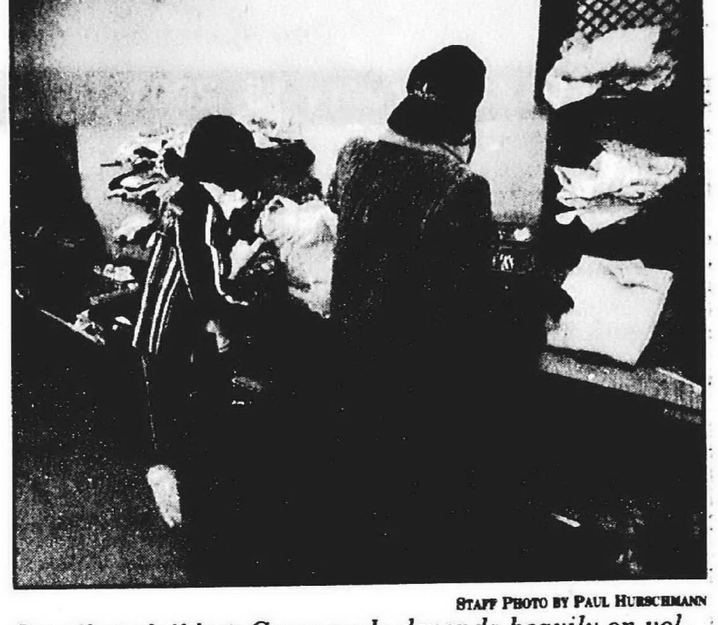
While counselors listened to the trials of the needy, a group of eighth-graders – Confirmation candidates in a preparation class at Our Lady of the Woods in Woodhaven – participated in a self-imposed, 30-hour "famine."

"This is a similar experience to what happens in Third World countries," said student Philip Messineo of Trenton.

They volunteered to assemble hygiene kits and condiment kits for the Crossroads Soup Kitchen.

After they returned to their home area to worship at 4 p.m. Mass, they planned to break their fast with a potluck dinner.

Volunteer value: *Plymouth Township volunteer Ron Griffith talks with Mary Honsel, director of Crossroads.*



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Counting clothing: *Crossroads depends heavily on volunteer efforts to do just about everything, including sorting clothing.*

Volunteers *from page A1*

when we were in dire need of winter coats, they organized a very successful coat drive."

Last year members of St. John's donated 1,415 pounds of food to Crossroads.

"In addition to their annual Christmas dinner, St. John's sponsors the Sunday Soup Kitchen at Crossroads two or three times in the year," Honsel said.

Plymouth-area volunteers who donate their time but are not members of St. John's include Penny Junk, Laurie Kendall, Al Larson and Jim Young.

Donations of clothing which is new or used can be dropped off at St. John's, Honsel said.

All pieces of clothing are welcome. The need is severe and Crossroads also accepts clean, used undergarments, Honsel said.

The mailing address for Crossroads is 4800 Woodward, Detroit, Michigan 48201. Reach Honsel at (313) 831-2787.

The main Crossroads location is 92 E. Forest at John R, Detroit, Michigan 48201, (313) 831-2000. The Crossroads east location is 14641 E. Jefferson (at Manistique), Detroit, MI 48215, (313) 822-5200.

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Drivers *from page A1*

but in what has been a booming economy, it's been difficult."

The straw that broke the camel's back came this week when a a bus driver and his wife, who is a monitor on a special education bus, announced they were quitting over a dispute about pay. Nearly 30 bus drivers met Tuesday morning to vent their frustrations over the lack of help.

"With them leaving, it's going to make the situation worse than it is now. We can't cover everything," said Heidi Giguere, who has been driving a bus for three years. "When someone calls in sick, we're asked to cover some stops, and it puts everyone behind. Then it snowballs. By the time we get to the elementary school routes in the morning (after high school and middle school runs), parents are calling wondering where the bus is.

"We're constantly trying to make up time," she added. "What's going to happen when someone gets hurt?"

"We can't get enough drivers because there are other districts that pay more," said another driver, who asked to remain anonymous for fear of retribution. "Many drivers are getting their training here, and then going to places like Farmington where they get benefits, even as a part-time driver. We have a lot of single moms driving buses, and they need the benefits. Plus, many districts pay more."

Taylor said the situation is not an easy one to overcome.

"We pay substitute drivers for two hours, just to be here in the morning," he said. "However, I hear there are some places that pay four hours. It's always a money issue."

Taylor and Bartal met with union representatives Wednesday morning, looking for ways to find much-needed help.

Bus drivers are suggesting the district make contact with workers who are being laid off at DaimlerChrysler and other businesses in the area, advertising in local newspapers and employment guides, as well as putting announcements in newsletters that are sent home to parents.

"If we could strike, we probably would," said an unidentified driver. However, after a pause, she said," In reality, we probably wouldn't. We don't want the kids to suffer because of this."

Say it with Flowers

by Steve Mansfield

TURNING THINGS UPSIDE DOWN

It bears repeating that the rules of floral arrangement are meant to be broken, or ignored entirely. That is certainly the case when it comes to a new trend involving a topsy-turvy look. What sets this look apart from others is that it takes convention and literally stands it on its head. It abandons the notion of the traditional arrangement, which calls for a floral arrangement to be composed of one-third vase and two-thirds flowers. The topsy-turvy arrangement calls for the stems of long-stemmed flowers to be cut sufficiently short so that the flower/vase ratio is reversed. The result is a rounded mass of blooms that covers the top of the container. The effect is quite eye-catching.

The only real rule in floral arrangement is to let your imagination guide you in your creation. For more tips on flowers and the best service in town, call us at **HEIDE'S FLOWERS & GIFTS**, at **453-5140**, or visit our website at **www.heidsflowers.com**. Located at **995 W. Ann Arbor Trail, Plymouth**, we love to share our knowledge with our customers. Worldwide wire service is available, and your satisfaction is always assured. Since 1899, we have been dedicated to providing quality and service to our community. Look for our next article in two weeks.

HINT: You can also achieve the topsy-turvy look with a hand-tied bouquet by tying a ribbon snugly just below the flower heads, thereby encouraging the stems to flare out.

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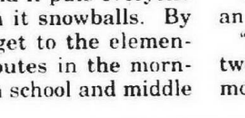

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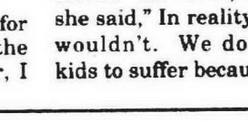

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Interior arrangers bring a brand new look

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Now homeowners can treat their houses to a day at the spa.

Arrange for Change, an interior arrangement business, specializes in one-day room makeovers, using the homeowners' existing furnishings and accessories.

The result is instant gratification.

"You can compare it to having a makeover for yourself," said Sue Tilley, a Plymouth resident. She formed a limited partnership with longtime friend Joan Fazio.

"It's doing something I feel passionate about," Tilley said.

They already share memories of when both lived in the Trailwood subdivision in Plymouth Township and neighbors frequently asked for their interior decorating advice.

Tilley moved to Plymouth two years ago. The business depends on a lot of word-of-mouth referrals, having rearranged houses from Plymouth to Farmington Hills to Dearborn.

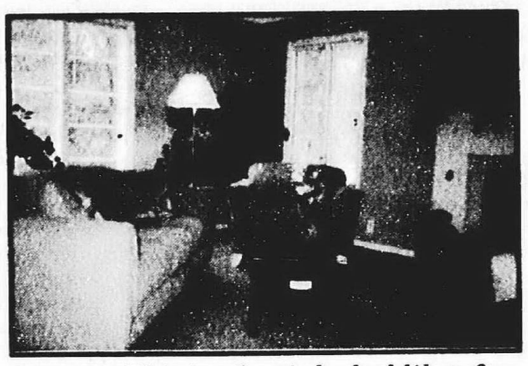
"You already possess the things you love and need to make your home comfortable," is their philosophy. "Now let us showcase to its best advantage."

The women trained with the Interior Arrangement & Design Association in September 2000 in Atlanta, Ga.

"We're not asking (homeowners) to buy new furniture," Tilley said. "It's hard to be objective about their own things."

Tilley and Fazio will sometimes suggest the addition of an accessory, such as a light. They won't wash walls or paint, just rearrange. They do vacuum and dust when they finish the room transformation.

Past: *This is what a sample room looked like before ...*



Present: *This is what it looked like after.*

The pair has an album full of before and after photos.

"We think of using things in different ways," Fazio said.

In one house, they rearranged a "bleak" living room with nothing on the walls by bringing in some family room and den furniture, capitalizing on a carpet with a pink cast. They took the living room furniture and put it in the family room, which has a wood floor, recommending the homeowner purchase an area rug.

In another house with a great room and dining room the women moved seldom-used dining room furniture. The man lived alone. They created a comfortable sitting room for him.

"We tried to incorporate his hobbies into the room," Tilley said. "He collected lanterns and we scattered them throughout. It made it more his space."

They incorporate collections and items handed down by older family members. They often bring things like plate racks and plate hangers, greenery, freshcut flowers and potpourri.

"We make it look more inviting," Tilley said. "We do a lot of accessorizing. People tend to buy a lamp and just put it on a table where they need a lamp."

Sometimes people get locked into leaving something where you buy it, Tilley said.

"It doesn't always mean that something's wrong but that the owner wants something different," Tilley said. "When they want a change it might be the placement is not right for the room. It's OK to mix different styles of furniture. People sometimes think they need everything new; in reality, they just need it arranged."

Pianos and televisions are some of the hardest pieces of furniture to work around, Fazio said. They ask if the TV can be moved. If not, it's a given built-in thing, she said.

"We think of using things in different ways," Fazio said. "If we think something isn't working in the house, we will edit it out."

Other features also require special care. "Plaster walls are sometimes a challenge especially when you start hanging pictures," Fazio said.

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New arrangement: *Sue Tilley, left, and Joan Fazio have opened a home re-arrangement business out of Tilley's Plymouth home.*

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- Fees vary. The average cost of a room makeover is $400. For more information, call (734) 455-9045.

"We never expected we would have so much fun," Fazio said.

MML ready to roll in city manager search

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Plymouth city commissioners have resumed their search for a new city manager.

Commissioners Monday night met with a representative of the Michigan Municipal League, which will help the city conduct a search for qualified candidates for the position. The job has been vacant for more than seven months.

Bill Baldridge, a former city manager in Royal Oak for 19 years, helped commissioners develop a profile for a candidate, as well as an ad which will be placed in the International City Manager's Association newsletter.

In short, the ad will advertise a job that pays between $65,000-$90,000 in a community with a vibrant, growing downtown, great small town atmosphere with excellent schools.

If all goes well, commissioners will be looking at the resumes of qualified candidates March 22, and at that time pick three to five candidates to interview for the job. Those interviews are currently scheduled to be held March 29, after which the commission could make an assessment of a leading candidate and begin negotiations.

When commissioners began their own search last summer, after Dave Rich left in June, they received 53 resumes. Commissioners interviewed eight candidates, and then were unsuccessful in attempting to reach a contract with four of them.

City commissioners, after learning about the criminal background of one candidate they almost inked to a contract, have made it a point to want a criminal background check of finalists.

"We do background checks with former employers and communities where they've worked in the past, but we don't perform criminal background checks," said Mark Nottley, director of municipal consulting services for the MML. "However, we can provide the city with a list of firms who specialize in performing that procedure."

The cost to the city for the MML's search is 10 percent of the base salary of the selected candidate. Additionally, the city of Plymouth will be billed for out-of-pocket expenses for travel and ad placement, which are expected to be less than $1,000.

Commissioner Michele Potter likes the idea of using the MML for the current search.

"Their proposal indicates they can do for us in 90 days what we haven't been able to accomplish in seven months," said Potter. "Using them will force us to be more objective, rather than subjective. It's time for us to move forward, get a quality city manager, and get on with the city's business."

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Canton, Plymouth and Northville.

"With the $75,000 we received from Detroit Edison as a settlement, along with the fact the project was completed under budget, there was more than $1.3 million left after construction," said Erdman. "After some minor bills were paid, we ended up with just over $1.2 million left over."

Erdman said he based the disbursement on a three-year average of court cases for each community. Canton Township, which had 49 percent of the court caseload, will receive $588,000; Plymouth Township, with 25 percent of the caseload, received $300,000; Northville Township, with 11 percent of the caseload, received $132,000; Plymouth, with 8 percent of the court's caseload, received $96,000; and Northville, with 7 percent of the court caseload, received $84,000.

■ "We held them in an account because we weren't sure how the insurance and expenses would pan out."

Kerry Erdman
—Court administrator

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Felony charges filed after high-speed chase

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While the family of a third-grade boy prepared an untimely funeral, Wayne County prosecutors Tuesday were preparing charges against four men, ranging from larceny to first-degree murder.

Two of the defendants led Canton Police on a Saturday-night car chase that resulted in the death of 8-year-old Travis Miles of Garden City.

John Moffitt, 38, of Farmington Hills pleaded not guilty to murder, and receiving and concealing stolen property at his arraignment in 35th District Court. Police say Moffitt drove the truck that collided in Westland with the vehicle in which Miles was a passenger.

"(Moffitt) made a conscious decision to flee and elude," Canton Public Safety Director John Santomauro said. "Simply put, he murdered that 8-year-old child."

Moffitt's passenger, Joseph Respondek, 43, of Detroit, pleaded not guilty to felony larceny and obstructing police. The two were riding in a 1988 Chevy flatbed pickup truck, which had been reported stolen from Redford Township in November.

Trouble inevitable

Santomauro said in a Tuesday press conference Respondek and Moffitt, along with two other men, had spent the day using heroin and cocaine. Upon depleting their drug supply they needed cash to buy more drugs and headed to a residential construction site, and were caught in the process of stealing roofing shingles, Santomauro said.

Two patrol cars arrived on the site near Cherry Hill and Beck roads and stopped two vehicles. Both vehicles appeared to be loaded with construction material.

Suspects in one of the vehicles, Joseph Foreman, 54, of Farmington Hills, and Virgil Cagle, 47, of Detroit, were both taken into custody without incident. They were arraigned Tuesday on felony larceny and obstructing police, and misdemeanor larceny charges respectively.

Both men pleaded not guilty. All four defendants were remanded to the Wayne County Jail pending a Feb. 26 preliminary examination in 35th District Court. Moffitt is being held without bond, and the other three are being held on a $10,000 cash bond.

Chase described

Police gave this account of the chase on Cherry Hill, which reached speeds as high as 70 mph in a 40 mph zone:

An officer asked Respondek and Moffitt for identification, at which point Moffitt accelerated quickly, causing the pickup to fishtail and strike the officer.

Moffitt and Respondek headed east, pursued by Canton officers. The flatbed truck ran through at least seven red lights.

At Cherry Hill and Venoy, the truck barreled through a red light and was struck by a 1999 Chevy S-10 pickup truck that was traveling south on Venoy, Westland police Officer Tom Lessnau said.

Travis was a passenger in that S-10, which was driven by his neighbor and longtime family friend, 25-year-old Michele Burgess.

The impact of the collision spun the Chevy S-10 into the westbound lanes of Cherry Hill where it came to rest, Lessnau said.

The flatbed truck slid sideways, rolled over and landed upright in the driveway of Toarmina's Pizza, on the southeast corner of Cherry Hill and Venoy, he said.

Moffitt's vehicle then accelerated, the wheels spun and it took off north across the east and west lanes of Cherry Hill, where it struck the Chevy S-10 again, Lessnau said.

Moffitt's truck rammed into Burgess' vehicle, hitting it broadside on the passenger side where Miles was riding, Lessnau said.

According to accident investigator Officer Jack McIntosh, Moffitt's truck apparently careened across Cherry Hill because its accelerator was stuck.

Police couldn't determine with certainty which collision caused the boy's death or whether both may have contributed to it.

Both trucks sustained extensive damage, Lessnau said.

A Westland police car arriving on the scene slid into the driver's side of the flatbed truck, causing only minor damage, Lessnau said.

Miles was declared dead at the scene. Burgess was transported to Annapolis Hospital in Wayne, where she was treated and released the next morning.

Moffitt was admitted to Saint Joseph Hospital for his injuries.

Sending a message

Santomauro said the charges "send a very clear message that this person (Moffitt) is responsible for, and his actions directly caused, this death."

Mike Duggan, Wayne County prosecutor, defended the police pursuit. He said if the police had not pursued, and Moffitt had simply driven away, desperate for cash, he could have just as likely tried to rob a convenience store and shot the clerk. (Moffitt was not armed.)

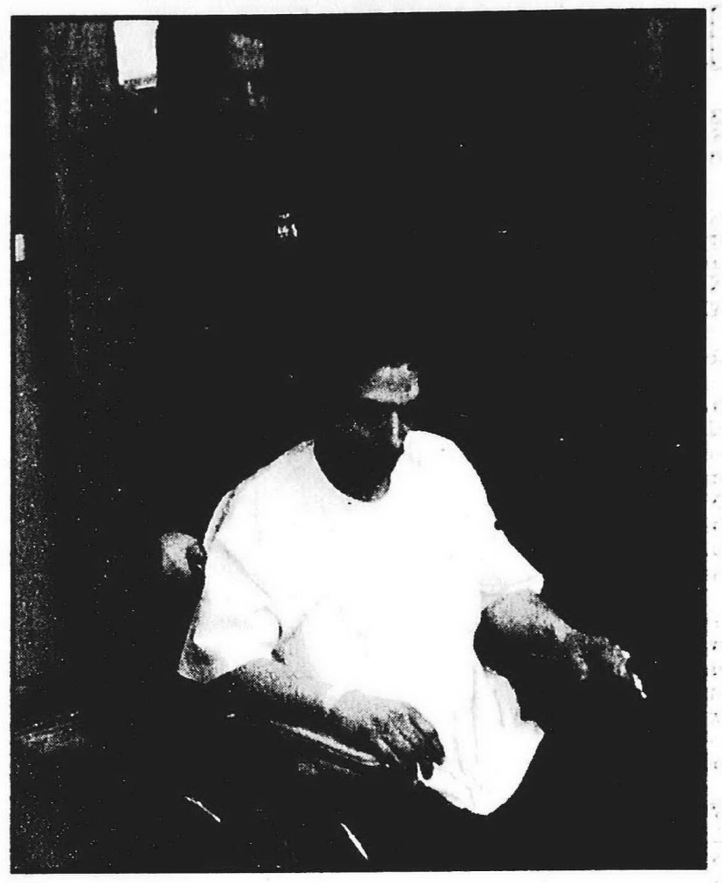
"Then you'd be asking why your police let them get away," Duggan said.

"We're going to charge very aggressively every fleeing and eluding case whether there's an injury or not," Duggan said. "I want them to understand when they make decisions like this, they may not get out of prison for the rest of their lives."

Santomauro said an internal investigation supported the officer's decision to pursue and his compliance with the department's guidelines. He said that throughout the chase, the officer calmly transmitted information concerning his speeds and location and consistently evaluated road conditions, lighting and traffic.

"At no time, prior to the accident, were hazardous conditions identified that would require termination of the pursuit." he said.

Staff writer Darrell Clem contributed to this story.



Charged: *John Moffit of Farmington Hills is wheeled into court for his arraignment on charges he killed 8-year-old Travis Miles of Garden City during a high-speed police chase Saturday. Moffit suffered a broken leg in the crash.*

Weekend keeps cops hopping

Plymouth Township Police were kept busy last weekend with an unusually high amount of arrests.

Police arrested 18 people for various infractions Friday through Sunday.

That's about three times the average amount, according to Jamie Senkbeil, Plymouth Township community resource officer.

The jail, which typically holds about six people, was packed throughout the weekend.

Police had no explanation for the high number of arrests.

"Most violations were written for driving while license suspended," Senkbeil said. "We got them through simple traffic stops."

The DWLS misdemeanor offense carries a 93-day stay in jail and/or $500 fine.

The arrests were made throughout the township, Senkbeil said.

DAR hands out annual high school citizen award

When the Sarah Ann Cochrane Chapter-Daughters of the American Revolution gathers Monday to hand out honors at its annual Good Citizens Awards Breakfast, Plymouth Canton student Stephen Bernacki will grab the top award.

Bernacki has been awarded the chapter's 2000 Good Citizen Winner from a field of seven high school nominees.

The DAR's annual breakfast is scheduled for 10 a.m. Monday at St. John's Episcopal Church on Sheldon Road in Plymouth Township. Judge Ron Lowe of the 35th District Court will portray Abraham Lincoln.

Bernacki, who had to answer a series of questions and write an essay of 500 words or less, now advances to the state contest, where he'll compete with more than 50 other chapter winners. The top 10 will be recognized at the State Awards Day in April.

The DAR's Good Citizen Award is design to "locate the very best of our dependable leaders and patriots among our senior high school students," according to DAR officials. Students are nominated from high schools around the area, including Churchill, Franklin, Huron Valley Lutheran, Ladywood, Northville, Plymouth Canton, Plymouth Salem and Stevenson.

Judges for the 2000 contest were Linda Garrett, a media specialist at Crestwood High School in Dearborn Heights; Bill Gretzinge., a retired social studies teacher; and Canton Township Supervisor Tom Yack.

Other nominees included Cassaundra Kirby from Churchill; Stefenie Stachura from Ladywood; Christine Hass from Franklin; Carol Krueger from Northville; Christopher King from Plymouth Salem; and Kelly Hutchens from Stevenson.

For more information about the breakfast or the award, call Shirl Hering, (734) 455-5525.

Store celebrates education

Parisian, Laurel Park, will once again host Celebrate Education Day 7a.m.-9 p.m. March 3.

The event, honoring education, raised over $18,000 last year for area schools.

Participating schools sell tickets for $5 each, with all ticket proceeds staying with the school. Ticket purchasers enjoy a 20 percent discount on most items at Parisian (the discount is valid the entire event), refreshments and door prizes, including a $500 Grand Prize Shopping Spree.

Schools interested in joining this event can contact Parisian Store Manager, Jackie McDougall at (734)953-7500. Those interested in purchasing tickets can purchase them thru participating schools such as Washington Elementary, Grant Elementary, Central Middle School, St. Ediths School, Garden City Jr. High School, Stevenson High School Choir, Our Lady of Victory School, or contact Parisian Customer Service to either purchase tickets (ticket proceeds thru Customer Service will be split between participating schools in the community) or for the entire list of participating schools to contact them directly for tickets. For more information contact Jackie McDougall at (734) 953-7500.

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Metro chief says Washington will act if mechanics strike

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Wayne County Airports Director Lester Robinson says Washington will act if the mechanics union calls a strike against Northwest Airlines at Detroit Metro Airport next month.

"I personally believe that the federal government will step in ... and keep people flying" if the union, whose contract negotiations with Northwest have reached an impasse, strikes at midnight March 12. Metro is Northwest's hub, handling 75 percent of the roughly 35 million passengers using the airport annually.

Robinson's comments on a possible strike, which virtually would shut down Michigan's largest airport, came Friday during a wide-ranging discussion with Observer editors and reporters about the county-owned-and-operated airport.

The meeting was arranged by Wayne County Commissioner Lyn Bankes, R-Livonia, to give Robinson a chance to present his side on such topics as the possible strike, airport expansion and the ongoing state probe of Metro contracts and bidding procedures.

Joining Robinson were Daniel O. Kerber, county airports deputy director, and Michael Conway, airports external relations director and two of Conway's staff members.

Lester Robinson

Bankes was unable to attend but was represented by her assistant, Debbie Wanamaker.

March 12 is the earliest a strike in the 5-year-old labor dispute could happen. But some observers say that President George W. Bush likely will call a presidential emergency board to draw up a settlement proposal and thereby delay any strike for another 60 days.

Robinson said Delta Airlines "may put on more flights" out of Metro were a strike to happen, but would only be able to fly out of the international terminal, which has just six gates.

Fewer non-stops

Non-stop service also would be greatly reduced, he said.

Kerber, the deputy director, added that low-fare carriers "really won't throw on extra aircraft because they don't have them and they really don't like to do that to each other." Whatever slack a Spirit or Trans Air picks up "won't be much," he said.

As for the probe of airport dealings being investigated by a special state Senate subcommittee, Robinson said the airport is "continuing to cooperate with them" and have state auditors in.

However, it's not an audit, he said, but a "preliminary review, which means they do everything short of an actual audit."

He attacked what he described as "conjecture and innuendo and rumor about things that they (committee) haven't set down as fact."

He said he believes what they'll find is "maybe some management lapses" dating back to the mid-1950s and early 1990s.

Robinson, who became airports director last year and is a former airports finance director, said his department has "disproved" accusations about not advertising for or taking bids on contracts.

He said old newspapers have shown that, on most of the contracts, there were bids and ads, reducing the state's "exception rate" from "as high as 16 or 20 (down) to 2."

Robinson said criticism of the recently expired Metro Cars contract and the new contract are examples.

He said the 1990 contract was for five years with a five-year extension – not a no-bid extension, as has been charged.

'Enough cars'

Robinson said the new contract went to Metro Cars because it was the only bidder that had "enough cars" – 110 vehicles of the Lincoln, Cadillac or Chrysler variety – to provide what the airport feels is adequate service.

Kerber said Metro is running 90 sedans and "there's times when there's no cars available."

Robinson emphasized Metro Cars is not a limousine service – "My concept of a limo is a stretch vehicle," Robinson said.

Rather, Metro is a luxury sedan service that is "an alternative ... to the taxicab ... a little bit upscale (to) help dress up our service area. I think it was successful, I really do," he said.

He said Metro Airport still has problems with taxicab services regarding "improving their vehicles, improving their demeanor, improving their appearance."

He said the sedans cost 15 percent more than taxis and defended providing them as an impetus to taxis to "add a positive benefit" by improving themselves and their service. The sedans also give Metro passengers a choice among taxis, commuter vans or limos.

But, while Metro doesn't restrict limousines from providing service, there's not enough curb space for them to simply wait for unscheduled customers, he said.

Robinson said that, when "ground transportation" includes the sedans, cabs and vans, Detroit Metro beats Atlanta's Hartsfield Airport in revenue, $230,000 per year to $100,000.

Difficulties in process

He defended extensions on contracts, noting that, among other things, "it's difficult sometimes to get contracts through our whole process, including the County Commission."

He said approvals have taken several months, resulting in contract extensions because "we have to serve the public."

He warned the commission, however, that changes he's instituting will mean "three to four times more material going to them for approval."

He said, "Staff is a little frustrated with me because I want to bid all the extensions and all the change orders to the contracts.

"I don't necessarily think that's the right thing to do, but we're doing it to remove any cloud whatsoever on the way we operate.

"We run a tight business practice and that's the way we want to keep it," he said.

Robinson reiterated that alleged cost overruns on signage and lighting at the airport a few years ago were the result of federal demands that the work be completed months sooner than originally contracted. It required hiring more people, he said and was further complicated because "You can only work on (the project) when the Federal Aeronautics Administration gives you permission."

He also defended Parking Lot 15 as being "for people who do business with the airport (and for those) who have ... helped us in the past," such as former Gov. Jim Blanchard, who helped get the airport federal funding.

He said other businesses do the same thing and added, "The fact is, there are more Republicans in there than there are Democrats currently."

But, he said, there will be no such special lot in the new 11,600-space parking building adjacent to the new midfield terminal, scheduled to open in December.

"We're going to have spots for vans and parking operations people, and Northwest can park some of their employees. But no special lot," Robinson said.

He predicted that, when the new Northwest terminal opens, "our image is going to change into something very positive."

Airport official named national committee chair

Michael Conway, director of external relations at Detroit Metropolitan Wayne County Airport, has been appointed marketing and communications committee chairman of the Airports Council International – North America.

Conway will assist in policy development, public awareness campaigns and program planning for ACI-NA, the main advocacy group for airports in the United States and Canada.

He is the first metro-Detroit airport executive to serve in an ACI-NA leadership role since James Davey was chairman in 1974. Davey managed Detroit Metro from 1960-75.

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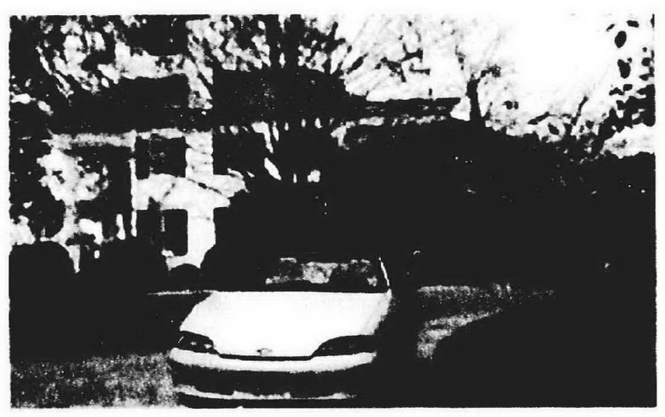

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Recall absurdity adds to silliness in the city

Just when you thought things in Plymouth couldn't get any sillier, along comes this notion of recalling two commissioners.

Mayor Dave McDonald and Mayor Pro-Tem Colleen Pobur are the subjects of recall petitions filed with the Wayne County Elections Commission by Plymouth resident Dan Taylor, who alleges three counts of wrong-doing by McDonald and two by Pobur.

Whether Taylor is the actual force behind the recall — there are whispers vocal city critic Jerry Vorva is working with Taylor, and Pobur thinks Dr. Tom Prose, who has a $100 million lawsuit pending against the city, has a hand in it — doesn't really matter.

What matters is the validity of the claims, and the wisdom of such a move just months prior to a regularly scheduled election in which both commissioners are up for re-election.

A recall, especially at this point in the election season, is an implausible option for a variety of reasons:

- Recalls rarely work.
- McDonald has already said he won't seek re-election.
- While Pobur admits she will seek another term, voters can be counted on to determine on their own her culpability in the problems the city has weathered the last year or so, primarily the city manager search.
- If Pobur is correct and Prose is behind the recall — and there's no direct evidence he is — then someone who has accused the city of mismanagement is supporting the expenditure of a possible $15,000 or more on an election, the results of which will be rendered moot in August.

Then there are the petitions themselves. The elections commission must approve the wording of all three claims, and that can be a notoriously difficult task. The wording may be too vague for the commission's liking.

Aside from that, where are the wrongs here? Contacted Friday by the Observer, Taylor claimed he finally got fed up with the leadership shown by McDonald and Pobur, particular as it relates to the current search for a city manager. Yet, his petitions say *nothing* about the current problems.

Taylor's first claim is that McDonald participated in an illegal public meeting dealing with the departure of former city manager Steve Walters. But that was two years ago; where has Taylor's wrath been all this time?

Claim No. 2 is that McDonald used his influence as mayor to get Pobur a variance from the Zoning Board of Appeals. We aren't sure McDonald has that much influence, but even if he does, is it egregious enough to force the city to spend thousands of dollars recalling him a few months before he's out anyway?

Voters have a funny way of determining for themselves what is or is not appropriate behavior. This recall talk needs to go away, so voters can do just that.

The third claim has only played out thus far in the pages of Prose's newspaper, that McDonald failed to direct the police department to investigate an officer for allegedly threatening to kill Vorva. But McDonald doesn't supervise the police department. The city manager does.

We have certainly had our disagreements with both Pobur and, especially, the mayor. McDonald paid far too much attention to his campaign for the state House of Representatives and too little to city business. The city manager search process has dragged on much too long, and the city went all year without any goals toward which to work.

But forcing the city to spend more than $10,000 on a special election to oust two commissioners who might not get re-elected anyway is the essence of silliness.

Voters have an uncanny way of determining for themselves what is or is not appropriate behavior. This recall talk needs to go away, so voters can do just that.

Fatal chase leaves many questions, few answers

Who will take responsibility for the death of Travis Miles?

We speak not just of criminal responsibility or civil redress. But who will have the guts to stand up as a human being and tell Donald Miles and Roxanne Dowd:"I'm sorry. My thoughtless actions killed your son?"

Certainly not John Moffitt and Joseph Respondek, convicted felons who refused to surrender to police Saturday night and led officers on a high-speed chase for eight miles through Canton and Westland. Both men pleaded not guilty Tuesday to a variety of charges stemming from the resulting crash that killed 8-year-old Travis of Garden City.

Apparently not the Canton Public Safety Department, which, even as it launched an internal investigation into the incident, took ample time in public statements to distance itself from any culpability. While calling the crash a true tragedy, Canton Public Safety Director John Santomauro reminded all that it wasn't the pursuing officers who allegedly broke into a home construction site and took off to avoid arrest.

And definitely not the Michigan Supreme Court, which in a 2000 decision stemming from two fatal police chases in Detroit, ruled that police officers and municipalities could only be held responsible in cases where they are "grossly negligent" and directly responsible for the death.

In other words, if the patrol car is involved in a fatal crash *and* officers deliberately failed to follow chase guidelines then *maybe* blame can be assessed.

The question of responsibility is, of course, paramount. But there are many other questions in the wake of events that unfolded Saturday along Cherry Hill Road. And there are no easy answers.

For example, the public needs to know:

- Did police officers follow department policy in initiating the chase? Santomauro insists they did.
- Should the pursuit have been abandoned when the fleeing felons approached the township limit?
- Was a chase necessary to apprehend Moffit and Respondek when police had two other suspects in custody?
- Is chasing suspects involved in a nonviolent property crime a wise decision and a smart use of public safety resources?

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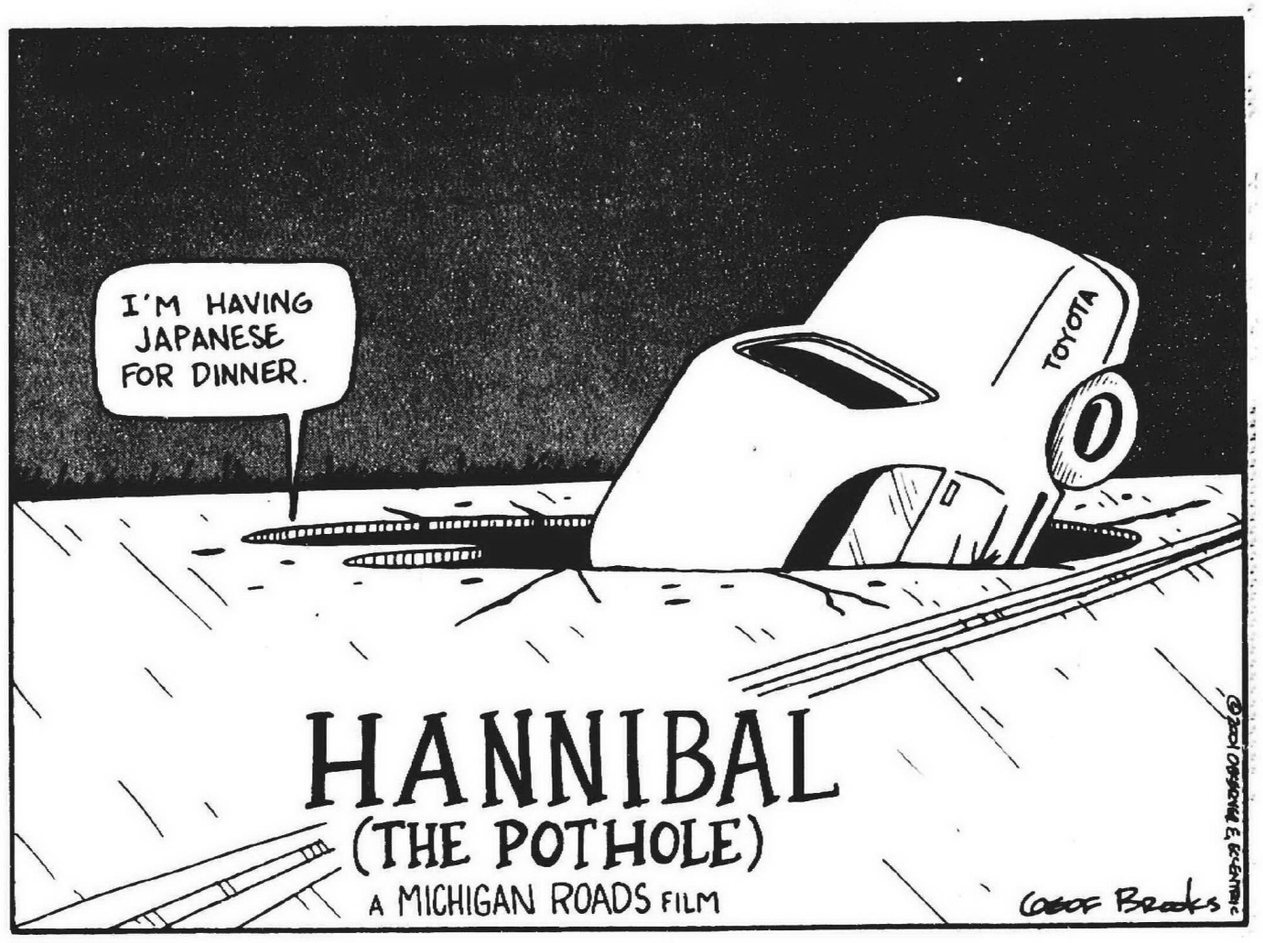
We suspect most of these questions, and others, won't be resolved until the lawyers have at it. That's an unfortunate reality in today's litigious world and one more reason why Travis' parents won't be hearing an apology or explanation anytime soon.

The Observer believes the pursuit of fleeing suspects is a tool that must be available to law enforcement agencies. There is truth in the argument that failure to do so only encourages a lawless society.

But the decision to pursue must be made with the same deliberateness and training that officers apply when they draw a weapon. This, after all, is what a motor vehicle becomes as it hurtles down the road at 70 mph or more.

And we demand that law enforcement agencies accept responsibility for the outcome of their actions. It's part of what makes our government accountable to its people. The Miles family deserves at least that much.



LETTERS

Tree is history

Northville

The Wilcox tree is 150 years old. We do not think you should cut it down because this tree is the history of Plymouth. Maybe it would be better if this tree was protected.

These kind of trees live very long. If we protect it now it can live even longer, so other people can see its beauty. If you were the tree with lots of history, you would be a living mystery and you would not want people to cut you down just for a building.

If you cut this tree down now, you'll regret it later. We have lots of other buildings and you shouldn't need one bad enough to cut down history. We have never heard of a tree 150 years old so they must be really rare.

Chelsea Jurgeon, Megan Quinlan, Katelyn Quinlan, Nicole Jarkowski, Kathryn Turgeon, Johanna Clair, Kirsten Slater, Leah Varga, Kristin Burns, Mirando Madias, Kirbi Fagan, Liz Clago, Jenny Mizzi, Maggie Gearns, Erica Ley, Alex Poramlo, Maria, Catherine, Jeff Bord and Page.
Plymouth Students

Column is sexist

In Tim Richard's column of Feb. 1, 2001 he discusses what he refers to as, "McNamara's tricks." Although the column begins by targeting Ed McNamara, the focus soon changes to Jennifer Granholm's supposed bid for governor.

I read the "review" of Granholm's credentials and experience with interest. It raised some interesting questions. When Mr. Richard made his last point about Ms. Granholm's experience, however, he lost all credibility and his article simply turned into nothing more than a sexist attack.

In his last point regarding Granholm's background, Mr. Richard indicates that when reporters inquired about Granholm's gubernatorial intentions, "Granholm was unavailable" so that her "PR guy handled the questions." Mr. Richard then questions "could it be because she has a 3-year-old toddler?"

It is a shame that what starts out to be a legitimate inquiry about a person's credentials ends up being an attack on a woman simply because she has children. All public figures use the "unavailable for comment" response. Yet, I doubt a reporter would question this response if it came from a man, by questioning the man's commitment to his job. The assumption seems to be that if a woman indicates she is "unavailable for comment," she must be involved in a family situation, and therefore not truly committed to her job.

If a man indicates he is "unavailable for comment", then he is busy at work or simply will not answer the question. It is a shame that Mr. Richard still views women as having less of a commitment to their jobs simply because they are mothers. The even more unfortunate result is that Mr. Richard's entire column lost credibility because of such a sexist comment.

I would be interested in finding out what Mr. Richard has to say about his column now and whether he realizes what a sexist commentary it was. Of course, if he indicates that he is "unavailable" I am sure that no one will assume it is because he is spending time with his family.

Barbara Pichan

Neighbors wrong

Couldn't agree more with comments from Richard Giles in Thursday, Feb. 8, opinions. Seems like some of the residents of North Pointe had the idea that they were there first and had special rights.

This sounds like the same attitude of the "neighbors" of Don Staebler, the farmer who just sold his farm to Washtenaw County. I understand the residents have worked with the school board to try and resolve this but it really isn't about them.

The reason for moving the school "back" to this location was money. No funds should be spent to calm their fears. I also wonder if any of them voted to allow the school to be moved from its originally planned location when the "first" bond issue was passed.

K. James Galte'
Plymouth

Missing a grumpy

Tony Brehler, leader and founder of the writing organization called the Grumpies, died Friday, Feb. 9. He will be buried on Friday, Feb. 16.

Many will recognize the name, Tony Brehler, because of his constant involvement in the affairs of Michigan, but particularly of Livonia. Knowing Tony, one could wonder if a better man could be identified. He was a good friend to each of us Grumpies. When he recruited letter writers for the Grumpy group, he began with a compliment for each with a letter or a phone call, telling each respondent that he had read his letters, liked what he had read and the way they were written, asking each if he would like to attend a Grumpy meeting with the idea of becoming a letter-writing member. So Tony had nice things to say before we ever knew him. After joining the group, each of us would come to realize how important Tony was to the group, that we had joined with a good man, a great man, a most caring man, in his endeavors to make our small place on earth a better one, holding meetings with engaging speakers and writing letters.

I now believe being a Grumpy, thanks to Tony Brehler, is one of the best things that has happened to me in my lifetime. I believe I feel as the other members do, that we were blessed by our association with Tony and his Grumpy organization. It is our intent to continue the work of the Grumpies, not only because it may show honor and respect, but because the goals of Tony were right and worthwhile.

We miss him.

Neil Goodbred (Grumpy)
Livonia

Plymouth, a priority

State Rep. John Stewart recently announced that he will be giving most of his 40 percent pay increase to the Plymouth Historical Museum, the Kiwanis Club, the First Presbyterian Church of Plymouth, the Salvation Army and the Plymouth Arts Council. It is a nice gesture. But why is he giving it all to charities in Plymouth when he represents Livonia and Northville too?

Mr. Stewart says that he wants to amend Proposal A to increase education funding. Why not donate the salary increase to the schools in Livonia, Plymouth and Northville and work to better fund all of the public school districts? During the campaign, Mr. Stewart wanted to make education a top priority. Now it looks like he wants to make Plymouth a top priority.

Gordon Chesterfield
Livonia

Tangled up in bills

Dear Mr. Richard Pearl: First, I thank you for your interest in the Poet Laureate bill: an innovative, inexpensive means of advancing education and an awareness of literature amongst Michiganians.

Sadly, I regret to inform you the bill, despite overwhelming legislative support, was not signed into law by the Governor; consequently, as the Governor's position is not subject to change, I will not vainly reintroduce the bill this legislative session.

Finally, on a personal note, being a conservative Republican who treasures the continuity between the generations and fully appreciates the value of promoting a common understanding amongst everyone who experiences the rich tapestry of our frail, ephemeral existence, I'm sorry we've missed a chance for someone, someday, to share the experience related by the post-war world's greatest living poet, Robert Zimmerman:

"Then she opened up a book of poems
and handed it to me,
written by an Italian poet from the thirteenth century,
and every one of those words rang true and glowed like burning coal,
pouring off of every page, like it was written in my soul
from me to you."

Sadly, this chapter's closed.

Thaddeus G. McCotter
State Senator, 9th District

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Evaluate both secular, faith groups by service delivered

Way back in 1982, my wife, Kathy, and a number of other parishioners at St. Andrew's church in Ann Arbor started a feeding program for street and homeless people.

The idea was to give people in need a good breakfast to start out the day.

It was a good idea then; it's a good idea now. The program is still going strong, feeding more than 100 people every day.

Phil Power

The food, usually donated by local groceries and restaurants and sometimes (after all the paperwork gets filled out) from federal surpluses, is cheap. Labor is all volunteer. The space used is the parish hall, so it's rent-free. If you denominate it in terms of the outcomes it's intended to provide – breakfasts – the program is amazingly cost-effective.

Surely, the program at St. Andrew's and others like it are what President George W. Bush has in mind when he talks about providing public funds for the good works that faith-based organizations can provide. The Bush Administration has set up an Office of Faith-Based Action, designed to reach out to "faith-based groups that have a proven record of saving and changing lives."

Called "charitable choice" by policy wonks, the interplay between government and faith-based organizations has been around since the 1996 Welfare Reform Act. Last October, President Clinton signed a law allowing federal payment to religious groups that offer mental health services for youth.

To be sure, charitable choice is not without its problems.

■ Separation of church and state. For example, Brent Walker, executive director of the Baptist Joint Committee, calls charitable choice "the wrong way to do right ... We think it will result in invasive regulation and excessive entanglement between church and state."

At a minimum, it's certain the volunteers at St. Andrew's spend far too much time filling out federal forms to qualify for surplus food; at a maximum, it's no business of the federal government to tell the folks at St. Andrew's who to feed breakfast to.

■ **Competition for dwindling dollars.** Critics claim public funding for "religious" social purposes risks diverting scarce funds from "secular" social purposes. School vouchers, for example, can be looked on as skimming dollars from public schools.

■ The incapacity of the poor. Although they don't often admit it, at heart many critics feel poor people don't deserve (or cannot handle) choosing between (often monopolistic) government programs and those offered by faith-based organizations.

Lurking behind each of these objections, however, is a kind of "either-or" mentality that frames the issue in exclusive terms: Either people will be forced into government-funded programs or they will have no choice other than those sponsored by religious groups. But as long as funding for both types of programs – secular or religious – is based on transparent accountability and cost-effectiveness in yielding desired outcomes, why cannot we allow the users of services to be responsible for their own choices?

Joseph A. Connor, founder and CEO of a Michigan non-profit organization called the Collaboratory for Community Support, points out that "communities making progress toward solving these vexing social problems are those that realize that the diversity and multiculturalism of our communities demand multiple strategies and many programs delivered by a variety of different groups united by shared aspirations."

Connor is worried President Bush's initiative could set off a secular-religious contest of vendors, each contesting with the other for programmatic scraps. He hopes the Office of Faith-Based Action will work to bring legitimacy to on-going and effective religious approaches, not in contrast to but in collaboration with secular strategies. The Collaboratory, for example, is working in Battle Creek to reduce teen pregnancy by enlisting the support of both Planned Parenthood and Catholic Social Services.

The key point here is not to frame an activity to be funded by public dollars as "a program" replete with designated "responsible agencies," countless regulations and the turf that inevitably accompanies both.

Instead, both public and faith-based organizations should be evaluated and funded on the basis of demonstrated success in delivering concrete, measurable outcomes to people who need and want them.

If the Bush Administration can manage that, it will have taken a big step forward in mobilizing the compassion and efficiency of both the public and the private sectors.

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.

Daughter's hard work paid off with true friendships

I should have known my daughter's destiny from the first moment of quickening. Her tiny little body doing handstands, somersaulting, flipping, flopping. I lived for months a constant contortion of her antics, as she practiced her tricks, while the environment balanced, cushioned, protected her until that final fall to earth.

My tiny little gymnast was born with her dimple, her disarming smile and, most of all, focus.

When she was 2, the family room couch became her trampoline and the backyard apple tree transformed into uneven parallel bars.

Cathy Standish

How my husband and I came to conceive this gymnast is still an unsolved mystery. I stumble on two left feet. My dance resembles that of Pee Wee Herman, only without the kitsch of the big shoes. I ram through life like a bull in a China shop, with only my mind able to bend or flex, and after the exercise is finished, my brain matter bubbles and boils like the roiling waters of a hot tub.

I hadn't prepared for a gymnast in the family. Gymnastics meets, stumbles on the vault, tumbles on the balance beam, the ups, the downs, the highs, the lows. I didn't know a kip from a tuck, a cast from a squat on.

I attend gymnastics meets, sedating my nerves while chewing on Tic Tacs, chattering endlessly, and thanking the Almighty when my baby leaves the event in one piece, unaided by benefit of wheelchair and not requiring a neck brace.

My daughter rolls her eyes at my drama.

It was at my daughter's third or fourth meet that I was hit with an epiphany. I watched these tiny little girls trying for personal bests. I watched them encourage one another, congratulate, jubilant in one another's accomplishments, I watched them comfort one another in moments of discouragement.

Enduring friendships forged during long hours spent in the gym. A team of girls, brought together by the spirit of a caring, guiding, protective coach. Lindsay with her dry, wry humor, Kali with her intelligence and determination, serious Megan with the mischievous twinkle in her eye, Hannah, always sunny and smiling, Mandy, fun-loving and eager to please, and my baby Taylor, tumbling through life, flipping through the years so fast it seems I can barely catch her.

My daughter was striving for a goal many of us wait years in life to accomplish. She was working to find true friendship.

Teammates, friends for life, all champions.

Each girl with an ability to send the heart flipping and flopping. Each girl with the determination to do a little better each time, comforted by the hugs and guidance of Amy, Kat and Lindsey, all champions, I now understand why my daughter flipped and flopped from the moment of conception.

I now comprehend why she worked so hard on the handstands and back flips, why she practiced cartwheels at the baseball field, why she worked so hard to learn the back walkovers at the soccer games.

My daughter was striving for a goal many of us wait years in life to accomplish.

She was working to find true friendship.

Cathy Standish is a Plymouth resident and regular contributor to the Plymouth Observer.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

■ Angry over natural gas

Again deregulation hits us in the pocketbook. Why do prices have to double? I can see a few percentage. Because of the last three years of having choices of companies that supply your gas to get cheaper rates that weren't cheaper now the gas companies are going to make you pay because they didn't get all the money. Yes, I know there will be an offset but that is the first quarter or so then what? What about all the idle gas wells we have here in Michigan that are getting paid to not pump?

I am mad as hell and am not going to take it any more. Yell it out you windows April 1st like in the movie!

Rick Galli
Livonia

Brad Kadrich

Sometimes the smallest gesture can reaffirm hope

You read stories all the time about people who are down and out, beaten up by life through no fault of their own.

Occasionally, though, people get into all kinds of trouble and it *is* their fault. Their mistakes cause a chain reaction that sends their lives spiraling.

In both cases, it can be very difficult to right the ship. No matter who is to blame for the problems, getting back on your feet can be tough.

It's a lesson Connie and Chris McMahen are learning right now.

The McMahens were doing just fine not all that long ago. An apartment in Canton. Steady, if unspectacular, jobs that helped pay the bills and put food on the table for 6-year-old Marietta and 2-year-old Christina. Connie works at the Canton Meijer, Chris at the Taco Bell on Ann Arbor Road in Plymouth.

Then came a beef at the apartment complex, and Connie's angry reaction, which resulted in her keying someone's car. A malicious destruction of property report was filed.

"And they evicted us," she says. "I shouldn't have gotten mad and done that."

That was 10 months ago. The McMahens, unable to find a place to live chiefly because of the police report and some credit problems, spent the summer shuttling from shelter to shelter. There was one in Oakland County, two more in Macomb. Packing up the kids and what belongings they could carry, moving on.

Since October, the family has bedded down in the Red Roof Inn on Ann Arbor Road at I-275. Cooped up in a small hotel room, food and belongings stuck wherever there's room, a small playpen for Christina.

"It's real tough to live like this," Connie says. "There's no place to cook, and the kids can't play because there's just the parking lot."

They stayed with a friend for a while, even using the friend's car occasionally to get to work or get Marietta to school. But it was a temporary solution.

Now most of the couple's money pays the more than $300 a week to keep a roof over their heads. Most of their belongings are in storage, but payments on that are tough to make while spending $1,200 a month on hotel rent.

The couple has come close to finding another place to live. There've been apartment possibilities, but the credit report is a problem. They looked at a house in Plymouth recently, but the police report could be troublesome.

Just when it looked like they weren't going to get any help from anyone, the McMahens learned there are people willing to help.

The couple's car broke down in an east-side suburb, and a friend helped them get it towed back to Plymouth. The friend recommended a local mechanic to do the work.

Enter Fred Mourad, owner of Top Value Total Car Care on Main Street. The friend who recommended him is a good customer at Top Value, and told Mourad about the McMahens' woes. Mourad chipped in by doing the vast majority of the repair work pro bono.

"The car came in not starting, and once we got it started, we noticed all the other engine problems," Mourad recalled. "It was so bad she couldn't have driven it out of here."

The car needed head gaskets, a clutch master cylinder, water pump, belt and tune-up. Maybe $1,000 worth of work Mourad did on the house.

"It was a large job because it was very time consuming," Mourad said. "I felt sorry for her. She had no money, she was (basically) homeless, she had kids, and they couldn't get to work without a car."

He saw a family in need, he offered to help. Simple as that.

Unless you ask Connie McMahen. To her, and to her family, it was a sign not everything is completely bleak. It was a gesture that reaffirmed a faith in the basic goodness of people.

"It helped a lot," she said, a small smile playing on her lips. "I was without a car, using a friend's car to get back and forth. I can't tell you how much (Mourad) helped us."

The couple is trying to find a house in the Plymouth-Canton School District because Marietta has responded well to the teachers at Smith Elementary. Until they can get straightened around, they'll just keep plugging.

"That's what we have to do," Connie said. "We'll just have to do the best we can."

It's all anyone can do – no matter who's at fault.

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OBITUARIES

VIRGINIA V. RUSIN

Services for Virginia V. Rusin, 78, of Canton, were held Feb. 12 at St. John Neuman Catholic Church with the Rev. George Charnley officiating. Burial was at St. Hedwig Cemetery in Dearborn Heights.

Mrs. Rusin was born Sept. 5, 1922 in Detroit and died Feb. 9 in Southfield. She was a homemaker.

She was preceded in death by her son, James Rusin.

Survivors include her husband, Edward of Canton; daughter, Kathleen (William) McKian; son, David Rusin; and son, Patrick (Arlene) Rusin; eight grandchildren; and two great grandchildren.

Arrangements were made by Neely-Turowski Funeral Home.

FAUSTINO T. REBELLO

Services for Faustino t. Rebello, 80, of Canton, were held Feb. 12 at St. Thomas a'Becket Catholic Church with the Rev. Richard Kelly officiating. Burial was at Glenwood Cemetery in Wayne.

Mr. Rebello was born April 12, 1920 in the Philippines and died Feb. 9 in Canton. He was the owner operator for a food merchant.

He is survived by his daughter, Teresita.

Arrangements were made by Neely-Turowski Funeral Home.

WALTER JOSEPH ALLEN

Services for Walter Joseph Allen, 86, of Tipton, Mich. (formerly Plymouth), were held Feb. 10 at Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church with the Rev. Doc Ortman officiating. Burial was at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery in Southfield.

Mr. Allen was born March 6, 1914 in Detroit and died Feb. 7 in Adrian. Walter was a tool and die maker at Federal Mogul. He retired in 1979 after 20 years of service. He also worked for Burroughs Corp. in Plymouth and Haller Manufacturing in Northville. He came to the Plymouth community in the late 1920s from New York. He was a member of Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church in Plymouth. He also was a member of The Independent Order of Foresters and The Knights of Columbus in Plymouth. He was a member of the National Guard Calvary. He enjoyed woodworking. He was a private pilot, enjoyed fishing and traveled all over the United States. He enjoyed horses, sailing and yearly family reunions. He and Alice were married for 30 years.

Walter was preceded in death by his wife, Alice; daughter, Dianna, grandson, Joe; great grandson, Alexander; sister, Marion Stickles; and brother Stanley Allen.

Survivors include daughter, Joyce (Robert) Kramer of Cadillac; daughter, Elaine (James) Pawlowski of Tipton; daughter, Margaret (Joe) LaRue of Port Huron; daughter, Connie (Anthony) Hall of Redford; and son, Jim (Lynn) Allen of Canton; 12 grandchildren; 9 great-grandchildren; sister, Margaret Merritt of Plymouth; sister, Marjorie McKillip of Arizona; sister, Mildred Wesley of Plymouth; sister, Madeline Hunt of Arizona; and brother, Donald Allen of Missouri.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Heart Association.

Arrangements were made by Schrader-Howell Funeral Home.

ALICE MARIE ZIMMER

Services for Alice Marie Zimmer, 86, of Plymouth, were held Feb. 12 at the Vermeulen Funeral Home with the Rev. James Skimins officiating. Burial was at Riverside Cemetery in Plymouth.

Mrs. Zimmer was born July 9, 1914 in Plymouth and died Feb. 9 in Livonia. She worked at Northville Mayberry Sanitorium for 10 years as a dietian for the dietary department. She was a member of the First Presbyterian Church of Plymouth since 1930. She also was a member of the Plymouth Vivians Club. She enjoyed cooking, bowling, and the Euchre Club where she met her wonderful husband Ray. She was a great homemaker and the best mother there ever was.

She was preceded in death by her husband, John H. Moran; husband, Ray Joseph Zimmer; son, Robert (Pat) Moran of Cheboygan; and daughter, Elaine (Harold) Schultz of Plymouth.

Survivors include her son, Donald Moran of Florida; daughter, Doris (James) Rorabacher of Livonia; 10 grandchildren; 22 great-grandchildren; two great-great grandchildren; and step-sons, David (Susan) Zimmer of Fenton, and John (Pamela) Zimmer of Brighton.

Memorials may be made to Angela Hospice, 14100 Newburg Road, Livonia, MI, 48154-5010.

Arrangements were made by Vermeulen Funeral Home.

RAY JOSEPH ZIMMER

Services for Ray Joseph Zimmer, 84, of Plymouth, were held Feb. 12 at the Vermeulen Funeral Home with the Rev. James Skimins officiating. Burial was at New River Cemetery in Port Austin.

Mr. Zimmer was born March 25, 1918 in St. Clair and died Feb. 8 in Superior Township. He was a retired service representative for Evans Products Co. in Plymouth. He lived in the Plymouth community for 63 years. He served in the U.S Army during World War II. He enjoyed playing Euchre two to three times a week, where he met his wonderful wife, Alice. He was also a master Cribbage player which he enjoyed playing with his son and brothers. He loved playing cards with family members. He was a lifetime VFW-Plymouth member.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Noreen Zimmer; wife, Alice M. Zimmer, grandson, Tony Zimmer; step-daughter, Elaine (Harold) Schultz of Plymouth; and step-son, Robert (Pat) Moran of Cheboygan.

Survivors include his son, David (Sue) Zimmer of Fenton; son, John J. (Pamela) Zimmer of Brighton; granddaughters, Brandy Harvey and Michelle Stone; grandson, Sean Zimmer; great granddaughters, Breanna Harvey and Brittani Harvey; great grandsons, Dalton Stone and Jeffrey Stone; step-daughter, Doris (James) Rorabacher of Livonia; and sister, Violet Champagne of West Branch.

Memorial contributions may be made to Angela Hospice, 14100 Newburg Road, Livonia, MI. 48154-5010.

Arrangements were made by Vermeulen Funeral Home.

MORRIS "MAC" MC ALLISTER

Services for Morris "Mac" McAllister, 70, of Northville, (formerly of Plymouth), were held Feb. 14 at the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home with the Rev. Drex Morton officiating.

Mr. McAllister was born Feb. 3, 1931 in Belfast, Ireland, and died Feb. 10 in Royal Oak. He was an engineer at Ford Motor Company for 34 years, retiring in 1986. He came to the Northville community in 1994 from Plymouth. He served in the U.S. Armed Services during the Korean War. He enjoyed repairing old clocks, playing golf, fishing, and traveling. Mac enjoyed being with his family. They spent many happy days together at their cottage in St. Helen, Mich.

Survivors include wife, Beverlee of Northville; daughters, Deborah (George) Osterhout of Park Ridge, Ill., and Julie McAllister of Redford; grandchildren, Michael, Matthew, Courtney, Kendall and Kelly.

Memorial contributions may be made to Hospice of Michigan, 16250 Northland Drive, Suite 212, Southfield, MI 48075.

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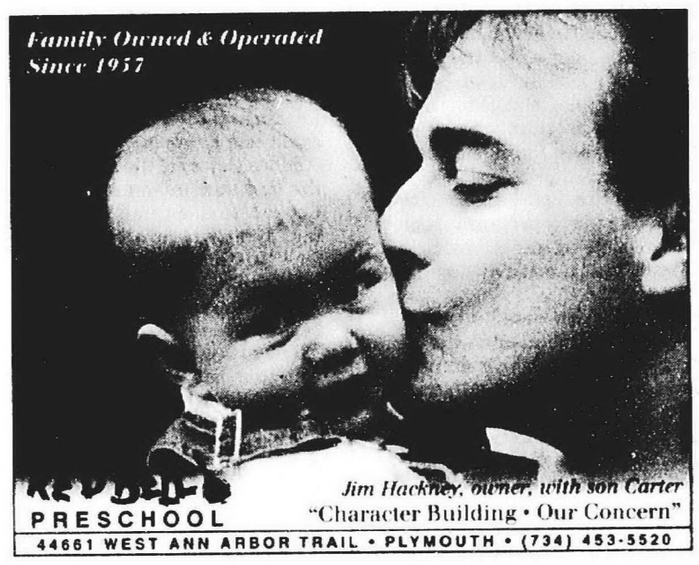

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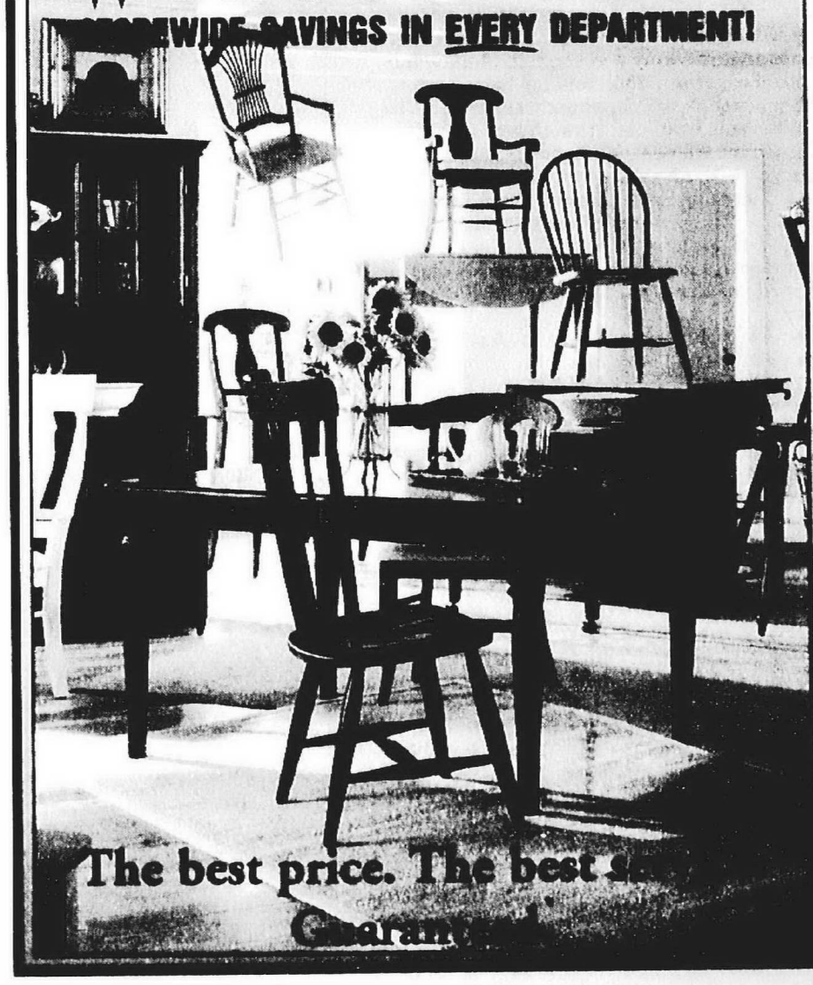

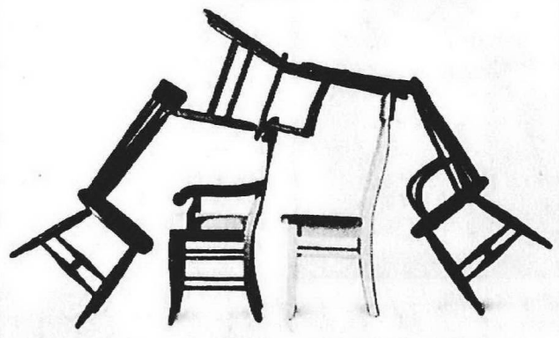
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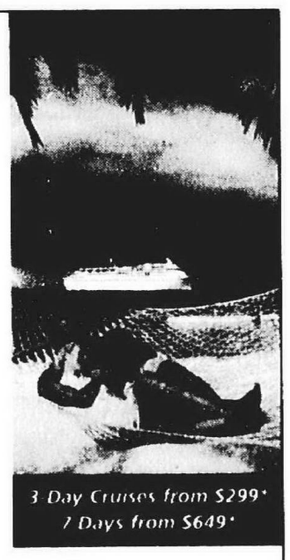
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FRIDAY

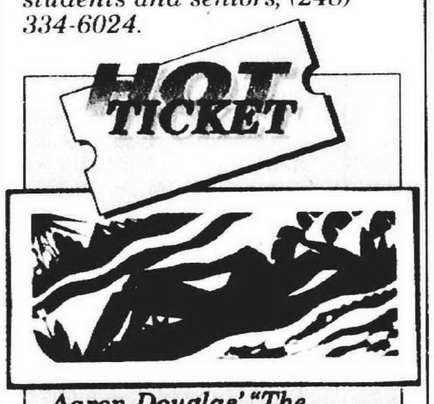
Wild Swan Theater presents "Along the Tracks," an original production for young people based on incidents related to the Underground Railroad, 10 a.m., 12:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. at the Towsley Theater on the Washtenaw Community College campus in Ann Arbor. Tickets $6 children, $8 adults, (734) 763-8587.

SATURDAY

Detroit Symphony Orchestra Principal Trombonist, Kenneth Thompkins, is one of the featured artists in "Classical Roots," a concert celebrating African American classical music composers and musicians, narrated by Danny Glover, 8:30 p.m. at Orchestra Hall in Detroit. Tickets $20-$52, (313) 576-5111.

SUNDAY

Heather Yanke (clockwise), Cailtin Burke of Farmington Hills, Won Kyung Shin, and Jaquelyn Wagner, winners of the Pontiac-Oakland Symphony's annual Concerto Competition, will perform with the symphony at 3 p.m. in Oakland University's Varner Recital Hall in Rochester Hills. Tickets $15 adults, $10 students and seniors, (248) 334-6024.



Aaron Douglas' "The Negro Speaks of Rivers" is one of the many inspirational pieces featured in the Walter O. Evans Collection on display during "Celebrate Black History! The Harlem Renaissance Continues," Wednesday-Sunday throughout the month of February at Henry Ford Museum in Dearborn. Admission $7.50-$12.50, no charge for children under 5 and members, (313) 271-1620.

Good sport: *Toby Booker clowns around as Luther Billis, the smart aleck sailor charming his way through South Pacific.*

'South Pacific' makes light of serious subject

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UGLINESS TAINTS BEAUTIFUL SETTING

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN
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What: Plymouth Theatre Guild presents the Rodgers and Hammerstein musical *South Pacific*
When: 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Feb. 16-17, Feb. 23-24 and March 2-3; 6 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 25
Where: Water Tower Theatre, 41001 W. Seven Mile Road, west of Haggerty, on the campus of Northville Psychiatric Hospital
Tickets: $12, $8 ages 18 and under, call (248) 349-7110

As the house lights go down, and musicians in the orchestra pit begin warming up, the energy level rises as actors finish buttoning the wildly-flowered shirts and regulation Marine uniforms they'll be wearing in *South Pacific*.

Minutes earlier backstage, the Plymouth Theatre Guild cast joked with each other as they arrived for a late-night rehearsal of the World War II era show. The Rodgers and Hammerstein musical opens Friday at the Water Tower Theatre in Northville.

"It's exciting. We have a great cast and we're having a great time," said Kathy Booker, a Walled Lake resident making her directing debut. Booker was assistant director for *Death Trap* presented by SRO Productions in Southfield. "The set gives the feeling of the island, but we're using actors to imply Bali Ha'i where it takes place. I enjoy the whole romantic mood of the show. It's light except when Lt. Cable dies. It's real life. Actors are lending their own personalities to the characters."

That includes the smart aleck Luther Billis, played by Booker's son Toby who kids his favorite part of the musical is when the good-natured sailor is on stage.

"My character is the comedic relief in the show," said Toby, who played one of the leading characters in Neil Simon's *Fools* with the Farmington Players last fall.

"My main objective is to get over to Bali Ha'i because all of the French planters have all their young women there. There's a lot of back door humor but overall the musical is pretty heavy with racial overtones. There's two love stories tinged with racism. If you consider when the play was written racism was such a big part of the country. They were ahead of their time."

Lengthy

A lengthy show — 128 pages without music — *South Pacific* confronts the ugliness encountered when people of different races dislike one another because of the color of their skin or the slant of their eyes. The show's content was one of the elements that attracted Anthony Provenzola when he was surfing the Web to find a community theater holding auditions. Provenzola, a Farmington Hills resident, hadn't acted since his student days at Redford Union High School and Wayne State University where he studied voice and musical theater. Provenzola plays Lt. Cable, a Marine who falls in love with a native girl but his prejudice doesn't allow him to commit to her.

"The music back then was popular music of that time; people knew all the songs," said Provenzola of Farmington Hills. "It was groundbreaking because it touched on issues not talked about at the time."

Ruled by prejudices

Susan Merenda plays one of the lead characters ruled by her prejudices. Nellie Forbush is the ensign who falls in love with Emile deBecque. Her bigotry is unmasked

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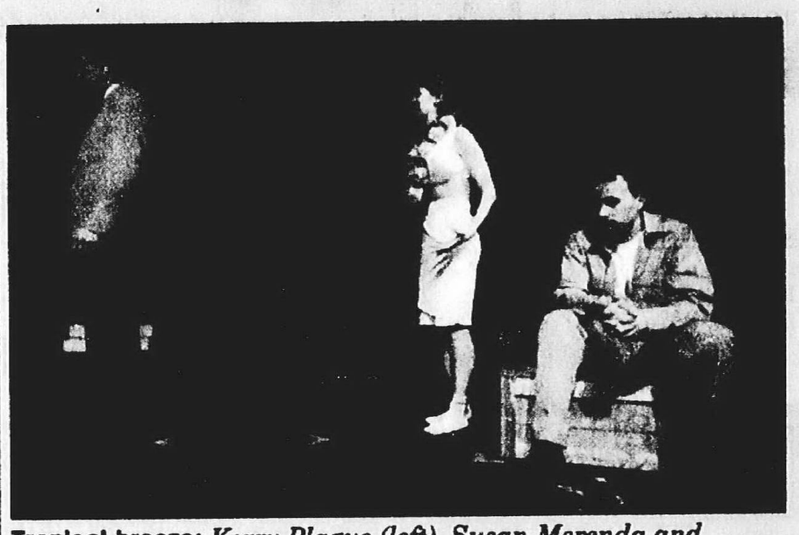

Tropical breeze: *Kerry Plague (left), Susan Merenda and Anthony Provenzola rehearse the Rodgers and Hammerstein musical for opening night.*

Genesis Troupe presents 'Our Town'

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Life's simple truths haven't changed — you're born, you live, you die. It all goes by so fast. We don't pay attention to life until we lose someone we love.

Set in Grover's Corners, N.H., 1901, Thornton Wilder's *Our Town* could be your town. The truths about everyday life revealed in this Pulitzer Prize-winning play are the reason The Genesis Troupe chose to present it.

The audience meets Emily Webb and her neighbor, George Gibbs, their parents, and some of the other people who live in the town. Emily and George grow up together, fall in love and get married.

"It's a beautiful story, it's just about life, whether it's 2001 or 1901," said assistant director Delores Pearson of Canton.

Dress rehearsal: *Lane Ritter (left) and Carl Polys, rehearse a scene from "Our Town."*

What: The Genesis Troupe presents, "Our Town" by Thornton Wilder
When: 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Feb. 16-17, Feb. 23-24; 6 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 18 and Feb. 24
Where: St. Kenneth's Catholic Church, 14951 Haggerty Road (between Five Mile Road and Schoolcraft), Plymouth
Tickets: $5 at the door, or call (734) 981-3163 or e-mail genesistroupe7@cs.com

Lane Ritter sets the scene as stage manager of this timeless story opening Friday at St. Kenneth Catholic Church in Plymouth.

"It's about a small town in New Hampshire," he said. "Act 1 sets the tone, it's about daily life in the town. Act 2 is love and marriage, and Act 3 centers around a number of people who have died. The play shows what small town life was like – the good and sad – in a church-going community, it stresses the value of family.

Background

Founded this summer by Pearson, Marlene Landry of Livonia, and a group of interested friends, The Genesis Troupe is on a mission to present family-oriented shows to the community. They also donate a portion of pro-

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MUSIC

Conductor leads powerful interpretation of Verdi's 'Requiem'

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Master work: *Manfred Honeck conducts the Swedish Radio Symphony Orchestra.*

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN
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University Musical Society series
Swedish Radio Symphony Orchestra and Choir perform Verdi's Requiem — 8 p.m. Friday, Feb. 16 at Hill Auditorium, 825 North University, Ann Arbor. Tickets $14-$46, call (734) 764-2538
Swedish Radio Choir and Eric Ericson Chamber Choir sing as a concert — 2 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 17 at St. Frances of Rome Catholic Church, 2250 East Delaware, Ann Arbor. Tickets free, call (734) 764-2538

Manfred Honeck is serious about his music. He doesn't hurry as he explains his approach to conducting.

Honeck arrived in New York a week ago from Dublin where he and the Swedish Radio Symphony Orchestra began their tour. After stops at the Kennedy Center in Washington, D.C., and the University of Notre Dame in Indiana, the 100-member ensemble will perform in Ann Arbor on Friday. On the program is the massive master work – Verdi's *Requiem*. Honeck will embrace it with his heart as well as his mind.

"I first look at the technical to know what happens in the score, the harmony, then I look to find what is behind the piece, what the composer intended and what we understand in our time, how can I describe with my orchestra the feeling," said the Austrian-born Honeck. "What does the *Requiem* mean in our time? It's what humans are asking for in our technical world. People are longing for more humanity besides this machine. They're longing for things behind us."

Audiences will always cherish this master work which the Swedish Radio Symphony Orchestra will perform with the Swedish Radio Choir and soloists Marina Mescheriakova, soprano; Nadja Michael, mezzo-soprano; Marco Berti, tenor, and John Relyea, bass-baritone.

Familiar

Verdi's *Requiem* was first presented in 1874. Honeck knows the work well. He first performed it as a member of the Vienna Philharmonic Orchestra. In fact, the last time Honeck was in Michigan was when the orchestra, under the direction of Leonard Bernstein, performed here in the late 1980s.

"Verdi composed his *Requiem* a little bit from his own death," said Honeck of the work the orchestra played two weeks ago in Stockholm. "There isn't one person who hasn't thought about his own death. I combine my own thinking about death, Verdi's thinking about death, was he religious? If you go very deep into the word, the context, people feel the message.

"It's one of my favorites. Every time when you do it it's impressive in a total great way. The way the man expressed it. We know he studied Mozart's Requiem."

Manfred did his own research on the meaning of the words before conducting the work.

"I asked the Vatican to find the text so I could go deeper into words, if I could see the words to understand more and more how he composed the meaning," said the 42-year-old Honeck who took over as conductor of the Swedish Radio Symphony Orches-

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when he proposes marriage.

"Nellie is kind of ditzy, very naive, unsure of herself. She thinks everything is one big adventure," said Merenda, a Canton resident and sophomore at Plymouth Salem High School. Merenda loves the story line and the Rodgers and Hammerstein music. She has to — otherwise where would she find the energy to join the Plymouth Theatre Guild cast four nights a week after leaving rehearsals for the *Sound of Music* at the high school.

"Emile deBecque is an older man," said Merenda who began acting at age 8 with the Whistle Stop Players at the Plymouth Community Arts Council. "She has to overcome her prejudice when she finds out he has two children by a Filipino woman. She grows beyond the Little Rock background where she's come from."

A lot of work

Dedication like Merenda's is one of the key ingredients in producing a successful show.

"It's a lot of work; musicals take a lot of time. In the first act alone there's 13 scenes," said assistant director Dennis Hubel of Plymouth. "I've been involved with everything including set construction. It's the way people pitch in from advertising the production to sound. It's the talent in front of and behind the scenes."

Kerry Plague is one of those talents. The Canton resident, who plays Emile deBecque, was a late bloomer. He first went on stage at age 41 because his son was in a production at Henry Ford Community College in Dearborn, and "they needed males." Since then Plague's worked with the Avon Players in Rochester Hills. He's also been in the Michigan Opera Theatre's productions of *Tosca* and *La Boheme*.

"DeBecque is very emotional and introverted but when he commits, he commits with all his heart," said Plague, who sings *Some Enchanted Evening*, one of the most popular songs in the show. "I like the musical because the songs are spread out among many principals. The barre is set high so it helps me improve. I can't wait for opening night. I hope to break a leg."

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ceeds from each show to a designated charity. *Our Town* will benefit the American Cancer Society.

Their first production, *Godspell*, presented in September and October, was a success.

"We had a sell-out on three nights. I just couldn't believe it," said Pearson. "The support from the community has just been overwhelming. Even the business community has opened up their arms to us."

St. Kenneth Catholic Church offered its social hall as a performance space. Pastor, the Rev. Joe Mallia, makes a cameo appearance in *Our Town* as Professor Willard.

Ritter, who like Landry is a parishioner of St. Kenneth's, hasn't been on stage for 47 years.

■ 'It's been a real experience. The troupe is wonderful. Many of us came in as strangers, now we're family.'

Lane Ritter
Actor

Family

"I knew Marlene and saw a small article in the church paper that they were casting 'Our Town' and looking for people," he said. "I was familiar with 'Our Town,' and interested in trying out. It's been a real experience. The troupe is wonderful. Many of us came in as strangers, now we're family."

Pearson smiles as Ritter talks, and says, "that's what we hope happens with every show. One of the things we want to do is teach and give people the benefit of the skills we've acquired over the years. To see them bloom is such a beautiful thing, it's very rewarding. It's a joy to see people interested in theater become involved in it."

Ritter, like other cast members, got interested in theater after performing in a high school play.

"I've always enjoyed theater as a member of the audience, but in the back of my mind always wanted to be on stage," he said.

Landry, who directs the show, was cast as Emily, one of the leading characters, in her high school production of *Our Town*.

A lot of fun

"It's a lot of fun stepping on the other side and seeing it happen," said Landry. "It's a timeless story about daily life, and important things like marriage. It teaches us that life is very precious, and that we should stop and examine the simple things, because these are the things that we take for granted."

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tra in fall 2000. "You have to research because the message is so important, if people would be touched by it. If the translation in one part says 'my face gets red,' the color in the string section must be red. If he'd said 'my face gets white' the strings must not be full. Even though they don't understand Latin words, they feel the music."

It's that attention to detail that has made the Swedish Radio Symphony Orchestra performance of Verdi's *Requiem* so powerful over the years. Founded in 1936 as a European radio orchestra, the ensemble has been led by accomplished conductors such as Sergiu Celibidache and Esa-Pekka Salonen, who attracted the attention of a world audience with its strong commitment to new music. Before long, musicians like Igor Stravinsky and Mstislav Rostropovich were eager to work with the orchestra.

Today, all of the concerts are still heard on radio including the performances in Dublin and New York.

"My goal is to make the orchestra sounding like what I have in my ears," said Honeck who began playing violin at age 7. Honeck grew up with eight siblings who all played instruments. He decided to become a conductor at age 13 after hearing the Vienna Philharmonic Orchestra at a New Year concert. Since studying at the Academy of Music in Vienna, Honeck's led the Zurich Opera and the MDR Symphony Orchestra in Leipzig, and guest conducted the Dresden Staatskapelle, Vienna Philharmonic Orchestra, Chicago and Houston Symphony orchestras, and the BBC Symphony Orchestra in London. He is also principal guest conductor of the Oslo Philharmonic Orchestra.

High standards

"From a technical side, I want to make sure that they keep high standards but go more into details and get the colors out and the message be clear."

Honeck also wants to continue performing with the Swedish Radio Choir which was founded in the 1920s. Under conductor Eric Ericson, the 33-member choir won international awards. Ericson, who became conductor of the radio choir in 1952, has since retired but continues to make guest appearances.

Ericson's considered a master in the field of choral conducting. He established the Stockholm Chamber Choir (now the Eric Ericson Chamber Choir) in 1945. The group remains his main vehicle for developing the art of a cappella singing.

In addition to the Feb. 16 performance with the orchestra, the Swedish Radio Choir will join with the Eric Ericson Chamber Choir to sing the music of Strauss, Ligeti, Lidholm and Schnittke at St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church Saturday, Feb. 17 in Ann Arbor.

"They're a really great choir," said Honeck. "They sang with the Berlin Philharmonic the week before we left on tour. It's a very homogeneous sound and trained by Eric Ericson. He made the sound of Swedish Radio Choir. I'm amazed how it fits in with the sound of the orchestra. It's a clean but full sound. They have power."

It's carnival time, celebrate Mardi Gras

It's carnival time in metro Detroit. If you're tired of staying home, and looking for something fun to do, here are some options.

■ Celebrate the Mardi Gras with the Brazilian Culture Club of Detroit on Saturday, Feb. 17 at the Holiday Inn on Telegraph Road in Southfield.

Begun in the 1980s to soothe homesick Brazilians, Carnaval has grown into a party that attracts partygoers from all over. The flamboyant, sometimes risque costumes, the sound of syncopated drum rhythms, and an authentic Brazilian samba band, have earned Detroit's Carnaval its reputation as one of the biggest such festivities outside of Brazil.

"It's not just for local Brazilians," said Sergio Santos of Canton, the club's secretary. "The public is welcome to attend. If you come, wear comfortable shoes, and be ready to dance for five hours straight. Be ready to see some outlandish costumes as well. There will be prizes for the best costumes."

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■ The sixth annual Mardi Gras Magic Party to benefit scholarships for students in the College of Arts, Sciences and Letters at the University of Michigan Dearborn, is 5:30-9 p.m. Friday, Feb. 23.

The event at the Hyatt Regency Dearborn features a silent auction, wine tasting, appetizers, desserts and Mardi Gras music. Prizes will be awarded for best costume, or participants can attend in work attire.

"Our the past five years, we've awarded more than $14,000 in scholarships to deserving liberal arts students," said Susan Gedert, alumni officer at UM-Dearborn. "This alumni group takes great pride in helping students reach their goal of academic excellence."

Jazzy: *Straight Ahead performs Feb. 27, "Fat Tuesday," at Fishbone's Rhythm Kitchen Cafe in Detroit's Greektown.*

The alumni affiliate is co-hosting the event with Merchant's Fine Wine in Dearborn. Tickets are $50 per person. Sponsors who donate $150, $250 or $500 will receive two tickets and special recognition. Tickets are available at Merchant's Fine Wine, 22250 Michigan Ave., Dearborn. For more information, call (313) 436-9198.

■ Fishbone's Rhythm Kitchen Cafe in Greektown is presenting a "Fat Tuesday, " Masquerade Party 8 p.m. to midnight, Tuesday, Feb. 27.

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Fishbone's Rhythm Kitchen Cafe is at 400 Monroe St. at Brush in Detroit. Call (313) 965-4600 for details.

■ If you want to visit New Orleans for Mardi Gras, but can't, drive to St. Clair Shores to Jack's Waterfront Restaurant and join the party. Dixiebelle & the Dixie Jazz Cats will be performing New Orleans style jazz and blues at the seventh annual "Mardi Gras" bash, beginning at 8 p.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 27.

The restaurant will be decorated with the official Mardi Gras colors — gold, green and purple. Traditional beads will be given to the ladies, and Doubloons (good luck coins) passed out to all.

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Film expert talks about Oscars

Plan to attend the Detroit Institute of Arts Oscar Night America Gala, 6:30 p.m. Sunday, March 25 at the Roostertail, 100 Marquette Drive, Detroit. Guests of the gala, presented by the DIA's Cinematic Arts Council, will receive an official 73rd Annual Academy Awards program. The event benefits the Detroit Film Theatre and is expected to sell out. Tickets cost $135. Call (313) 833-7967.

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The 73rd Annual Academy Award nominations announced Tuesday, Feb. 13 didn't come as much of a surprise to the Detroit Film Theatre's curator and resident film expert. Elliot Wilhelm might not agree with all of the choices, but that's all part of the excitement of Oscar time.

This year Tinsel Town is talking about *Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon* — Ang Lee's mystical martial arts film that's crossed over into mainstream America, earning a grand total of 10 nominations. For a foreign language film, it's managed to garner even more attention than the 1998 Italian-subtitled Academy favorite, *Life Is Beautiful*.

"It's a good alternative audience movie," said Wilhelm of *Crouching Tiger*, which is on the verge of becoming the highest grossing foreign language film. "Audiences have indeed responded to it." He added that the foreign language status of the film lends prestige.

Among those also nominated for the highest honors is the romantic fable, *Chocolat*, Steven Soderburg's *Traffic* and *Erin Brockovich* and Ridley Scott's *Gladiator*. Soderburg will actually compete against himself in the two most coveted categories, Best Picture and Director.

As Best Picture, the film that earns Oscar tends to represent what the Academy hopes to be remembered by in that year, said Wilhelm.

"It's the message they want to send to the world. If you look at the history of the Academy Awards, it's on a kind of graph of socio-political history."

That's something to take into consideration when casting your own votes on Sunday, March 25.

"If Erin Brockovich wins the Oscar," said Wilhelm, "it's not just going to be because it's a pretty good movie, it's going to be because it's the story of a real person making a difference in society." By these standards, *Traffic* doesn't stand much of a chance due to its bleak message about the war on drugs.

"When I think about the Oscars, I see reflections of how society sees itself," said Wilhelm.

Embraced: *Laura Linney (shown with Jon Tenney) is nominated as Best Actress for her role as Sammy in "You Can Count on Me." Her competition includes Joan Allen, Juliette Binoche, Ellen Burstyn and Julia Roberts.*

The nominees are...

■ **Actress — supporting role**
Judy Dench, *Chocolat*
Marcia Gay Harden, *Pollack*
Kate Hudson, *Almost Famous*
Frances McDormand, *Almost Famous*
Julie Walters, *Billy Elliot*

■ **Actor**
Javier Bardem, *Before Night Falls*
Russell Crowe, *Gladiator*
Tom Hanks, *Castaway*
Ed Harris, *Pollack*
Geoffrey Rush, *Quills*

■ **Actress**
Joan Allen, *The Contender*
Juliette Binoche, *Chocolat*
Ellen Burstyn, *Requiem for a Dream*
Laura Linney, *You Can Count on Me*
Julia Roberts, *Erin Brockovich*

■ **Directing**
Steven Daldry, *Billy Elliot*
Ang Lee, *Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon*
Steven Soderburg, *Erin Brockovich*
Steven Soderburg, *Traffic*
Ridley Scott, *Gladiator*

■ **Screenplay — original**
Almost Famous
Billy Elliot
Erin Brockovich
Gladiator
You Can Count on Me

■ **Screenplay — adapted**
Chocolat
Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon
O Brother, Where Art Thou?
Traffic
Wonder Boys

■ **Foreign Language Film**
Amores Perros
Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon
Divided We Fall
Everybody Famous!
The Taste of Others

■ **Best Picture**
Chocolat
Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon
Erin Brockovich
Gladiator
Traffic

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CENTURY THEATRE: *Mind Games* continues through July 29, at the theater, Detroit. $24.50-$34.50. (313) 963-9800

DETROIT REPERTORY THEATRE: *Moms Mabley: The Naked Truth* continues to March 18, at the theater, Detroit. $15. (313) 868-1347

FISHER THEATRE: ***Tallulah*** continues to Sunday, March 4, 8 p.m. Tuesday-Thursday, 7:30 p.m. Sunday, and 2 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, and 1:30 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 15, at the theater, Detroit. $30-$47.50. (248) 645-6666; *Ragtime*, the musical opens March 27 and continues to April 15 ($35-$75); Rob Becker's *Defending the Caveman* April 18-29 ($35-$45).

FOX THEATRE: Smokey Joe's Cafe, starring Gladys Knight, March 27-April 1, at the theater. Showtimes vary. $23.75-$38.75. (313) 983-6611

GEM THEATRE: *The Tropical Pickle* opens Wednesday, Feb. 21, at the Gem Theatre, Detroit. $24.50-$36.50. (313) 963-9800

MASONIC TEMPLE THEATRE: Disney's *Beauty and the Beast* Wednesday-Sunday, Feb. 21-25; *The Civil War* starring Larry Gatlin Wednesday-Sunday, March 7-11 ($19-$55), at the theater, Detroit. (248) 645-6666

MEADOW BROOK THEATRE: *Killing Time* continues to Sunday, March 11, at the theater on the campus of Oakland University, Rochester. Performance times vary. $21-$37.50. (248) 377-3300/(248) 645-6666; discussions: *To Be or Not to Be: End of Life Issues in Our Time* series begins with "Legal and Ethical Issues: Right to Life, Right to Death?" with Dr. Jack Kevorkian's former attorneys Geoffrey Fieger and Michael Schwartz noon Wednesday, Feb. 14 in the Oakland Center Gold Room at Oakland University, Rochester. Free.

PERFORMANCE NETWORK: The comedy *Maggie Rose* continues to March 4, at the theater, Ann Arbor. (734) 663-0681

COMMUNITY THEATER

FARMINGTON PLAYERS: Spend an evening in a haunted house when the Players present *The Uninvited*, a ghost tale set in the 1940s on the English coast 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Feb. 16-17 and 23-24; 2 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 18, and 8 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 22, at Barnes & Noble Booksellers, West Bloomfield. $12. (248) 553-2955

GENESIS TROUPE: *Our Town* 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Feb. 16-17 and 23-24 and 6 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 18 and 25, at St. Kenneth's Catholic Church, Plymouth. $5. (734) 981-3163

PLANET ANT: *Buried Child* 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, Feb. 17, at the theater, Hamtramck. (313) 365-4948, ext. 1

ROSEDALE COMMUNITY PLAYERS: *The Shadow Box* 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Feb. 16-17, at the Upstage Theater, Detroit. $10 (senior and group rates available) 25 percent of tickets sales for Feb. 9 performance will be donated to Hospice of Southeast Michigan. (313) 537-7716/(313) 532-4010

STAGECRAFTERS: *Songs for a New World, A New Musical Revue!* Friday, Feb. 16 to Sunday, March 4, at the Baldwin Theatre, downtown Royal Oak. Performances 8 p.m. Friday-8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, 7 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 18 & Feb. 25 and 2 p.m. Sunday, March 4. $9, reserved. (248) 541-6430

ZEITGEIST: *The Last Church of the Twentieth Century* Friday-Saturday, Feb. 16-17, at the performance venue, Detroit. $10. (313) 965-9192

COLLEGE THEATER

BONSTELLE THEATRE: ***One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest*** March 2-4 and 9-11, at the theater on the Wayne State University campus, Detroit. (313) 577-2960

HILBERRY THEATRE: Shakespeare's *Cymbeline* through April 5; ***Antigone*** by Jean Anouilh runs in rotating repertory through March 29; Luigi Pirandello's *Six Characters in Search of an Author* runs in rotating repertory until Feb. 22, performances 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, 2 p.m. Wednesday and Saturday, at the theater on the Wayne State University campus, Detroit. (313) 577-2972

Celebration: *Master jazzman Marcus Belgrave presents the story of the great musical innovator, Louis Armstrong during "Celebrate Black History! The Harlem Renaissance," at Henry Ford Museum in Dearborn. Belgrave and his band perform on weekends at 12:30 p.m. 2 p.m. and 3 p.m. throughout the month of February. To learn more about the museum's Black History Month celebration, call (313) 271-1620, or visit www.hfmgv.org. The museum is at 20900 Oakwood Boulevard and Village Road in Dearborn, west of the Southfield Freeway and south of Michigan Avenue.*

STUDIO THEATRE: Wayne State University's Black Theatre Program presents *Long Time Since Yesterday*, a story of five successful African-American women who come together after the funeral of their friend 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, Feb. 15-17, at the theater downstairs at the Hilberry Theater on campus, Detroit. $6-$8. (313) 577-2972

THEATRE COMPANY: *Brutality of Fact* 8 p.m. Thursday, Saturday, Feb. 15-17 and 22-24, and 2 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 18 and 25, at the McAuley Auditorium on the University of Detroit Mercy campus. $12, $10 seniors/students at local universities. (313) 993-1130

YOUTH PRODUCTIONS

KIDS KONCERT: Jahra Michelle McKenney's Tale of the Summerland 1:30 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 17, at the Southfield Centre for the Arts. $3.25. (248) 424-9022

PONTIAC THEATRE IV: *Up the Down Staircase*, 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, March 16-17, 23-24, Pontiac Northern High School. $7, students/seniors, $6. (248) 656-7730

PUPPETART: *The Crane Maiden*, based on a Japanese folk tale 2 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 17 and 24, at the Detroit Puppet Theater, Detroit. $7, $5 children. (313) 961-7777

SEPTEMBER PRODUCTIONS: The Reluctant Dragon, 10 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. Wednesday-Friday, March 7-9, Livonia Civic Center Library Auditorium. $5 ($4 for groups of 20). (248) 615-0414

TWO OF A KIND: Children's musical duo 1 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 18, at The Ark, Ann Arbor. $7. (734) 763-TKTS

WILD SWAN THEATRE: *Along the Tracks* based on incidents related to the Underground Railroad in Detroit, Ann Arbor and Windsor (recommended for students in grades 3-12) 10 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. Thursday-Friday, Feb. 15-16, 7:30 p.m. Friday, Feb. 16, and 2 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, Feb. 17-18, at the Towsley Theater, Morris Lawrence Building Washtenaw Community College, Ann Arbor; and 10 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. Tuesday-Friday, Feb. 20-23, in the Community Arts Auditorium at Wayne State University, Detroit. $8, $6 children. (734) 763-8587/(734) 995-0530 group sales

YOUTHEATRE: *Ishangi Africa* entertains with traditional music, dance, storytelling and costumes 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 24 and 2 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 25, at the Millennium Centre, Southfield. $8 advance, $10 at door. (248) 557-7529 or on-line at www.youtheatre.org

SPECIAL EVENTS

BRAZILIAN CULTURE CLUB: The Brazilian Culture Club of Detroit is holding its 18th annual Carnaval Ball 2001 on Saturday, Feb. 17 at the Holiday Inn on Telegraph Road in Southfield. For tickets and information, call (313) 862-7824 or visit www.BCCD.com

GALA BALL: Hosted by the United Irish Society, 6:30 p.m. to midnight, Saturday, March 3, at the Dearborn Inn. Entertainment by two bands. Tickets $75 per person, advance sales only, call (313) 561-8950 or (734) 243-3592.

DAVID COPPERFIELD: Performs March 23-25, Fox Theatre, Detroit. $27.50-$45. (313) 983-6611

CHAMPIONS ON ICE: Featuring Michelle Kwan, Brian Boitano, Viktor Petrenko, Nicole Bobek, Rudy Galindo and more, 7:30 p.m. Friday, April 20, Joe Louis Arena, Detroit. $25-$55. (313) 983-6606

DETROIT BOAT SHOW: Continues to Sunday, Feb. 18, noon to 9 p.m. daily except Sunday until 6 p.m., at Cobo Center, Detroit. (734) 261-0123

FAMILY SKATE PARTY: 6-8 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 17, registration by Wednesday, Feb. 14, at the Southfield Sports Arena. $5 residents, $7 non-residents. (248) 354-9603

HOME IMPROVEMENT SHOW: 2-10 p.m. Friday, Feb. 16, 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 17, and 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 18, at the Macomb Sports & Expo Center, Warren. $4.50, $3.50 seniors, kids ages 6-12. (248) 862-1019

POLISH WEDDING GALA: Marysia and Janek are getting married and you're invited. The Highlanders' Wedding Feast: A Polish Evening of Goralski Tradition, Song and Dance takes place Saturday, April 28, presented by the Polish Alliance Dancers of Dearborn and the General Pulaski Polish Language School, the evening begins with cocktails and hors d'oeuvres followed by the wedding, a full course authentic Polish feast will be served after entertainment by MuzaMix, at the American Polish Cultural Center, Troy. $35, $20 for children age 12 and under. Reservations must be made by Friday, April 13. Call (313) 581-3181 (days), (734) 789-8801 (evenings), or send e-mail to BusiasAttic@aol.com. More information is available at http://polishallianceadancers@hypermart.net

TREASURE TWINS: Leigh and Leslie Keno of PBS's *Antiques Roadshow* give a lecture and sign copies of their new book *Hidden Treasures: Searching for Masterpieces of American Furniture* 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 21, at the DIA. $10. (313) 833-4005

BENEFITS

ANGELS' PLACE CONCERT: Features Manfred Dreilech, and Mark Tisdall and Barbara Ogar performing a variety of music 7:30 p.m. Saturday, March 24, at St. Hugo of the Hills Church, Bloomfield Hills. No charge but a free will offering will benefit Angels' Place, a nonprofit organization providing Christian homes and services for adults with developmental disabilities. (248) 350-2203

HEART & MUSIC...TOO!: A celebration of Broadway's best in song to benefit the St. Dunstan Theatre Guild Building Renovation Fund, 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Feb. 16-17, 2 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 18, and 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, Feb. 22-24, 400 Lone Pine Road (between Cranbrook and Lahser Roads) Bloomfield Hills. Tickets $15, for a suggested donation of $30 or more, guests receive preferential seating and a reception of hot and cold hors d'oeuvres, 6:30 p.m. before 8 p.m. performances, or 12:30 p.m. before 2 p.m. Sunday performance. (248) 584-0696/(248) 356-7562, www.Stdunstanstheatre.com

CLASSICAL

CRANBROOK MUSIC GUILD: Presents violinist Juliana Athayde 8 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 20, at Christ Cranbrook Church, Bloomfield Hills. $25, $15 students. (810) 751-2435

DETROIT SYMPHONY CIVIC SINFONIA: The Detroit Symphony Orchestra youth orchestra, featuring junior and senior high school students under the direction of Charles Burke, performs works by Grieg, Strauss and Sibelius 7:30 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 18, at Orchestra Hall, Detroit. (313) 576-5111

DETROIT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA: ***Classical Roots*** with Danny Glover narrating 8:30 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 17 and 3 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 18, at Orchestra Hall, Detroit. $20-$52. (313) 576-5111. Black tie gala with Glover 5:30 p.m. at the Museum of African American History Saturday, Feb. 17 ($500), reception, concert and afterglow $175, call (313) 576-5154

PLYMOUTH SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA: *Valleys and Peaks: Music from the Countryside* features a performance by Plymouth Canton Middle School Orchestra musicians and harpist Lynne Aspnes 8 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 17, the new Our Lady of Good Counsel Church, Beck and North Territorial, Plymouth. $14, $12 seniors/college students, no charge for children in grades K-12. (734) 451-2112

PONTIAC-OAKLAND SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA: Features student winners of its annual concerto competition 3 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 18, instrument petting zoo begins at 1 p.m. in lobby, in Varner Recital Hall on the campus of Oakland University, Rochester. $15, $10 students/seniors. (248) 334-6024

REDFORD CIVIC SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA: Perform a family concert featuring selections from Camelot, dances, waltzes and marches 3 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 18, guests artists are the Thurston High School Chorus under Ray Schmidt singing Handel, Haydn and Andrew Lloyd Webber, at Thurston High School, Redford. Free. (313) 538-1652/(248) 681-8623

PETER SOAVE: The bandeonist/accordionist performs the tangos of Astor Piazzolla and Romero with his quintet 4 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 18 at the Kerrytown Concert House, Ann Arbor. The Borsarello String Trio from Paris performs J.S. Bach's Six French Suites arranged for string trio by Mozart on the first half of the program. $10-$25, (734) 769-2999

SWEDISH RADIO SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA/CHOIR: 8 p.m. Friday, Feb. 16, at Hill Auditorium, Ann Arbor. $14-$46. Camerata buffet dinner precedes performs at 6 p.m. ($35), call (734) 647-8009(734) 764-2538

WILLIAM TYNDALE COLLEGE: Present An Evening of Musical Reflections, a concert featuring its faculty 7 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 17, in Kresge Chapel on campus, Farmington Hills. Free. For more information, call Kim Swan at (248) 553-7200, Ext. 450

ORGAN

DETROIT THEATRE ORGAN SOCIETY: Members concert 3 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 18, at the Senate Theater, Detroit. $6. (313) 894-4100

AUDITIONS/ OPPORTUNITIES

ALL-MALE CHORUS: Looking for singers with the ability to carry a tune for Wayne Chapter of SPEBSQSA, rehearsals 7:30 p.m. Tuesdays, ability to read music not required, at Newburg United Methodist Church, Livonia. (734) 722-2186

AVON PLAYERS: Auditions for Fiddler on the Roof 7 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 15 (6:30 p.m. registration) and 1 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 17, at the playhouse, Rochester Hills. For performances April 27-29, May 4-6, 10-12 and 17-19. (810) 739-0398

CALL FOR PERFORMERS: The Southeast Region Committee of VSA Arts Michigan (formerly Very Special Arts Michigan) is looking for children and adults with mental and physical challenges to perform at its Celebrate Arts-Ability Festival Friday-Saturday, May 4-5 at Wonderland Mall in Livonia. Special needs school and community groups and solo acts from the metro Detroit area will display their dance, vocal and instrumental music achievements at the festival. Shoppers and performers will explore their creativity through hands-on art, music and movement activities. Deadline to apply is March 15. For more information or applications, call (248) 646-3347

CASTING CALL: Auditions for *Tony n' Tina's Wedding* 5 p.m. Monday, Feb. 19, also needed are a male singer, bassist and drummer, at the Harmonie Club, Detroit. For appointment, call (313) 961-5211

MEADOW BROOK THEATRE: Auditions for *Little Shop of Horrors* 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Thursday-Friday, Feb. 15-16, and 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 17, if necessary call backs will be Saturday afternoon. members of Actors' Equity may make appointments for Friday, union and non-union actors/singers make appointments for Thursday or Sunday, in the rehearsal room 125 at the theater, Rochester. For performances April 25 to May 20. Call (248) 370-3310 to schedule an appointment.

TINDERBOX PRODUCTIONS: Begins a 6-week winter workshop Saturday, Feb. 24, student in K-12 may choose from classes such as scene study, musical theater and improvisation or take the full program and receive a free TBP tee shirt. (313) 535-8962

VERDI OPERA THEATRE OF MICHIGAN: Is looking for entries for its 7th annual Italian Songs and Arias Vocal Competition for Michigan High School Students. Held in cooperation with the Italian American Cultural Society, the competition encourages and helps develop young amateur vocal talent and promotes appreciation for Italian music and language. Deadline for submitting tapes is Saturday, Feb. 17. Ten finalists will be chosen from cassette audiotape auditions submitted through their respective high schools. Each finalist will receive a cash prize ranging from $50 to $1,000 in addition to the opportunity to perform before a live audience at the final concert 4 p.m. Sunday, May 6 at the Italian American Cultural Center in Warren. (734) 455-8895

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POPS/SWING

BIRD OF PARADISE ORCHESTRA: 9 p.m. Monday, at the Bird of Paradise, Ann Arbor. $7 cover. (734) 662-8310 (big band, swing, bop)

JIM PARAVANTES & COMPANY: 8:30 p.m. to 1 a.m. Friday-Saturday through February, at Excalibur, Southfield. (248) 358-3355

CHORAL

BARBERSHOP HARMONY: Two of the Barbershop Harmony Society's top-ranking quartets headline the Detroit-Oakland Chapter's 62nd Annual Parade of Harmony, 8 p.m. Friday, Feb. 16 and 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 17, Clarenceville High School's Schmidt Auditorium, Livonia. Tickets $14 (Friday), $15 (Saturday), all seats reserved (248) 559-7082

SWEDISH RADIO CHOIR: With conductor Eric Ericson and his chamber choir 8 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 17, at St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church, Ann Arbor. $25. (734) 764-2538

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JAZZ

B'JAZZ VESPERS: Ashaki Mayimura with Harrison/Davidson/Mayberry 6 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 18, at First Baptist Church, Birmingham. Free will offering taken for musicians. (248) 644-0550

BUGS BEDDOW BAND: 8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. Friday, Feb. 16, at the Kansas City Grill, Madison Heights. (248) 589-9900; 10 p.m. to 2 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 17, at the Cavern Club, Ann Arbor. (734) 332-9900

RAVI COLTRANE: The saxophonist son of John and Alice Coltrane performs 8 p.m. and 10 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 10, at the Gem Theatre, Detroit. $35-$65. (313) 963-9800

THORNETTA DAVIS: 9 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Feb. 16-17, at Edison's, Birmingham. No cover. (248) 645-2150

PAUL FINKBEINER'S JAM SESSION: 9 p.m. Sunday, at the Bird of Paradise, Ann Arbor. $2 cover. (734) 662-8310

DALE GRISA TRIO: 6-8 p.m. Tuesday, at Sweet Lorraine's in the Livonia Marriott Hotel. (734) 953-7480

ROBERT JONES: Celebrates the blues and Black History Month 3 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 18, at Borders Books, Farmington Hills. (248) 737-0110

YUSEF LATEEF: Performs his *The African American Epic Suite* 8 p.m. Friday, Feb. 16, at Orchestra Hall. $15-$46. (313) 576-5111

LOS GATOS: 9 p.m. Wednesday, at the Bird of Paradise, Ann Arbor. $5 cover. (734) 662-8310

MATT MICHAELS TRIO: With trumpeter John Trudell, 8-11:30 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 21, at Ron's Fireside Inn, 28937 Warren Road (east of Middlebelt), Garden City. (734) 762-7756

BILLY ROBINSON/JOHN HICKS: 8 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 17, at the Kerrytown Concert House, Ann Arbor. $10-$25. (734) 769-2999

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VANGUARD JAZZ ORCHESTRA: A tribute to the music of Thad Jones featuring Charles McPherson 8 p.m. Friday, Feb. 23, at Orchestra Hall, Detroit. $17-$47. (313) 576-5111

PAUL VORNHAGEN: Friday-Saturday, Feb. 16-17, at the Bird of Paradise, Ann Arbor. $10. (734) 662-8310

WORLD MUSIC

BLACKTHORN: 3 p.m. Sunday, March 4, at the Southfield Centre for the Arts. $8, includes opportunity to meet artists following performance. (248) 424-9041 (Celtic)

JESSE COOK: The Canadian acoustic guitarist plays a fiery mix of rumba, Latin jazz and world music 8 p.m. Friday, Feb. 16, at The Ark, Ann Arbor. $20, $14 students. (734) 763-TKTS

LADYSMITH BLACK MAMBAZO: The African singes from Paul Simon's *Graceland* perform 8 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 20, at The Ark, Ann Arbor. $35. (734) 763-TKTS

FOLK/ ACOUSTIC

RICHARD BUCKNER: 8 p.m. Monday, Feb. 19, at The Ark, Ann Arbor. $11. (734) 763-TKTS

SARAH HARMER: 7:30 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 18, at The Ark, Ann Arbor. $11. (734) 763-TKTS

RFD BOYS: 8 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 17, at The Ark, Ann Arbor. $10, $9 seniors/students. (734) 763-TKTS

DANCE

CONTRA DANCE: To live music by Harvest, Donna Bird and David West 6:30-8:30 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 18, at the Freight House in Ypsilanti's Depot Town. $5, kids free with adults. (734) 973-0242, ext. 296

DETROIT DANCE COLLECTIVE: Presents *Collage*, a concert of contemporary dances featuring choreography by company members Corinne Imberski, Anh Nguyen and Kay Redoers and previews of new works by artistic directors Paula Kramer and Barbara Selinger 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Feb. 16-17, in the third floor Maggie Allesee Dance Studio at Wayne State University, Old Main Building, Detroit. $10, seating is limited. For reservations, call (313) 965-3544

GINA GIBNEY DANCE: A sneak preview of the company's new work *Several Truths* 8 p.m. Friday, March 2 before its New York City premiere, in the Maggie Allesee Dance Studio in the Old Main building on the campus of Wayne State University, Detroit. $10, $5 students. (313) 577-4273

M OON-DUSTERS: Ballroom dancing to live bands 8:30-11:30 p.m. Saturday, at the Livonia Civic Center, 15218 Farmington Road, Livonia. $5. (248) 967-1428

TAMBURITZANS OF DUQUESNE UNIVERSITY: 2 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 25, at Warren Woods Community Theater, Warren. $18. (248) 887-4677

U-M BALLROOM DANCE CLUB: Ballroom dance lesson and open dancing 4-10 p.m. Sunday, at the Union Ballroom, Ann Arbor. $2. (734) 763-6984

WATERFORD-OAKS BALLROOM DANCING: 8-11 p.m. Friday, March 2, at 2800 Watkins Lake Road, Waterford. (248) 673-4764

COMEDY

ANN ARBOR COMEDY SHOWCASE: Pam Stone Thursday-Saturday, Feb. 15-17, at the club, Ann Arbor. (734) 996-9080

JD'S KEY CLUB: Barry Neal, Kevin Kramis, 7 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 13; Jim McHugh, Dan Greuter, 7 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 20, at the club, Pontiac. $6 admission. (248) 338-7337

JOEY'S COMEDY CLUB: at the club above Kicker's All American Grill, Livonia. (734) 261-0555

MARK RIDLEY'S COMEDY CASTLE: Leo Dufour Thursday-Saturday, Feb. 15-17, at the club, Royal Oak. (248) 542-9900

SECOND CITY: Here Comes My 19th Nervous Breakdown, 8 p.m. Wednesday-Sunday; 1001 Improv Jammers 8 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 20 and 27, and March 6, at the club in Detroit. $15 and $20. (313) 965-2222/(248) 645-6666 or www.secondcity.com

MUSEUMS AND TOURS

ANN ARBOR HANDS-ON MUSEUM: 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

CENTER FOR CARIBBEAN ARTS/CULTURE: Opens a month long tribute to C.L.R. James and his fight for social revolution, film 6 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 15, at the center, Detroit. (313) 871-4594; film series 6 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 28, at the Museum of African American History.

DETROIT HISTORICAL MUSEUM: *African American Images from the Beginning of Photography to the Civil War* is a slide lecture with Jackie Wilson 2 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 18, at the museum. $5 plus museum admission. Advanced registration is recommended. (313) 833-1733

LIVE MUSIC

ACDC: With Slash's Snakepit, 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 2, Joe Louis Arena, Detroit. $35.25-$45.25. (248) 433-1515 (rock)

A PERFECT CIRCLE: With Snake River Conspiracy, Thursday, March 29, on the campus of Eastern Michigan University, Ypsilanti. Details to come. (rock)

ATTENTION BENEFIT DISORDER: Hosted by The Ghoul, with The Witches, Bantam Rooster, Cinecyde, Bump N Uglies, Edith Head, 8 p.m. Saturday, March 3, Magic Stick, Detroit. $8. (313) 833-9700 (rock)

AVAIL: With Propagandhi, J. Church and Fabulous Disaster, 5:30 p.m. Monday, March 5, St. Andrews Hall, Detroit. $10. All ages. (313) 961-MELT.

ERYKAH BADU: With Soulchild, Talib Kweli, 8 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 22, Fox Theatre, Detroit. $40-$75. (248) 433-1515

JOHNNIE BASSETT AND THE BLUES INSURGENTS: 10 p.m. Friday, Feb. 16, Center Street Pub, Detroit. (313) 965-3651. (blues)

JEFF BECK: 8 p.m. Tuesday, March 13, Fox Theatre, Detroit. $32.50-$50. (248) 433-1515 (guitar rock)

BLUE HAWAIIANS: 7 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Feb. 16-17, Fox and Hounds, Bloomfield Hills. Free. All ages. (248) 644-4800 (blues)

BRIDGE: Thursday-Saturday, Feb. 22-24, March 1-3, Bullfrog Bar and Grill, Redford. (313) 533-4477

SARAH BRIGHTMAN: La Luna World Tour, 8 p.m. Saturday, March 17, Masonic Temple, Detroit. $35-$65. (248) 645-6666

BUCKCHERRY: 9 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 24, St. Andrews Hall, Detroit. $15. All ages. (313) 961-8961 (garage punk rock)

AL CARMICHAEL: 7 p.m. Monday, Feb. 19, Fox and Hounds, Bloomfield Hills. Free. All ages. (248) 644-4800 (blues)

AARON CARTER: 10 a.m. Sunday, Feb. 25, State Theatre, Detroit. $23. All ages. (313) 961-5451

MIKE "AGENT X" CLARK: Beatdownsounds every Thursday, One X, Michigan Ave., Detroit. http://www.beatdownsounds.com (house)

MIKE CLARK'S PRESCRIPTION RENEWAL: Featuring Charlie Hunter, DJ Logic and Robert Walter, with special guest Sugarman 3, 8 p.m. Sunday, March 11, Magic Bag, Ferndale. $15 advance. (248) 544-3030

THE DANIELSON FAMILE: With Scientific, Flashpap'r, 8 p.m. Sunday, March 4, Magic Stick, Detroit. $7. (313) 833-9700

DARK STAR ORCHESTRA: 8 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 24, Royal Oak Music Theatre, Royal Oak. $15. (248) 645-6666

THORNETTA DAVIS: 7 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Feb. 23-24, Fox and Hounds, Bloomfield Hills. Free. All ages. (248) 644-4800 (blues)

DEAD HEROES: With Easy Action, Throttlebody, 9 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 24, Magic Stick, Detroit. (313) 833-9700 (punk)

DEATHCAB FOR CUTIE: With The Jealous Sound, The And/Ors, 8 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 27, Magic Stick, Detroit. $8. (313) 833-9700

DELL AND THE ROUGHCUTS: 8 p.m. Saturday, March 3, Trinity House Theatre, Livonia. $10 or $8 for theater members. (734) 464-6302

JASON DENNIE: 8 p.m. Saturday, March 10, Trinity House Theatre, Livonia. $10 or $8 for theater members. (734) 464-6302

DETROIT BLUES GUITAR: Featuring Robert Penn, Bobby Murray, 2 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 17, Scarab Club, Detroit. Free. All ages. (248) 262-6890

DETROIT COBRAS: Friday, Feb. 16, Gold Dollar, Detroit. (313) 833-6873 (rock)

THE DETROIT OLD TIMERS: Ninth annual concert and dance, With The Manhattans featuring Gerald Alston and Blue Lovett, also comedian Downtown Tony Brown, David Myles and the Mylestones, and Serieux, 8 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 17, The Masonic Temple, Scottish Rite Theatre, Detroit. (248) 351-9662

DETROIT VOLUME: With DJ Hannah and DJ Korie, 9 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 14, Magic Stick, Detroit. $5. (313) 833-9700

AL DI MEOLA'S NEW WORLD SINFONIA: 8 p.m. Saturday, March 3, Royal Oak Music Theatre, Royal Oak. $32.50. (248) 645-6666

DOMESTIC PROBLEMS: With The Brothers Groove, 9:30 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 17, Blind Pig, Ann Arbor. $6. (734) 996-8555 (rock with horn section)

THE DONNAS: With Bratmobile, The Mooney Suzuki, 7 p.m. Sunday, March 18, Magic Stick, Detroit. $10. All ages. (313) 833-9700 (punk)

DOVES: 6:30 p.m. Friday, March 2, St. Andrews Hall, Detroit. $10. All ages. (313) 961-MELT

EAR CANDY FESTIVAL: With Jason Tar, Rattling Wall Collective in Dutch, Laughing Gas, Delta Waves, Persona, 7 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 18, room F-110 fine arts building on HFCC's main campus, 5101 Evergreen, Dearborn. $10. Sponsored by WHFR 89.3FM

EASY ACTION: With Shepwrench, The Paybacks, 8 p.m. Friday, Feb. 16, Royal Oak Music Theatre, Royal Oak. $6. (248) 645-6666

EKOOSTIK HOOKAH: Performing for Hash Bash celebration, 7:30 p.m. Saturday, April 7, Michigan Theatre, Ann Arbor. $16.75. All ages. (734) 668-8397 (jam band)

MARK ELF TRIO: 8 and 10:30 p.m. Friday, March 2, Firefly Club, Ann Arbor. $15. 18 and older. (734) 665-9090

ELKION: CD release showcase with Few and Far Between, Remainder, Red Shirt Brigade, Kid Brother Collective, The Recital, The Killing Suspense, Silence of Fall, 6 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 18, Magic Stick, Detroit. $8. All ages. (313) 833-9700

ENGLISH BEAT: Featuring Dave Wakeling, 8 p.m. Saturday, March 10, Magic Bag, Ferndale. (248) 544-3030

EVE 6: With VAST, 5:30 p.m. Saturday, March 10, Clutch Cargo, Pontiac. $13. All ages. (248) 333-2362 (power-pop)

TERRY FARMER: 7 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 23, Jumpin' Java Cafe, Lake Orion. (248) 693-4424; 8:30 p.m. Friday, March 9, Crazy Wisdom Bookstore and Tea Room, Ann Arbor. (734) 665-2757

FAMOUS RAY: 9:30 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 28, Blind Pig, Ann Arbor. $3 for over 21 and $5 under 21. (734) 996-8555

FATHER GREEN: With Brad's Dead Fish, Blackeye, 9:30 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 21, Blind Pig, Ann Arbor. $3 for over 21 and $5 under 21. (734) 996-8555

50C HEADRUSH: Thursday-Saturday, Feb. 15-17, Bullfrog Bar and Grill, Redford. (313) 533-4477

FOOLISH MORTALS: 9 p.m. Friday, Feb. 16, Lower Town Grill, Plymouth; 8 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 17, The Drowsy Parrot, Saline. For details, see www.maynardmusic.com

GRAND FUNK RAILROAD: 8 p.m. Thursday, March 22, The Palace of Auburn Hills. $9.47-$22. (248) 645-6666

DAVID GRAY: Sunday, April 22, State Theatre, Detroit. Details to come. (singer-songwriter)

HAPPENSTANCE: Friday-Saturday, Feb. 16-17, 23-24, Shantie Food and Spirits, Warren. (810) 755-5055; Friday, March 2, 9, Johnny B. Goode's, Warren. (810) 772-6343; Friday, March 16, Friday-Saturday, March 23-24, The Great Baraboo, Clinton Township. (810) 792-7397 (rock)

ALVIN YOUNGBLOOD HART: 8:30 p.m. and 11:30 p.m. Friday, Feb. 16, Firefly Club, Ann Arbor. $15-$25. (734) 665-9090

AL HILL: 7 p.m. Thursday- Saturday, Feb. 8-10, Thursday, Feb. 15, Tuesday, Feb. 20, Zydeco's, Ann Arbor. (734) 995-3600; 6 p.m. Monday, Feb. 19, Mac's Acadian Seafood, Saline. (734) 944-6227; 7 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 21, 336 Main, Plymouth. (734) 454-6500 (boogie blues)

IMMUNITY: 10 p.m. Friday, Feb. 23, The Cavern Club, Ann Arbor. Cover charge. (734) 332-9900. (reggae)

INNER RECIPE: With Lucid, Blissfield, Friday, Feb. 16, Lili's 21, Hamtramck. $5. 21 and older. (313) 875-6555

INSIDE FIVE MINUTES: With American Drama, The Fear of Dreams, Some Soviet Station, 8 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 21, 313.Jac, upstairs from Jacoby's, Detroit. $5. (313) 962-7067

JETTISON RED: With The Muggs, 10 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 24, 313.Jac, upstairs from Jacoby's, Detroit. $5. (313) 962-7067

ERIC JOHNSON: With Alien Love Child, Derek Trucks Band, 8 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 17, Royal Oak Music Theatre, Royal Oak. $25. (248) 645-6666

ROBERT JONES AND MATT WATROBA: *Blues and Folk: Two Rivers, One Stream*, 7:30 p.m. Friday, Feb. 16, Waterford Historical Church, Waterford. $7-$10. (248) 623-9389 (blues and folk)

KNEE DEEP SHAG: 8 p.m. Friday, Feb. 23, Magic Bag, Ferndale. $7. (248) 544-3030 (rock with a funk edge)

KOMPOSIT: 9:30 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 15, Blind Pig, Ann Arbor. $5 for over 21 and $8 under 21. (734) 996-8555

LEFTOVER SALMON: 9 p.m. Saturday, March 31, The Majestic, Detroit. $18. (313) 833-9700

BOBBY LEWIS AND THE CRACKERJACK BAND: Thursday-Saturday, Feb. 15-17, 22-24, March 1-3, 8-10, Major Tooley's Irish Pub, Northville. (248) 465-1680

MAGGIE'S FARM: 9 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 17, March 3, Coyote Club, Pontiac. Free. (248) 332-HOWL.

MARDI GRAS MASQUERADE: Featuring music by Straight Ahead, 8 p.m. Fat Tuesday, Feb. 27, Fishbones, Detroit. $10 or free with costume. (313) 965-4600 (jazz)

MATCHBOX TWENTY: With Everclear, Lifehouse, 7:30 p.m. Saturday, March 3, The Palace of Auburn Hills. $24.50-$34.50. (248) 645-6666. (pop rock)

PAT MCGEE BAND: With Lotus, 9:30 p.m. Friday, Feb. 16, Blind Pig, Ann Arbor. $8 advance, $10 at door. (734) 996-8555

KENNY MEEKS: 8 p.m. Friday, March 23, Trinity House Theatre, Livonia. $10 or $8 for theater members. (734) 464-6302

BRAD MEHLDAU TRIO: 7 p.m. and 9 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 21, Bird of Paradise, Ann Arbor. 18 and older. $20 advance. (734) 662-8310

METAPHYSICAL JONES: 10 p.m. Thursdays, 313.JAC, upstairs from Jacoby's, Detroit. $5. 18 and over. (313) 962-7067.

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See www.mxmw.com.

MOE: 8 p.m. Thursday, March 8, Majestic Theatre, Detroit. $15. 18 and older. (313) 833-9700

MOJAVE 3: With Sid Hellman Group, 8 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 21, Magic Stick, Detroit. $10. 18 and older. (313) 833-9700 (folk rock)

ANNE MURRAY: 8 p.m. Friday, March 16, Fox Theatre, Detroit. $32.50-$50. (248) 433-1515.

NEW PORNOGRAPHERS: With Neko Case, Moods for Moderns, Fletcher Pratt, 9 p.m. Friday, Feb. 16, Magic Stick, Detroit. $8. 18 and older. (313) 833-9700

1964 THE TRIBUTE: 8 p.m. Friday, Feb. 16, Magic Bag, Ferndale. $15. (248) 544-3030. (Beatles covers)

ORGY: With Alient Ant Farm, FEb. 27, Clutch Cargo, Pontiac. Details to come.

ORIGINAL HITS: 7 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 20, Fox and Hounds, Bloomfield Hills. Free. All ages. (248) 644-4800 (blues variety)

ORGY: With Cold, Spineshank, 7 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 27, Clutch Cargo, Pontiac. $16.75 advance. All ages. (248) 333-2362 (death pop)

OUTKAST: With Ludacris, Slimm Calhoun, 8 p.m. Wednesday, March 14, Fox Theatre, Detroit. $32-$50. (248) 433-1515.

OVERDOSE: 9 p.m. every Sunday, hosted by DJ Thomas Barnett, Sky Bar, upstairs from Sangria, Royal Oak. 21 and older. $5 cover. (248) 543-1964 (techno)

PAKISTANI TAMBOURINE: Featuring members of Blackberry Brandy, Monday, Feb. 19, 26, Bullfrog Bar and Grill, Redford. (313) 533-4477

PANTERA: With Soulfly, Morbid Angel, rescheduled to Thursday, March 1, The Palace of Auburn Hills. $30. Tickets already purchased for the Nov. 25 date will be honored. Refunds available at point of purchase. (248) 645-6666. (rock-metal)

MACEO PARKER: Saturday, April 28, Royal Oak Music Theatre, Royal Oak. (248) 645-6666

MICHELLE PENN: 8 p.m. Saturday, March 24, Magic Stick, Detroit. $8. (313) 833-9700 (singer-songwriter)

PIERCE PETTIS: 8 p.m. Saturday, March 17, Trinity House Theatre, Livonia. $10 or $8 for theater members. (734) 464-6302

RACHEL AND KAPP: 7 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 22, Fox and Hounds, Bloomfield Hills. Free. All ages. (248) 644-4800 (blues duo)

RAINER MARIA: With Aloha, New Granada, 7 p.m. Sunday, March 11, Magic Stick, Detroit. $7. All ages. (313) 833-9700

THE RESIDENTS: 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 21, Michigan Theatre, Ann Arbor. $26.75-$33.75. All ages. (734) 668-8397

ROBB ROY: With Treblehead, 10 p.m. Friday, Feb. 16, Gotham City Cafe, Ann Arbor.

ROYAL OAK RECORD AND CD EXPO: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday Feb. 11, Royal Oak Elk's Hall, Royal Oak. (517) 793-2899

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SANCHEZ: 9 p.m. Saturday, March 3, The Majestic, Detroit. $25. (313) 833-9700

SCAVENGER QUARTET: With Kuz, Saturday, Feb. 15, Gold Dollar, Detroit. (313) 833-6873

DJ SHORTROUND: Spins house along with hosts El George and Kegger from Motor Detroit, for Sunday Night Rehab, 10 p.m. Sundays, Town Pump Tavern, Detroit. (313) 961-1929

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RONI SIZE: 8 p.m. Saturday, March 10, Royal Oak Music Theatre, Royal Oak. $22.50. (248) 645-6666

SMALL CRAFT SIGHTING: CD release party with Mock Heroics, Bedford Drive, 8 p.m. Friday, March 2, Magic Stick, Detroit. $7. All ages. (313) 833-9700

'70S SOUL JAM: Featuring The Stylistics, Dramatics, Chi-Lites, Harold Melvin and the Blue Notes and The Delfonics, 8 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 17, Fox Theatre, Detroit. $30, $37.50, $50. (248) 645-6666. (soul)

RJ SPANGLER GROUP: 7 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 15, Fox and Hounds, Bloomfield Hills. Free. All ages. (248) 644-4800

STRANGEFOLK: 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 20, Magic Stick, Detroit. $8.50. 18 and older. (313) 833-9700 (folk-rock jam band)

SWALLOWHOLE: With Caulfield, 10 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 17, Roadrunner's Raft, Hamtramck. Free. (313) 873-7238.

THE TEMPTATIONS: With Ashford & Simpson, Undisputed Truth, 8 p.m. Friday, Feb. 23, Fox Theatre, Detroit. $35-$75. (313) 433-1515.

THRALL: With Chapstick, The Drakes, 9:30 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 24, Blind Pig, Ann Arbor. $5 for over 21 and $7 under 21. (734) 996-8555

TWELFTH HOUR: With The Jinx, 10 p.m. Friday, Feb. 16, 313.Jac, upstairs from Jacoby's, Detroit. $5. (313) 962-7067

TWISTIN' TARANTULAS: Sunday, Feb. 18, 25, Bullfrog Bar and Grill, Redford. (313) 533-4477

2 DAYS STRAIGHT: With Red September, Caulfield, 10 p.m. Friday, Feb. 23, 313.Jac, upstairs from Jacoby's, Detroit. $5. (313) 962-7067

U2: With PJ Harvey, 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 30, Palace of Auburn Hills. Tickets $45-$130. (248) 645-6666.

UMPHRIE'S MCGEE: With Smokestack, 9:30 p.m. Friday, Feb. 23, Blind Pig, Ann Arbor. $5 for over 21 and $7 under 21. (734) 996-8555

LESLIE WEST: Sunday, Feb. 25, Magic Bag, Ferndale. $15. (248) 544-3030

THE WILDBUNCH: With French Kicks, The Dishes, Saturday, Feb. 17, Gold Dollar, Detroit. (313) 833-6873

BROOKS WILLIAMS: 8 p.m. Saturday, April 27, Trinity House Theatre, Livonia. $10 or $8 for the ater members. (734) 464-6302

LESLIE WEST: 8 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 25, Magic Bag, Ferndale. $15. (248) 544-3030.

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MOVIES

'Shadow of the Vampire' blends fact with fiction

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Almost certainly Max Schreck was not a vampire.

The German character actor made a few obscure films before his death in 1936 and would be no more than a footnote to film history if it weren't for his starring role in F. W. Murnau's 1922 classic *Nosferatu*.

He played perhaps the most hideous vampire in the history of films. But no one has suggested that he actually feasted on human blood.

Until now.

E. Elias Merhige's delightful *Shadow of the Vampire* poses the intriguing premise that in order to ensure the authenticity of his masterpiece, *Nosferatu*, Murnau hired a real vampire to play "Count Orlok."

The true nature of Count Orlok, passed off as real actor Max Schreck, soon becomes apparent as this artificial documentary unfolds.

Director Merhige does a marvelous job of recreating the sense of film making in pre-Hitler Germany. John Malkovich stars as Murnau, who comes off somewhat as a monster himself as he is willing to sacrifice any life for his art.

Also notable to the cast is Udo Kier, a veteran actor who has played a vampire on more than one occasion. (He was wonderful in the Andy Warhol production of *Dracula* in which he was seeking the blood of "whergins.")

But it's Academy Award nominee Willem Dafoe as Schreck who dominates the film. Hissing and wheezing and with stiletto fingernails he *is* Nosferatu.

"I vant makeup," he demands as filming is to begin in his remote castle. Murnau refuses. Schreck needs nothing to embellish his character.

The premise of this film may be jarring to the viewer. After all, *Nosferatu*, Schreck and Murnau were real. And *Nosferatu* already has taken on legendary status for being a nearly lost film. Murnau was sued by the widow of Bram Stoker for plagiarizing *Dracula* and renaming it *Nosferatu*. The court ruled in her favor and ordered all prints of *Nosferatu* destroyed. Fortunately, some survived.

Merhige skillfully blends scenes of the actual *Nosferatu* with his recreation of the production.

Great attention is paid to detail as we get to see how films were made in a time before sound and with hand-operated cameras.

Despite a marvelously oppressive atmosphere of decay, there are some fine comedic moments, such as when Murnau takes Schreck to task for feasting on his cameraman. Why my cameraman, he demands. Why couldn't you just take the script girl?

Schreck pauses a moment over the missed opportunity, then replies, "I'll eat her later."

But the ominous conclusion reminds us that this is at heart a horror movie. As well as one big joke, albeit a very good one.

Separating fact from fiction, the real Murnau survived *Nosferatu* and directed such classics as *Faust* and *The Last Laugh* before his untimely death in an auto accident in 1931.

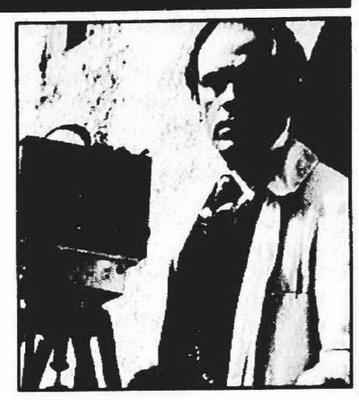
Schreck made only a handful of films, none of which, beside *Nosferatu*, is remembered today.

Anyone who has seen this film will certainly want to check out the original, which even today stands as one of the finest horror films ever made. And don't miss Werner Herzog's 1979 remake, which faithfully recreates the original and stars Klaus Kinski as a dead-ringer for Schreck. It's available in English and German language versions. Get the English version. It's better.

In any case, *Shadow of the Vampire* stands as an original, thoroughly engrossing film that Murnau probably would have loved.

As for Schreck, one can only wonder...

If looks could kill: *(Top) Willem Dafoe cuts a stark profile as Count Orlok.*



Details: *(Right) As director F.W. Murnau, John Malkovich also gave a real insight to filming equipment and techniques of the 1920s.*

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Predictable 'Valentine' hardly scares up a holiday audience

BY JON KATZ
SPECIAL WRITER

Will the last person to guess the "surprise" ending please turn off the projector?

Valentine, yet another teen slasher epic, stretches the patience of even the hardiest horror fan. Hear those strings in the soundtrack? It means the killer's near. See the extreme close-up of the girl in distress? It means the killer's very near. No strings and no close-ups? It means more inane dialog until then.

Valentine begins neatly enough at a suburban middle school's big Valentine's Day dance, where nerdy Jeremy Melton is rejected by five smug, would-be dance partners. Dissolve 13 years into the present, when the five have grown to be the most arrogant, self-centered and condescending quintet imaginable. No blind date is good enough for them, and it's no wonder they have to go that route in the first place.

Then, they each receive a Valentine's Day card, signed with the initials J.M. Not your garden variety Hallmark, mind you. One offers the following poetic twist: "Roses are red/Violets are blue/They'll need dental records to identify you." Charming fellow, this mystery slayer.

Oh yes, each card precedes another chorus of strings, a few close-ups, one or two red herrings to keep you in the game, and finally the horrific demise of the recipient at the hands of the Cupid-masked murderer.

Is it Jeremy back for revenge, or is it one of the other weirdoes, from the spooky neighbor to the creepy artist to the lecherous police detective? Listen for the strings and see who's left.

Valentine features a flock of somewhat-familiar young film and TV actors. As bad-girl Paige, Denise Richards (*The World is Not Enough*) is the most recognizable. Her eyebrows are the second scariest thing in the film. Marley Shelton (the current *Sugar and Spice*) fares better as the quiet, trusting Kate. David Boreanaz (TV's *Angel*) is Kate's sometimes boyfriend who can't stay on the wagon long enough to make it permanent.

Despite its four writers, *Valentine* would have been better off with its tongue occasionally in its cheek. By playing it "dead" serious, the wittiest dialogue came from the snickering audience.

Jon Katz reviews films for the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers. He lives in Rochester.

Horror: *'Valentine' uses all the usual tricks to focus on fright.*

COMING ATTRACTIONS

Scheduled to open Friday, Feb. 16

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Chris Rock stars as Lance, a struggling Brooklyn comic who dies a moment too soon and is returned to Earth in the body of a rich white man whose wife and lover are plotting to kill him. Also stars Chazz Palminteri and Regina King.

SWEET NOVEMBER
Nelson Moss and Sara Deever have nothing in common except an hour spent in DMV hell. She's a charming spirit who brings out the best in a man. He's a workaholic executive whose only intimate relationship is with the bottom line, until he meets Sara. Stars Keanu Reeves, Charlize Theron, Greg Germann, Jason Isaacs and Liam Aiken. Directed by Pat O'Connor.

RECESS
The ABC morning animated series comes to the big screen as a group of grade-schoolers on the playground go off on summer vacation. Among their adventures is an encounter with former principal Dr. Benedict. Features the voices of Andrew Lawrence and Allyce Beasley.

IN THE MOOD FOR LOVE

Chow suspects his wife is having an affair. Li-Zhen, whose husband spends a lot of time away on business, is introduced to Chow and the two form a warm friendship. Drawn to each other after learning their spouses are having an affair, they are forced to come to terms with their feelings for one another. Stars Maggie Cheung. Shown exclusively at the Detroit Institute of Art.

Recess

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ORIGINAL SIN
Based on Cornwall Woolrich's novel, Waltz Into Darkness, this film follows a wealthy Cuban coffee grower who marries a young woman only to find she is a deceptive seductress. Stars Antonio Banderas and Angelina Jolie.

Scheduled to open Friday, March 2

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The story tells of the ill-fated travels of Jerry Welbach, a reluctant bagman who has a score to settle with a crime kingpin and, even more dangerous, his girlfriend. When he is sent to Mexico to retrieve an allegedly cursed priceless antique pistol, known as The Mexican, his plans and his life begin to unravel. Stars Brad Pitt and Julia Roberts.

Scheduled to open Friday, March 9

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COMPANY MAN
A nerdy 1960's Connecticut high school grammer teacher Allen Quimp stumbles into being a legendary international spy hero in an effort to avoid his nagging wife. His misadventures contribute to his meteoric rise in the CIA, which ultimately sends him to Cuba where he's involved in a plot to overthrow Fidel Castro. Stars Douglas McGrath, Sigourney Weaver, John Turturro.

Don't call it country: Mojave 3 defies classification

STEPHANIE A. CASOLA

Neil Halstead even speaks in a slow, meandering tone.

He's in Los Angeles, just visiting friends he explains, when I get the call. It's just days before Mojave 3 are ready to start their North American tour supporting the release of the British band's third effort, *Excuses for Travellers*.

Together since 1995, Mojave 3 is primarily comprised of Halstead, Rachel Goswell, Ian McCutcheon, Simon Rowe and Alan Forrester. The band arose from the ashes of British shoegazers, Slowdive. "That split up and a few months later I went into the studio with Rachel to record a few tunes," said Halstead, Mojave 3's primary songwriter. "4AD heard a tape of the songs and offered to release it."

At the time the band didn't have a name, let alone a solid group of musicians to play the songs. Now boasting up to seven members, Mojave 3 sways beyond comparisons to Cowboy Junkies and even the subtle sounds of Nick Drake. Wandering guitarwork, melancholy lyrics and a sense of realism all make for an engaging piece of work. Halstead has a knack for taking the all-to-familar and making it discreetly personal.

On *Return To Sender*, he transforms a mundane, familiar phrase into a sentimental adage of lost love and lost hope in seven words: "If you find us/Return to sender." *Any Day Will Be Fine*, is more of a Mojave 3 attempt at pop, packed with plenty of "oohs" and "aahs." Its details of a summer crush seem shattered by the sad reality of the song that follows, *She Broke You So Softly*. Even Goswell makes her mark, singing *Bringin' Me Home*, a sort of lullaby to sorting out life.

While he definitely doesn't call it "country" music, Halstead doesn't know quite what *to* call Mojave 3. Like the band's desert name evokes, the sound is sparse-yet-sweeping. "We had no vision," he said. "There really wasn't a vision on this record at all. We just go into the studio and see what happens."

That easy-going attitude that comes across in the music, all tinged with folk simplicity and sincere songwriting. At a time when British bands like Travis poses pop-styled questions like *Why Does It Always Rain On Me* and Coldplay paints romantic visions in *Yellow*, Mojave 3 seems content to steer clear from the more-produced Brit pop set. It's not an altogether departure from Halstead's days in Slowdive either.

One to pack for the road: *Mojave 3 creates a soundtrack for life with "Excuses for Travellers." See them Feb. 21 at the Magic Stick in Detroit.*

"I think there's probably a similar sensitivity, a similar atmosphere," he said, comparing Mojave 3. "Slowdive wasn't really concerned with songs."

Songs are of primary concern now. While some of the tracks on *Excuses for Travellers* were written around the time the band released its last album, *Out of Tune*, they all fit a certain mood.

"A lot of them are about traveling, in particular being at a certain point in your life," Halstead said. "I think a lot of them are about realizing where you are in your life."

As primary songwriter, Halstead admits he doesn't have a steady approach to writing. "I find sometimes I can write and sometimes I can't. I like going to different places. You get a certain inspiration. Being in a band, you meet a lot of different people. They have all got their own story. It's sort of the things people say that make fodder for the song."

So much of the music is grounded in truth, even if he doesn't follow any sort of plan. And Halstead himself admits he's not always understood. His flatmate, he said with a laugh, accuses him of having written three albums all containing the same song.

"I think there's quite a lot of variety," he added.

In the meantime, Halstead is working on a solo effort he hopes will be released on 4AD. "I don't think anyone will mistake it for a country record," he said with conviction.

See Mojave 3 perform with openers Sid Hellman Group, 8 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 21, Magic Stick, Detroit. Tickets are $10 for this 18 and older show. Call (313) 833-9700.

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All systems go for Denver's 16 Horsepower

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Jean-Yves Tola may be considered the force behind 16 Horsepower, his drumming the backbone of this Denver-based gothic alt-country rock quartet. But when the band isn't on tour, Tola and his bandmates are farther apart than you might imagine. The Parisian-born drummer chooses to reside in California while fellow 16 Horsepower guitarist Stephen Taylor lives in New Orleans. Bassist Pascal Humbert and David Eugene Edwards stayed in Denver. Sounding stronger than ever, the distance between them hasn't hindered a thing.

"The tour has been going on for a couple of weeks," said Tola from his cell phone in that unmistakable French accent. "I'm just trying to be healthy and to be ready. We've had really good crowds."

The crowds are coming to hear 16 Horsepower perform songs from its most recent Razor and Tie release, *Secret South*. The first single, *Clogger*, along with the slow-build of *Cinder Alley* and the band's ethereal cover of Bob Dylan's *Nobody C'ept You* make this album one to keep. For the first time, Tola had more of a hand in songwriting and production.

He and Edwards have been working together since a first chance meeting — building movie sets on a Los Angeles studio lot in 1992. Shortly after, the darkly foreboding, strangely engaging sounds of 16 Horsepower came to be.

Kick it into gear: *16 Horsepower will stop in Detroit, Saturday, Feb. 17, while on tour to support "Secret South".*

But Tola has been a musician since the age of 7, when his parents insisted each of their five children choose an instrument.

"When I was 12 years old, I didn't want to play the flute anymore. I went for the farthest thing away from the flute, which is drums."

Rhythm came easily to him in any genre. From classical music to hard core punk rock bands in Paris, Tola's tastes ran the gamut.

"A lot of classical music was played around my house," he recalled. "My brother was a guitar player and he was really into Bob Dylan and Cat Stevens. I love those guys now, even though I didn't know it then. It got into my head."

The depth and inspiration of such artists shines in *Secret South*. For the first time, 16 Horsepower approached recording this project with a few songs yet to be finished. *Silver Saddle* and *Just Like Birds* came full circle during the recording process. "I'm really happy with what happened with those songs at the studio," he said. "We just kind of let go of ourselves in there. That was kind of a great thing to do – to be able to not have to be so prepared. I think sometimes you lose a lot of the spontaneity, some of the ideas you come up with, if you're too settled."

Fans of the band will finally find it easier to get their hands on *Hoarse*, a live album recorded in 1998 at The Bluebird Theatre in Denver and Bataclan in Paris. "We did that as a little plus for our fans, to make a little extra money on the road. But the problem is, we're selling as much of these as *Secret South*."

16 Horsepower finally decided to release *Hoarse* on Checkered Past Records. Until now, it has only been available through mail-order. "It's just really a compilation of older songs, before *Secret South*," said Tola. "We didn't really worry about what songs they were. We were more concerned with quality and performance."

Right after the band's show at Detroit's Magic Stick, 16 Horsepower will begin the European leg of the tour, starting in Greece. But it won't be much of an adjustment, said Tola. He feels audiences vary more by region than by country. "In Germany, we know 80 percent of the people don't understand the words. But we're a little bit more popular in Europe than we are in America. One thing (they have) in common – they are very nice, very supportive. We're very fortunate to have such a following."

American Mars' music 'lingers around sunset'

Recently added to the bill, the Detroit area's own American Mars will open the 16 Horsepower show. Thomas Trimble, the band's voice and songwriter is looking forward to the show. Here's what he had to say to the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers:

Who: 16 Horsepower with American Mars
When: 9 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 17
Where: Magic Stick, Detroit.
Tickets: $12 for this 18 and older show. Call (313) 961-8961.

O&E: How might American Mars be a complimentary choice to open this particular show?

Thomas Trimble: "While I would never compare our band to 16 Horsepower, I think in many ways we are interested in a lot of the same things, musically and lyrically. They are working with some very powerful cultural tropes that deal in history and myth whereas I think we are more interested in trying to make sense of the present state of things."

O&E: How does your music compare to or contrast with 16 Horsepower?

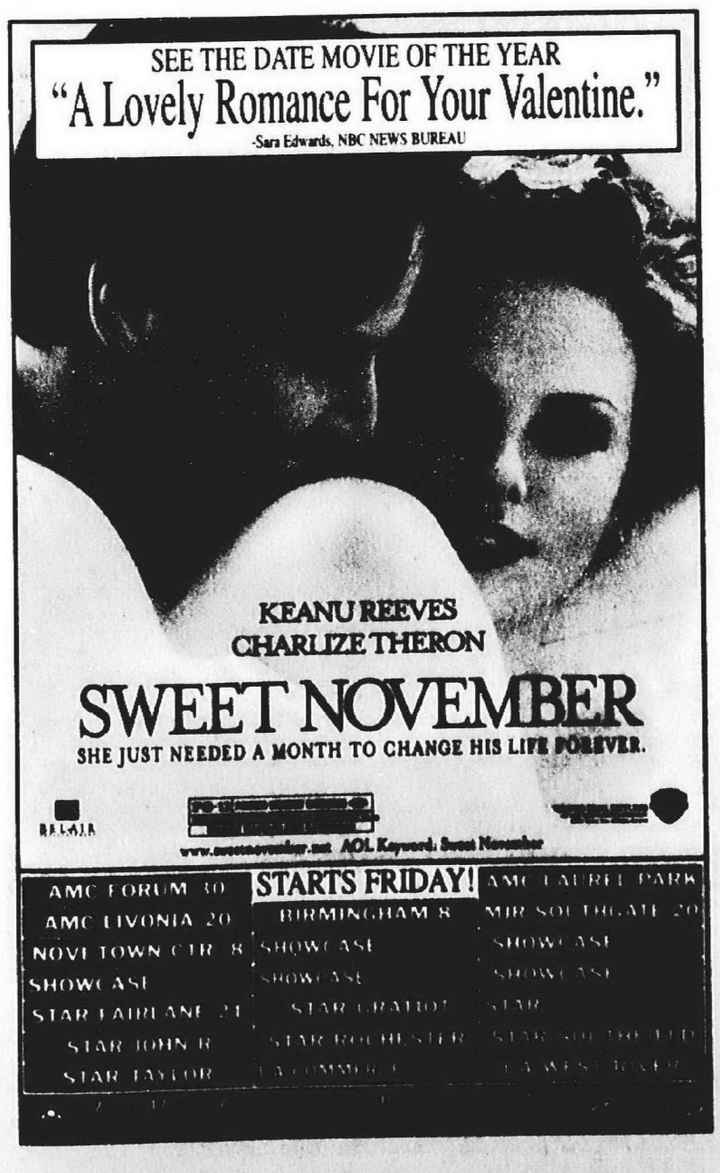
TT: "16 Horsepower is a very powerful group. My sense is that we share a lot of the same influences, Dylan, the Gun Club, Joy Division, but that we come at those bodies of work from different directions. While they seem to go further into night, I think American Mars prefers to linger around sunset."

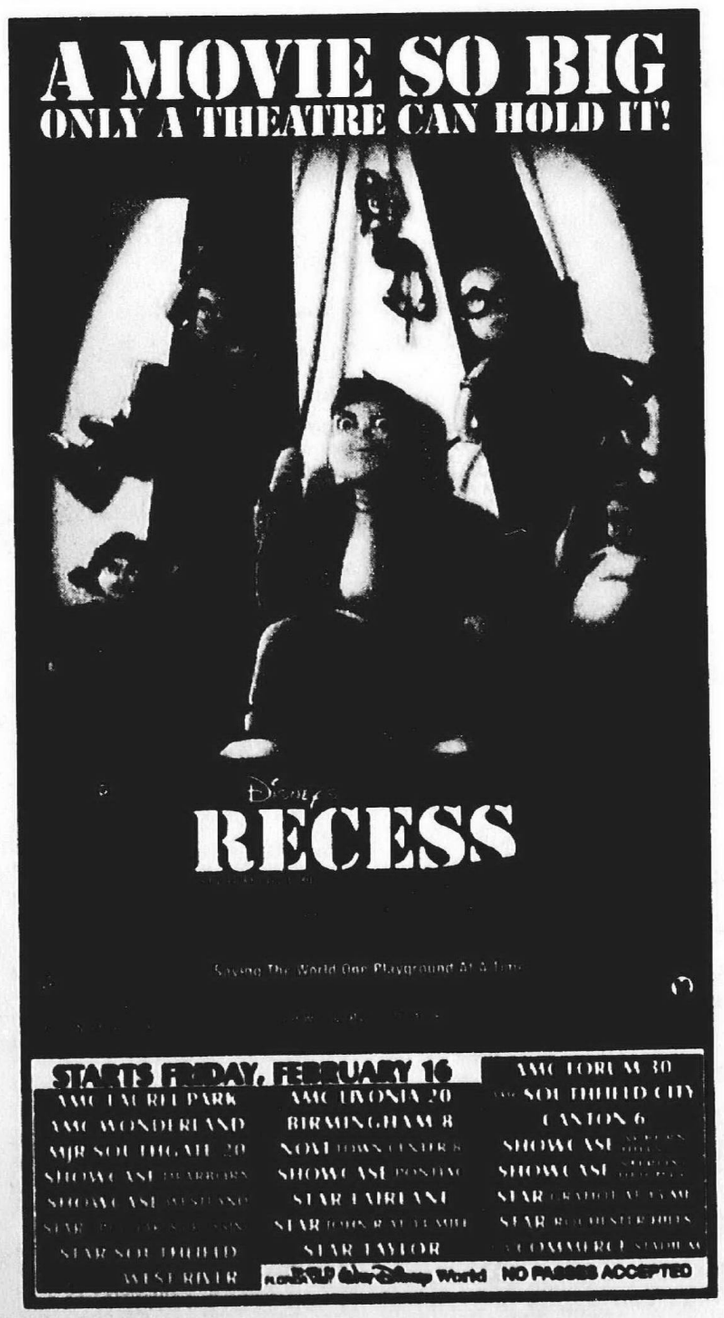
O&E: Do you consider yourself a fan?

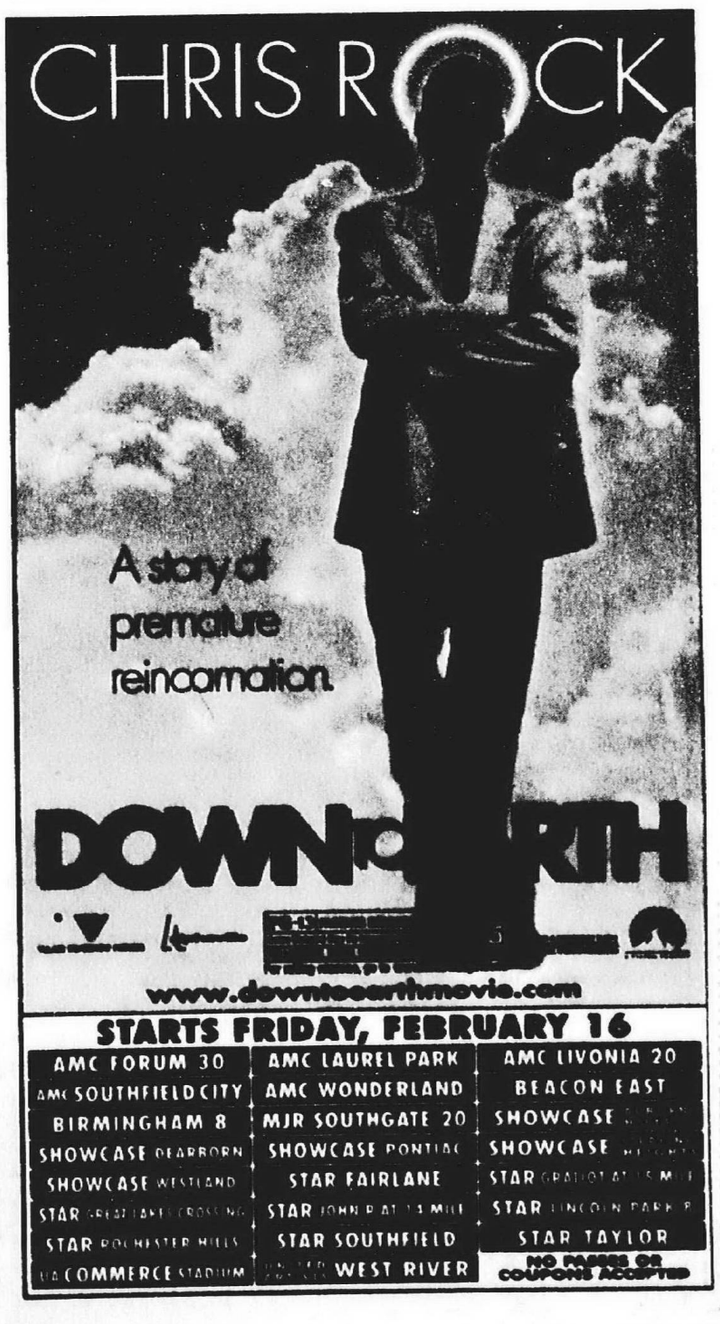
TT: "I'm a huge fan. I saw them open for Grant Lee Buffalo several years ago and have followed their work ever since. Their music physically impacts me like almost no other band I've ever heard. The Dirty Three is the only other band I know of that can do that."

Look for a new album by American Mars this Spring. So far, the working title is *No City Fun*.

— Interview by Stephanie Angelyn Casola







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Expanding restaurant chain specializes in soup to go or stay

BY SHARON DARGAY
STAFF WRITER

It's hard to imagine eating chicken pot pie without a fork.

But spoon your way through a bowl of creamy chicken soup, loaded with vegetables and homemade crust, at Zoup! in Southfield, and you'll never go back to the traditional oven-baked version.

Chicken pot pie soup is a favorite and a fixture on the eatery's dozen soups-a-day menu that draws from more than 200 soup, stew and chili recipes made daily at Zoup!'s Ferndale headquarters.

"The philosophy when we lay out the soups is to try to offer something for everyone," says co-owner Eric Ersher, of Sylvan Lake, who founded Zoup! two years ago with David Elias, of Farmington Hills.

A recent menu included steak soup, four different chicken soups, two seafood soups, a chili and four vegetarian versions. The Chicken Pot Pie, thick, rich, but not overly creamy, lured me back to the restaurant for another bowl a few days after I first sampled it. The Mexican Chicken, a combination of corn, rice, green chili, jalapeno, green peppers, chicken and spices in a tomato-based soup, delivered just the right amount of zest. But the Caribbean Seafood Chowder, loaded with seafood and vegetables in a thin soup, was too fishy for my taste.

"We have chicken pot pie every day. We have to, by demand. The others rotate every day. We try to track favorites. Our customers very regularly tell us what they want and we adjust the menu to put them on more often. We found our customer base is pretty diverse."

And it's growing.

Ersher and Elias will open their third Zoup! location in Troy next month. Their second eatery opened last year in the Renaissance Center in Detroit.

The 2,200-square-foot space at 2873 Maple, just east of Coolidge, will seat about 25 people, about half of the available seating at Zoup! in Southfield. Customers will be able to order from the Troy menu in person, by fax or over the Internet, as they can from the other Zoup! sites. And they'll choose from 12 different soups daily, including low-fat, non-dairy, spicy and vegetarian, a variety of beverages and desserts.

"The whole area there really is changing from light industrial to a higher end retail. There's new residential coming. It's a changing area. We're really excited about it," Ersher noted.

"We're going to introduce something new in Troy called *Good Greens*, which is our salad component. We listen to our customers. There have been requests for salads and we think they'll round out the concept."

Fast, nutritious and quality define Zoup!'s philosophy. Ersher says his company is part of a growing food trend called "quick casual."

"It's sort of like fast food for adults, but it turns on a higher quality product," he explained.

Zoup! makes its soups in small batches using only fresh vegetables and no MSG. It quickly chills cooked soups to refrigeration temperature before transporting them to Southfield and Detroit, where they are heated in a double boiler.

"One of the benefits to our method is that the soups are not kept hot for hours and hours, because if they are and you're not careful, they continue to cook," he said.

"We won't cut corners, even if it's the most labor intensive, expensive way to do it. If those are the results we're looking for, that's the way we do it."

Ersher, Elias, their wives, family members and friends tested and tasted soups every weekend for a year before the pair opened Zoup!. They hired a chef to create and refine recipes. And they quit their wholesale spice business to manage their growing chain of soup-only eateries.

"We're always adding new soups and we're always trying things our customers suggest."

Ersher and Elias describe themselves as "soup fanatics." While peddling spices, they got a chance to "look in the back doors of a lot of restaurants" and noticed that their favorite food was an under-served segment of the industry.

They vowed to do a better job.

"Both of us are pretty healthy eaters and we just like soup, but only the good stuff," Ersher noted.

Neither can pass up a bowl or two of Zoup! soup and are likely to order a few varieties at a sitting.

"Soup is a great way to try different flavors. I walk in and eat three or four," Ersher said, adding with a laugh, " I haven't used a fork since 1998."

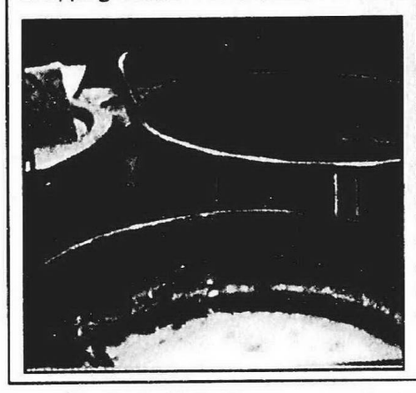
Zoup!

On the menu: A dozen different soups, stews and chili creations daily from an assortment of more than 200 recipes. Each soup comes with a hunk of multi-grain or sourdough bread. Beverages include soda pop, iced tea, hot tea, coffee, lemonade and bottled water. Cookies, brownies, mud pie, berry cobbler, apple brown betty and rice pudding are available for dessert. The Troy location, opening in March, also will serve salads.

Cost: Soup prices range from about $3.25-$4.25 for an eight-ounce cup, $4.50-$6.50 for a 16 ounce bowl and $6.75-$10.75 for a 32-ounce container.

Hours and locations:

■ **Southfield** — 11 a.m.-8 p.m., Monday through Saturday at 29177 Northwestern Highway, north of 12 Mile Road in the Franklin Plaza Shopping Center. Phone (248) 799-2800 or fax (248) 799-2882.



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Ordering: Zoup! posts the daily menu for each location on its Web site at www.zoup.com. It accepts on-line orders and payment, as well as fax orders.

Soup entrepreneurs: *Zoup! partners David Elias (left) and Eric Ersher sold wholesale spices before opening their growing chain of soup-only restaurants.*

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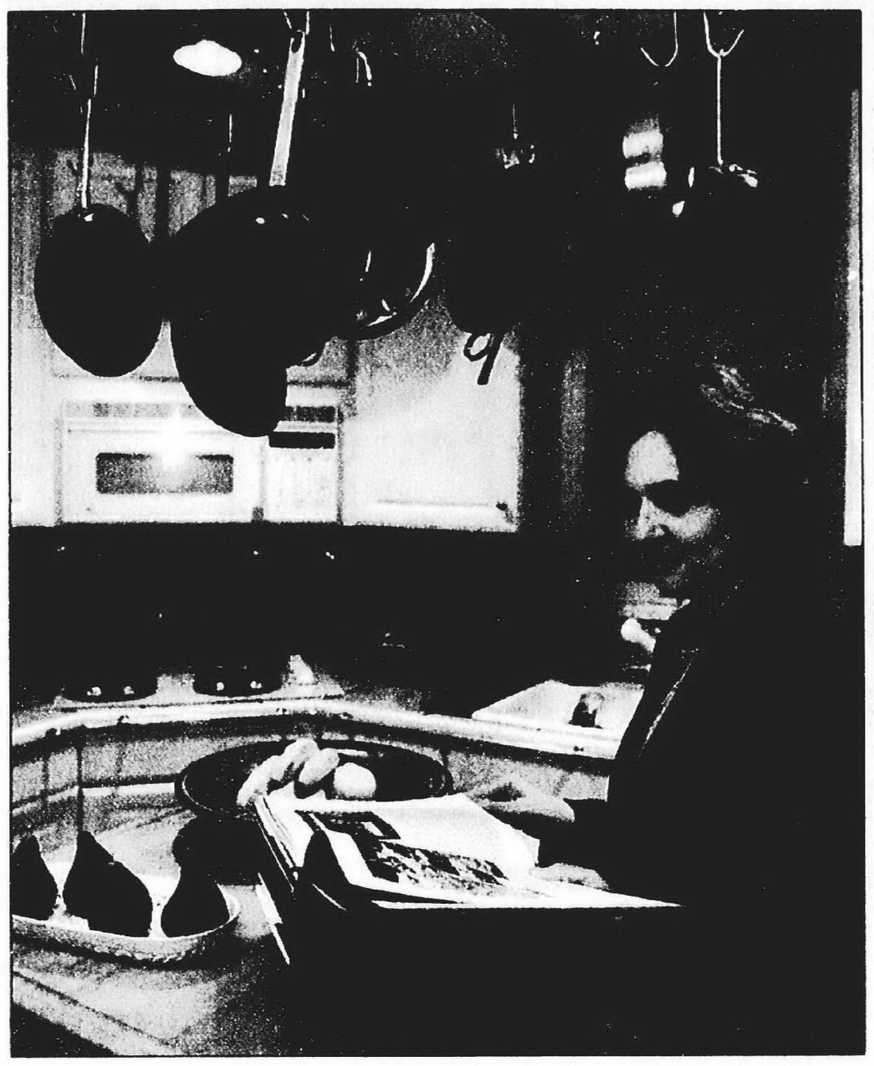
Old World charm: *Jeffrey King of Jeffrey King Interiors of Birmingham (at left) decorated the Giancamilli residence to give it a little bit of Italy. Here in the living room, drapes with gold and navy stripes convey an Old World feeling. Wanda Giancamilli (at right) looks at a book in the kitchen.*



A LITTLE BIT OF Italy

Design puts new spin on Old World look

BY MARY KLEMIC
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Andy and Wanda Giancamilli's Birmingham residence puts a new spin on Old World charm and atmosphere.

The Giancamillis wanted a little bit of Italy in the interior design, said Andy, who is president and chief operating officer of Kmart. The work by designer Jeffrey King of Jeffrey King Interiors of Birmingham fashioned a comfortable combination of classic and contemporary throughout the four levels of the house.

An Old World flavor blends smoothly with modern innovations and creative use of space. Delightful details display the family's distinctive personality.

"The thing about Jeff is he really listens to you," Wanda Giancamilli said. "It's your home. You don't feel you moved into someone else's home."

"They said what they wanted, and run with it," King said. "They were wonderful clients."

The Giancamillis and King are also connected through The Snow Ball, a charity event taking place next week *(see related story)*. Andy and Wanda are honorary chairpersons of The Snow Ball. King and Linda Jennings of Wixom are its co-chairs.

The house has a captivating structure. In some places one level looks onto another. Small staircases are gently winding. Along one is a custom handrail by Gonzalo Rodriguez of Rochester Hills.

Almost every room is an example of the beautiful design balance achieved with such features as antiques and antique appearance, earth tones and natural elements.

The lower level was almost completely remodeled. Much of the area is a family room. Here are large, inviting sofas and chairs, some dressed in distressed leather for an antique look. Wooden doors also feature distressed surfaces.

Slate floors, the woven leather backs and seats of the chairs along the bar, and glimpses of brick in parts of the walls, are other elements that suggest Old World. Technical Specialties of Sylvan Lake did the Italian distressed brick faux painting. Sconces and recessed lighting give soft but plentiful illumination.

The glass-topped table with thick metal legs, and an arrangement of giant gears on one wall, convey earth textures and hues.

Yet comfortably ensconced here is an entertainment center in the family room, a sauna in the bathroom, and a corkboard bearing photos of family and friends. The bar has plenty of storage and organization room, including compartments for garbage.

There is a cigar room for Andy Giancamilli with a barrel vault ceiling, cedar walls and recycled brick. The circulation changes the air here every 2-1/2 hours.

Heavy drapes in gold and navy blue stripes are displayed in the living room, where again the furniture is big and welcoming. Cream molding was added here and elsewhere.

Nearby is the kitchen, with a nook containing a chandelier with a charming floral design. The "floral fresco" ceiling is by Angela Kilcullen, formerly of Royal Oak. Large architectural accents from an older house bring historical character.

The foyer is crowned with a chandelier that hangs from a creamy painting of a blue sky. A "dusk sky" is depicted on the dining room ceiling. Both murals are by Elizabeth Frankland.

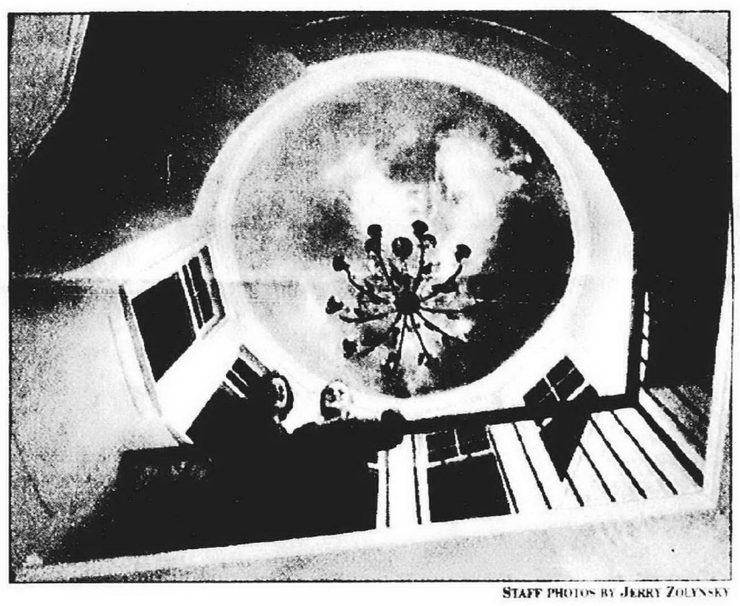
Sisal carpeting, and walls covered in Ralph Lauren suede finish paint (which doesn't show fingerprints, King says), are found throughout upstairs rooms.

These rooms include the office, which features a dark, narrow antique table, a bright, kilim style ottoman, and a lampshade adorned with a petal design. A computer and TV are nestled amid the white shelves.

The master bedroom contains a sleigh bed. A one-way mirror above the fireplace conceals the TV when not on.

The master bathroom features his and her vanities, each with cabinet space large enough so that nothing has to be left out on counters. An old pharmacy cabinet that unfolds, and an Italian cherry cabinet from the 1920s to 1930s are also here.

An exercise room is on the top level. Other activities are done here, with neat storage space for anything from a sewing machine to gift wrapping supplies.



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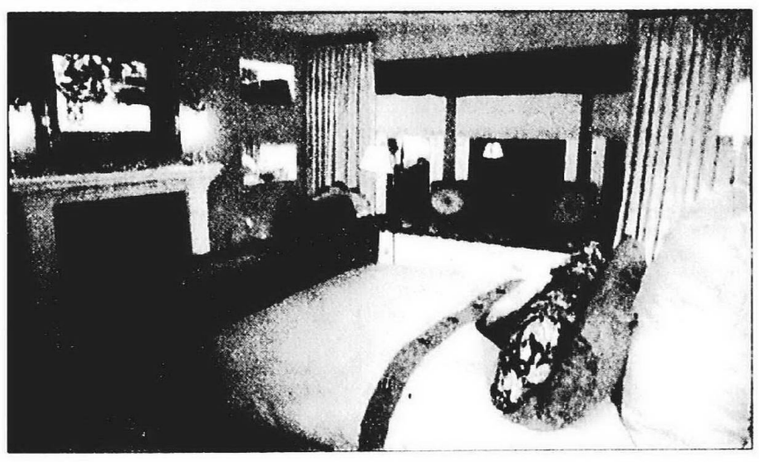

Imaginative and innovative: *Wanda and Andy Giancamilli (above) stand on an upper level in the foyer of their Birmingham home. A daylight sky is painted on the ceiling. The master bedroom of the residence (at left) features a one-way mirror that keeps a TV out of sight when not in use.*

Great smokes: *Andy Giancamilli relaxes in his cigar room. A circulation system changes the air every 2-1/2 hours.*

Warm hearts help Snow Ball benefit

The Snow Ball is a black-tie dinner with dancing, festivities, entertainment by renowned orchestra leader Simone Vitale, and a live auction of fantasy packages. The theme for this year's event is a 1940s supper club as well as "White and Snow."
Presented by Variety – The Children's Charity, The Snow Ball will take place 6:30 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 24, at the Townsend Hotel Ballroom in Birmingham.
Tickets per person are $225, $300 (patron) and $500 (benefactor). For information, contact The Variety Office, 30161 Southfield Road in Southfield, phone (248) 258-5511.
Among the fantasy packages are:

- A tour of Hollywood and Disneyland with model/actress Kathy Ireland
- A Paris dream vacation
- A custom design and constructed playhouse built like a real house (designed by Victor Saroki and decorated by Jeffrey King)
- A Portugal vacation
- An opportunity to rehearse and perform with the Simone Vitale orchestra at a real "gig" like a real member of the group (as musician or singer)
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FROM

JOE GAGNON

Time to talk

Home shows allow the Appliance Doctor a chance to talk with consumers in more detail about ranges and refrigerators.

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MARTY FIGLEY

Room to grow

Sprout a plant from an avocado pit or a sweet potato by following these tips.

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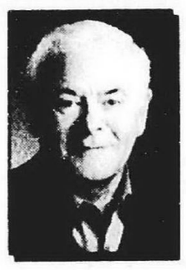

JOE GAGNON

I've done radio shows recently at the North American International Auto Show in Detroit and Novi Home Improvement Show. Soon I will be broadcasting at the Home and Garden Show at the Pontiac Silverdome Feb. 22-25, GMC Builders Home and Flower Show at the Cobo Center in Detroit March 22-25, and a home show in Jackson.

Now, this is not a complaint, in fact it is just the opposite. I love talking with consumers and taking my time answering questions, emphasizing what are right and wrong approaches to fixing appliances. I want to thank all of you for talking with me and explaining your particular problems.

Many of you teach me ideas that I broadcast onto the airwaves or write in this newspaper, and in so doing, can help others who wonder just what is wrong.

At the recent home show in Novi, a woman said she could use her oven only during the evening hours. After several service calls, she discovered that when anyone used the cell phones or portable phone in the house, an electronic component was rendered useless inside the stove modular control. The service technician explained that this technicality occurred with many ranges from the same company. This doctor is on the case in finding out which brands don't function and why.

A fire and tragedy

Another woman stopped by to ask me if I could identify a microwave oven which had been in a house fire. I asked her to explain the circumstances which brought tears to my eyes. There was a house fire which may have been caused by the microwave. Her attorney kept the microwave, but he was unable to identify the product. I asked her to get the microwave from her attorney and I would try to help her. Then I asked her if anyone was hurt in the fire

She told me her daughter died as a result of the fire. Let me tell you that after looking into that mother's eyes for just a few minutes, I will feel her grief for a long time.

At these shows when I meet thousands of homeowners, there are many compliments and I truly appreciate them. Every once in a while I receive constructive criticism which makes me a smarter person.

■ If only I could make appliance maintenance as important as changing the oil in a car.

More service needed

A woman told me about all the service calls she made to fix her washing machine. Each time the service technician told her that there is nothing wrong with the washer. Each time he told her that she is using it incorrectly. The lady was just plain mad at me because she had purchased this brand solely on my recommendation. I just simply hung my head and bit my lip. Maybe sometimes I do sound like a know-it-all.

Refrigerator ice-makers are still the biggest subject of conversations at these shows with dryer vent lines questions a close second. More and more homeowners are becoming aware of hoses which supply water to their washing machines and checking and replacing them. I wish I could promote and encourage the maintenance of these products so consumers would pay attention before, rather than after, the damage occurs. If only I could make it as important as changing the oil in a car.

American-made appliances are becoming another big factor in why so many more products are sold with a very big price tag. Ranges built today that get so hot on the outside get national media attention because children burn themselves and spend a lengthy amount of time in a hospital.

No wonder why so much of our money goes overseas.

Readers write

Michael Slayter bought a house which included a refrigerator. The refrigerator emits an odor, which is stronger when the motor is running. He writes: "I cleaned the drip pan and placed baking soda in the freezer and refrigerator, but it was no help."

A: Wash out the refrigerator using tomato juice. When you're done, leave a dish full of tomato juice on the refrigerator shelf for three days.

Joe Gagnon can be heard on Newstalk 760, WJR-AM, every Saturday and Sunday mornings. He is a past president of The Society of Consumer Professionals. His second book, "The Words and Wisdom of The Appliance Doctor" is available in book stores. His phone number is (313) 873-9789.

Do you have a question for the Appliance Doctor? Contact him care of Ken Abramczyk, At Home Editor, Observer Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI 48150 or e-mail kabramczyk @oe.homecomm. net

INTERIOR DESIGN

'Treasure twins' from public TV to visit DIA, Somerset

A Cadwalader easy chair used in a country day school sold for a record-setting $2.75 million. A table bought at a yard sale for $25 sold for more than half a million dollars at auction.

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The Detroit Institute of Arts' Associates of the American Wing will welcome the "treasure twins" Wednesday, Feb. 21, for a special lecture and book signing honoring their new book, *Hidden Treasures: Searching for Masterpieces of American Furniture*.

At the event, the Kenos will trace numerous finds throughout their careers as antique dealers, and share tips and anecdotes from their experiences with Detroit antique enthusiasts.

The lecture will begin at 7:30 p.m. at the DIA, 5200 Woodward in the University Cultural Center. Tickets for the event are $10 and are available by calling (313) 833-4005. Valet parking will be available for a minimal charge at the Woodward entrance.

The Keno brothers will also appear for a book signing only noon to 2 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 22, at the DIA Museum Shop at Somerset Collection South, Big Beaver and Coolidge roads in Troy.

Years of experience and success in the antique market have translated into many amazing stories and discoveries. With their special appearance at the DIA, the Kenos will offer an intimate look at the fascinating experience of uncovering hidden treasures.

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MARTY FIGLEY

What do avocados, pineapples and sweet potatoes have in common? You guessed it! They can all be transformed into pretty houseplants with very little effort.

The children can get involved and watch the miracle of growth happen and perhaps have a contest to see which grows the best. So get ready, set, go!

The seeds of **avocado**, *Persea american*, germinate very easily and make attractive pot plants after several years of growth.

They do need to be pinched back to encourage side branching so they become full and lush. Give them plenty of light so they don't become spindly, and stake them if necessary. They don't set flowers or fruit when grown indoors, but the foliage makes up for that.

Stick three or four toothpicks around the center of the seed to support it over a container of water so that it is half in and half out. When roots are visible you can place it in a pot with good houseplant soil; keep half the seed above the soil. Provide four or more hours of direct sunlight from a south window.

Alternatively you can grow the seed directly in soil. Soak it in hot water for 30 minutes, then trim about 1/2-inch off the pointed end with a sharp knife. Dip the wound in fungicide. Set the seed in the soil as mentioned above.

After repotting, keep the soil evenly moist; water until the excess drains out the hole in the bottom of the pot and discard.

It likes regular house temperatures, somewhat cooler at night. A humidifier will supply additional moisture to the air. Use an all-purpose fertilizer through the year, more in the summer.

■ It might be fun to find blue or purple sweet potatoes to see what the foliage looks like.

When dried and ground up, avocado leaves give a somewhat nutty, anise-like flavor and are often used in Mexican cuisine. A thin-skinned black avocado has the best flavor.

Sweet potatoes, *Ipomoea Batatas*, also grow well partially suspended in water with toothpicks stuck into the flesh so it is partially out of the water. They like the same conditions as avocados; be sure to change the water for both these plants regularly.

Soon the pretty foliage will grow and cascade down the container. Use a clear one so you can see the roots as they develop.

Use this same technique to prepare sweet potato slips to grow in the garden, although you'll need to time it so they will be ready for the garden after the last frost.

When the green shoots are about 4 to 5 inches long, gently twist them from the section of potato. Collect the shoots and put them in a container of water so that only their bottom halves are immersed.

In just a few days roots will appear. Keep the roots cut so they don't get longer than an inch or two before planting.

It might be fun to find blue or purple sweet potatoes to see what the foliage looks like.

Have you been successful growing a plant from an exotic fruit or vegetable? Let me know.

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.

Teach your children how to garden

The Master Gardeners of Wayne County will be offering a junior master gardener program for children in grades 2-5.

Children can learn about gardening and how they can use this fun activity to volunteer in their community.

This six-week, one-hour course will meet at 4 p.m. Mondays, from March 5 through April 9, at the Quaker Meeting House at Greenmead Historical Park, 20501 Newburgh Road in Livonia. To become a junior master gardener, a child must attend all six classes and complete 10 hours of volunteer gardening for the community.

A parent or guardian must attend the classes with the child. The classes will cover soil, vegetables, houseplants, wildlife, flowers, trees, shrubs and lawns.

The cost of this course is $20 per child and will cover the cost of the junior master gardener notebook, classroom supplies, a T-shirt and newsletter.

Maximum class size will be 20 students. Deadline for registration is Tuesday, Feb. 20.

Registration forms are at the Livonia Public Libraries. Site coordinators are master gardeners June Brown and Angie Wilkie.

For additional information, call 734-427-9658.

GARDENING CALENDAR

Does your garden club have an upcoming event or meeting you want publicized? 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 CLUBS

LIVONIA

Bette Pool, a member and past president of the Farmington Garden Club, will discuss "Water Gardening" at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 6, at the Livonia Senior Center, 33000 Civic Center, near Farmington and Five Mile roads. Visitors are welcome.

FLORAL STUFF

ARRANGEMENTS

Several workshops are scheduled at Keller & Stein Florist and Greenhouse, 42158 Michigan in Canton. Reservations are needed for the workshops.

Each workshop costs $10 per person, and is non-refundable.

Classes are scheduled at 10 a.m. and 2 p.m.

The classes include a silk spring flower arrangement workshop, Saturday, Feb. 24, and herbal workshop, Saturday, March 17. Call (734) 397-0800.

LEARNING

MORE GARDENING

The Michigan School of Gardening, 29429 Six Mile, in Livonia offers a variety of subjects. Register in advance. Classes are limited in size. Weekly classes usually are scheduled for 9:30 a.m., while evening courses begin at 6:30 p.m. Classes listed here will be taught at the Livonia facility. Here is a list of some of the classes, some of which require prerequisite courses or experience:

Landscape Design, six morning sessions starting Tuesday, Feb. 20, and includes one Saturday, or seven evening sessions; Growing Vegetables, scheduled for three Wednesdays in mornings or evenings, starting Wednesday, Feb. 21. Propagation: Secrets for Making More Plants, scheduled for three Thursdays in morning or evenings, starting Feb. 22. Pruning Trees and Shrubs will be taught on two Mondays, starting March 19. Growing Fruit Trees, Shrubs and Fruiting Vines presented on two Wednesdays, March 14 and 21 and one Saturday, March 17. Garden Maintenance Workshop taught for four Wednesdays starting on March 28.

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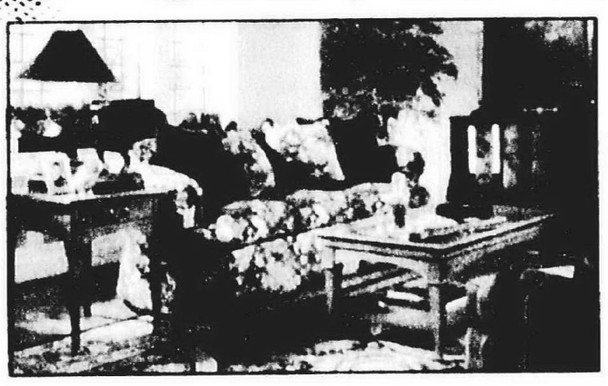

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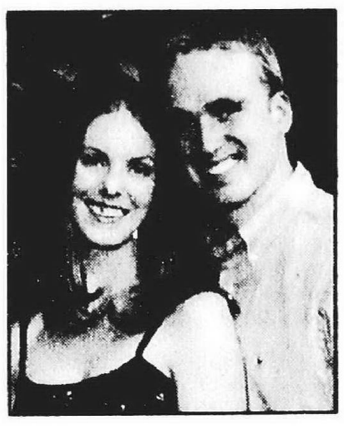


Thomas and Diane Zaharion of Battle Creek announce the engagement of their daughter, Amy Elizabeth Zaharion of Troy, to Jeffrey Alan Helner of Royal Oak.

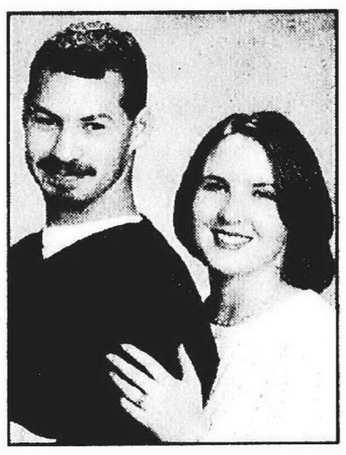
The bride-to-be is a 1996 graduate of Harper Creek High School and graduated from Michigan State University in 2000 with a degree in human resources. She works for General Motors Corporation - Global Human Resources in Warren.

Her fiancé, son of Alphonsus and Kathleen Helner of Livonia, is a 1995 graduate of Detroit Catholic Central and a 2000 graduate of Michigan State University where he earned his degree in mechanical engineering. He works for Daimler-Chrysler Corporation as a vehicle engineer in Auburn Hills.

The couple met at Michigan State University during their freshman year. After a four month study abroad trip to Germany, Jeff returned home to surprise Amy on her birthday with an engagement ring. He proposed in the Botanical Gardens on the campus of Michigan State.

A September wedding is planned at First Presbyterian Church in Battle Creek.

Gentry-Droz



David and Myra Gentry of Plymouth announce the engagement of their daughter, Heather Marie, to Brian Andrew Droz of Lake Zurich, Ill.

The bride-to-be is a 1994 graduate of Plymouth Salem High School and a 1999 graduate of Eastern Michigan University. She works for Child's Voice in Elmhurst, Ill. as a teacher for the hearing-impaired.

Her fiancé, son of John and Gwen Droz of West Palm Beach, Fla., is a 1993 graduate of Park Tudor School in Indianapolis and a 1997 graduate of Knox College in Galesburg, Ill.

He works at Abbott Laboratories in Waukegan, Ill. as a validation scientist.

A June wedding is planned at the Dearborn Inn gazebo.

WEDDINGS & ANNIVERSARIES

Schaar

John D. and Betty J. (Campbell) Schaar of Canton are celebrating their anniversary this month. The couple wed Feb. 3, 1943 at a Methodist minister's home. They have lived in the area for 30 years.

The Schaar's have two children, John D. Schaar Jr. of Auburn, Calif. and Julie A. Skrent of Livonia. John works as an engineer and head of Brothers Construction in Calif. Julie works in blood gases at Garden City Hospital.

The Schaar's have four grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

John Schaar worked for 48 years for the Det-Times and the Detroit Free Press in Detroit. He retired in 1988. Betty Schaar was a housewife.

The couple now spends time taking care of their two horses, home and surrounding grounds. They own five acres of land.

To celebrate the occasion, the Schaar's plan to have dinner with their daughter, her husband Bill Skrent and their grandson Edmund.

Zocher-Gallagher

Sara Gallagher and Jay Zocher were married July 1 at First United Methodist Church in Ann Arbor.

The bride is the daughter of Sylvia and Edward Gallagher of Rochester Hills. She is a graduate of Adams High School and the University of Michigan. She is currently working on a master's degree in social work.

The groom is the son of Lois and Gerald Zocher of Wausau, Wis. He is a graduate of Wausau West High School, and GMI Engineering & Management Institute. He is a safety engineer at DaimlerChrysler Corp.

A reception was held at Barton Hills Country Club in Ann Arbor, after which the couple honeymooned in the U.S. Virgin Islands.

The newlyweds are making their home in Canton.

Brunett-Coffin

Bill and Joan Brunett of Lake Orion announce the marriage of their daughter, Christine Marie, to Mark Alan Coffin of Dearborn.

The bride earned her bachelor's degree from Western Michigan University in criminal justice. She earned a teaching certificate from Eastern Michigan University.

Her husband, son of (the late) Al and Connie Coffin, attended Wayne, Washtenaw and Schoolcraft Colleges. He is a certified firefighter and licensed paramedic. He is currently a lieutenant with the Northland Police Department.

The couple wed Oct. 7, at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Lake Orion before Archbishop Alex Brunett and the Rev. John Phalen.

The bride was attended by Kimberly Poli, Peggy Suwinski, Jill Brunett and Michele Thompson. The flower girls were Madison Poli and Emily Brunett.

The groom was attended by James White, Ron Race, Peter Brunett and Dean Poli. Ring bearers were Nicholas Poli, Connor Poli and Joshua Brunett.

The couple received guests at Addison Oaks in Leonard and took a two-week trip to Hawaii. They have made their home in Dearborn.

NEW ARRIVALS

■ **Brian** and **Libbie Scott** of Livonia announce the birth of their son **Dillon Scott** born Jan. 6 at Garden City Hospital. Grandparents are Cathy and Jeff, Annette and Dan and Denise and Ron of Livonia.

■ **Mark Neiger** and **Laura Hopp** of Livonia announce the birth of their son **Chad Edward** born Jan. 6 at Garden City Hospital. Chad joins siblings Cody, 4; and Stephanie, 8. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Edward Happ of Redford and Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Neiger of Garden City.

■ **Stuart** and **Sandra Selewski** of Canton announce the birth of their daughter **Samantha Ann** born Jan. 9 at Garden City Hospital. Samantha joins brothers Gregory Stuart, 7; and Jeffrey Steven, 5. Grandparents are Joseph and Mary Kelley of Dearborn and Raymond and Ruth Selewski of Dearborn Heights.

■ **Scott** and **Nicole Zessin** of Garden City announce the birth of their son **Justin Scott** born Jan. 9 at Garden City Hospital. Grandparents are Jim Zessin of Florala, Alabama and Richard and Kitty Pachucki of Orlando, Florida.

■ **Matthew** and **Lucinda Smith** of Canton announce the birth of their daughter **Melina Ariel** born Jan. 9 at Garden City Hospital. Melina joins siblings Samantha, 8, Hunter Smith, 2; and Anthony, 8, and Karisa Wilson, 5. Grandparents are Glenn Smith of Detroit, Roxanne McNulty of Novi and Lucian and Carolyn Wilson of Westland.

■ **Jamie Morden** and **Paul White** of Wayne announce the birth of their son **Damian Timothy White** born Jan. 9 at Garden City Hospital. Grandparents are Marla Barbour of Westland and Jim Lyon of Westland and Michele and James Woodruff of Wayne.

■ **Pary J** and **Christen N. Stacy** of Redford announce the birth of their daughter Shadow Leigh Stacy born Jan. 10 at Garden City Hospital. Grandparents are Parker Stacy of Redford and Gary Stacy of Rogue River, Oregon.

■ **Heidi LeAnn Wilson** and **Steven Wayne Milam** of Garden City announce the birth of their daughter **Alexis Kierra Rose Wilson** born Jan. 12 at Garden City Hospital. Grandparents are Robert and Kathy Wilson of Garden City, Valerie McLeod of Garden City and Connie Denney of Garden City.

■ **Kevin** and **Keri Mueller** of Redford announce the birth of twins **Olivia Grace** and **Collin Matthew** born Jan. 1 at the University of Michigan Hospital - Ann Arbor. Grandparents are Rainer and Sandy Mueller of Plymouth and Nils and Donna Peterson of Plymouth.

■ **April** and **Arthur Curtis III** of Westland announce the birth of their son **Jesse Dylan** born Dec. 23, 2000 at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital in Ann Arbor. Jesse joins siblings Arthur IV, 24; Nicole, 17; Steven, 10; and Matthew, 8. Grandparents are The late Arthur II and Joanne Curtis of Farmington, Larry and Connie Williams of Plymouth, and Bill and Joanne Newland of Ovid. Great-grandparents are Bill and Wilma Kindred of Dickson, Tenn., Chester and Nell Williams of Dickson, Tenn., the late Blanche M. Hayes of Plymouth, the late Arthur Sr. and Harriet Curtis of Dearborn, and the late John and Helen Walsh of Detroit.

FUND-RAISING & BENEFITS

AUCTION BENEFITS DIABETES

A celebration of merriment and jest will be held Feb. 24 at the Dearborn Inn. The ninth annual "Stars At Your Service Gala" is a fun and profitable event named after the stars of the evening ... the waiters. The waiters are community and civic leaders who will serve family, friends and colleagues to earn "tips" for the American Diabetes Association. Other highlights are a silent auction. Tickets can be purchased up until Feb. 24. Only 500 tickets will be sold. Call (888) DIABETES (342-2383).

ST. MATTHEW AUCTION

St. Matthew Lutheran Church Ministries of Westland is hosting their 2nd Annual Dinner and Benefit Auction Saturday, Feb. 24 at Burton Manor (27777 Schoolcraft Road, Livonia). Doors open at 5:30 p.m. and a

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REUNIONS

As space permits, the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers print, without charge, announcements of class reunions. Send the information to Reunions, Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150. Please include the date of the reunion and the first and last name of at least one contact person, and a telephone number.

FARMINGTON HIGH

■ Class of 1961

Farmington High School Class of 1961 is holding a 40-year reunion on Aug. 4 at the Best Western Executive Hotel & Suites, Orchard Lakes and 12 Mile Road in Farmington Hills. E-mail johnhelgren@aol.com or call Pam Overton Makouske at (248) 391-7534. If you've moved and we've missed you. Don't miss it.

■ Class of 1971

A 30-year reunion is planned for Saturday, July 21 at Baker's of Milford. Call Mary Goodhue (810) 735-5296; Susan (Moss) Walker (248) 628-4295 or visit www.geocities.com/re71union

FERNDALE

■ Class of 1971

A reunion is being planned for **Sept. 29 at the Fox and Hounds** in Bloomfield Hills. Call **Reunions Made Easy (248) 592-9565.**

FITZGERALD HIGH

■ Class of 1961

The Fitzgerald High School (Warren) class of 1961 has planned a reunion for fall of 2001. *Call Jeanie (Evans) (810) 758-6535 or e-mail jeaniecski@aol.com*

FORDSON - DEARBORN

■ Class of 1971

A reunion is planned for Saturday, June 23 at the Park Place in Dearborn. Graduates who

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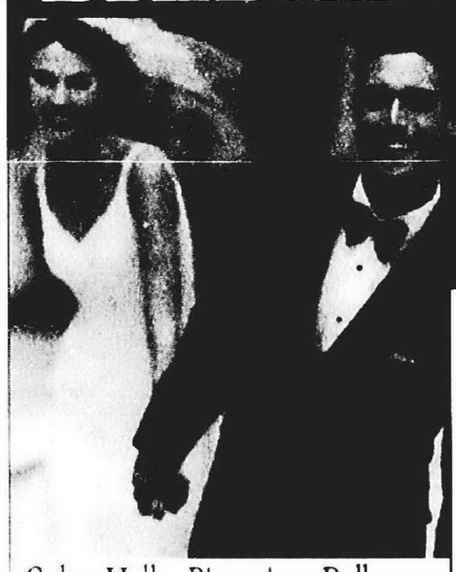

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Resolve to learn what life is about

Every new year, people make resolutions. Strange ideas intended to make one's life better, easier, or to improve health. Of course, by the end of February, they are long forgotten and part of the past. It's almost as if resolutions are an unwritten tradition that the entire population must participate in, whether they want to or not.

But this year, I made a few unconventional resolutions of my own, to improve my life and make me a better person. They are really more of ideals, that every person should hear.

This year, I want to cherish my friends and family. This past year has made me realize how much I take people and the precious moments of each day for granted. It's possible that my best friends and family might not be around tomorrow, and I'd never again have the chance to appreciate them. I need to realize every moment for how special it is, and value every second that I spend with the people I love.

I also want to see the world through the eyes of children. I need to learn how to laugh, enjoy life, and have fun in everything that I do. Children know how to do these things. A child's life is simple and carefree. They don't let stress drive them crazy, or the words of others get them down. They just smile, laugh, and have fun. They also understand that it's the simplest things that make life special. A smile from a stranger, a laugh shared with friends, the words "I love you." If I open my eyes to the world of children, perhaps my world will become a happier and more loving place.

My final plan is to learn what love truly is. At 16 years old, I have no idea of what true, unending love is. I look at my parents, who have been together since they were high school sweethearts, and wonder if that type of love is possible for every person to obtain. From what I'm told, it is.

A new year means new beginnings, a chance to correct mistakes, and to learn from the ones made in the year earlier. My plan is to do just that, and make my life and myself completely happy.

I want to learn what life is really about. Things like love, appreciation and laughter are what makes life exciting and fun. And because if I can learn a few small things this year, then I have plenty to look forward to in the new years to come.

Alyssa Trefney is a student at Franklin High School in Livonia. She is a Westland resident.

FRIDAY'S Child

The HomeTown Life staff of the Observer Newspapers wants your suggestions for a feature called Friday's Child.

The old verse "Friday's child is loving and giving" is the basis for an ongoing profile we plan to run to recognize the contributions of children who measure up to the childhood adage.

If you know of a student who volunteers at a nursing home, collects pennies for the Muscular Dystrophy Association, gives toys to a shelter or acts unselfishly in some way for the benefit of others, we want to hear about them.

The profiles will run on the first Thursday of the month in the HomeTown Life section. Please share with us the ways in which the nominee is "loving and giving" either by calling, faxing or e-mailing us the information.

Include the child's name and age; how you feel he or she lives up to being a "Friday's Child;" and your phone number or e-mail address where we can reach you for information. One child will be profiled each month from the pool of nominees we receive. The child must reside in Westland, Plymouth, Plymouth Township, Canton, Redford, Livonia or Garden City in order to be eligible and should be 18 years old or younger.

Call Kimberly Mortson, HomeTown Life editor, (734) 953-2131; write Observer Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI 48150; fax (734) 591-7279; e-mail kmortson@oe.homecomm.net

Auction supports art, technology

■ The March 31 'aloha' themed fund-raiser – for New Morning School in Plymouth next month – will mark the 25th anniversary of this popular event.

BY KIMBERLY A. MORTSON
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New Morning School executive director Elaine Yagiela can't believe March will mark the 25th anniversary of the school's annual fund-raising auction.

"We're proud to be one of the oldest nonprofit auctions in the area. It's hard to believe that we started over two decades ago to plan successful auctions. They've gotten better each year," said Yagiela.

From a few thousand dollars 25 years ago to a record $130,000 raised in 2000, the cooperative school designates the money to supplement its operating budget (salaries, tuition, supplies, field trips) and for projects such as the 2000 Playground Fund.

■ The most lively bidding at the 2000 auction was over a quilt the preschool classes created, Davinich said.

"We had an extremely successful auction last year," said George Davinich, director of development at NMS. "It's the most money we've ever raised."

Approximately $12,000 of the money generated from last year's fund-raising was spent on outdoor recreational equipment. Students are now enjoying a basketball court, soccer field, climbers and swing sets thanks to donors who supported the "Festival of Fools" auction.

"This year we hope to focus our attention on the arts and technology fund," said Davinich. "The fund-raising also helps us to make tuition affordable."

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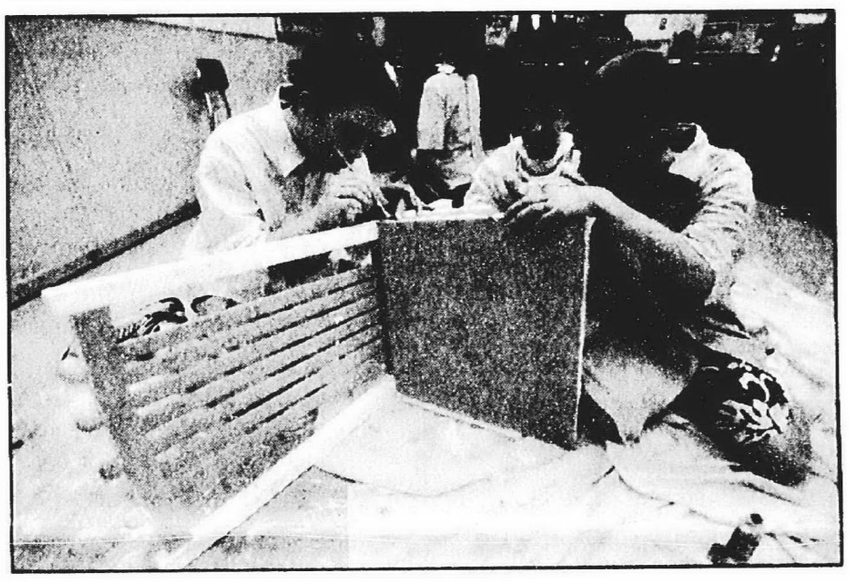

Artists in residence: *New Morning School students Emily Kolb, 13, (above left) and Becky Burean, 13, put the finishing touches on one of the hand-painted chairs they are creating for the auction. Rob Guglielmo, 13 (left), Alex Freitag, 14, and Jesse Zrull, 12, work as a team to paint the design on the side of their wooden chair. Preschool, primary, elementary and middle school students work on their projects every Friday. In the past, some of the most competitive bidding was for handmade items by students.*

Golden apple

According to Davinich, New Morning School on Haggerty Road in Plymouth, is unique to the community.

"It's the only parent cooperative in the state of Michigan. Through the Piagét method — an individual approach to teaching — our graduates are received in the community quite well. They know how to plan, organize and follow up. The auction enables us to keep producing high caliber students."

Reservations are now being accepted for the March 31, "Aloha 25th Anniversary Auction" at Burton Manor in Livonia. Decorations, hors d'oeuvres, a sit-down dinner and an open bar will embrace a Hawaiian theme according to Kristine Blair, auction chair who started working at NMS in August.

One lucky raffle ticket winner will go home with the first prize of an all-inclusive trip to Hawaii for two (airfare and meals included). Second prize is $500 cash and five winners will be drawn for the third prize of $100 each. Raffle tickets are $25 each and you need not be present to win.

The live auction will be presented by Dan Stall Inc. Silent and premier-silent auction tables will be set up throughout the event. According to Blair big-ticket items that are sure to draw some spirited bidding include an autographed Alex Delvecchio Red Wings jersey, gas grill, DELL laptop computer, several golf trips, a playhouse and creative merchandise designed by New Morning Schools students.

Competitive bids

Davinich said the most lively bidding at the 2000 auction was over a quilt the preschool classes created.

"I think it sold for $6,000," said Davinich.

Chairs painted by the middle school students will undoubtedly be a crowd favorite this year. Preschool, primary, elementary and middle school students spend every Friday afternoon working on their projects for the auction.

"The auction is a night to go out and have an adult evening," said Blair. "It's a dressy event and very popular for our parents who work very hard volunteering at the school everyday."

The Aloha auction's success can be credited to the countless hours the eight-member auction-core committee has donated to planning and securing items for bids. "They're overseeing the entire event," said Davinich. "The executive committee is responsible for oversight."

Because this is a milestone anniversary for the school's auction, past chairs of the event have been invited back to the March 31 fund-raiser. "It was a lot smaller when many of them worked on the auction so they'll notice a lot of changes," said Blair.

What hasn't changed however, is the goal of raising money to further the academic progress students continue to attain. The arts and technology fund, where a percentage of the fund-raising will be channeled, will allow the school to initiate Web-based art research. Davinich said they are also looking at several grants that might lead to the hiring of a technology teacher and the acquisition of additional computer equipment. "That would be a good plus for the school and the students," said Davinich.

NEW MORNING SCHOOL AUCTION

Who: New Morning School (14501 Haggerty), Plymouth.
Leadership: Executive Director Elaine Yagiela and Director of Development George Davinich.
What: Aloha - 25th Annual Anniversary Auction.
Where: Laurel Manor (39000 Schoolcraft), Livonia.
When: 5 p.m. to midnight Saturday, March 31.
Tickets: $60 per person (advance registration required) includes hors d'oeuvres, seated dinner and open bar.
Reservations: To make a reservation or donate items to be auctioned, call Kristine Blair, auction chairwoman, (734) 420-3331.

Elementary students take $1 million challenge

BY KIMBERLY A. MORTSON
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■ Nearly half of Kevin Learned's class chose to either buy or build houses. Spending nearly half of the million dollars on the home alone. Other amenities included swimming pools, jacuzzis, gazebos, appliances, etc.

"If I had a million dollars I'd buy you a ..."
— The Barenaked Ladies

What would you buy if you had a million dollars?

Stephanie Jones, a fifth grader at Eriksson Elementary School in Canton, planned her wedding at the Grand Hotel on Mackinac Island. She calculated the price of her wedding dress, tuxedos and a horsedrawn carriage — but it was the cost of the reception that shocked the Canton fifth grader the most.

"It costs a lot of money to get married there," said Jones.

She was just one of the students in four fifth-grade classes that participated in the project.

The assignment: Come as close as you can to spending $1 million — without going over — and track the data through pie charts and percentage graphs.

According to Eriksson teacher Kevin Learned the project is something every fifth-grader in the school district tackled this winter. While he believes his class spent more time on the concept than most, the project is a component of the Plymouth-Canton School District's new mathematics program — "Everyday Math."

Approximately 96 students at Eriksson combined math, social studies and computer technology to keep track of how they spent $1 million dollars. "They did a great job," said Learned.

Spending the money

The students' choices ranged from building a home and traveling around the country in a limousine to opening a video arcade and managing a recording studio.

"We had to show evidence of what we bought," said Jenell McInerney, "so Mr. Learned knew how we spent the money."

"We kept track of every detail like an inventory," added Lindsay Poremba who decided to build and furnish a home.

Many of the students found the project to be a reality check, and were surprised at the cost of living. "I bought a house and farm. I thought the house was going to cost $500," said Amanda Emmons, one of Learned's students. "It cost more like $50,000." Amanda also used her money to furnish her Montana ranch/home and buy pigs and chickens.

Fifth grader Maxine Burston who chose to open a recording studio, thought an appropriate salary for her employees would be $200 a year.

Hoping to spread his wealth among his friends and family, Jon Giove chose to buy an RV and travel around the United States with his family, friends and his teacher Mr. Learned. He made sure to include a trip to Disney in his plans.

Other students

Students Colin Beney and C.J. Gregory traveled. Colin bought two limousines and traveled from Michigan south on I-75 to Florida with eight of his friends and his parents. His entourage stayed at Disney's Wyndham Palace and he splurged on a 10-carat yellow diamond for his mom with a price tag of $125,000.

Beney's project coincided with a family trip he recently took to Florida. He said he also recorded a video in all the states they stopped in as part of his project.

His classmate C.J., took a trip around the world and also thought of his mom when he bought her a Swiss grandfather clock worth $150,000. His adventure also included stops in China to see the Great Wall, Brazil, the Rainforest in the Amazon, Australia and Africa.

Nearly half of Learned's class chose to either buy or build houses. Spending nearly half of the million dollars on the home alone. Other amenities included swimming pools, jacuzzis, gazebos, appliances, etc.

"I went to Hudson's and Encore to see how much furniture and fabric cost," said Brooke Staffeld who purchased a house in Northville Hills. She landscaped her property with a waterfall, deck, iron fence, rock wall and underground pool. The house alone cost $680,000. With utilities for a year, appliances, furniture, an interior designer, gardener and maid service it wasn't hard for her to spend all her money.

"I called Merry Maid to find out how much a maid would cost and Pool World about an underground pool," said Staffeld, 11.

The four Eriksson teachers whose students completed the program included Kevin Learned, Donna Jeziorski, Carol Biro and Colleen Lacey.

"We were really impressed with the length at which the students documented their spending," said Learned. "I'm really proud of them."

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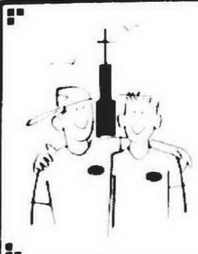

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Reunions *from page C4*

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Fund-raising *from page C4*

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The 12th Annual Bowling Bonanza will be held Saturday, March 3 at Cloverlanes Bowl in Dearborn to benefit the Alzheimer's Association (Detroit Area Chapter). there will be door and incentive prizes for top pledge collectors. Call (248) 557-8277 to register.

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Providence Health Foundation "Friends' Ball" will be held at 6 p.m. Saturday, March 24 at the Ritz Carlton in Dearborn. Proceeds will benefit The Providence Caneer Institute and the emergency department. Textron, Inc. is the sponsor. Call Sherry Licata for reservations (248) 424-3087.

MOM TO MOM SALE
Newburg United Methodist Church (36500 Ann Arbor Trail) will host a Mom to Mom Sale from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, April 21. A clown will be on-hand to provide free face painting and balloon animals. Maternity through infant and pre-teen clothes, toys and furniture. Table renters get free lunch and child care. Bake sale. Hot dogs, chips, Kool Aid and coffee. Call (734) 422-0149.

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Wayne Tower (35200 Sims) in Wayne will host a rummage and bake sale from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. May 5. Open to the public. Call (734) 721-0660.

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Free Consultation, a $225 Value

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10% Off First Service

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10% Off 1st Months Tuition

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J.B. Prestige Cleaners on 5 Mile ..... Livonia
20% Off Dry Cleaning (No Other Coupons)

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Complimentary financial needs analysis

G & D Accounting (248)477-TAXX (8299) ..... Livonia
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10% Off Order $50 Min. Mention Code HE10

Bath & Kitchen Elegance (734) 326-7096 .....
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$15 Off Service Calls 734-522-1350

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10% Off All Materials Service/Store

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10% on All Labor, 15% Seniors

Horton Plumbing ..... Plymouth
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I Do Windows 313-927-4990 ..... Redford
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Kroll Window (734)422-4840 ..... Garden City
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LSDA Entrance Handle Reg. $139 now $114 734-422-1222

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Robert Oberstrom Construction Co. ..... Livonia
10% Savings on Home Improvement 734-421-6267

United Temperature ..... Livonia
Furnace Cleaning & Inspection $57.00

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$5.00 OFF a $50.00 Purchase (excluding tobacco & alcohol)

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2 Large Reg. Pizzas with 1 Item & Jumbo Bread $14.75

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Bucks Pastitsa ..... Livonia
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Leather Bottle Inn 20300 Farmington Rd. ..... Livonia
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McDonald's 2450 Dixie Hwy. ..... Waterford
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McDonald's 141 N. Telegraph ..... Waterford
Buy One Big Mac, Get One Free

McDonald's 220 N. Ann Arbor Rd. ..... Plymouth
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10% Discount Excluding Specials 734-326-6666

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Marquette House 28000 Campus Drive. ..... Westland
10% Off First Month Rent

Westland Convalescent Center 36137 W. Warren ... Westland
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Border Outlet 3500 Lilley 734-397-6326 ..... Canton
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10% Off Any Reg. Priced Merchandise (Excludes Labor)

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10% Off Any Purchase 734-459-696

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10% Off Purchase of $50 or More

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20% Off Storewide

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Save 10% on all books

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A&A Driving School 28911 Seven Mile Rd. 734-422-3000 . Livonia
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Bill & Rod's Appliance 734-425-2504 ..... Livonia
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Carmack Appliance (734)425-1700 ..... Garden City
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Free Checks with New Accounts & 1/4% off Loans

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Davos Appliance Repair 313-388-8884 ..... Redford
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Family Heating & Cooling 734-422-8000 ..... Garden City
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Hallel Cellular (734) 354-6000 ..... Plymouth
20% Off Accessories (Some Restrictions Apply)

International Minute Press 734-729-8481 ..... Westland
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Jane Dance Connection 313-563-1200 ..... Dearborn
50% Off Registration Fee

Just Wear It, Inc. (734) 422-6600 ..... Livonia
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Body Rocks Fitness & Racquet Club (734)591-1212 . Livonia
36600 Plymouth Rd. at Levan-Free one day visit with ad-One free visit per person, must show ID. Tanning Special 5 visits for $22.00

Bonanza Lanes ..... Warren
25¢ Off Ea. Game Daytime Weekdays. 50¢ Off Ea. Game Nighttime & Weekends All Day

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Electric Stick ..... Westland
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Embassy Suites Hotel (734) 462-8000 ..... Livonia
$89.00 Weekend Rate King Suite, Fri.-Sun. Based upon Availability

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Hartfield Lanes ..... Berkley
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K&S Pro Bowling Supply 45100 Ford Rd. ..... Canton
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Merri-Bowl ..... Livonia
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Olympian Chung Do Kwan 29460 Ford ..... Garden City
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Plum Hollow Lanes ..... Southfield
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Rollerama II ..... Brighton
Buy One Admission Get One Free (not Friday)

Skatin' Station II ..... Canton
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Sterling Lanes ..... Sterling Hgts.
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Super Bowl ..... Canton
20% Off Bowling Fee For Group

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RELIGION CALENDAR

TEAMKID
Merriman Road Baptist Church (2055 Merriman Road, Garden City) is a fun-filled, Bible-based club for kids from first through sixth grades. Meet at the church every Sunday from 4:45-7 p.m. for Bible stories, games, prizes and snacks. Call (734) 421-0472.

SALT MINE
Merriman Road Baptist Church (2055 Merriman Road, Garden City) would like to invite all youth in grades seven through twelve to come on Sunday nights at 4:45 p.m. for Salt Mine, a time of good music, great fellowship and Bible study. Call (734) 421-0472.

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 meets the first and third Thursday of each month at 7 p.m. at St. Matthew's United Methodist Church (30900 Six Mile Road) in Livonia. The group welcomes a guest speaker the first Thursday of every month and group support will be offered the third Thursday of the month. Call (734) 422-6038. Upcoming speakers include:

- March 1, Self Care quiz for grief, Sue Ann Daniel
- April 5, Dreams, Visions and Images, Rev. Phil Seymour
- May 7, Memories, Del McPherson

WEIGH DOWN WORKSHOP
Have you promised yourself you'll lose weight after the holidays? Join us at Weigh Down Workshop and learn to enjoy all foods without overeating. Give yourself a New Years gift — the beginning of permanent weight loss with God as your guide. Classes run from 7-9 p.m. Call Diane Gaubatz (734) 397-1986 or the church office (734) 459-0013.

BAPTIST MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER
Couples meet 7 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 15 at Southfield Hilton Garden Inn for a marriage retreat which continues through Saturday, Feb. 17. Cost $45. Call (248) 350-9019 for more information.

DINNER THEATER
A dinner theater is being presented by Praise Chapel at 7 p.m. Friday, Feb. 16 at the church, 36115 Plymouth Road (at Levan) in Livonia. Admission is a $25.00 donation per person. Everyone is welcome. Information and directions to the church are available by phone (734) 216-7454. Entertainment includes singing by Colleen and Paul Muench, Robin Schubert and Melony Hufford. A skit is being produced and directed by Nona Wilson.

THE CHAPELS
The New Revised Southern Gospel group The Chapels, will be in concert at Calvary Baptist Church (43065 Joy Road, Canton) at 6 p.m. Feb. 25. Admission is free. Call 455-0022.

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 weekends are Feb. 16-18 and March 16-18 at the St. John's Family Life Center (44011 Five Mile, Plymouth). There is a $50 registration fee. Call Bill and Carol (248) 528-2512 or Dan and Debbie at (810) 286-5524 or www.rc.net/detroit/wwme

GENEALOGY WORKSHOPS
The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints is sponsoring an evening of genealogy workshops at 7 p.m. Feb. 18. The workshops will be held at 33900 13-Mile Road (one-quarter mile west of Farmington). To help the community become aware of and learn to use many of the genealogical resources available through the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. All workshops are free of charge and open to the public. Topics include "Getting Started," "Using the Internet," and "LDS Resources."

ORGAN CONCERT
Ward Evangelical Presbyterian Church (40000 Six Mile Road, Northville) will host a free concert by Eugenio Fagiani at 3 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 18. Fagiani is an organist, composer, improviser, and musicologist with degrees in Organ and Composition from his native Italy. He currently holds the position of Titular Organist at St. Michael Church in Mapello. There he directs the XXth Century improvisation course at St. Michael's Academy in Bergamo and is Composer in Residence at the Bergamo Danza Ballet Company.

FALUN GONG
Universalist Unitarian Church of Farmington (25301 Halsted Road, north of Grand River) will welcome guest speaker Roger Hsiao Sunday, Feb. 18 to discuss the practice and philosophy of Falun Gong. The Chinese government is persecuting, imprisoning and executing followers of Falun Gong. Come learn more about this philosophy that blends Buddhism, Taoism and physical movement and why it poses such a threat to China's leaders. Those who are interested may attend a free session on Saturday at 1:30 p.m. at Schoolcraft Chinese School, or on Sunday at Roger's home from 1-3 p.m.. Maps will be available. Services, Sunday school, and nursery at 9 and 11 a.m. Call (248) 478-7272 or www.uufarmington.org

HANDBELL ENSEMBLE
Holy Trinity Lutheran Church (39020 Five Mile Road) Livonia is inviting the community to a concert featuring Susan Berry and the Detroit Handbell Ensemble at 7 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 18. The program will include music for bells, for bells and organ and congregational singing. Holy Trinity's own bell choir will also participate. There will be no charge for admission but a free will offering will be taken.

CARDIOVASCULAR RISKS
The Christ the King Lutheran (9300 Farmington Road) Men's Group is sponsoring an event in cooperation with St. Mary Mercy Hospital at 7 p.m. Feb. 20 to discuss cardiovascular risk factors (high blood pressure, diabetes, stroke, and heart disease). Presentation will take place in the King's Gathering Room. Call (734) 421-0749.

FAMILY/COMMUNITY HEALTH
St. Matthew United Methodist Church (30900 Six Mile, Livonia) will offer a free program at 7:30 p.m. Feb. 20 on diabetes. The speakers for this program will be Gerard Cain, representative of Glaxon-Smith Kline Pharmaceuticals and Bill Young from NovoNordisk Pharmaceuticals. Lear about diabetes, who is at risk, prevention and treatments. Call (734) 422-6038.

JOURNEY THROUGH GRIEF
Newburg United Methodist Church (36500 Ann Arbor Trail, Livonia) will be the host site of a "Journey Through Grief" program from 7-8:30 p.m. Feb. 21. Jacky Gatliff, director of Grief Support Services as Arbor Hospice will speak. The workshop is free. Call to pre-register (734) 422-0149.

CHORAL WORKSHOP
Ward Evangelical Presbyterian Church (40000 Six Mile Road) will host a choral workshop conducted by Jerry Blackstone free of charge Saturday, Feb. 24. Call (248) 374-5928. Blackstone is co-director of choirs and coordinator of the Conducting Department at the University of Michigan. Blackstone spends his summers conducting the U of M All-State High School Choir and Chamber Singers at the Interlochen Center for the Arts in northern Michigan. Currently he is directing the Michigan Youth Chamber Singers.

Chillin' in the cosmos

LES HARDIN

I'm not very scientific. The study of the empirical sciences runs in my family; my sister is a Ph.D. candidate at Georgia Tech in statistical engineering.

But when it comes to understanding science and physics you'd be better off talking to the average high-school freshman than me.

Looking for inspiration

I nearly flunked physics in high school and seminaries don't usually require a great deal of empirical science study for a theology degree. Nevertheless, I recently became bored on a Sunday afternoon (which is rare, being in ministry and having three toddlers in the house) and went to the local bookstore and acquired Stephen Hawking's classic, *A Brief History of Time*. For those of you who aren't familiar with Hawking, he's probably the most prolific physicist of our time, and is better known to those of you who are Simpson's fans as "that wheelchair guy."

I gotta be honest – I don't understand much of what I read there. Not because Hawking isn't a very well-written author. Quite the contrary, this book makes the theories of general relativity and quantum mechanics quite simple to understand. It's wormholes and time travel and quarks and black holes that I don't get. (This isn't a book review, I promise. I'm trying to set the stage for what's coming next).

Here's what fascinated me. You can't do any study of the universe and not get an overwhelming sense of, not only its complexity, but also its enormous breadth.

While many have postulated that our universe has boundaries, empirical science has not been able to detect them, and may never. (I'm not gonna hold my breath!)

Scripture tells us that all of this vast expanse that we call the universe is nothing more than God's canopy. "He wraps himself in light as with a garment; he stretches out the heavens as if they were a tent" (Psalm 104:2). The universe is God's playground, and the cosmos is full of his majesty.

God, hangin' out in the universe. Chillin' in the cosmos. It's a neat concept, and one that is supported by the corpus of Holy Writ. But I'll tell you what's even more fascinating. That this God, who fills both heaven and earth, would take such an interest in my well-being, minuscule as I am in his creation, that he would send his son to die for me and pay the ransom for my wrongdoing. Blows my mind!

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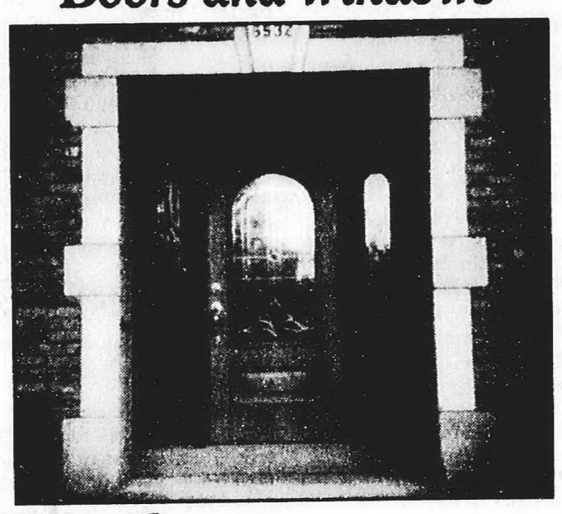

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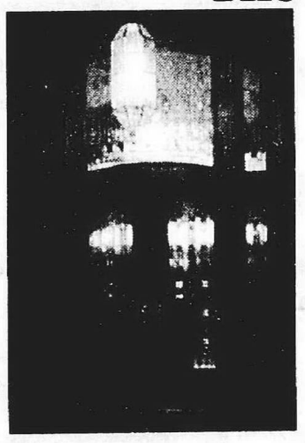

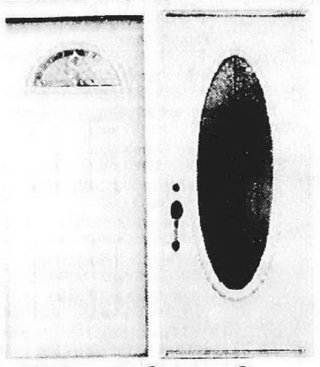

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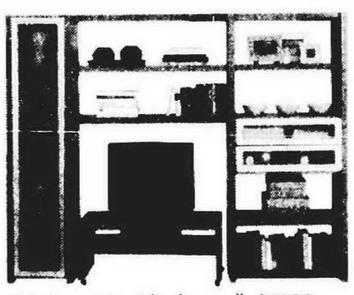

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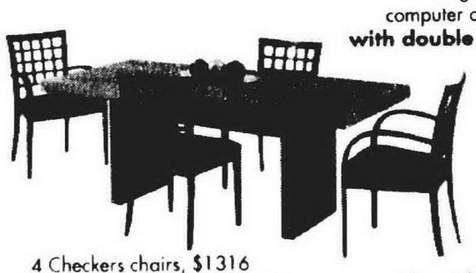

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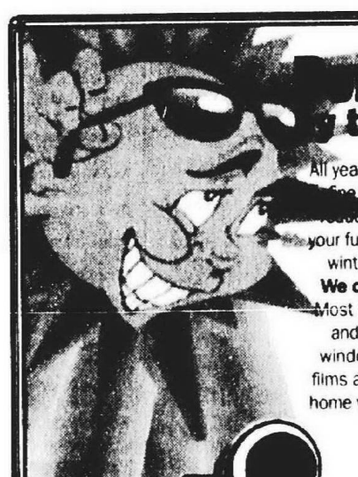

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Parade All-American

For the third time in her high school career, Plymouth Canton senior Anne Morrell has been named to the Parade All-American girls high school soccer team.

Morrell, a forward who has already committed to attend NCAA champion University of North Carolina, collected 39 goals and eight assists last spring and was named co-player of the year in the state as the Chiefs reached the state final.

Also named to Parade's All-America team was Livonia Stevenson senior Lindsay Gusick.

The team is selected coaches, scouts and recruiters, with the assistance of soccer organizations. A total of 39 players were chosen; California was the state with the most honorees with nine, followed by Michigan with four.

Player of the Week

Kathy Panganis, a junior forward on Madonna University's women's basketball team from Allen Park, has been named Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference player of the week.

Panganis averaged 24.5 points and 10 rebounds for the first-place Lady Crusaders, connecting on 19-of-28 shots from the floor (68 percent) and 10-of-11 free throws (91 percent).

For the season, Panganis is averaging a team-best 15.5 points per game. She also leads the Crusaders in free-throw shooting (78.1 percent) and she is second in rebounding (6.1).

Goalie of the Week

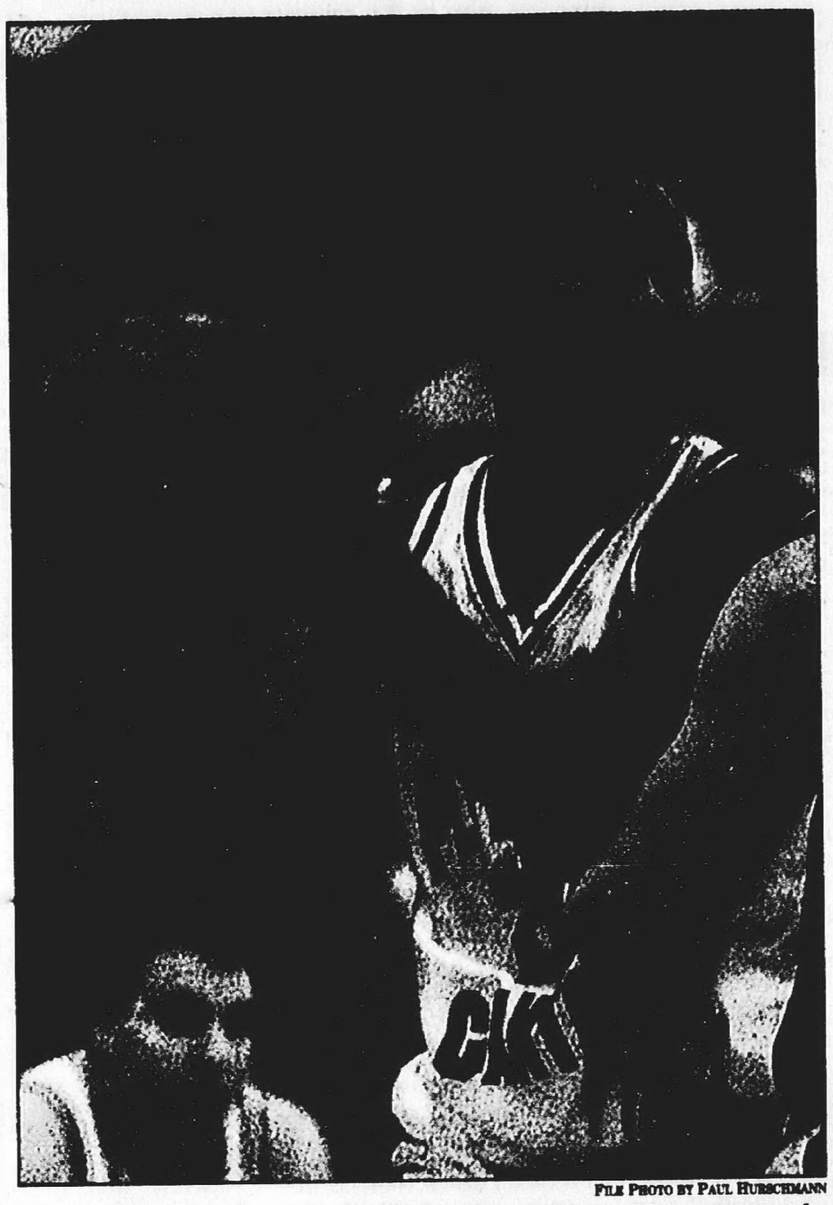
Chad Davis of the Compuware Ambassadors was named Goalie of the Week for the North American Hockey League after posting home-and-away wins against the Cleveland Barons last week. Davis registered 64 saves in the two wins.

The Allen Park native has a 17-6-2 record with a 2.79 goals-against average and a .903 save percentage.

A game worth remembering

Canton hangs on in upset of unbeaten W.L. Central

BASKETBALL



FILE PHOTO BY PAUL HURSCHMANN

Offensive leader: *Jerry Gaines (above) and Oliver Wolcott topped Canton against Central, each scoring 12 points. It was the Chiefs' tenacious defense that made the difference.*

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The determination factor.

In the end, that was decisive. Because in evaluating this game, there were precious few factors favoring Plymouth Canton when it went up against Western Lakes Activities Association rival Walled Lake Central Tuesday.

1. Canton was the home team.

2. Central had already clinched at least a tie for the WLAA title, so the Vikings motivation level wasn't high.

3. . . . well, there was no No. 3.

The Vikings had won 15-straight games, without a loss. They were 9-0 in the league. Canton, on the other hand, had dropped three of its previous four games and was losing ground rapidly after residing among the top teams in the conference for most of the season.

Figure into that equation Central's superior size and inside game, together with Canton's problems scoring consistently, and the final estimate is it would take a massive effort by the Chiefs to pull off the upset.

That's what they got. Swarming defense and an effort that earned them equality on the boards delivered a 47-42 victory to Canton, easily the biggest win in first-year coach Jeremy Rheault's career.

Canton is 7-9 overall, 6-4 in the WLAA. Central is 15-1 overall, 9-1 in the conference.

"They outplayed us, in every phase of the game," said Central coach Bob Shoemaker. "Every player.

"At least our guys stuck together. They were collectively bad."

Shoemaker figured one element that worked against his Vikings was their clinching a WLAA title. However, that's not quite accurate; it's true Central has guaranteed itself the top seed in the upcoming WLAA Tournament, but should it lose to Livonia Stevenson Friday and Farmington beats Westland John Glenn, they would officially be co-champs.

Canton could be seeded No. 4 or No. 5 in the WLAA Tournament, depending what Walled Lake Western and Plymouth Salem (both 7-3) do Friday.

So while Tuesday's game offered little incentive to Central, it's outcome wasn't going to make a big difference to the Chiefs as far as the tournament was concerned. But it could make a difference emotionally.

Enter the determination factor.

"This is what we've been working for all year," said an obviously pleased Rheault. "I hope this really sets the tone for the way we can play."

It was apparent from the start that Canton was on its game. The Chiefs hit 5-of-10 shots from the floor in the first quarter and led 13-8 after one, using a variety of pressure defenses but keeping the offensive pace slow. They forced six Central turovers in that opening quarter and 21 for the game.

The Vikings did battle back in the second period, but they hardly asserted themselves offensively — for the half, they were a meager 5-for-15 from the floor (33 percent), but they made 7-of-11 free throws in the second quarter to tie it at 19-all at the half.

Central's best chance to take command in this game came at the end of the third quarter, when Justin Spencer knotted the score with a three-pointer with 40 seconds left and then Mark

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Realignment

WLAA will expand to 12 teams

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For the first time since 1985, the landscape is changing in the Western Lakes Activities Association.

On Feb. 5, the 12 principals from the WLAA voted unanimously to expand the league to 15 schools with the inclusion of Wayne Memorial from the Michigan Mega Conference, along with two new schools set to open in the fall of 2002, Plymouth High School and Walled Lake Northern.

"The WLAA constitution only allows for membership consideration for those schools whose district has a current affiliation with the league," said Walled Lake Central principal David Barry, who serves as the league president. "All three schools submitted a letter of application last fall and it was reviewed under the constitutional by-laws. We also had another school not affiliated with our member districts apply, but that request was denied."

The Observer learned the school denied entry was Ann Arbor Huron.

POSSIBLE WLAA FOOTBALL ALIGNMENT

DIVISION I
Farm. Hills Harrison (1,050)
Livonia Stevenson (2,044)
Westland John Glenn (2,198)
Walled Lake Western (1,979)
Walled Lake Central (1,754)

DIVISION II
Northville (1,388)
Plymouth Canton (2,484)
Plymouth Salem (2,484)
Farmington (1,196)
Wayne Memorial (1,867)

DIVISION III
Livonia Franklin (1,552)
Livonia Churchill (1,989)
North Farmington (1,261)
Walled Lake Northern (TBD)
Plymouth High (TBD)

Since 1985, the WLAA has consisted of 12 schools broken down into a pair of divisions.

The Lakes Division consists of Walled Lake Central, Livonia Stevenson, Plymouth Salem, Farmington, North Farmington and Westland John Glenn.

Western Division members include Walled Lake Western, Plymouth Canton, Livonia Churchill, Livonia Franklin, Northville and Farmington Hills Harrison.

Wayne Memorial's inclusion may come as the biggest surprise. The school has competed in the 28-school mostly Wayne County conglomerate league known as the Michigan Mega since the 1993-94 school year. Wayne had a five-year commitment to the Mega under the advisement of the Office of Civil Rights.

Wayne, however, was split from its sister school of the Wayne-Westland School District John Glenn.

"The addition of the two new schools gave us a sense of obligation and duty to take care of its own districts," Barry said. "Had not Wayne been part of the same district as Glenn, they probably would not have been invited."

Wayne officials confirmed the move is imminent.

"I have not heard anything official yet, but it will probably happen," Wayne athletic director Bill Hawley said. "We're the only district around with schools in divided leagues.

"Both are good leagues. There's nothing wrong with our

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Chiefs take 3rd, Rocks 4th

WLAA WRESTLING

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It figured to be a tough battle anyway, but when Plymouth Canton came up short a couple of starters and had a few others in "questionable health," according to coach John Demsick, the Chiefs' chances of capturing the Western Lakes Activities Association championship shrunk considerably.

Northville, the only team to defeat Canton in a regular-season dual meet, swept to a relatively easy victory at Saturday's WLAA Wrestling Tournament, scoring 228 points. The Chiefs' ammunition was depleted enough to allow Walled Lake Western, a team they had beaten 49-24 in a January dual meet, to edge them by a point for second place. *See statistical summary.*

In fourth behind Canton was Plymouth Salem.

"We have a lot of confidence in our guys," said Demsick. "We felt we could have won with the guys we took. We ended up with five guys in the finals, (but) with only two more going for third/fourth consolations, compared to our normal 10 or 11 guys in the finals and consolations.

"You don't win tournaments with only seven guys in the finals (and consolations). Northville did what it had to do. We definitely messed up in some places and are definitely disappointed, but we still believe in our guys."

The Chiefs had just one champion: Greg Musser, who emerged with the title in the 140-pound division. Musser defeated Livonia Stevenson's Matt Radley 8-3 in the championship bout.

Four others lost in the title match: Doy Demsick at 125, Scott McKee at 171, Phil Rothwell at 189 and Derek McWatt at

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NO BOUNDARIES

Ocelots stay on title course

Guard Derrick Bird scored 24 points and grabbed eight rebounds Saturday, leading the Schoolcraft College men's basketball team to a 111-67 victory at Delta.

Schoolcraft improved to 22-2 overall and 12-1 in the Eastern Conference of the Michigan Community College Athletic Association. Delta fell to 5-18 and 4-9.

Sam Hoskin added 20 points for the victorious Ocelots, who led 48-30 at halftime. Keanan Weir and Dwight Windom chipped in with 15 and 12, respectively.

Windom snared a team-high 13 rebounds, while point-guard Dave McGlown had seven assists.

Schoolcraft shot 65 percent from the field and 17 of 23 from the foul line. Delta was 29 of 57 from the floor and 11 of 19 from the free throw stripe.

Roy Davis scored 22 points to pace Delta.

MEN'S BASKETBALL

Spring Arbor 81, Madonna 46: When Madonna University can't shoot, when it can't score, it won't be capable of beating anybody.

Last Saturday against visiting Spring Arbor, the Crusaders had just seven first-half baskets, converting 7-of-32 (21.9 percent). They were 0-for-7 from three-point range in those first 20 minutes. And they were trailing the Cougars, 45-17.

It didn't get much better in the second half. Still playing without leading scorer Mike Massey, out with an ankle injury, Madonna had just one player reach double figures in scoring in the lopsided loss.

The Crusaders fell to 8-20 for the season, 3-9 in the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference. Spring Arbor improved to 9-20 overall, 4-8 in the WHAC.

Aaron Cox led Madonna with 15 points; he also had four steals. Next best was John Bennett (from Livonia Churchill) with nine points; he had two steals.

Spring Arbor was paced by Rob Salisbury with 20 points and seven rebounds. Jesse Whintly had 18 points and five steals, and Ryan Walter collected 12 points.

Spring Arbor went from a 5-4 lead three minutes into the game to a 41-11 advantage — a 36-7 run — with 3:38 left in the half. The closest the Crusaders got in the second half was 23 points.

The Cougars outrebounded Madonna, 42-36, and hit 34-of-51 floor shots (66.7 percent). Madonna was 16-of-61 (26.2 percent) from the field.

Madonna's back in 1st; SC loses to Delta in OT

WOMEN'S HOOPS

A big first-half cushion was supplemented by a strong performance at the free throw line by Madonna University's women's basketball team, which held off Spring Arbor for a 90-84 victory Saturday in Spring Arbor.

The win lifted the Lady Crusaders into first place in the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference with a 9-3 record; they are 14-11 overall. Cornerstone College is a game behind at 8-4, and then there's a five-team logjam in third, all at 6-6.

Madonna, which played at last-place Siena Heights last night, concludes its WHAC regular-season schedule at home Saturday against Aquinas College. Cornerstone plays at Concordia Saturday.

Four players reached double figures in scoring to lead the Crusaders against Spring Arbor. Kristi Fiorenzi (from Plymouth Canton HS) led the way with 22 points; she also had two steals.

Kathy Panganis, named WHAC player of the week — the second Crusader be so honored in the last three weeks — poured in 16 points, grabbed 14 rebounds and made three steals.

Carissa Gizicki also sparkled with 15 points, six rebounds, eight assists and two steals, and Lori Enfield contributed 10 points on 4-for-4 shooting.

Spring Arbor was led by Michelle Robson with 23 points, Kristin Dankert with 22 and Portia Reilly with 13 and seven rebounds.

Madonna built a 49-33 lead by halftime, then kept it in the second half by converting 20-of-28 free throws (71.4 percent). For the game, the Crusaders made 27-of-36 at the line (75 percent); Spring Arbor was 7-of-16 (43.8 percent).

Delta 84, SC 81 (OT): Yes, Schoolcraft College had a couple of chances to win this pivotal game in the Michigan Community College Athletic Association's Eastern Conference, played Saturday at Delta.

Problem was, Delta CC had a lot more of them — 46 to be precise, because there were nine times SC Lady Pioneers went to the free throw line, converting 36 of them (78.3 percent). SC was 10-of-17 (58.8 percent).

That offset the Lady Ocelots' advantage in floor shooting. They made 33-of-74 (44.6 percent) compared to Delta's 28-of-74 (31.1 percent).

SC led by eight midway through the second half and by two in the closing seconds of regulation, but Regan Zacharski's jumper from the lane tied the game for Delta at 70-all with :05 left.

In overtime, a three-pointer by Kelly Grenan (Redford Thurston) put SC up 81-77 with 1:51 to play, but Delta scored the final seven points to claim the victory. Five of those came at the free-throw line.

Point guard Amy Alfano hit 1-of-2 from the stripe with :31 remaining to give the Pioneers an 82-81 lead. After the Ocelots missed two shots from the floor — one of them a layup — Alfano got a rebound and was fouled with 2.6 seconds to play. She hit both for the final margin of victory.

The win gave Delta sole possession of first in the league at 12-1. SC is a game behind at 11-2; the Ocelots are 18-4 overall, the Pioneers are 21-2.

"I'm disappointed," said SC coach Karen Lafata, her team having lost twice in a week by a total of four points. "We're in second place now with two losses. We have to hope Mott beats Delta this Saturday."

Mott, third at 10-3, plays at Delta Saturday.

The Ocelots were led by Angelica Blakely with 18 points; she also had six rebounds. Rachel Eley added 17 points, 11 steals and four assists, Ra'Sheida Edwards contributed 16 points and 10 boards, and Devin Francois totaled eight points, 13 rebounds and eight assists.

Delta got 34 points from Anne Bringer, 16 from Amanda Aldrich and 11 from Alfano.

THE WEEK AHEAD

PREP BOYS BASKETBALL
Friday, Feb. 16
Churchill at Canton, 7 p.m.
W.L. Western at Franklin, 7 p.m.
John Glenn at Farmington, 7 p.m.
Stevenson at W.L. Central, 7 p.m.
Harrison at Northville, 7 p.m.
Salem at N. Farmington, 7 p.m.
Belleville at Wayne, 7 p.m.
Southgate at Garden City, 7 p.m.
Annapolis at Thurston, 7 p.m.
Divine Child at Luth. Westland, 7 p.m.

Saturday, Feb. 17
(CHSL A-B Division Playoffs at U-D Mercy's Calihan Hall)
St. Mary's vs. Notre Dame, noon.
DePorres vs. U-D Jesuit, 1:45 p.m.
Redford CC vs. N.D. Prep, 3:30 p.m.
Borgess vs. DeLaSalle, 5:15 p.m.
A.A. Richard at C'ville, 7 p.m.
St. Florian at St. Agatha, 7 p.m.
Gabriel Richard at Clarenceville, 7 p.m.
W. Highland at PCA, 7:30 p.m.
Huron Valley at Zoe, 7:30 p.m.
Agape vs. Life Summit, TBA.

PREP GIRLS VOLLEYBALL
Thursday, Feb. 15
Greenhills at Ply. Christian, 6 p.m.
C'ville at Luth. N'west, 6:30 p.m.
Hamtramck at Luth. W'sld, 6:30 p.m.
Huron Valley vs. Warren Zoe at Livonia St. Paul's, 6:30 p.m.
(CHSL Finals at Madonna)
Ladywood vs. Marian, 7 p.m.
Friday, Feb. 16
Agape vs. Life Summit, TBA.
Saturday, Feb. 17
Melvindale Tourney, 7 a.m.
Ladywood Tournament, 8 a.m.
Monroe Jeff. Tourney, 8:30 a.m.

PREP HOCKEY
Thursday, Feb. 15
Redford CC at P.H. Northern, 6 p.m.
Franklin vs. Stevenson at Edgar Arena, 6 p.m.
Salem vs. W.L. Western at Ply. Cultural Ctr., 6 p.m.
Canton vs. W.L. Central at Lakeland Arena, 8:20 p.m.
Saturday, Feb. 17
Ladywood at Kingswood, 1 p.m.
Salem vs. A.A. Huron at Ply. Cultural Ctr., 1 p.m.
Franklin vs. Milford at Lakeland Arena, 5:20 p.m.
Churchill at P.H. Northern, 6 p.m.
Red. Unified at Grosse Ile, 7:30 p.m.
Farm. Unified vs. Dbn. Unified at Dearborn Adray, 8 p.m.
Redford CC vs. Cranbrook at Redford Ice Arena, 8 p.m.

PREP BOYS SWIMMING
Thursday, Feb. 15
Churchill at W.L. Western, 7 p.m.
Northville at Franklin, 7 p.m.
Farm.-Harrison at Stevenson, 7 p.m.
John Glenn at Salem, 7 p.m.
W.L. Central at N. Farm., 7 p.m.
Friday, Feb. 16
Redford CC at A.A. Pioneer, 7 p.m.
Saturday, Feb. 17
MISCA meet at EMU, 1:30 p.m.

GIRLS GYMNASTICS
Thursday, Feb. 15
Canton at Brighton, 7 p.m.
Saturday, Feb. 17
WLAA meet at Hartland, 10 a.m.

PREP SKIING
Thursday, Feb. 15
Regional at Mt. Brighton, 9 a.m.

MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL
Saturday, Feb. 17
Spring Arbor at Madonna, 3 p.m.
Macomb at Schoolcraft, 3 p.m.

WOMEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL
Saturday, Feb. 17
Macomb at Schoolcraft, 1 p.m.
Aquinas at Madonna, 3 p.m.

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Whalers at Erie (Pa.), 7:30 p.m.
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Whalers vs. Kitchener at Compuware Arena, 7:30 p.m.

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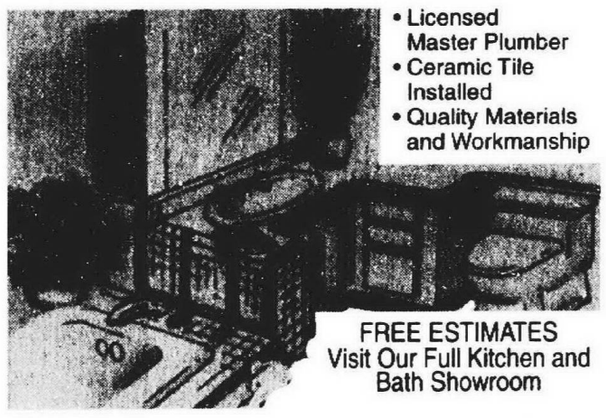
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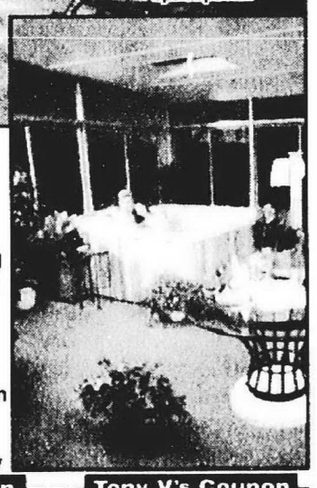
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No goals

Whalers' scoring woes continue in 2 losses

Apparently, the Plymouth Whalers' offensive eruption Friday night against the Barrie Colts — a 6-1 Plymouth win — was an aberration.

On Saturday and Sunday, the Whalers no-offense woes returned in a home-and-away series against the Brampton Battalion.

Brampton scored the go-ahead goal with no time left in the second period Saturday at Compuware Arena, and that was more than the Whalers could overcome as they lost 3-1.

Sunday's game at Brampton was even more discouraging. The Battalion scored a pair of power-play goals in the second period and for the second-straight night Brampton goalie Brad Topping outdueled Plymouth's Rob Zepp to post a 2-0 win.

The two losses dropped the Whalers further behind first-place Erie in the race for the top position in the Ontario Hockey League. Plymouth is 33-11-4-5 (75 points) in 53 games and remains first in the OHL's West Division; Erie is 36-9-9-0 (81 points) in 54 games, first in the Midwest Division.

The two teams clash for the last time during this regular season at 7:30 p.m. Friday in Erie.

Brampton improved to 26-18-8-3 (63 points), in third place behind Erie and Guelph in the OHL's Midwest Division.

On Saturday at Compuware, the Battalion took the early lead when Aaron Van Leusen scored 4:56 into the second period. Kris Vernarsky knotted it at 1-all for the Whalers with a power-play goal at 10:52 of the second; Preston Mizzi and Cole Jarrett assisted.

The lead didn't last. Raffi Torres put Brampton ahead 2-1 at the second-period buzzer, a lead the Battalion never lost. Rostislav Kiesla added an insurance goal for Brampton with 5:33 left to play in the game.

Topping made 15 saves in goal for the Battalion. Zepp turned away 19 shots for Plymouth.

On Sunday, power-play markers by Jay McClement and Lukas Havel in the second period boosted the Battalion. Kiesla assisted on both goals; Havel also had an assist.

Plymouth outshot Brampton 32-24, including a 12-3 margin in the third period. But Topping was equal to the task, turning aside all 32 shots. Zepp made 22 saves for Plymouth.

ONTARIO HOCKEY LEAGUE STANDINGS
Through Feb. 11

East Division	W	L	T	OTL	Pts.
Belleville Bulls	28	17	4	2	62
Ottawa 67s	24	17	7	4	59
Kingston Frontenacs	24	18	10	1	59
Peterborough Petes	23	23	5	1	52
Oshawa Generals	14	28	6	4	38
Central Division	**W**	**L**	**T**	**OTL**	**Pts.**
Toronto St. M. Majors	26	17	5	2	59
Barrie Colts	23	21	7	2	55
Sudbury Wolves	23	19	6	1	53
North Bay Centennials	22	24	4	2	50
Miss. Ice Dogs	3	38	7	1	14
West Division	**W**	**L**	**T**	**OTL**	**Pts.**
Plymouth Whalers	33	11	4	5	75
Windsor Spitfires	27	16	6	4	64
Sarnia Sting	21	25	6	1	49
London Knights	19	28	4	2	44
S.S. Marie Greyhounds	17	32	4	2	40
Midwest Division	**W**	**L**	**T**	**OTL**	**Pts.**
Erie Otters	36	9	9	0	81
Guelph Storm	29	15	8	1	67
Brampton Battalion	26	18	8	3	63
Owen Sound Attack	25	22	5	1	56
Kitchener Rangers	20	27	6	0	46

N'ville ends Salem's streak; PCA holds on to defeat St. Florian

BASKETBALL

For years, it seems Plymouth Salem's basketball team has had trouble finding an answer on how to defeat Northville.

The Rocks have won most of their match-ups, but not without a struggle. But on Tuesday at Northville, Salem had no answer — in particular to Aaron Redden.

The 6-foot-3 wing player caught fire in the third quarter and almost single-handedly carried the Mustangs to a 67-54 victory over the Rocks.

Northville's win ended Salem's win streak at six. The Rocks fell to 7-9 overall, 7-3 in the Western Lakes Activities Association. The Mustangs are 7-9 overall, 4-6 in the WLAA.

"They came out in the third quarter with their guns blazing," said Salem coach Bob Brodie. "They're a good team. At the beginning of the season, I said I thought they would win the conference."

The hottest of those blazing guns belonged to Redden, who nailed four three-pointers in the third quarter and scored 16 points as Northville outscored Salem, 21-9. That took it from a two-point game at the half (32-30, Northville) to a 14-point game after three (53-39).

Salem never got closer than eight in the fourth.

Redden finished with a game-high 25 points. Dave Gregor added 16 and Brandon Langston had 12.

Salem was led by Dave Hoskins' 16 points. Nick Tochman contributed 14 and Jeff Haar scored eight.

"We didn't play very well," said Brodie. "They played well, but I told the kids after the game that I can't think of any aspect of the game that we played better than them."

Salem now must win at North Farmington Friday to secure the No. 3 seed in the upcoming WLAA Tournament. A loss could drop them to No. 5.

PCA 55, St. Florian 50: Plymouth Christian Academy rode a 15-4 first-quarter surge to its fourth win of the season Monday at Hamtramck St. Florian.

The Eagles improved to 4-10 overall. St. Florian is 4-11.

PCA led 27-19 at the half and 40-30 after three quarters, but the Lancers' three-point shooting — they made 10 triples in the game, four of those in the fourth quarter — allowed them to pull to within a pair. But the Eagles' pressure defense stopped them there.

Clay Welton, a sophomore forward, poured in 22 points and grabbed 11 rebounds for PCA. Tyler Williams added nine points and 13 boards, and P.J. Woodman scored nine points.

Curtis Leavy's 25 points, including seven threes, paced St. Florian.

Farmington 67, Churchill 51: A 13-2 second quarter carried the Falcons to victory.

Farmington used a 22-15 second quarter to establish a 32-25 halftime lead and used tight defense in the third quarter to break the Western Lakes Activities Association game open.

The Falcons (14-4, 7-3) got 17 points from center Mike Grillo and 13 from forward Curtis Tillman.

The host Chargers (9-14, 1-8) got 12 points apiece from guard Will Pendergrass and forward Brandon Dulkinski.

Farmington was 23-for-34 from the line while Livonia Churchill made 10-of-17.

Rocks reach final; Chiefs rally

VOLLEYBALL

There was nothing for Plymouth Salem volleyball coach Tom Teeters to be unhappy about at Saturday's Temperance Bedford Tournament. Not even the loss the Rocks absorbed in the final — 15-10, 15-7 — was that disappointing, considering it was to the host team, which also happens to be the No. 1-ranked squad in the state.

No, a loss to the Kicking Mules in the championship match is bearable, especially when it's preceeded by wins over some pretty good teams.

Salem reached the final with a 15-6, 15-8 win over Birmingham Groves in the semifinals; a 15-5, 15-12 triumph over Ann Arbor Pioneer in the quarterfinals; and pool victories of 14-16, 15-4, 16-14 over seventh-ranked Adrian; 15-9, 15-6, 15-12 over Ida; and 15-0, 15-5, 15-2 over Burton Atherton.

"Today was our best playing of the year," said Teeters. "Our top players came through for us."

In the final opposite Temperance Bedford, the Rocks got their offense from Kelly Jaskot, who had 15 kills (a .394 kill percentage) to go with 17 digs, and Katie Good, who had nine kills as well as 11 digs. However, the rest of the team combined for just six kills and 20 digs. Jill Dombrowski did have two service aces, six digs and 28 set assists.

For the tournament, Salem's leaders were Good, with 78 kills, 12 aces and 53 digs; Mary Lou Liebau, with 48 kills and 49 digs; Jaskot, with 30 kills and 64 digs; Rolain Llanes, with nine aces and 30 digs; Jordan Falcusan, with 13 kills, six aces and 30 digs; and Dombrowski, with 11 kills, 13 aces, 27 digs and 177 set assists (11.8 per game).

On Monday, the Rocks ran their overall season record to 25-7 and their mark in the Western Lakes Activities Association to 8-1 with a 15-1, 15-10 win against North Farmington at Salem.

Falcusan led the Rocks with seven kills and three service aces. Liebau had three blocks and Jaskot and Amber Williams each had six digs.

Canton battles back

Last season, such a slow start would have been enough to send Plymouth Canton to a loss. On Monday at Farmington, the Chiefs stayed focused and — despite a 12-4 deficit in the first game — battled back to get a victory, 17-15.

After that comeback, it was the Falcons who surrendered, losing the second game, 15-3. The match win pushed Canton's overall record to 19-11-3 and its Western Lakes Activities Association mark to 6-3.

"When we decided to wake up and play, we got big-time serving from Courtney Jarman and Meghan Meier," said Canton coach Steve Anderson. "The good thing for us in this was we're starting to dig out of holes. They're learning that just because we're down, we don't have to give up."

The Chiefs trailed 12-4 in the first game. Then Jarman served five-straight points and Meier served four more, giving Canton a 13-12 lead. The Falcons scored the next two points and after that it was a back-and-forth struggle, one the Chiefs eventually won.

"The second game was a wipeout," said Anderson. "They spent everything they had in the first game."

Jarman and Christina Kiessel finished with five kills apiece, Kiessel also collecting four service aces. Meier had 23 digs and Mary Kryska finished with 17 set assists and seven digs.

Canton, which hosted Livonia Franklin last night, concludes its WLAA dual-meet season Monday at Livonia Churchill, with the division title on the line.

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Winter's winding down, and ice fishing with it

OUTDOOR INSIGHTS

BILL PARKER

The ice fishing season may soon be history in southeastern Michigan.

Peering out the window late Friday afternoon was a dismal affair. A river of mud and slush was flowing down the driveway the result of a day full of unseasonably warm temperatures and steady drizzle. Unfortunately for those of us who enjoy ice fishing, those two elements are devastating to lake ice.

Sure, the return of cold weather could smooth things over again, but don't count on it. Heck, it's the middle of February and we've already had more winter weather than most can remember having in years.

If winter returns and the lakes begin to look tempting be sure to proceed with extreme caution. Ice doesn't freeze at the same rate or thickness across every body of water. Ice in some areas is considerably thinner than in others, and with the toll the recent spring-like weather has taken, you might be better off getting your warm-weather gear ready for action.

If you must venture out call a local bait and tackle store before heading out and get an update. The weather forecast calls for cold weather over the weekend, then more warm weather well into the 40s, by the middle of the week. Remember, there isn't a fish out there worth risking your life over.

Good hare day

If you haven't had your fill of winter just yet consider a trip north. I spent last weekend in the Upper Peninsula where there is still two feet of ice on most lakes and two feet of snow on the ground.

The Michigan Outdoor Writers Association convened in St. Ignace for our biannual meeting and no one was at a loss for things to do. Aside from a plethora of seemingly endless snowmobile and cross country ski trails, the area also offers some exceptional winter hunting and fishing opportunities.

Whitefish and menominee were hitting with a vengeance on Lake Huron's Mosquito Bay and hare hunting was nothing short of fabulous. The area just north of town in the Hiawatha National Forest is loaded with bunnies and plenty of fresh sign to start your beagles on. Snow is still quite deep, so a good pair of snowshoes is in order. Here's a word to the wise: Get a good snowmobile trail map, locate the nearest trail, then go the other way.

There are hundreds of thousands of acres of public hunting land in the U.P. and nothing puts a damper on a good hare hunt quicker than a pack of snowmobiles flying down a nearby two-track at 60 mph. Not only is the noise annoying, but the dogs are also in danger of getting hit if they happen to wander up onto a trail

Many hunters get all worked up over the intrusion of snowmobiles into their hunting area, but the bottom line is we have to coexist. Snowmobile trails are well marked and documented on trail maps. Pick up a map, look it over, and pick an area to hunt that is well away from all the commotion.

Zebra mussels spreading

Four Oakland County lakes – Brendle, Crystal, Orion and Pontiac – are among a list of 30 that were found to be infested with zebra mussels, according to Michigan Sea Grant. Sea Grant is a cooperative program between Michigan State University and the University of Michigan in Great Lakes marine research, education and outreach.

These 30 lakes represent a 21 percent increase over the number of lakes confirmed as infested in 1999, and brings the total number of inland lakes found to be infested with zebra mussels to 149.

(Bill Parker writes a weekly outdoor column for the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers. Hunters and anglers are urged to report their success. Questions and comments are also encouraged. Send information to: Bill Parker, c/o Outdoors, 805 E. Maple, Birmingham, MI 48009)

BEST BOYS SWIMMING PERFORMANCES

Following are the best Observerland boys swim times and diving scores. Coaches can report updates to Dan O'Meara by fax (734-591-7279), phone (734-953-2141) or email (domeara@oe.homecomm.net).

200-YARD MEDLEY RELAY
(state cuts: A — 1:43.09, B — 1:49.59)
Plymouth Salem 1:42.47
Redford Catholic Central 1:42.75
Plymouth Canton 1:44.29
North Farmington 1:44.32
Livonia Stevenson 1:45.46

200-YARD FREESTYLE
(state cuts: A — 1:49.39, B — 1:55.59)
Joe Bublitz (Stevenson) 1:47.03
Eric Lynn (Salem) 1:48.19
Brett Meconis (Redford CC) 1:48.81
Nick Markou (Redford CC) 1:49.46
Matt Wisniewski (Canton) 1:49.91
Ben Dzialo (Salem) 1:50.22
Jim Ross (Salem) 1:52.10
Mike Johnson (Salem) 1:53.54
Ed Lesnau (Redford CC) 1:53.92
Joe Le (Canton) 1:54.45

200-YARD INDIVIDUAL MEDLEY
(state cuts: A — 2:03.99, B — 2:11.59)
Joe Bublitz (Stevenson) 1:57.41
Eric Lynn (Salem) 2:00.91
Andrew Carlin (Redford CC) 2:04.25
Adam Farber (N. Farmington) 2:04.35
Ben Dzialo (Salem) 2:05.94
Mike Kruszewski (Redford CC) 2:07.85
Rob Cambridge (Stevenson) 2:08.76
Brad Nilson (Canton) 2:09.00
Mike Nemer (Stevenson) 2:09.04
Aaron Shelton (Salem) 2:09.83

50-YARD FREESTYLE
(state cuts: A — 22.69, B — 23.69)
Ed Lesnau (Redford CC) 21.96
Joe Bublitz (Stevenson) 22.28
Aaron Shelton (Salem) 22.54
Mike Johnson (Salem) 22.55
Adam Farber (N. Farmington) 22.74
Bryant Steele (Redford CC) 22.98
Brett Meconis (Redford CC) 23.23
Kevin Ryan (Redford CC) 23.29
Nick Markou (Redford CC) 23.57
Mike Greis (Redford CC) 23.62
Ryan Ahern (Canton) 23.62

DIVING
Chris McFarland (John Glenn) 259.80
Joe Rohde (Redford CC) 230.20
Greg Kubitski (Salem) 224.05
Derek Bell (John Glenn) 214.05
Blake Brunner (Canton) 212.30
Tyler Flood (Redford CC) 206.55
Mark Moretto (Redford Union) 203.00
Andrew Brissette (Stevenson) 194.40
Ken Douglass (Franklin) 190.20
Chris Derrig (Redford CC) 185.55

100-YARD BUTTERFLY
(state cuts: A — 55.59, B — 58.99)
Brett Meconis (Redford CC) 53.26
Eric Lynn (Salem) 53.35
Joe Bublitz (Stevenson) 53.51
Adam Farber (N. Farmington) 53.75
Ben Dzialo (Salem) 53.88
Bryant Steele (Redford CC) 54.88
Matt Wisniewski (Canton) 55.24
Robert Cambridge (Stevenson) 58.39
Brandon Truscott (Stevenson) 58.82
Andrew Carlin (Redford CC) 59.07

100-YARD FREESTYLE
(state cuts: A — 49.49, B — 51.99)
Joe Bublitz (Stevenson) 48.47
Eric Lynn (Salem) 48.74
Ed Lesnau (Redford CC) 48.85
Mike Johnson (Salem) 49.70
Matt Wisniewski (Canton) 49.93
Aaron Shelton (Salem) 50.35
Ben Dzialo (Salem) 50.35
Nick Markou (Redford CC) 50.65
Brett Meconis (Redford CC) 51.06
Adam Farber (N. Farmington) 51.21

500-YARD FREESTYLE
(state cuts: A — 4:57.99, B — 5:15.99)
Joe Bublitz (Stevenson) 4:55.57
Ben Dzialo (Salem) 4:56.02
Brian Mertens (Salem) 5:00.44
Nick Markou (Redford CC) 5:03.18
Brett Meconis (Redford CC) 5:06.94
Jim Ross (Salem) 5:08.17
Ryan Ahern (Canton) 5:08.35
Matt Wisniewski (Canton) 5:09.25
Andrew Carlin (Redford CC) 5:10.03
Brad Nilson (Canton) 5:12.54

200-YARD FREESTYLE RELAY
(state cuts: A — 1:31.99, B — 1:36.49)
Plymouth Salem 1:30.12
Redford Catholic Central 1:30.85
Plymouth Canton 1:32.49
Livonia Stevenson 1:35.95
North Farmington 1:37.91

100-YARD BACKSTROKE
(state cuts: A — 56.59, B — 59.99)
Joe Bublitz (Stevenson) 54.32
Eric Lynn (Salem) 54.71
Brad Nilson (Canton) 57.05
Aaron Shelton (Salem) 57.56
Zach Fellrath (Redford CC) 57.56
Nick Markou (Redford CC) 58.31
Brian Clayson (N. Farmington) 59.50
Andrew Carlin (Redford CC) 59.51
Mike Kruszewski (Redford CC) 1:00.10
Bryant Steele (Redford CC) 1:00.34

100-YARD BREASTSTROKE
(state cuts: A — 1:02.99, B — 1:07.59)
Adam Farber (N. Farmington) 59.82
Dan Dziekan (Redford CC) 1:04.28
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Matt Showalter (Salem) 1:06.86
Matt Newman (N. Farmington) 1:07.17
Tim Ryan (Redford CC) 1:08.50

400-YARD FREESTYLE RELAY
(state cuts: A — 3:23.39, B — 3:35.99)
Plymouth Salem 3:19.07
Redford Catholic Central 3:20.86
Livonia Stevenson 3:28.13
Plymouth Canton 3:28.36
North Farmington 3:28.48

SWIM RESULTS

PLYMOUTH CANTON 107
SALINE 79
Tuesday at Canton

200-yard medley relay: Canton (Brad Nilson, Dennis Speck, Jon Heiss, Ron Opdyke), 1:49.06.

200-yard individual medley: Brad Nilson (PC), 2:14.03.

500-yard freestyle: Ryan Ahern (PC), 5:08.35.

100-yard backstroke: Brad Nilson (PC), 57.44.

100-yard breaststroke: Eddie Lindow (PC), 1:06.16.

400-yard freestyle relay: Canton (Ryan Ahern, Joe Le, Brad Nilson, Matt Wisniewski), 3:31.41.

Canton's dual-meet record: 9-1 overall.

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JUNIOR OLYMPICS

The Oakland County Sportsman Club in Clarkston offers a Junior Olympic Archery Development Program beginning at 1 p.m. on Sundays. Call (248) 623-0444 for more information.

ACTIVITIES

OAKLAND COUNTY SPORTFISHING ASSOCIATION

The Oakland County Sportfishing Association meets at 7:30 p.m. the third Wednesday of every month at Santia Hall, 1985 Cass Lake Road, Keego Harbor. Call (248) 693-4389 or visit the club's web site at http://go.to/ocsa for more information.

DETROIT AREA STEELHEADERS

Detroit Area Steelheaders, Inc. membership meetings are held the last Tuesday of each month, at Knights of Columbus, St. Pius X, 6177 Chicago Road, in Warren. The public is welcome. More information can be obtained by calling Ed Wilczek at (810) 757-7365 or club President Ray Banbury at (810) 598-0310.

METRO-WEST STEELHEADERS

Metro-West Steelheaders meets at 7:30 p.m. on the first Tuesday of each month in the cafeteria at Garden City High School. Call Dominic Liparoto at (248) 476-5027 for more information.

MICHIGAN FLY FISHING

The Michigan Fly Fishing Club meets at 7:30 p.m. the first and third Wednesdays of each month at Livonia Clarenceville Middle School, located on Middlebelt Road between Seven and Eight Mile roads. Call (248) 478-1494 for more information.

FOUR SEASONS

The Four Seasons Fishing Club meets 7:30-9:30 p.m. the first Wednesday of each month at the Civic Park Senior Center, 15218 Farmington Road, in Livonia. Call Jim Kudej at (734) 591-0843 for information.

FISHING BUDDIES

Fishing Buddies Fishing Club meets the third Tuesday of each month in Rochester Hills. Meetings are open to all anglers (boaters and non-boaters). Call (248) 656-0556 for more information.

HURON VALLEY STEELHEADERS

The Huron Valley Steelheaders meets the third Thursday of each month at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 27600 Hall Road, Flat Rock. Call Carroll White at (734) 285-0843 for more information.

BASS ASSOCIATION

The Downriver Bass Association, a non-tournament bass club, meets at 6:30 p.m. the fourth Tuesday of every month at the Gander Mountain in Taylor. Call (734) 676-2863 for more information.

SOLAR

The School for Outdoor Leadership, Adventure and Recreation (SOLAR), a non-profit organization interested in promoting the appreciation of outdoor activities, meets at 7:30 p.m. on the first Tuesday of each month at the Colony Hall in Southfield. Call (248) 988-6658 for more information.

METROPARKS

METROPARK REQUIREMENTS

Most Metropark programs are free while some require a nominal fee. Advanced registration and a motor vehicle permit are required for all programs. Call the respective parks toll free at the following numbers: Stony Creek, 1-800-477-7756; Indian Springs, 1-800-477-3192; Kensington, 1-800-477-3178; Hudson Mills, 1-800-477-3191.

WHO MADE THAT

Learn how an animal's size, weight, gait and physical features determine the kind of track that is left behind. Pre-registration is required for this event scheduled for 1 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 17 at the Nature Center of Kensington Metropark. For more information, call 1-800-477-3178.

OAKLAND COUNTY PARKS

COUNTY PARK REQUIREMENTS

Advanced registration and a motor vehicle permit are required for all nature programs at Oakland County Parks. Call (810) 625-6473 to register or for more information.

PERMITS

The 2001 Oakland County parks motor vehicle permits are now on sale at all county park offices and many parks and recreation and township offices. Cost is $20 through April 30, 2001. After May 1, 2001, the permit cost will be $25. All senior citizens (ages 62 and older) can purchase the permit for $15 at all times. Call (248) 858-0906 or TTY (248) 858-1684.

STATE PARKS

STATE PARK REQUIREMENTS

Maybury State Park, Proud Lake Recreation Area, Bald Mountain Recreation Area, Highland Recreation Area, and Island Lake Recreation Area offer nature interpretive programs throughout the year. A state park motor vehicle permit is required for entry into all state parks and state recreation areas. For registration and additional information on the programs at Maybury call (248) 349-8390. For programs at Bald Mountain call (810) 693-6767. For programs at Proud Lake and Highland call (810) 685-2187. For programs at Island Lake call (810) 229-7067.

WAYNE COUNTY PARKS

COUNTY PARK REQUIREMENTS

Wayne County Parks offers nature interpretive programs throughout the year. Advanced registration is requested. Call (734) 261-1990 to register and for more information.

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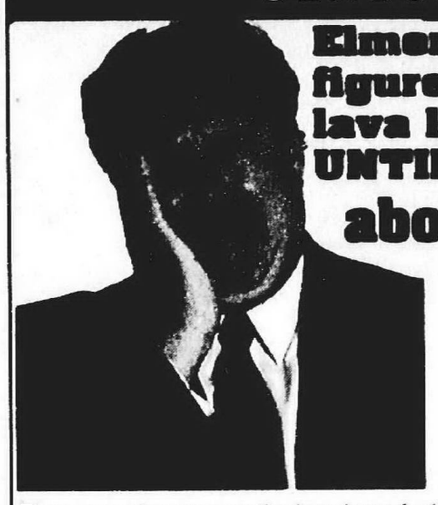

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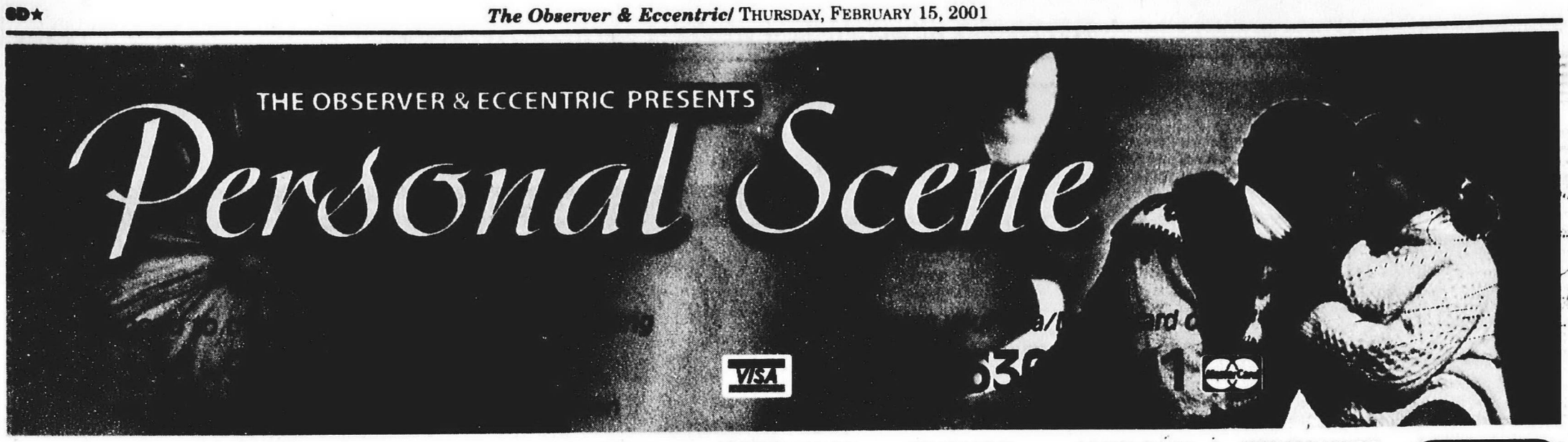

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DESIRES OF THE HEART
Divorced white female, **49** yr old, 5'3", petite, with waist length dark hair with silver and brownish-green eyes, non-smoker, social drinker, seeking an attractive, honest, sincere, caring, single white male, with many interests, for friendship, good times and possibly more. Down River area. BOX 10424

KICKSTART MY HEART
Fun energetic, **23** yr old female, enjoys sports, concerts, music, and more. Looking for a male, 23 to 27, who enjoys cuddling up on the couch and watching a movie. BOX 10737

ENCHANTED EVENING
21 yr old single white mother of two, 5'1", medium build, brown hair and eyes, looking for a trustworthy male, 25 to 34 who enjoys dining out, going out for a drink and more. Must like children. BOX 10750

LOVE ME 4 WHAT I AM
Hi, I'm a **31** yr old, single female, 5'9", 150 lbs, long dark red hair, hazel eyes, non-smoker, enjoys all outdoor activities. NASCAR just anything that's fun. Looking for a single professional male, weight and height proportionate with similar interests. BOX 10876

1 ENCHANTED EVENING
38 yr old, single female, 5'5", 150 lbs, with brown hair, blue eyes, enjoys the outdoors, traveling and just doing different things. Looking for a single male to share special moments together. BOX 10928

BE MY SWEETHEART...
Single Hispanic female, in my **50**'s, beautiful, with long dark hair, enjoys dancing with that special someone and many other interests. I'm looking for that special male, for friendship and companionship. Let's try to get to know each other! BOX 11022

NEW BEGINNINGS
White widowed female, **52** yrs old, 5'4", enjoys country music, slow dancing, quiet times at home and more. Looking for a big tall handsome gentleman, 52 to 60, non-smoker, drug-free, family oriented, for a possible relationship. BOX 14130

TRYING AT LOVE AGAIN
Hi, I'm a single female, in my **60**'s, 5'6", intelligent, financially secure, natural blonde hair and hazel eyes. Enjoys reading, working on my house, water, hunting, fishing, dining out, shopping, casinos and good conversations. Looking for an honest male, with similar qualities, for a serious relationship. BOX 14318

NEED SOMEONE TO LOVE
44 yr old, single female, 5'2", petite, non-smoker, with shoulder length blonde hair and blue eyes, enjoys dining out, good movies and many other interests. Looking for a single white male, 38 to 48, non-smoker with a good sense of humor. BOX 14347

WARM EMBRACES
Single female, **31**, 5'9", 150 lbs, single mom, college student, long dark red hair, dark hazel eyes. Likes country music, outdoor activities, NASCAR, college football. Looking for a single male, 30's, tall, and professional. BOX 27443

LOVE IS ALL WE NEED!
43 yr old, 5'8", 160 lbs, single white female with red hair and brown eyes, enjoys dining out, movies, golf, fishing, reading and much more, is seeking a single male, for friendship and maybe more. BOX 27477

CALL ME...
Divorced, **44** yr old, white female, 5'3", platinum blonde hair and brown eyes, enjoys working out, walking, concerts, plays, animals and more. Would be interested in a gentleman, 35 to 46, with similar interests. BOX 27442

HERE I AM
Single white female **34**, searching for an honest, compatible single white male, 30 to 35, family oriented, respectful, must like birds and bowling, down river need only reply. Munroe County. BOX 33390

A LADY OF CLASS
Vivacious, upbeat, very attractive, blonde female, a professional, 5'7", 115 lbs, upper **50's**, seeking soul mate counter part, 60's, a professional, for dating, possible long term relationship. Call me and see what life has in store for us. BOX 35996

FIRST TIME AD.
White widowed, **53** female, 5'2", 150 lbs, blue eyes, light brown hair, Looking for a gentleman, 50-70, who likes to go camping, outdoors, dining out, movies, quite times at home, for friendship possible relationship. Wayne county. BOX 26026

LET'S HAVE FUN
43 yr old, single white, 5'6", 135 lbs, brown hair and eyes. Looking for someone to have fun with smoker, social drinker, white male, 38 to 48, for fun times and maybe more. Wayne County BOX 33373

SOPHISTICATED & FUN
Fit, 5'6", brown eyed, blonde hair, passionate about life, and laughing, enjoy golfing, theater, movies, and great conversations. Interested in meeting tall, 49 to 58, financially, and emotionally stable, true gentleman, with similar interest. Oakland County. BOX 26031

SEEKS NICE GUY
35 yr old, single female, 5'10", 180 lbs, auburn hair, blue eyes. Enjoys outdoors, dancing, movies, bowling. Seeking a sincere man, 30 to 45, with similar interests. Wayne County BOX 33376

OAKLAND COUNTY MEN
38 year old, Hispanic, 5'4", 132 lbs, attractive, college educated, single parent, very active lady, with many interests. Searching for one gentleman, non-smoker, 35 to 48, who is fit, active, and ready for dating, friendship, and more, take a chance. Oakland county. BOX 26045

QUALITY, QUALITY
Seeking a sincere, honest, no games played, non-smoking, social drinking, single white male by a divorced white female, **54**, who likes to do almost everything. Looking for friendship, companionship or something long term. West side. Wayne County. BOX 25333

HELLO FRIEND
Attractive, intelligent, slender and tall, lady of **54**, is also warm hearted, soft spoken, a smoker. Seeking someone who is 55 to 69, intelligent, tall, an old fashioned gentleman, a smoker. Please call if this describes you. Oakland County. BOX 25395

LOOKING FOR YOU!
25 yr old, 5'2", petite build, single white female with brown hair and blue eyes, is seeking a single male, 23 to 30, to share good times and maybe more. BOX 32406

ARE YOU THE ONE?
Single white female, **44** yrs old, attractive, blonde hair, blue eyes, full figured, 5'3", non-smoker, professional, kind, considerate, loyal, down to earth. Enjoys writing, movies, music, dining out, swimming, bowling and more. Seeking a single male, 35 to 55, any race, height, weight. BOX 10941

LIGHTEN UP MY LIFE
Single white Christian female, **39**, 5'8", full figured, long brown hair, and blue eyes. Interests are jazz, Christian music, old cars, long walks, and more. Looking for a single white Christian male, easygoing, 5'9" to 6'4", who knows how to treat a lady. BOX 10709

SINGLE MOM
32 yr old, single mother, divorced, 5'8", medium build, auburn hair, brown eyes. Enjoys sports, camping, hiking, the outdoors, romantic dinners, walking, and more. Seeking a white male, 32 to 45, 5'10" or taller, hopefully with children and similar interests. BOX 10956

LIFE'S BETTER SHARED
50's female, young looking, 5'6", blue eyes, light complected, blandish hair, casual dresser, professional, home owner, mother of one. Looking for a nice, kind, sincere gentleman who is looking for a relationship. BOX 14214

SEEKING ROMANCE
Interesting, beautiful, spiritual divorced professional white female, **39**, 5'2", petite, brown hair, green eyes. Enjoys friends, family, movies, plays, and more. Seeking a white male, 40 to 55, who is interested in a serious relationship. Downriver area preferred. Wayne county. BOX 32005

SIMPLY IRRESISTIBLE
Pretty, petite, passionate, divorced white female, **40**ish. Seeks non-smoking, single white male, over 35, for dating, mating, relating. Let's create sparks and watch them fly! BOX 25332

LOVE THE OUTDOORS
Single white female, **40**, 5'4" and medium voluptuous. Enjoys camping, fishing, campfires and quite times. Seeks a white man, 38 to 45, tall, dark and handsome, with similar interest. For friendship first, possible long term relationship. Down River area. Wayne county. BOX 32001

ALL YOU NEED IS LOVE
New age woman, seeks faithful companion, 40 to 60, financially secure, emotionally centered, intellectually curious, kind, generous and positive. I'm **49**, 5'6", divorced, pretty, a small plus size, shoulder length natural redhead, a beautiful smile that lights up a room. Join me on my quest for transcendence. BOX 25968

IT TAKES TWO
Divorced white female, **53**, 5'7", 140 lbs, average build, who enjoys country music, slow dancing, dining out, concerts, movies, taking walks with that special someone. Seeks male companion, tall, honest, no head games for possible relationship. Wayne County BOX 33671

LOOKING FOR:
A kind, sincere, single or divorced male, 48 to 60, non-smoker, for long term monogamous relationship. I am 51 yr old divorced female. I believe in romance and enjoy simple pleasures. Down River area. BOX 14471

PRETTY ENTREPRENEUR
Giving, loving, compassionate, curvy, lots of fun, great conversationalist, looking for sincere, successful Caucasian gentleman, 45-late 70's, to be my soul mate. Float your boat, make your day, answer my ad today. BOX 25322

HONEST & TRUE
Petite, 5'1", 110 lb, attractive, white professional divorced mom. Enjoys working out daily, good conversation, music, sports, and is an optimist. Looking for a professional, divorced, white male, 40's, physically fit/active, tall, no beard or moustache, intelligent, good sense of humor, non-smoker, South Oakland county area. BOX 36068

TALL ORDER
Attractive, 5'10", redhead, Catholic, fun loving, adventurous, romantic. Comfortable in jeans to evening gown. Loves sports, travel, theatre, gourmet cooking, (for that special man). Seeks tall white gentleman, financially/emotionally secure, 49 to 60, who is romantic, kind, has a good sense of humor, with similar interests. Oakland County. BOX 25353

SHOOTING STAR
Divorced, white professional female, 5'5", 125 lbs, brown/black hair and eyes, dimples, looks **40** and stable. Seeking a divorced, white male, 55 to 63, attractive, 6', stable and a good sense of humor. BOX 31913

KEY TO MY HEART
52 yr old, white female, full figured, non-smoker, giving, loving, and lots of fun, loves life. Looking for a sincere, successful, secure, stable, loving, Caucasian gentleman, non-smoker, 45 to 60, who's positive and loves life as much as I do. Go for the genuine gem, your life will be worth living, answer my ad today. BOX 25326

ATTENTION HARLEYS
Divorced white female, **41**, no dependents, height weight proportionate, caring, considerate, cute and cuddly, enjoys just about anything with the right person. Seeking warm hearted, romantic, non-smoking, white male who is ready for a relationship. BOX 35480

SEEKING A PARTNER
Single female, who is physically, emotionally, financially fit, who is ready for friendship, and possible long term relationship. Who can enjoy fine dining, home cooking, likes golf, the outdoors, dancing, and a warm fire. Must be a non-smoker. Social drinker okay. 52 to 62. North Oakland area. BOX 25070

LIFE IS BEAUTIFUL...
...with a friend. **35** yr old, black, beautiful female, 5'9", 140 lbs, seeking White/Italian professional, handsome male, 30 to 35, for friendship and possibly more. BOX 33689

DOCTOR WANTED
Pretty blue eyed blonde, youthful looking **50**, bright, warm and witty. Troy area, with special interest in psychiatry. Seeking kind caring physician for intense relationship. Oakland County. BOX 26005

I'M SANE
22 yr. old, single white female, 5'6", 125 lbs, loves horror flicks and cooking. Seeking muscular, single white male, 25 to 31, who is smart and strong willed. BOX 35485

STARTING OVER
5'10", white full figured female, **45**, non-smoker, light drinker, no drugs, varied interests that include, bowling, walking and sci fi. Looking for same for monogamous relationship that could lead to marriage. Oakland County BOX 26011

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LOOK UNDER THE STARS
Single male, 5'8", 175 lbs, auburn hair and blue eyes, non-smoker, financially stable, enjoys camping, long walks, games, quiet times at home and more. Looking for a female with similar interests, for possible relationship. BOX 10700

HARD TO FIND
Single male, 5'5", easygoing, likes to watch movies, gardening, employed. Looking for a long term relationship. BOX 10800

MAN IN UNIFORM
Single **43** yr old male, hard working, smoker, non-drinker, enjoys movies, flea markets, amusement parks, country music and more. Looking for a female for a possible long term relationship. BOX 10804

WIN ME OVER
Single divorced white male, **52**, 6'2", 250 lbs, blonde hair, blue eyes. Likes reading, history, computer graphics. Looking for a single white female, 40 to 50, petite, attractive, average build. BOX 10841

SIMPLY THE BEST
Single male, 5'5", 150 lbs, brown hair, blue eyes. Hobbies are gardening, animals, hiking, outdoors. Looking for a single female, non-smoker. BOX 10849

LIGHT UP MY LIFE
46 yr old, divorced white male, 5'10", dark brown hair and green eyes with a large teddy bear build. I value God, family and friends. In search of an intelligent, articulate, single white female, 38 to 48, to share my life with. BOX 10979

THAT PERFECT MATE
Divorced white male, **52**, professional, enjoys long walks, dining out, camping, bowling, plays, sports, movies and playing cards. Seeks a fit, active female, who enjoys life, loves to have fun and ready to start a relationship with a special person. BOX 10993

SINCERELY YOURS...
Single white male, **34**, 5'6", 145 lbs, Catholic, non-smoker, professional, honest, caring with dark brown hair and eyes. Likes movies, bowling, concerts and more. Seeking a slender to average build, single white female who wants a serious and stable relationship. BOX 11005

THE TIME IS NOW...
Single white male, **23**, 5'5", 140 lbs, college graduate, enjoys all outdoors activities and working on my car. In search of an honest, outgoing, single white female, 21 to 28, for friendship, possibly leading to a relationship. BOX 11008

OPEN UR HEART TO ME
Divorced **22** yr old white male, non-smoker, enjoys movies, strolls in the park and more. Looking for a female, 20 to 30 with similar interests for a possible relationship. BOX 13757

DO YOU HOLD THE KEY?
50 yr old, divorced white widower, 5'6", 165 lbs, brown hair and blue eyes, enjoys camping, fishing, quiet times, for a possible long term relationship. BOX 14059

LET'S GET CONNECTED
Divorced **46** yr old white male, adventurous and romantic, enjoys camping, fishing, swimming, the beach and more. Looking for a female for a possible long term relationship. BOX 14062

HEAVEN SENT ME
Single male, 5'11", 190 lbs, brown hair, and blue eyes, outgoing, born again Christian. Looking for a female who is attending church, and is active in the church. BOX 14107

VICTIM OF THE GAME
Professional white male, 5'5", 170 lbs, open-minded and caring, brown hair and blue eyes, enjoys old cars, outdoor activities and more. Looking for a female with similar interests for companionship. BOX 32430

RAIN DOWN ON ME
Single male, **37** yrs old, 5'5", brown hair, and blue eyes, homeowner, employed, non-smoker. Looking for a female, who wants to settle down, and is looking for stability. BOX 32669

VERY GENTLE
If you are looking for a early **60**'s, 5'8", 175 lbs, caring, loving, light hearted, gentle, honest, good looking man, who doesn't sit at the bar, call me. Looking for an attractive, light hearted, slim lady, 50 to 60, to spend life with. Downriver area. BOX 33429

HONEST
Tall, divorced white male, 6'4", good physical condition, **55**, non-smoker, self-employed, honest, sincere, sense of humor. I would like to meet a slender lady, 45 to 50, who is easy going, with good values, for companionship, and possible long term relationship. BOX 35984

NEED SENSE OF HUMOR
Very attractive divorced white male, **35**, no children, brown hair and eyes, 6', 190 lbs is looking for a attractive female, 26 to 39, with a good sense of humor. Prefer the West Side. BOX 27374

LOOKING FOR ROMANCE
Well established male enjoys flea markets and collecting old furniture. Seeking someone with same interests, for long term relationship. Wayne County. BOX 31998

TIME FOR A CHANGE
Professional, single white male, **45** yr old, 5'8", fit, Catholic, no dependents, communicative, humorous, flexible, introspective, and more. Seeking trim, educated, emotionally available, single white female, to share a happy and healthy relationship. Wayne County BOX 33681

JUST ME AND YOU
Hispanic male, 5'9", likes dining out, movies, just having fun and cozy nights at home. Seeking white female, 18 to 26, 5'7" to 5'8", 120 lbs, blonde or brown hair, for friendship, possible serious relationship. Wayne County. BOX 33386

WAIT TO HEAR FROM U
Single white male, **45** yrs old, 5'6", blue eyes, brown hair, physically, spiritually and mentally fit, no drugs or drinker, easy going. Seeking a more mature female, who enjoys fishing, camping, swimming and motorcycles. BOX 27421

IT TAKES TWO
Nice looking, **38**, all around great guy, loves animals, into body building, great sense of humor, homeowner in Dearborn. Seeking a nice woman to age 55, for possible long term relationship and possible marriage. Wayne County. BOX 33388

ALL OF THE ABOVE...
46 yr old, divorced white male, 5'10", large teddy bear build with dark brown hair and green eyes. Enjoys reading, music and laughing. In search of a single white female, 30 to 48, who has long dark hair, beautiful, honest and must love children. BOX 10981

SPIRITUAL MILLIONAIR
Seeking spirited female, **30**'s to 40's, with interests in family, travel, personal growth, etc. Contact this white male, CEO, at once! BOX 25994

GOOD EUROPEAN MAN
Single white male, **34**, 5'6", 145 lbs, a Catholic, non-smoker and no children. Enjoy barbecues, cooking, fishing, hunting, walks, zoos and much more. Seek a slim single female, 24 to 42, with similar interests. BOX 11010

COMPATABLE?
Single white professional male, **45**, 5'8", fit, no dependents, humorous, communicative, introspective. Enjoys the outdoors, music, movies and more. Seeking fit, emotionally available, professional single white female, for happy, healthy relationship.Oakland County. BOX 26038

I'M A SINCERE PERSON
If you are, 48 to 58, slim, white and attractive, call me. If you are looking for a non violent, loving, happy go lucky, non-drinking guy, call me. I'm 5'9", 175 lbs, attractive, widowed and lonesome, looking for a life time relationship. I'll answer your call. Down River, no games. BOX 33419

A GENTLE GENTLEMAN
Sincere and normal man, 6'1", 260 lbs, big boned and brown skin, **42**, very romantic and consistent, car and homeowner. Likes movies, concerts, summertime person, and much more! Looking for a nice, special, shapely woman for friendship, 30 to 45, possible relationship. BOX 14401

GIVE ME A CHANCE
Divorced white male in search of ideal mate, **38** plus, for fun and friendship, dating or possible long term relationship. Non-smoker. BOX 26039

DO YOU QUALIFY?
White male, **48**, muscular, attractive, financial and self secure. Seeking selective, classy, attractive white or Asian female, under 45, for long term relationship. Wayne county. BOX 25970

WHY BE ALONE?
Caring, affectionate, loving, hard working, divorced white male, **54**, 5'7", silver fox hair, 176 lbs. Loves ocean beaches, spending quality time together. Seeking friendship for monogamous relationship, 40 to 50 yr. BOX 35913

734 AREA
Handsome, healthy, fit, clean cut, divorced white male, **35**, no dependents. Seeks white female, 25 to 45, slim to medium, for friendship, occasional dating, give me a try. Wayne County. BOX 25985

BE MY VALENTINE
Single white male, **31**, green eyes and light brown hair, non-smoker, non-drinker and drug free. Enjoy horseback riding, bowling, camping, movies and much more. Seek long term relationship with single white female, 18 to 40, children welcome. BOX 27400

STOP! READ THIS!
If you are tired of these ads and meeting flaky men, then call me. I have both feet on the ground, big hearted, don't drink, am gentle, widowed, well built, early **60**'s and look much younger. You must be under 61, lean, attractive and serious about your future. I will return your call. Down river area. BOX 35488

EYES LIKE THE SKY
Single white male, **44**, honest, faithful, trustworthy, caring, loving, up front, smoker, social drinker, brown hair, blue eyes, 6', 185 lbs, looking for a white female, 35-50, on the slim side, 100-125 lbs, who has the same qualities as I do. Looking for a very serious relationship, no head games. Oakland county. BOX 26014

PEPPER SEEKING SALT
26 yr old, single black male, is interested in meeting a single white female, 30 to 45, to go out and have a nice time together. BOX 27454

LOOKING FOR YOU
31 yr old African American male, 6'4", 202 lbs, bald head, looking for a single female, 28 to 39, for friendship and possibly more. My interests are sports, plays, and cooking. Oakland County. BOX 26021

SPOIL YOU ROTTEN...
Very attractive, single black male, **25**, 6'1", 190 lbs, trim, athletic, college educated and sincere. Seeking a very trim, slim, petite white female, 18 to 27, who's very romantic, fit and wants a quality monogamous relationship. BOX 14345

ADDRESSING OUR NEEDS
A love connection? Nice white male **43**, handsome and fun, upscale life style, seeks unattached white female for a fresh relationship mutual attention, memorable experiences. BOX 26024

LOVING LIFE
Single, **39**, white male, 5'8", 200 lbs., sweet, outgoing, enjoys life, participates in sports, family oriented. Seeking a single female, 28-40, with similar interests to start a friendship with. Prefer non-smoker. Wayne county. BOX 33621

A FIREPLACE...
My two loving arms, warm thoughts. If you are attractive, weight proportionate, under **50** and ready for a real relationship, this tall, very caring, affectionate, non-smoking, sober white male awaits you. Let's make each other happy. Wayne County. BOX 25329

JUST A CALL AWAY...
Single, black professional male, **53** yr old, 6'1", non-smoker, good physical condition, weight and height proportionate. Enjoys fishing, walking, outdoor activities, cooking, sports and antiques. Seeking a tall, professional female, 42 to 55, with similar interests and possible relationship. Race is open. BOX 27440

LONESOME
Attractive, widowed, white single male, 5'8", 175 lbs, **62**, acts younger, excellent physically condition, blue eyes, very easy going and light hearted. I like walking, traveling, games and conversations. Looking for a slim, attractive lady under, 60, with a nice personality for a serious relationship. BOX 33426

METRO AIRPORT AREA
47 yr old, single white parent, attractive, 6'1", 200 lbs, smoker, social drinker, hardworking, with a variety of interests that include, golf, camping, fishing, etc. Seeks an attractive, caring, single white female, height, weight proportionate, with family values and similar interests, must like children and animals. BOX 35489

WARNING: MAY CAUSE..
Happiness. Answer this ad, you won't be sorry! Attractive, financially secure, professional, single white male, **40**, 6', 170 lb, no dependant. Seeks attractive, single white female, 25 to 45, weight proportionate to height, who's happy with who she is. BOX 35976

VERY ACTIVE
White male, **41**, 6'1", never married, very long hair, told to be good looking, smoker, social drinker. Enjoys snowmobiling, bowling, boats, race cars, camping, and going up North. Seeking attractive female, slender build, who is tired of games, 25 to 45, with similar interests. BOX 25993

A NUMBER ONE
White male, 5'10", 190 lbs, financially secure, good looks, good occupation, interesting to be with, has realistic expectations. Seeks a nice white female companion, 35 to 49. BOX 33381

I AM YOUR MAN
Hardworking divorced white male, **49**, 5'8", 175 lbs. Is seeking a fun loving, easy going, intelligent, pretty, and nice shaped white female, for companionship. Prefer lady, in her middle 40's, for companionship and possible long term relationship. Redford area. Wayne county. BOX 25974

JUST DANDY
Single white male, **51**, 6'1", 190 lbs, light brown hair, and blue eyes. Enjoys boating, bike riding, walks, picnics, family get togethers and more. Looking for a white female, 40 to 53, who is truthful, caring, and stable. For a long term relationship. I would like to share my interests with someone special. Down River Area. Wayne County. BOX 32016

BEST FRIEND WANTED
Mid **60**'s, 5'8", financially secure, Caucasian bachelor who likes the finer things in life. Likes sailing, classical music and traveling. Been to the Atlantic and Pacific recently and in between. Like to take you with me the next time I go. Looking for a decent loyal woman and best friend. BOX 35915

THE TIME IS NOW
Professional **43** yr old divorce white male, attractive, tall, brown hair and eyes, artistic, looking for a female counterpart who enjoys dancing, fine dining, going to art galleries, cook outs, and more for casual dating. BOX 10826

MESSAGE IN A BOTTLE
45 yr old, attractive, single white Italian male, 5'11", brown hair and eyes, athletic, muscular build. Sensitive, caring, witty, humorous. Enjoy hugs, cuddling and romance. Seeking an attractive single white female, weight and height proportionate, for friendship and long term relationship. BOX 33515

AS GOOD AS IT GETS
Very kind, respectful, considerate, single white male, **39**, 6'5", 246 lbs, with brown hair and green eyes. I enjoy camping, fishing, hiking, anything outdoors, dancing and the movies. Seeking an honest, loyal and loving female who enjoys doing similar things. Children okay. BOX 15466

LET'S MEET
Affectionate, retired, single male, **50**, 5'5", blonde hair, blue eyes, likes dining out, movies, walks in the park, watching tv and traveling. Seeking a nice lady, to have some fun with. BOX 36081

WINDOW TO THE SOUL
Single white male, **39** yrs old, physically fit, financially secured, enjoys camping, country music, slow dancing, shooting pool and more. Looking for a female for a possible long term relationship. BOX 10830

FIRST TIME AD.
Recently divorced white male, **42**, 5'11", 160 lbs, blue eyes, down to earth. Enjoys the outdoors, camping, fishing, or just spending quality time together. Looking for a friend and soul mate who is honest. 35 to 42. Wayne county area. BOX 25972

HEART OF GOLD
49 yr old, divorced white male, 5'6", 160 lbs, no dependent, affectionate and full of love. Enjoys fishing, boating, dinners, romantic evenings, travel, movies and making you happy. Looking for a white female, 30 to 45, for a serious relationship. BOX 31950

ESCAPE
Escape the single life with me. Single white male, **42** yrs old, 5'10", 195 lbs, curly blond hair, hazel eyes, somewhat active, very adventurous. Looking for single white female, 35 to 50, petite to medium build, non-smoker, social drinker, with similar interests, financially secure. BOX 26015

PLEASE READ THIS....
...If you are 48 to 58, slim, white attractive female, looking for a non-violent, loving, happy go lucky, non-drinking guy. I am 5'9", 175 lbs, attractive, widowed and lonesome, looking for a lifetime relationship. I'll answer your call. Downriver area. No games. BOX 32049

WAITING FOR YOU
Single male, **44** yrs old, divorced without children, non-smoker. non-drinker, looking for a caring, affectionate female, for a possible long term relationship. BOX 32716

INTERESTED???
White widowed male, **49** yrs old, physically, spiritually, mentally, and financially sound, non-drinker, no drugs, easy going, enjoys motorcycles, long walks, nature, camping, fishing, swimming. Seeking a female to hang out with. BOX 10951

A NEW BEGINNING
... this new year! Handsome, healthy white male, **46**. Seeks white female, to share with, fuss over, care for, enjoys the outdoors, music, travel and much more. BOX 25976

FIRST TIME AD
Divorced white professional male, **52**, 5'7", 175 lbs, non-smoker, entrepreneurial, loving, gentle, and romantic. Loves kissing, and giving back rubs. Enjoys tennis, movies, and more. Seeking sensual white female. For a loving relationship. Wayne county. BOX 31995

IN SEARCH OF
Single white male, **48**, looking for someone with similar interest as mine, such as going to the movies, theaters, walking, I also enjoy cooking. Seeking someone between 45 to 55, preferably non-smoker, social drinker. Friendship at first and possible long term relationship. Wayne County BOX 25987

SEEKS SPECIAL LADY
Divorced black male, **53**, 6'1", 208lbs., very handsome, motivated, professional male. Enjoys outdoor sports, classic cars and antiques. In search of professional lady, race open, 45 to 56, tall, height and weight proportionate, with similar interests, kids welcome, for friendship and maybe more. Wayne county. BOX 25313

MAGNIFICENT LADY...
required by cosmopolitan white male, **47**, thinks passionately, loves intuitively, lives joyously. Seeks life enhancing relationship with vital woman, who loves the arts, reads and laughs as she dances through life. BOX 32003

GOOD NATURED
Intelligent, handsome, sensual, passionate, funny, tall, well built, 6'3", 205 lbs, single white male, mid **30**'s. Looking for very sensual, passionate, intelligent, kind hearted female, for fun times and romance. Oakland County. BOX 26001

38 NEW ADS!!!

SENSIBLE MAN
Single white male, **55**, soft spoken, down to earth. Enjoys dancing, theater, movies, and much more. Seeks friendly, relationship minded lady in her 40's or 50's. BOX 32024

FIRST TIME AD
Single white male, **40** yr old, 5'9", 200 lbs, physically fit, financially secure, non-smoker, drug free, social drinker. Enjoys dining out, socializing, and traveling. Seeking a white female, 35 to mid 40's, for friendship, possible long term relationship. Oakland county BOX 26008

IF U R LOOKING FOR
...An attractive honest, big hearted, white, non abusive, sober man, call me. I am active, secure, widowed and lonesome. If you are under **60**, attractive, slender, looking for a serious relationship, then I'm your man. No games. Romulus, Wayne County. BOX 33371

A REAL GOOD CATCH
Divorced white professional male, financially secure, self employed business owner, 5'10", 185 lbs. Enjoys dining out, movies, quiet times and sports. Seeking a single white professional female, 40 to 50 financially secure, non-smoker, social drinker, height and weight proportionate. Sumner County BOX 33630

A GREAT CATCH
Seeking 25 to 35, slim, Latin, Asian or single, white female, to share life with. I am a single, white male, handsome, loving, honest and stable. I love kids, animals and believe in a loving, committed relationship. If you are sweet of heart and want to meet a great catch, let's talk. Wayne county BOX 25990

FIRST TIME AD
Divorced white male 5'9", 163 lbs, grey hair, blue eyes. Enjoys hunting, fishing, boating, movies, dancing and dining out. Open personality. Seeks a white female, 45 to 55, with similar interest, for friendship first, possible relationship, non-smoker, non-drinker, no drugs. Wayne county. BOX 25992

I'M YOUR KNIGHT
and daytime friend, too! **47**, divorced, adventurous, fun loving, easygoing, slim, Catholic, honest, college graduate, non-smoker, social drinker. Enjoys boating, amateur theatre, bowling, walks, movies, dancing and travel. Seeks a lady, close in age, with similar interests, for a long term relationship. BOX 26002

HERE I AM
Looking for a slender, attractive lady, 50 to 58, for a permanent relationship. I am widowed, well built, healthy, attractive, active, and outgoing. I am **62** going on 40, and lonesome. Please call my voice greeting. Dearborn area. I'll answer your call. Wayne County. BOX 33683

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current conference. I feel the Mega is in pretty good shape."

When Wayne drops out of the Mega, schools from the Mega Conference are not allowed to schedule the Zebras for two years as a non-league foe under its constitutional by-laws.

"Wayne is a lot like we are in sports," said Glenn athletic director Gerald Szukaitis, who is serving on a sub-committee to iron out divisions and new formats for the expanded WLAA. "I know both Dr. (Greg) Baracy (Wayne-Westland's superintendent) and Don Chastain (Wayne's principal) were both in favor of this."

The expansion should also end talk — at least for now — about schools exploring the possibility of leaving the WLAA for conferences such as the Kensington Valley and the Oakland Activities Association.

Back in the early 1990s, administrators from Northville spearheaded a drive to merge the WLAA with the Kensington Valley, a conference which consists of Novi, Hartland, Brighton, Howell, Pinckney, South Lyon, Milford and White Lake-Lakeland.

But concerns about travel ultimately doomed the plan with strong resistance coming from the Livonia Public Schools.

The Oakland Activities Association, another mega league in Oakland County, also appeared to be an attractive alternative for the three Farmington schools.

"We've always been up front with the people in our league if we were going to leave," Farmington Public Schools Athletic Coordinator Brian Swinehart said. "Yes, we did talk to our coaches last year about working within a format to bring equity of competition, but we never seriously thought about leaving."

The unanimous vote also signaled a ringing endorsement of formatting divisions within the league based on past performance standards by sport.

A subcommittee met Tuesday at Franklin to try and determine how the league will be broken down. The committee consists of Swinehart, Szukaitis, Northville A.D. Larry Taylor, Franklin A.A. Dan Freeman and Brian Wolcott of the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools.

"Our own A.D.'s will bring back their recommendations by May," Barry said. "It may be one division of seven with the other being eight, or it could be three divisions of five.

"We're also strongly looking at equity of competition."

It appears enrollments will not determine how the divisions will be grouped. Canton, Salem, Stevenson and John Glenn rank among the top 10 in the state in terms of number of students.

Grid power Harrison, which has captured 11 state championships, ranks among the lowest enrollments in the WLAA, but will most likely play in the top division in football.

But the Harrison wrestling team, which recently dropped out of the WLAA varsity tournament, would be placed in the lowest division.

Schools such as Franklin and Farmington, which have won few conference or divisional titles over the years, would appear to be the biggest benefactors from the restructuring.

"Football is always a driving force, but we want to make sure that doesn't determine the direction of the league," Swinehart said. "With 15 schools scheduling could be a problem. Football is the hardest because of the odd number of schools.

"It makes scheduling more difficult, but the Mega conferences also have an odd number of schools."

The WLAA was created during 1982-83 school year when members of the Suburban Eight, Western Six and Inter-Lakes leagues formed an all activities association.

The original Western Lakes included Lakes Division members Farmington, Salem, Stevenson, Livonia Bentley, Walled Lake Central; and Western Division members Harrison, Northville, Canton, Churchill and Walled Lake Western.

When Bentley closed its doors in 1985, three Northwest Suburban League schools — Franklin, North Farmington and John Glenn — joined, expanding the WLAA from 10 to 12 schools.

It has remained that way through the new millennium.

But that will change by 2002 when the two new schools field athletic teams and Wayne Memorial joins the coalition.

"We're planning to move in the fall of 2002 and we hope by next year we can begin to schedule Western Lakes teams in non-league contests," Wayne-Westland Superintendent Dr. Greg Baracy said. "We've checked with our attorney and we've met all our commitments with the Mega as far as the Office of Civil Rights. We've been in full compliance with the OCR, but our five years are up and now we're moving on."

BASKETBALL TRYOUTS

Wildcats tryouts

The Western Wayne Wildcats AAU girls basketball program has tryouts scheduled for three of its teams.

- 13-year-olds: 6-7 p.m. Monday, Feb. 26 at West Middle School in Plymouth;
- 11-year-olds: 6-7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 28 at West Middle School in Plymouth;
- 12-year-olds: 7:30-9 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 28 at West Middle School;
- 13-year-olds: 6-7:30 p.m. Thursday, March 1 at Central Middle School in Plymouth.

Any player unable to attend on those dates, or anyone wishing more information, should contact either Fred Thomann at (734) 484-7746 or Bob Blohm at (734) 414-8156 (work) or (734) 459-1763 (home).

STORAGE USA
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Notice is hereby given that on MARCH 13, 2001 Leroy Elfrank Auctioneers, Executive Administrator for Storage USA, will be offering for sale under the judicial lien process, by public auction, the following storage units. The goods to be sold are generally described as household goods. The terms of the sale will be cash only. Storage USA reserves the right to refuse any and all bids. The sale will be at the following location: Storage USA, 6729 CANTON CENTER RD., CANTON, MI 48187 AT 12:00 PM.

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CITY OF PLYMOUTH
ORDINANCE 01-01

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE BUILDING AND BUILDING REGULATION ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF PLYMOUTH, BY AMENDING CHAPTER 18, ARTICLE XV, SECTIONS 18-778, ESTABLISHING THE AREAS OF SPECIAL FLOOD HAZARD.

The City of Plymouth ordains:

Section 1. Sections 18-778 of the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Plymouth, is hereby amended as follows:

Sec. 18-778. Establishing the areas of special flood hazard.

The areas of special flood hazard identified by the Federal Emergency Management Agency in a scientific engineering report for the city, with an accompanying flood insurance rate map, are adopted by reference and declared to be a part of this article. The flood insurance rate map, number 260236 0001 C, dated January 5, 1996, **as revised by Letter of Map Revision (LOMR) dated November 29, 2000,** is on file at the office of the Building Official.

Section 2. Rights and duties which have matured, penalties which have incurred, proceedings which have begun and prosecution for violations of law occurring before the effective date of this Ordinance are not affected or abated by this Ordinance.

Section 3. Should any section, clause or paragraph of this Ordinance be declared by a Court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, the same will not affect the validity of the Ordinance as a whole or part thereof other than the part declared invalid.

Section 4. All other Ordinances inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance are to the extent of such inconsistencies hereby repealed.

Section 5. This Ordinance shall become effective ten (10) days after enactment hereof and after publication hereof.

DAVID A. McDONALD, Mayor
LINDA LANGMESSER, CMC, City Clerk

Introduced: January 16, 2001
Adopted: February 5, 2001
Enacted: February 25, 2001

Publish: February 15, 2001

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
PLYMOUTH CHARTER TOWNSHIP
PLANNING COMMISSION

TO AMEND TEXT: AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND PLYMOUTH CHARTER TOWNSHIP ORDINANCE NO. 83 BY AMENDING ARTICLE XXIII, SPECIAL PROVISIONS TO ADD A NEW SECTION 23.41, WIRELESS COMMUNICATION.

DATE OF HEARING: WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2001

TIME OF HEARING: 7:00 P.M.

PLACE OF HEARING: PLYMOUTH TOWNSHIP HALL
42350 Ann Arbor Road
PLYMOUTH TOWNSHIP, MICHIGAN

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Planning Commission of Plymouth Charter Township proposes on its own motion to amend the Township Zoning Ordinance by amending Article XXIII Special provisions as follows:

Article XXIII of Zoning Ordinance 83 presently ends with Section 23.40.

Article XXIII, Special Provisions is hereby proposed to be amended by adding Section 23.41, Wireless Communication. The proposed text provides approval and development requirements for Wireless Communication Systems for all zoning districts and provides for the maintenance and removal of Wireless Communication Systems within Plymouth Township. Proposed Section 23.41, Wireless Communication, contains new subsections as follows:

Subsection 23.41-1: PREAMBLE
Subsection 23.41-2: PURPOSE
Subsection 23.41-3: DEFINITIONS
Subsection 23.41-4: APPROVAL REQUIREMENTS - includes approval process for Wireless Communication Systems and specific requirements for a device and facility (monopoly and feature tower).
Subsection 23.41-5: MAINTENANCE AND REMOVAL

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the proposed amendment to the text, as printed, may be examined at the Plymouth Township Clerk's Office at 42350 Ann Arbor Road and at the Community Development Department in the Department of Public Services Building at 46555 Port Street during regular business hours, 8:00 A.M. to 4:30 P.M., until the date of the Public Hearing. Application 1655. Written comments concerning the amendment will be received prior to the meeting. The application review and address for written comment is: Plymouth Charter Township, Division of Public Services, Community Development Department, 46555 Port Street, Plymouth, MI 48170. The public hearing will be held in the Meeting Room at Township Hall located at 42350 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth, MI 48170 Telephone Number 734-453-8131, ext. 37.

JOE BRIDGMAN, Secretary
Planning Commission

PLEASE TAKE NOTE: The Charter Township of Plymouth will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services, such as signers for the hearing impaired and audio tapes of printed materials being considered at all Township Meetings, to individuals with disabilities at the meetings/hearings upon one week notice to the Charter Township of Plymouth. Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services should contact the Charter Township of Plymouth by writing or calling the Supervisor's office, 42350 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth, MI 48170. Phone number (734) 354-3201, TDD users: 1-800-649-3777 (Michigan Relay Service)

Publish: January 25 & February 15, 2001

PLYMOUTH-CANTON COMMUNITY SCHOOLS
NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Board of Education of the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools invites all interested and qualified companies to submit a bid for District-Wide HVAC Services. Specifications and bid forms will be available at the MANDATORY "walk-through", scheduled for 10:00 a.m., Tuesday, February 20th, 2001 at the Plymouth-Canton Schools Maintenance Department located at 987 South Mill Street, Plymouth, Michigan. For further information, please phone either Dan Phillips, Assistant Director of Finance & Purchasing at (734) 416-2746 or Laura Hagan, Facilities Construction Manager at (734) 416-2953. Sealed bids are due on or before 3:00 p.m., Thursday, March 15th, 2001. The Board of Education reserves the right to accept and/or reject all bids, as they judge to be in the best interest of the school district.

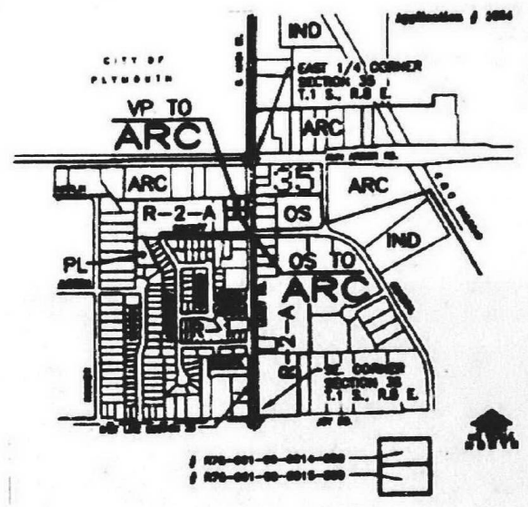
Board of Education
Plymouth-Canton Community Schools
JUDY L. MARDIGIAN, Secretary

Publish: February 8 and 15, 2001

ORDINANCE NO. 83
AMENDED ZONING MAP NO. 123
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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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON
BOARD PROCEEDINGS - FEBRUARY 6, 2001

A regular study session of the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton held Tuesday, February 6, 2001. At 7:00 p.m., Treasurer Kirchgatter called the meeting to order.

Roll Call

Members Present: Bennett, Burdziak, Kirchgatter, LaJoy, McLaughlin, Shefferly, Yack
Members Absent: McLaughlin, Supervisor Yack
Staff Present: Gerri Svec, Director Santomauro, Director Machnik, Scott Daniel, Deborah Janice, Lt. Nemecek, Brad Thompson

Adoption of Agenda

Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to adopt the agenda as presented. Motion carried by all members present.

Item 1 Range Project

A presentation was given by the Canton Police Department to update the Board of Trustees on the Range Project. The presentation included a review of the old site and the proposed new site including the following: Proposed site benefits, potential revenue, project status, the design phase, projected costs and budget. The old site was three (3) acres with ten (10) shooting lanes in a developed area. It had fifteen (15) parking spaces with a portable bathroom and garage. The proposed site however, has nine (9) acres with twenty-five (25) shooting lanes and parking for fifty (50) vehicles. It includes a classroom, restrooms, heat and air. Some of the benefits of the new proposed new site include its permanent site location, leaving the old site for development. It will minimize resident complaints, includes an observation/classroom building and has potential revenue possibilities. The proposed new site also offers a high degree of versatility including the ability to conduct night shoots, a training room on site, multi-stage training, updated technology and is secluded. Potential revenue will come from contracted services for smaller departments which will include two academies a year (48 hours per class) and two reserve academies (8 hours per class), along with the daily rental of the range and classroom facility. Other potential revenue possibilities would come from schools hosted/sponsored by the Canton Police Department for sniper school and competition, SWAT school, Patrol Rifle school and Tactical handgun. This project was included in a past study session with the Board of Trustees, received approval for the budget, received special land use approval and has a water/sewer agreement. The projected costs increased due to the building renovation costs being out of line, utility connections, Geo-technical considerations and the need to purchase dirt. Cost reducing modifications include modular units, a gravel lot, the elimination of 11,500 cubic yards of soil and the elimination of rubber range matting. The budget for this project includes grant money, revenue sources, police fund balance and an attempt to secure additional grant money. The proposed project will be a state of the art training site with minimal impact on residents and include a potential revenue source, a permanent site, flexibility in training and will be cost effective.

Item 2 Internal Affairs Application

There was a presentation given by the Canton Police Department addressing the Internal Affairs Application. The presentation included the department investigations policy, the reasons for the Internal Affairs Application and the system capabilities. The department investigations policy was adopted in June of 1994 and states that all allegations of any employee misconduct or inadequate police service will be thoroughly investigated and promptly adjudicated. The director of public safety will respond to the complaining citizen in writing on final disposition and the Michigan State Police will investigate any criminal complaint against Canton Police Department personnel. The reasons for the Internal Affairs Application are to establish and maintain organizational integrity and public confidence and trust. The creation of an internal affairs software acts as a database for all citizen complaints and dispositions on all citizen complaints. It also allows for sorting of compiaints into numerous categories such as employee, race, sex, shift or platoon. The system capabilities include file maintenance by the system administrator and the fact that multiple reports are possible, (i.e., internal complaints, by specific criteria). In closing the Internal Affairs application will pro-actively allow the department to identify training and development needs, allow the department to establish focused quality control benchmarks and provide a database. It will provide quick access to data, reinforce citizen trust and policy integrity through mandatory review of data and review of the database on all complaints filed.

Adjourn

Motion by Bennett, supported by Burdziak at 8:05 p.m. to adjourn the study session. Motion carried by all members present.

TERRY G. BENNETT

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WLAA wrestling *from page D1*

275. Chris Hosey, wrestling at 135, and Mike Siegrist, at 145, both placed third.

Although Salem finished well — indeed, the Rocks were the top finisher among the WLAA's Lakes Division teams — the team's coach, Greg Woochuk, wasn't entirely satisfied.

"I would have been a little happier if our heavier weights had come through," said Woochuk.

Still, the Rocks outdid Canton, collecting three division titles. Tony Kennard was the top wrestler at 135, beating Livonia Churchill's Lev Mergian 11-2 in the final.

At 130, Brandon Sammut defeated Livonia Franklin's Lee Warren 3-2 in the title match. And at 119, Mike Goethe topped Northville's D'Anna 2-1 in double overtime.

However, the Rocks had no one else finish higher than fourth.

The state individual wrestling districts will be Saturday at Novi HS.

Results of Wednesday's state district team tournament will appear in Sunday's Observer.

WLAA WRESTLING TOURNAMENT RESULTS

WESTERN LAKES ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATION WRESTLING TOURNAMENT
Feb. 10 at Walled Lake Central

TEAM STANDINGS: 1. Northville, 228 points; 2. Walled Lake Western, 188; 3. Plymouth Canton, 187; 4. Plymouth Salem, 169; 5. Livonia Stevenson, 151; 6. Westland John Glenn, 122.5; 7. Livonia Churchill, 114; 8. Walled Lake Central, 88; 9. Livonia Franklin, 73.5; 10. North Farmington, 64; 11. Farmington, 57.

INDIVIDUAL RESULTS

Heavyweight: Henry (WLW) pinned McWatt (PC), 1:07; **consolational final:** Martinez (LF) decisioned Sabourin (LS), 11-3; **5th-6th place:** Lange (WLC) p. O'Brien (N), 3:48; **7th-8th place:** Reedus (WJG) dec. Walker (PS), 5-3.

103 pounds: Saran (N) dec. Seaman (WLW), 6-2; **consolation:** Naber (WJG) dec. Mervyn (PS), 14-2; **5th:** Clement (LC) dec. Setsuda (WLC), 4-2; **7th:** Canvasser (NF) dec. McCartt (LF), 10-6.

112: Beech (WLW) won by tech. fall over Bajrami (NF), 3:55; **consolation:** Smith (WJG) dec. D'Anna (N), 1-0; **5th:** Bobee (PS) won by injury default over Rabaut (LS); **7th:** Abdullai (LC) dec. Debay (LF), 10-7.

119: Goethe (PS) dec. D'Anna (N), 2-1 (2 OTs); **consolation:** Leipsitz (NF) dec. Clement (LC), 5-2; **5th:** Pitt (PC) dec. Mandisa (WJG), 7-0; **7th:** Clare (WLW) dec. Jensen (WLC), 9-5.

125: Aubry (WLC) p. Demsick (PC), 3:41; **consolation:** Doyle (N) dec. Dillard (PS), 4-3; **5th:** Lenhardt (LC) dec. Fischer (LS), 13-5; **7th:** Parker (WJG) dec. Easterday (F), 9-0.

130: Sammut (PS) dec. Warren (LF), 3-2; **consolation:** Perry (WJG) dec. Pokorny (N) 8-1; **5th:** Robinson (PC) dec. Smith (LC), 6-3; **7th:** Dropiewski (WLC) p. Coolman (WLW), 2:49.

135: Kennard (PS) dec. Mergian (LC), 11-2; **consolation:** Hosey (PC) dec. Ashby (N), 8-3; **5th:** Garcia (WJG) dec. Perach (NF), 4-3; **7th:** Escobar (WLW) dec. Beste (WLC), 15-6.

140: Musser (PC) dec. Radley (LS), 8-3; **consolation:** Nazaroff (WLW) p. Childs (WLC), 4:34; **5th:** Kelley (N) won by void over Stott (PS); **7th:** Cruickshank (WJG) dec. Kish (F), 12-2.

145: Pattenaude (WLW) won by tech. fall over Cooprider (LS), 5:55; **consolation:** Siegrist (PC) dec. Stewart (WLC), 13-2; **5th:** Schultz (PS) p. Azzopardi (LF), 1:22; **7th:** Gregory (WJG) p. Murtland (F), 2:52.

152: Neumann (N) dec. Wolfgang (WJG), 12-5; **consolation:** Jamieson (LS) dec. Jones (LC), 3-2; **5th:** Faraoni (PC) dec. Koenig (WLW), 4-3; **7th:** Blair (PS) dec. Zultak (NF), 6-5.

160: Kharbush (LS) p. Murtland (F), 1:28; **consolation:** Palushaj (N) p. Busciglio (WLW), 2:45; **5th:** Rajaee (PC) p. March (PS), 1:43; **7th:** Wroblewski (WJG) dec. Freeman (LC), 5-4.

171: Pettijohn (N) dec. McKee (PC), 3-1 (OT); **consolation:** Navarro (LF) p. Portellos (PS), 2:21; **5th:** Gaston (LS) won by void over Brown (F); **7th:** Seres (WJG) p. Duncan (NF), 0:39.

189: Rumbley (N) dec. Rothwell (PC), 3-1 (OT); **consolation:** Clark (WLW) dec. Murray (LC), 9-7; **5th:** McCarthy (LS) dec. McFarland (WLC), 11-8; **7th:** Schembri (WJG) dec. Wayne (F), 9-5.

215: Vandenbossche (LC) p. Bargerstock (LS), 5:15; **consolation:** Palushaj (N) dec. Jensen (PS), 13-4; **5th:** Holland (WLW) dec. Perry (WJG), 9-5; **7th:** Belsky (F) dec. Miller (PC), 3-1.

Salem gets a win and a draw

PREP HOCKEY

The wake-up call for Plymouth Salem's hockey team came late in the second period Saturday at Gibraltar Carlson.

The first period had been scoreless, and the second was 10 minutes old before that changed — and it was Carlson that did it. The Marauders got a goal with 4:11 left in the period, then got another 1:33 later to go up 2-0.

The Rocks got the message. Steve Jacobs scored with 51 seconds to go in the second to narrow Carlson's lead to 2-1, and Salem owned the third period, scoring four unanswered goals to collect a 5-2 victory.

Mark Nagel, Mike Crowley, Bryan Young and Steve Nagel got final-period goals for the Rocks. Young also had two assists; Jacobs and both Mark and Steve Nagel got one apiece.

Shane Breest was in goal for the Rocks.

On Friday at the Plymouth Cultural Center, a goal by Mark Nagel midway through the third period elevated Salem to a 3-3 tie with Novi in a non-league game.

Brad Proodian's goal early in the first period had given the Rocks a 1-0 lead (Young assisted). Novi tied it with 7:07 left in the second, but Salem regained the lead with 2:21 to go in the second on a goal by Steve Nagel (assisted by Mark Nagel).

Two goals pushed the Wildcats into the lead, the second coming with 8:43 remaining in the third. Mark Nagel's game-tying score came 57 seconds later (Steve Nagel, Mike Crowley assisted).

Canton hoop *from page D1*

Bortz put in a putback at the buzzer to give his team a 34-32 lead.

That 9-2 Viking run to end the quarter should have swept these teams in opposite directions, but it didn't. Central opened up a four-point lead on a basket by John Auer with 6:15 to play, but the Chiefs then kicked their game into high gear — and the Vikings didn't respond.

Canton's 9-2 run over the next three minutes featured a three-pointer by Andrew Meagrow, and it gave the Chiefs a 41-38 lead. Twice the Vikings narrowed the gap to a point, on baskets by Chris Hart and Bortz, but they could never overtake Canton.

That was due, in great part, to Rheault's decision not to let up defensively. Even when his Chiefs had a lead, he didn't allow them to back off, instead risking a foul but maintaining the pressure.

The result: It confused Central offensively, forcing five turnovers in the final 90 seconds. Two of them were Canton steals before the Vikes crossed half-court, by Rian Barker and Jason Priebe.

"I just felt that's what got us here, let's keep rattling them," said Rheault.

A basket by Oliver Wolcott with :43 left and two free throws by Priebe nine seconds later clinched the Chiefs' win. Wolcott and Jerry Gaines each scored 12 points to lead Canton. Bortz paced Central with 12; Steve Horn contributed 10.

The outcome wasn't a happy one for Central, but Shoemaker knew it might help his team refocus for what lay ahead. "I always hate to lose," he admitted, "but this might be good for us.

"A good question might be, how'd we ever get to be 15-0? We could just as easily be 10-5 right now."

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ROBERT M. MEISNER

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Do you have any suggestions?

In a recent visit to Naples, Fla., I ran across what is referred to as the "boat condominium." In effect, you can buy a storage area for your boat in the form of a condominium and pay a monthly maintenance fee.

You are offered a variety of dry dock storage areas in the condominium to meet your needs, depending upon the space which you wish to choose.

It offers a clubhouse facility, including a pool and meeting room and basically allows you to secure the storage of your boat within the confines of a condominium community with parking areas.

These storage facilities are to be used for your boat only, but it appears to me an interesting way to secure storage areas that is no doubt going to be a wave of the future in the boat storage industry.

If you store your boat in other recreational/living areas, it is probably worth your time to look in the local newspaper for boat storage areas, in search of a boat condominium. Or you may want to just drive along the harbor area and ask other boat owners whether such storage areas are available around there.

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Association presidents: *Robert E. Taylor Jr., Teri Spiro and James M. Newton serve in leadership roles with area real estate boards.*

Future of residential housing looks good to board presidents

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The residential real estate market here short-term should remain healthy.

Realtors will continue to be challenged in their work combining service with technology.

And getting active in professional associations carries many benefits to folks who help sell and buy houses for a living.

Those are some of the items that came out during a recent group interview with new presidents of three area real estate boards.

Robert E. Taylor Jr., an associate broker with Weir, Manuel, Snyder & Ranke in Birmingham, is president of the Birmingham Bloomfield Rochester South Oakland Association of Realtors.

Taylor, 51, has been in the business 27 years and lives in Bloomfield Township.

Teri Spiro, an associate broker with Century 21 Town & Country in West Bloomfield, is president of the Western Wayne Oakland County Association of Realtors.

Spiro, 47, has been in the business 12 years and resides in Farmington Hills.

James M. Newton, Realtor relations manager for Standard Federal Bank in Troy, starts his second stint as president of the North Oakland County Board of Realtors.

Newton, 37, is a licensed appraiser, broker and builder. He's been in the business 15 years and lives in Waterford.

Following are edited excerpts.

How do you see the residential real estate market here over the next six months or so?

Newton: I see a slight drop in interest rates. It will certainly make things interesting. I believe we should have a robust housing market through spring.

Taylor: I would agree that lower rates will empower more buyers and perhaps rejuvenate buyers who chose to sit on the sidelines. I think that buyers will have a fair amount of houses to choose from. I think inventory will be plentiful.

My experience would indicate housing depends more on if buyers have an affordable down payment and can afford payments. I'm not sure consumer confidence is as big a factor as affordability.

Spiro: Lower interest rates will continue to make first-time buyers better able to purchase.

There's no question there are excellent mortgage programs now. Lenders are offering more products to make it more appealing. Home buyers are able to get in for 3 percent of the purchase price.

What can sellers and buyers specifically do to simplify the process?

Spiro: Make sure you're chasing a full-time professional, then treat that professional as any other professional person you deal with. You don't go to a doctor, then treat yourself.

A Realtor often has to give bad news (to sellers) about the condition of the home. Don't take it personally.

(Mortgage) pre-approval is critical in that most sellers and most listing agents will demand some evidence that the buyer can actually close.

Newton: Using a Realtor is paramount. There's a lot of information people get from friends, neighbors, relatives. Some may be accurate, some not. A good Realtor will be able to sort this out so the transaction goes as smoothly as possible.

Taylor: Ask questions of their Realtor and listen to the answers.

What makes for a good Realtor?

Taylor: To my way of thinking, being a Realtor is more a philosophy of doing business than mechanical duties.

We have a code of ethics, a philosophy in place, so competitors become colleagues rather than cut-throat competitors.

Understanding that the public comes first. The buyer and seller are more important than the transaction.

Spiro: You have to be self-motivated. You need to be comfortable with public interaction. I really think today you need to have the combined skills of being technically savvy but not forgetting this is a service-oriented, people business.

Newton: Honesty, integrity. The ability to deal ... in a sometimes sympathetic manner ... with one of the biggest life-changing transactions that takes place.

Why should Realtors be active in their association? What do you have to offer?

Taylor: No. 1, my knowledge is ahead of the curve. You kind of have an idea what's coming down the road. But also getting to know and working with other Realtors makes my ability to communicate so much easier.

Newton: We're a source of knowledge – seminars, training. There's certainly strength in numbers when it comes to political issues.

Spiro: The association is the single greatest provider of education and technical services available today. The association is an advocate. There are so many legislative and judicial issues that impact us.

Taylor: You get discounts on services that let you conduct your business ... group discounts on health insurance, life insurance.

What are key issues facing your industry?

Newton: Overall, Realtors are facing competition from many sources. They must be sharper, technology-wise, and ready to provide customers with a wide range of services.

Spiro: Real estate has always been a people business attracting people interested in helping clients. Technology has become so sophisticated. The challenge we have is providing training and support so people can remain vibrant in our industry.

Another (issue) is going to be interaction with other associations in that we have become very global. It's important we share our services with other associations.

Taylor: As long as Realtors can effectively demonstrate value-added services, the pressure to remain viable in the industry probably isn't that great.

Get cheap money from home loan

MORTGAGE BITS

TIM 'TIMBO' PHILLIPS

Like most people, I would love to be in a position to never have to worry about money. As a husband, homeowner, and father of four, I often dream of seeing a light at the end of the financial tunnel. However, all too often that light is an oncoming locomotive, not freedom.

As a homeowner, there are a couple things you can do to keep ahead in the money game. Obviously, try to earn and keep more than you spend. If you can't do that, don't spend expensive money. Use cheap money.

What is expensive money? Expensive money is money on which you pay interest that does not generate a tax credit or deduction. Expensive money is usually not "secured" by something of value and, as a result, demands a much higher interest rate to compensate the lender for the added risk.

Cheap money creates a tax advantage and allows for a lower interest rate because it is attached to something of greater value, such as a home. A mortgage against your home is about the cheapest money you will find.

Right now, thousands of homeowners are scrambling to restructure their debt loads by refinancing their homes. Often, borrowers take extra "cash out" of their homes to pay off high-interest consumer debt or non-tax-deductible debt. The effect of consolidating debt in this manner can be enormous.

If you are paying, say, 18-percent interest on a credit card, it costs you a full 18 percent. That's expensive!

After applicable tax benefits, it will feel as if you are only paying 5 percent for those debts if you roll them into your mortgage when you refinance. If you're in the 28-percent tax bracket and itemize taxes, a mortgage rate of 7 percent has an effective interest rate of about 5 percent.

Special considerations: First, you may have some difficulty taking cash out of a property that you have owned for less than a year. Next, your home must be valuable enough to support your new mortgage. Finally, make sure that the amount you save by refinancing justifies the cost of the refinance. Your loan officer or financial planner can help you answer those questions.

Tim "Timbo" Phillips is a loan officer for Commonwealth National Mortgage Corp. in Livonia. You may contact him at PhillipsHQ@ yahoo. com, or at (734) 797-5522 [24 hours]. Homebuyers should always consult a professional for guidance specific to their situation.

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JACQUELINE SULLIVAN/STAFF ARTIST

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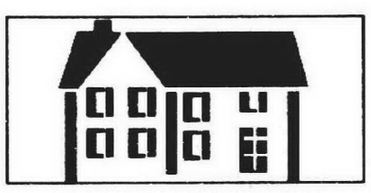

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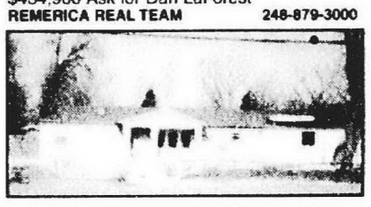

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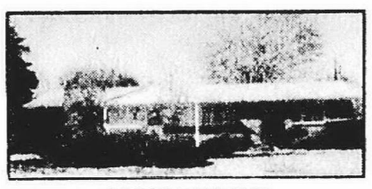
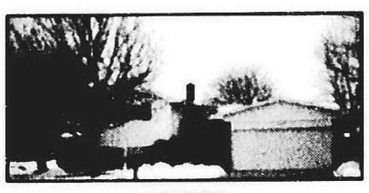
Completely rebuilt in '96. 1½ Baths, oversized 2½ car att. garage, fenced yard, wood shed. New electrical, furn., C/A & thermo windows. Large deck, hardwood floors, skylight in bath, ceramic tile in kitchen w/doorwall, home warranty. Quick occupancy! $152,000 (14IND)
REMERICA INTEGRITY REALTORS 734-525-4200

CANTON'S SUNFLOWER SUB
2,300 Sq. ft., 4 bedroom, 2½ baths, updated kitchen, light oak cabinets, new windows, fresh paint, 3 sided FP in huge family room, & ready to move in immediately. $242,900 (1664-0)
REMERICA HOMETOWN III 734-459-9898



GREAT NOVI SUB
Sharp open 3 BR ranch, 1½ baths, family room w/fireplace, 2 car attached garage, large corner lot, 1st floor laundry, 2 doorwalls. $179,900 CALL DAVE MATHIEU.
REMERICA PREFERRED 248-437-1345



CANTON
Large 4 bedroom quad on premium cul-de-sac lot. Too many updates and amenities to list. Attached 2 car garage. Natural woodwork and much more. $208,900 (1725-0)
REMERICA HOMTOWN III 734-459-8898

BEAUTIFUL
Large 4 bedroom, 2½ bath Colonial in a great family neighborhood. Ceramic tiled foyer & kitchen. Wood floors in family room. In-ground pool, 2 car attached garage. $209,900 (ATCBE)
REMERICA HOMETOWN 734-459-6222

READY TO MOVE IN!
This stunning new build features 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, living room, breakfast room, cable, central air, with a 2 car garage w/workshop, underground sprinklers and a professional landscaping job makes this the perfect home. $254,900 (31CRYDR)
REMERICA LAKES REALTY 810-231-1600

IMMEDIATE OCCUPANCY...
On this 3 bedroom, 2½ bath Windsor Park colonial located on a court. Too many updates to list. This home is show and sell! $189,900 (C7047)
REMERICA HOMETOWN ONE 734-420-3400

JUST LISTED!
WOW - 1386 sq. ft. of central air, cable, 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, partially finished basement, fireplace, ceiling fans, appliances, fenced yard, 2 car attached garage and much more! $186,900 (46DOW)
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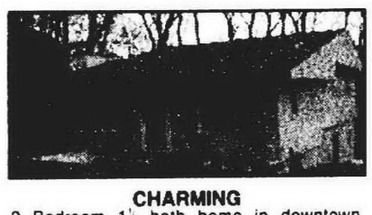
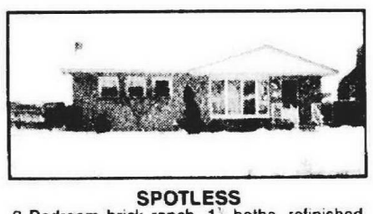


CHARMING
3 Bedroom 1½ bath home in downtown Northville! Newer windows, roof, siding & floor. Natural fireplace in living room, finished walk-out basement, great yard. $214,9000 (ACCEA)
REMERICA HOMETOWN 734-459-6222

STUNNING CANTON CONDO
Links of Pheasant Run. 3 Bedroom, 2½ baths, $20,000 in builder upgrades. 2 sided fireplace, hardwood floors, large master suite with vaulted ceilings. Absolutely gorgeous! $264,900 (1648-0)
REMERICA HOMETOWN III 734-459-9898



SPOTLESS
3 Bedroom brick ranch, 1½ baths, refinished hardwood floors, fenced yard, basement, C/A. Updated kitchen, windows, siding, plumbing and electrical. Home warranty included. Wonderful neighborhood and close to schools! Must see, won't last long! $149,900 (00PER)
REMERICA INTEGRITY REALTORS 734-525-4200

PREMIUM WOODED LOT
Outstanding home in a great sub. 3 Bedroom, 2½ bath built in 1996. Fireplace in living room, central air, 1st. floor laundry, vaulted ceilings & an open, airy floor plan, huge closets & attached garage. Large deck & sprinklers. $204,900 Ask for Dan or Richard.
REMERICA REAL TEAM 248-879-3000

MAINTENANCE FREE
2 Bedroom condo with ceramic tile in foyer, kitchen, and baths Easy access from attached garage. Neutral Decor. $158,500 (ADWHU)
REMERICA HOMETOWN 734-459-6222

SUMMER TIME FUN...
Is just around the corner and this 1983 home is perfect - canal frontage, on all sports Rush Lake. Central air, finished walk-out, dock facility, deck, porch and more! $219,900 (84BAU)
REMERICA LAKES REALTY 810-231-1600

A PERFECT 10!
Open floor plan, first floor master suite with garden tub and shower. Great room with fireplace. Hardwood floors in hallway, guest bath and kitchen. Neutral decor. This home is a showplace. Ask for Richard Sidick for details. $264,900
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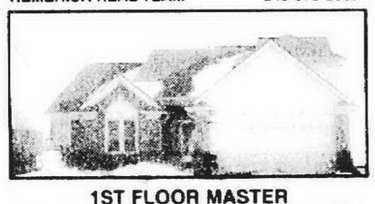
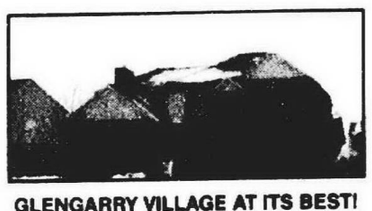
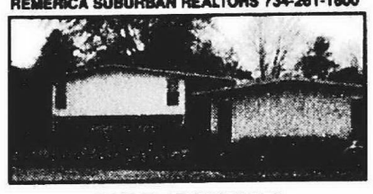


1ST FLOOR MASTER
Awesome newer Cape Cod in western Plymouth. Towering vaulted ceilings in master & great room, hardwood floors in spacious oak kitchen, upgrades galore. $279,900 (C7045)
REMERICA HOMETOWN ONE 734-420-3400



GLENGARRY VILLAGE AT ITS BEST!
Colonial, 4 large bedrooms and a Library/Study for your enjoyment! Large kitchen with island and oak cabinets. clean and neat throughout. Paver patio, sprinklers, fully landscaped. Located in one of Canton's finest subdivisions. $324,990 (S-3001)
REMERICA SUBURBAN REALTORS 734-261-1600



CANAL FRONTAGE!
2500 sq. ft., 3 bedrooms, 3.1 baths, basement, cable, water softener, central air, 3 skylights, beautiful landscaping, private road. This could be your year round fun home! $339,900 (97BEV)
REMERICA LAKES REALTY 810-231-1600

GORGEOUS COLONIAL
Updates galore. 4 Bedroom, 2½ bath. Large kitchen, with walk-in pantry. Family room with wet bar. In-ground pool, finished basement, 2 car garage. $249,900 (AMLQU)
REMERICA HOMETOWN 734-459-6222

FRESH START!
Enjoy this new 2 story colonial with 4 bedrooms, 2½ baths, 1st floor master suite, 1st/2nd floor laundry, 8" trim thru out, 9' ceilings, 3 car garage. Beautiful brick pillars. A theatrical balcony over looking the great room with gas fireplace. $371,500 (1068636)
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$73,990	2 br., 1 bath, Over-looks Colonial Park	1529 Helen Street	Inkster
$229,990	2 br., 2 bath Ranch, large lot	18021 Fairfield	Livonia

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$384,900	Breathtaking view of Golf Course	165 Country Club Lane	Canton
$204,900	New Construction, 3 br., 2½ ba.	43840 Joy Rd.	Plymouth
$189,900	3 br. ranch, w/bsmt & garage	9931 Hix	Livonia
$205,900	Newer built, brick ranch, 3 br.	266 Stephanie	Westland
$179,900	4 br., 2 ba, 2 story w/garage	119 Robyn	Canton
$297,900	New construction on ½ acre	43642 Palmer Rd.	Canton

REMERICA HOMETOWN III (734) 459-9898

$209,900	3 Bedroom quad	3407 Rockhaven	Rochester Hills
$159,900	3 Bedroom Colonial	4161 Saginaw Trail	Waterford
$185,000	3 Bedroom ranch	47870 Walden	Macomb Twp.
$379,900	4 Bedroom, 1-1/2 story	110 Amy Lynn	Metamora
$123,500	2 Bedroom ranch	1198 Boyd	Troy
$189,900	2 Bedroom Lake front	10118 King Rd.	Springfield Twp.

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FROM THE UPPER $500'S - CUSTOM HOMES - FALLS OF NORTHVILLE

$194,900	3 br., fin. bsmt., 2½ car	3290 Jennella	Commerce Twp.

REMERICA PREFERRED 248-437-1345

$166,900	Beautiful Millpointe home 3 br/2ba	2381 Stockmeyer	Westland
$350,000	Elegant, unique! 3 tier deck, pool	35249 Vargo	Livonia
$148,500	3 br. brick ranch, move-in cond.	30244 Windsor	Garden City
$159,900	1450 sq.ft. 3 br 1½ ba contemp.	19836 Maplewood	Livonia

REMERICA HOMETOWN ONE (734) 420-3400

$115,000	2 br ranch, applances stay	2761 Columbia	Berkley
$155,900	3 br ranch, C/A, 2 baths	23637 Lebost	Novi
$319,900	4 br Colonial bsmt., 2½ baths	40505 E. Mill Rd. Ct.	Novi
$275,000	3 br Colonial, garage, C/A	16883 Quakertown	Livonia

REMERICA INTEGRITY REALTORS (734) 525-4200

$264,900	Colonial, 4 br, 2-1/2 ba, fin bsmt	45670 Hanford	Canton
$164,900	Quad, 4 br, 1-½ ba, 1 car gar.	1412 Hamshire	Canton
$219,000	Col. 4 br, 2-½ ba, 2 car gar., bsmt	5674 Willow Creek	Canton
$229,900	Ranch, 3 br, 2ba, 2 car gar, bsmt	46090 Warren	Canton
$158,500	Condo, 2 br, att gar, prem. lot	4206 Hunters Circle	Canton
$249,500	Ranch, 3 br, 4.11 acres, pole barn	9620 Chubb	Northville
$209,900	Colonial, 4br, 2½ ba, many updates	43168 Thames Ct.	Canton
$249,900	Colonial, 4 br, 2½ ba, 2 car gar	45171 Quaker Hill	Canton

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$60,000	Almost 1 acre, Putnam Township	9350 Cedar lake	Pinckney
$115,000	Buildable, beautiful, 7.6 acres	9 Mile	S. Lyon
$339,000	New construction, huge master	9318 Anacapa Bay	Pinckney
$439,900	Whitewood Lake frontage, 4 br	3350 Apache	Pinckney
$69,000	Vacant land, Rush Lake waterfront	Rush Lake Rd.	Pinckney
$119,000	55 & older Co-op Com. Clubhoue	61958 Ticonderoga	S. Lyon
$161,900	Pvt. Lake, 976 sq. ft., 2 br	11471 Weiman	Pinckney
$249,900	1466 sq. ft., 3 br, 2 ba	122 S. Rodgers	Northville
$179,900	5 br, 2 ba, large backyard	9191 Bernice	Pinckney
$125,900	10 Acres, vacant land	Hooker Rd.	Pinckney

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Clawson	Belleville	Suite 203, Traverse City	South Lyon	Troy	Farmington Hills	Somerset	Livonia	Novi	Orion
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A NEW WAY HOME

Workers in short supply

Want to make lots of bucks? Try the building trades

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Mike Sherwood
instructor for heavy equipment operators

The sun still shines on the construction industry in Michigan.

Volume this year should surpass last year's total of about $25 billion by 2 percent, forecasts the chairman of a trade association representing contractors, subcontractors, suppliers and vendors throughout the state.

Jobs are expected to be plentiful and lucrative, added Joe Murphy, chairman of the Construction Association of Michigan and a vice president with Current Solutions, an electrical contractor in Troy.

"Prospects are good from the surveys we've done despite all the negative (economic) reports we're getting," Murphy said. "The top three categories are infrastructure/ municipal, educational and large residential."

Road resurfacings, school remodelings, Metro Airport expansion and a new football stadium downtown were mentioned specifically by Murphy as major ongoing projects.

"2000 was an excellent growth year, a continuation of what we've seen the last five years," he said.

"The construction workforce is getting older, they're retiring. We need young blood, people to get interested in the trades. You can make a good living in the trades," Murphy said.

Apprentices in some trades can start at $13-$15 per hour plus benefits and earn $27-$29 hourly after four years of training and journeyman status, Murphy said.

Representatives of several apprenticeship programs exhibiting at a recent design and construction expo in Pontiac echoed Murphy's thoughts while touting their industry.

"Now demand is high in Detroit. We don't have enough people to go around," said Mike Sherwood, an instructor with the International Union of Operating Engineers, heavy equipment operators.

"It's a decent living – probably on average $60,000 to $100,000 a year depending on work and whether a guy wants to travel around."

Herb Schultz, affiliated with the Michigan Regional Council of Carpenters, sees plenty of work on the horizon, especially as the weather warms. "In summer, there is an opportunity for everybody, things are so busy," he said.

Job training in the trades equates to dollars, too, Schultz added.

"You're generally going to make a better living than a four-year college degree will get you," he said. "A guy that works pretty good, you can make $60,000 a year."

Jack Love is an instructor with the International Masonry Institute of Detroit Apprenticeship and Training Program.

"A lot of bricklayers are retiring. We just can't find people," he said. "The economy is good. Maybe people just don't want to get their hands dirty. It's easy to get in, but they must be willing to work."

Mark A. Sawyer, executive director of the Associated Builders & Contractors of Southeastern Michigan, says his merit-shop organization is also thriving.

"The only thing slowing our school down now is getting qualified instructors," he said. "There's a huge interest. You can make a good living. You can sustain and support a family.

"The greatest hurdle we have is getting over the fact that these aren't just dirty, grimy jobs with no skill for the misfits in school," Sawyer said.

"We have probably been negligent, amiss," Murphy said. "We haven't pushed and offered at the school level, asked people to come to the trades. Not everyone is college material."

So how can someone get involved?

"Call CAM, (248) 972-1000," Murphy said. "By 2005, 66 percent of people entering the trades (nationally) will be women and people of color."

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HOMES SOLD IN WAYNE COUNTY

These are the Observer-area residential real-estate closings recorded Nov. 27 - Dec. 1, 2000, at the Wayne County Register of Deeds office. Listed below are cities, addresses, and sales prices.

Canton

46490 Aarons Way	$239,000
43326 Barchester Rd	$155,000
41643 Bedford Dr	$140,000
42618 Boulden Ct	$209,000
2069 Briarfield St	$166,000
2079 Brook Fld	$182,000
7701 Burgandy St	$207,000
7234 Chichester Rd	$235,000
43208 Devon Ln	$187,000
43220 Devon Ln	$205,000
42104 Echo Forest Dr	$301,000
44529 Fair Oaks Dr	$227,000
1485 Fairfax Dr	$202,000
40021 Finley Dr	$210,000
47441 Fox Run Dr	$305,000
46274 Gunnery Dr	$272,000
1214 Heritage Dr	$162,000
1197 High Ridge Dr	$225,000
45105 Horseshoe Cir	$167,000
4167 Hunters Cir W	$152,000
42028 Hunters Rdg	$272,000
3871 Hunters Way Ct	$147,000
41951 Hystone St	$163,000
45299 Indian Crk	$187,000
7012 Kennesaw Rd	$408,000
44920 Lemont Rd	$221,000
42719 Lilley Pointe Dr	$115,000
42740 Lilley Pointe Dr	$118,000
42816 Lilley Pointe Dr	$118,000
43525 Lotus Dr	$215,000
48958 Martell Ct	$369,000
45726 Morningside	$272,000
47335 Northgate Dr	$252,000
43830 Palisades Dr	$183,000
41503 Pheasant CrkDr	$261,000
48142 Red Run	$355,000
2325 Roundtable	$201,000
42976 Ryegate St	$217,000
44144 Saltz Rd	$146,000
44431 Savery Dr	$91,000
44467 Savery Dr	$96,000
44523 Savery Dr	$128,000
44535 Savery Dr	$117,000
44781 Seabrook Dr	$315,000
460 Sheffield Ct	$227,000
47720 Torrington Dr N	$446,000
356 Torrington Dr W	$360,000
1860 Wentworth Ct	$320,000
969 Whittier Dr	$220,000
2371 Woodgreen Ct	$263,000
6739 Woodmere Dr	$275,000

Garden City

961 Arcola St	$125,000
1828 Arcola St	$112,000
29644 Barton St	$132,000
5841 Cardwell St	$103,000
6777 Deering St	$135,000
7029 Deering St	$130,000
33644 Donnelly St	$150,000
29453 Florence St	$95,000
29614 Florence St	$103,000
30907 Florence St	$125,000
210 Hubbard St	$107,000
33531 Kathryn St	$137,000
30644 Pardo St	$103,000
30120 Rush St	$120,000
27471 Sheridan St	$133,000
31742 Sheridan St	$54,000
31742 Sheridan St	$124,000

Livonia

15459 Alpine Dr	$238,000
19648 Angling St	$142,000
14148 Arcola St	$153,000
18730 Bainbridge Ave	$205,000
9901 Bassett St	$155,000
14920 Bassett St	$170,000
15160 Berwick St	$148,000
9814 Blackburn St	$199,000
15989 Blue Skies Dr	$314,000
18755 Blue Skies St	$190,000
27770 Bobrich St	$152,000
29508 Bobrich St	$80,000
9815 Brook Fld	$178,000
11422 Cardwell St	$125,000
17180 Catherine Ct	$277,000
28447 Cleveland St	$137,000
14953 Country Club Dr	$173,000
10020 Deering St	$144,000
17933 Deering St	$195,000
9910 Denne St	$146,000
14241 Doris St	$225,000
29694 Edward Pl	$215,000
14826 Ellen Dr	$175,000
32995 Fargo St	$72,000
8978 Frederick St	$141,000
14448 Garden St	$175,000
9602 Hartel St	$141,000
33807 Hathaway St	$243,000
15356 Hix St	$210,000
15066 Houghton St	$185,000
14141 Hubbard St	$200,000
28846 Joy Rd	$91,000
9107 Louise St	$119,000
9814 Loveland St	$146,000
31111 Mayville St	$223,000
36256 Meadow Brk	$182,000
37604 N Laurel Park Dr	$235,000
18555 Norwich Rd	$139,000
16971 Oporto St	$192,000
30160 Orangelawn St	$135,000
9731 Pere Ave	$165,000
16448 Riverside St	$246,000
9900 Roseland St	$105,000
9921 Seltzer St	$153,000
10737 Stark Rd	$175,000
11200 Stark Rd	$160,000
14678 Stonehouse Ave	$164,000
16535 Surrey St	$232,000
14268 Susanna St	$205,000
37057 Weymouth Dr	$445,000
18979 Whitby St	$155,000
35421 Wood St	$239,000

Plymouth

235 Adams St	$370,000
250 Auburn St	$210,000
9265 Bail St	$260,000
39672 Birchwood Dr	$193,000
155 Blunk St	$200,000
9115 Briarwood Dr	$180,000
11781 Chandler Dr	$448,000
12173 Chandler Dr	$345,000
10368 Chestnut Ct	$225,000
50875 Chestwick Ct	$295,000
48011 Colony Farms Cir	$192,000
11635 E Hills Dr	$390,000
12103 E Hills Dr	$339,000
10141 Eckles Rd	$192,000
14903 Farm Brook	$210,000
9116 Gregory Ln	$168,000
44724 Lynn Dr	$152,000
9241 Mapletree Dr	$260,000
9421 Marlowe Ave	$143,000
261 N Mill St	$175,000
1530 Nantucket Rd	$150,000
40346 Newport Dr	$122,000
8839 Northern Ave	$50,000
12528 Pinecrest Dr	$212,000
49467 Pointe Xing	$175,000
13165 Portsmouth Xing	$305,000
13959 Tall Timbers Ct	$369,000
9424 Timberline Ct	$350,000
51273 W Hills Dr	$345,000
8931 Whittlesey LakDr	$220,000

Redford

8925 Arnold	$142,000
14892 Aubrey	$108,000
12908 Brady	$146,000
11731 Centralia	$105,000
18698 Centralia	$73,000
9327 Columbia	$138,000
14550 Crosley	$133,000
15054 Delaware Ave	$170,000
16508 Delaware Ave	$123,000
18441 Delaware Ave	$103,000
17366 Denby	$115,000
18840 Denby	$83,000
15534 Dixie	$90,000
9991 Farley	$119,000
9573 Fenton	$119,000
15580 Gaylord	$129,000
26221 Grand River Ave	$80,000
10029 Hazelton	$105,000
11302 Hazelton	$117,000
14822 Inkster Rd	$121,000
24300 Joy Rd	$150,000
17710 Lennane	$117,000
11339 Lenore	$115,000
11410 Lenore	$128,000
9226 Louis	$150,000
15412 Norborne	$74,000
16951 Norborne	$127,000
19149 Olympia	$30,000
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19709 Poinciana	$63,000
11347 Riverdale	$102,000
9026 Riverview	$115,000
9045 Riverview	$124,000
13969 Royal Grand	$153,000
12861 Sarasota	$149,000
26223 Southwestrn Hwy	$97,000
25550 Student	$58,000
25929 Student	$124,000
11424 Virgil	$110,000
15934 Wakenden	$125,000
15384 Wormer	$97,000

Westland

34035 Aztec Dr	$145,000
6912 Bison St	$150,000
35785 Castlewood Ct	$119,000
7527 Cavell St	$100,000
7030 Deerhurst Dr	$156,000
34752 Donnelly St	$135,000
34895 Donnelly St	$137,000
37593 Garden Ct	$126,000
7571 Gilman St	$168,000
7885 Hugh St	$165,000
7330 Iroquois St	$152,000
7656 Maple Dr	$250,000
8254 Milburn St	$125,000
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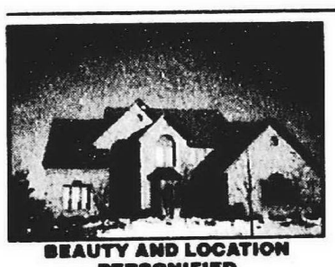
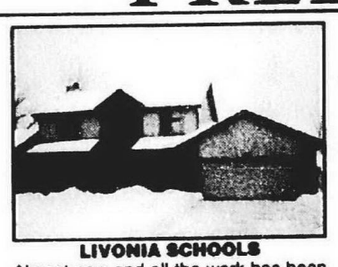
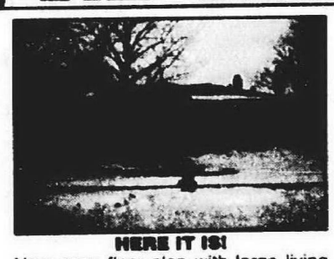


BEAUTY AND LOCATION PERSONIFIED
5000 sq. ft. colonial. Premium lot, cul-de-sac location, amenities galore, 4 bedrooms, 3½ baths, walk-out lower level, cathedral ceilings, double spiral staircase. Quick occupancy.
(640DR) $569,000

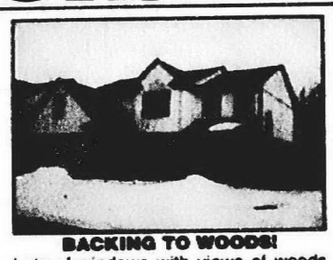


LIVONIA SCHOOLS
Almost new and all the work has been done. Three bedrooms, 2½ baths, living room, family room with fireplace, first floor laundry and den, great location in a wonderful neighborhood.
(667CH) $249,900

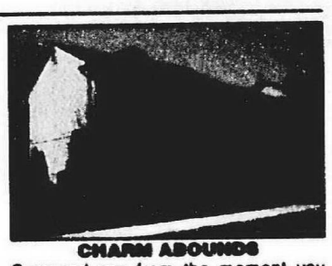
OUTDOORABLE!
Three bedroom, 2 full bath home nestled among trees on approximately ¼ of an acre in Farmington Hills. Many updates since 1991. Neutral decor, 2½ car garage. A must see!
(625RH) $195,000



HERE IT IS!
Very open floor plan with large living room opening to family room with raised hearth fireplace. Hardwood floors in most of house. Four bedroom ranch with newer windows. Call now – this one won't last!
(583SC) $192,000



BACKING TO WOODS!
Lots of windows with views of woods and paver patio/walks come with this 4 bedroom, 2½ bath home. Spacious rooms, 2 fireplaces, fabulous master suite with skylights and jetted tub. Nearly new home – hurry!
(283NO) $320,000



CHARM ABOUNDS
Surround you from the moment you enter this beautifully decorated home. Don't miss your chance in this fantastic 3 bedroom, 2½ bath home with loft overlooking the family room. Priced to sell!
(577AA) $234,900

CANTON! RANCH! CONDO!
Circle this one! Beautiful 2 bedroom brick ranch, is an end unit fronting to treed commons. Featuring private basement, fenced patio, club house and heated pool. Call now!
(134SO) $119,900

TOTALLY UPDATED!
Everything is done on this 3 bedroom, 1½ bath Livonia colonial! Kitchen, baths, landscaping, siding, roof, furnace, A/C, windows, doors, HWH, have all been updated for the fussiest homeowners.
(145DO) $197,900

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ALL THE COMFORTS
in this 2 bedroom, 2½ bath condo with loft overlooking great room with fireplace. Dining room, first floor laundry, full basement and 2 car attached garage. Move-in condition.
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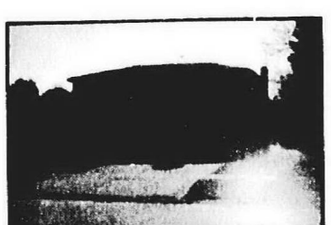
NEW CONSTRUCTION
Hurry on this unique New England style colonial. Four bedrooms, 3½ baths, hardwood floors, large island kitchen, formal living and dining room. Three car attached garage. Must see!!
(632TO) $404,900

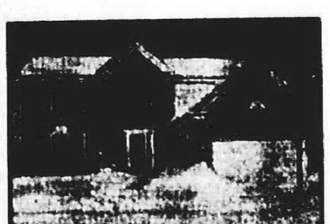


DESIRABLE SUNFLOWER COLONIAL
This 4 bedroom, 2½ bath brick home is waiting for your finishing touch. Features you want like formal dining, family room with fireplace, study, first floor laundry and finished basement.
(449BA) $237,900

NICE INVESTMENT
1954 brick ranch duplex. Both are well maintained 2 bedroom units with ceramic baths. Each unit approximately 800 square feet. Hardwood floors, cove ceiling, new roof, estimated monthly rent $1,600.
(912FA) $169,900

NICE AND QUIET
This is one of the good ones! Lots of updates. Fully finished basement, 2 bedrooms at rear of complex. Beautiful clubhouse with fireplace. Great place to live.
(922CA) $104,900

CANTON'S BEST
Preferred "Sunflower Village" with pool, clubhouse, etc. Four bedroom, 2½ bath colonial on premium lot with huge kitchen, island counter, family room with fireplace in "move-in" condition. Extras galore!
(557HA) $324,000



GORGEOUS GLENGARRY COLONIAL
Four bedroom, 2½ bath Baybrooke colonial! Traditional floor plan with 2 story foyer, hardwood flooring, oak kitchen with island, spacious family room, fireplace, private master suite with posh bath and soaking tub, security system, sprinklers, and deck!
(776BR) $309,900

MOVE RIGHT IN!
Beautifully maintained South Redford ranch awaits its new owners! New carpeting, freshly painted, newer roof, newer windows, updated kitchen and finished basement.
(906WE) $137,900

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HELP-U-SELL

Help-U-Sell Real Estate sponsors a free, no-obligation class on how its services can save home sellers commission dollars 7-8:30 p.m.. Tuesday, Feb. 20, at The Summit on the Park, 46000 Summit Parkway, Canton.

To register, call Blue Moon Title at (313) 565-9009.

IREM PROGRAM

The Institute of Real Estate Management Michigan Chapter 5 hosts a breakfast program on current trends in the industry 8 a.m. Wednesday, Feb. 21, at the Southfield Westin, 1500 Town Center.

Speaker: Robert I. Schostak, president and chief operating officer, Schostak Brothers & Co.

Cost is $20 for members, $25 for nonmembers.

For reservations, call Bea King at (248) 615-3885.

REMODELING CLASS

Livonia Community Education and Oakland Builders Institute offer a nine-hour seminar, "Buying and Remodeling a Home for Profit," 6:30-9:30 p.m. Wednesdays, Feb. 21, 28 and March 7, at Riley Middle School, 15555 Henry Ruff, Livonia.

Topics include public sales, estimating repairs, working with contractors and common problems.

Cost is $95 plus a textbook fee of $10.

To register, call (734) 523-9277.

BUY HOME CLASS

Standard Federal Bank and Westland Housing and Community Development host a free seminar on how to select and finance a home 10 a.m. to noon Saturday, Feb. 24, at the Dorsey Community Center, 32715 Dorsey, Westland.

Topics include defining home and neighborhood checklist, credit reports, setting a housing budget and the mortgage application process.

To register, call (800) 643-9600, Ext. 28812.

SELL HOME CLASS

Teri Ciucci, senior mortgage specialist with Approved Mortgages, sponsors a free for sale by owner seminar 7-8:30 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 27, at the Weight Watcher Building, 28555 Orchard Lake Road, Farmington Hills.

For reservations, call (734) 414-0805.

BUY HOME CLASS II

Rosemary Firestone, a Realtor with RE/MAX 100 in Novi, and her financial services team present a free class for home buyers 7-9 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 28, at First Michigan Title, 38777 Six Mile, Suite 100, just west of I-275, Livonia.

Presenters include Tom Daigle, Flagstar Bank; Craig Lee, Home Team Inspection; David Rieman, Farm Bureau Insurance; Michael Rich, attorney; and April Wolters, financial planner.

To register, call (734) 420-9600.

MORTGAGE SEMINAR

The Michigan Mortgage Lenders Association presents a seminar on boosting business, "Loan Origination 2001," 1-4 p.m. Monday, March 5, at the MSU Management Education Center, 811 W. Square Lake Road, Troy.

Cost is $50 for members, $60 for nonmembers, with discounts available for six or more registrants from the same company.

For reservations, call Joanne Misuraca at (248) 356-6857.

DREAM HOME

Prepare for Your Dream Home class offered 6-8 p.m. Wednesdays, March 14 - 21, in Livonia. For more information, call Schoolcraft College Continuing Education (734) 462-4448.

NOVA AWARDS

The Construction Innovation Forum hosts its annual Nova Awards dinner 6 p.m. Thursday, March 15, at Laurel Manor in Livonia.

The awards honor quality and cost improvements in the construction industry.

Speaker: W. Michael Hawes, deputy associate administrator, NASA, on "Construction of the International Space Station."

Cost is $200. For reservations, call (734) 995-1855.

ARCHITECTURE LECTURE

Sculptor Helen Escobedo gives a free lecture, "Ephemeral versus the Permanent," 7:30 p.m. Thursday, March 22, in the college of architecture auditorium at Lawrence Technological University, 21000 W. 10 Mile, Southfield.

Call Michelle Juras at (248) 204-2880 for information.

BUILDERS SHOW

The 83rd annual GMC Builders Home & Garden Show runs Thursday-Sunday, March 22-25, at the Cobo Conference-Exhibition Center, Detroit.

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.

Hundreds of exhibitors are expected.

Cost is $7 for adults, $5 for seniors and $4 for children 6-12.

Parking is available for an additional charge.

GARDE AWARDS

The Great Lakes Construction Alliance is looking for nominations for the sixth annual Gender And Race Diversification Excellence Awards for promoting racial and gender diversity in the construction workforce.

Forms are available from Deborah Hamilton at the National Center for Dispute Settlement at (248) 356-0870 or e-mail at ncdsdeb@ aol.com

Nominations are due by March 30.

YOUR OWN HOME

Buying and Selling Your Own Home class offered 7-10 p.m. Wednesdays, March 28-April 18, in Livonia. For more information, call Schoolcraft College Continuing Education (734) 462-4448.

BIA UPDATES

The Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan now provides weekly updates of news and information affecting the construction industry to members via e-mail.

Contact Rosalie Lamb at the association, (248) 737-4477 for details.

RENTAL PROPERTIES

Making Money and Reducing Taxes on Your Rental Properties class offered 6-10 p.m. Wednesday, March 28. For more information, call Schoolcraft College Continuing Education (734) 462-4448.

CONTAMINATION SITES

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

SALES WEB SITE

Curious as to what houses are selling for in your neighborhood?

Steve Wiese of Southeastern Appraisal Corp. in Farmington Hills has updated maps on a community-by-community basis with that information o

n the Internet. And it's free.

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Realtors look for quick economic rebound in coming year

The economy can be expected to slow to near-zero growth, then rebound by the second half of the year, according to the National Association of Realtors.

A brief dip to zero or negative growth, followed shortly by a rebound, is increasingly likely, said David Lereah, NAR's chief economist. "This should result in a V-shaped graph in the real Gross Domestic Product, stimulated by lower interest rates and historically strong home sales," he said.

Lereah said housing continues to be the most stable sector of the economy, but it also is weakening. "We project existing-home sales to slip 0.8 percent this year, but the total of 4.97 million units would match the third-best year on record," he said. NAR expects new-home sales to drop 3.2 percent to a total of 873,000 units in 2001, while housing starts are forecast to decline 1.4 percent to a total of 1.58 million units this year.

Lereah projects the 30-year fixed mortgage interest rate to average 6.8 percent this year, down from 8.1 percent in 2000; rates could be slightly lower in the second and third quarters. "If not for the aggressive interest rate cuts by the Federal Reserve, and their willingness to cut further, we'd be talking about considerably lower housing numbers resulting in a serious recession," he said.

NAR expects the national median existing-home price for 2001 to be $144,900, an increase of 4.2 percent over last year, while typical new home price is expected to be $173,700 this year, up 5.1 percent from 2000.

NAR expects U.S. economic growth, as measured by the Gross Domestic Product, to be 2.1 percent for 2001, with the "V" dip during the first quarter. Consumer price inflation for this year should be 2.9 percent.

The association forecasts the unemployment rate to average 4.4 percent this year, rising from 4.1 percent in the first quarter to 4.6 percent by the end of 2001. Inflation-adjusted disposable personal income should grow about 2.5 percent this year.

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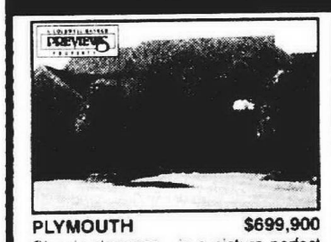
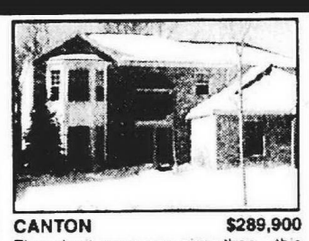


PLYMOUTH $699,900
Classic elegance... in a picture perfect setting. Beautifully appointed & tastefully decorated. Lovely screened porch leads to deck & patio that overlooking a garden paradise. (BGP-51Pin) 734-453-6800



CANTON $289,900
They don't come any nicer than... this colonial on a prem wooded setting. Dynamic kit & nook. Fam rm w/gas fp & vaulted clg. Master w/dual wic's. Great loft could be study! (BGP-90Nor) 734-453-6800

CANTON $173,900
GORGEOUS CANTON HOME. Gorgeous Home, Gorgeous Yard! many updates include oak kitchen, flooring, carpet, roof, a/c, huge family room w/fp attached 2 car garage. this ones a beauty! (bgn51Lyn) 248-347-3050

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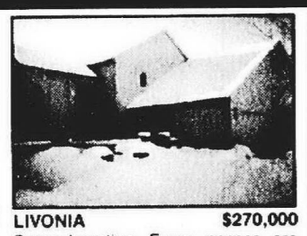
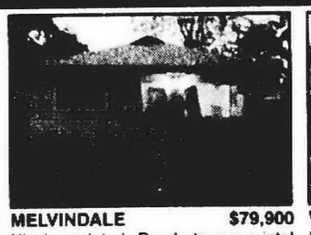
Stately Brick Colonial! In an all Brick area with loads of updates. C/A, full basement, oversized 2 car garage. Just outside the border of Dearborn. (BGN91NOR) 248-347-3050

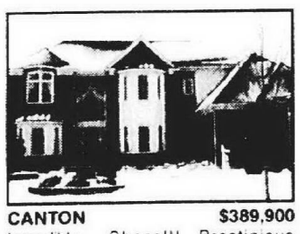


LIVONIA $270,000
Super Location, E-way access are yours in this 2 BR, 2.5 bath condo, cathedral ceiling, great rm, formal dining, eat in kitchen, master BR w/soaking tub, seperate shower. Warranty. (BG-L-20LAU) 734-462-1811



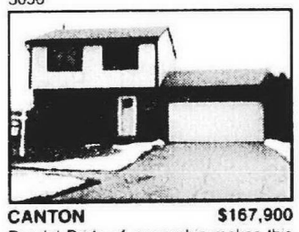
MELVINDALE $79,900
Nicely updated, Ready to move into! Newer oak kitchen, vinyl siding, windows, c/a, hwh. Great floor plan w/large utility room. All appliances stay. (BGN05PRO) 248-347-3050

WALLED LAKE $319,900
Live on the Water... Spectacular view on Walled Lake. Great 2-story home w/almost 1/2 acre, new roof-2000, newer windows, decks & fence. Mother-in-law quarters above with private entrance. (BGP45Wal) 734-453-6800

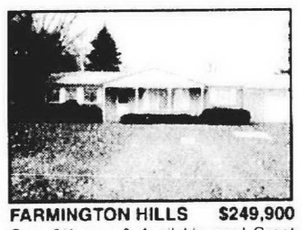


CANTON $389,900
Incredibly Sharp!!! Prestigious 4BR,2.5BA Colonial on most beautiful hole on course. Gourmet kit & nook w/oversized isl w/bar stools & glass cooktop. 2-story FR w/gas fp. Much more to see! (BGP-44Sou) 734-453-6800

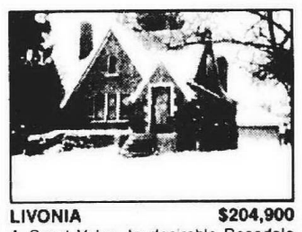
CANTON $249,900
Wow! Outstanding Home Backing to Private Woods! This nearly new Cape Cod is adjacent to commons.Partially fin.walk-out,neutral decor,plumbed for 3rd full bath,high vaulted ceilings & more! Don't miss this '10'. (BGN51CRE) 248-347-3050



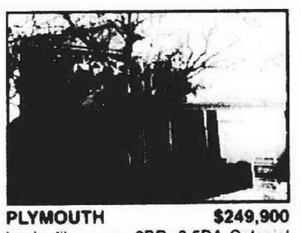
CANTON $167,900
Ready! Pride of ownership makes this special home ready for new owners. Improvements include roof, windows, C/A, HWH, foyer floor, exterior paint, & kitchen floor. (BG-L-75FRE) 734-462-1811



FARMINGTON HILLS $249,900
Over 3/4 acre & Available now! Great opportunity to own an open floorplan Ranch over 2000 square feet.Partially finished basement.Gorgeous private fenced yard,updates+ (BGN56TEN) 248-347-3050

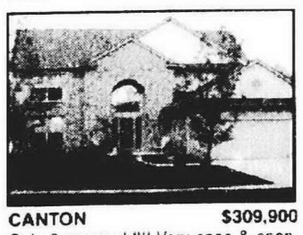


LIVONIA $204,900
A Great Value. In desirable Rosedale Gardens. This 4 BR, 2 full bath brick english style tudor is in need of repair to bring back it's charm and elegance. Living rm w/fireplace. (BG-L-28MEL) 734-462-1811

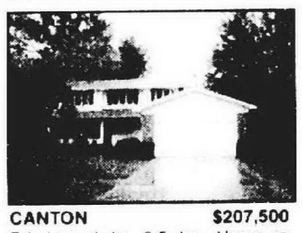


PLYMOUTH $249,900
Looks like new... 3BR, 2.5BA Colonial in quiet sub. Many upgrades. Big family room with fireplace. Extra closet in master bedroom. First floor laundry. Huge deck. Walk to town! (BGP-22Wav) 734-453-6800

WESTLAND $174,900
Cul-De-Sac Backs to Wooded Area! This Colonial home has 4br, 2.5 baths, family room, dining room & a sunroom. Newfurnace, CA, roof & gutters. Immediate occupancy. (BGN05BOO) 248-347-3050

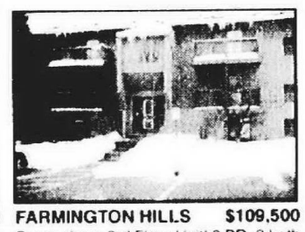


CANTON $309,900
Only 2 years old!!! Very spac & open. Lrg open kit w/island,brkfst nook & dw to deck w/hot tub. Oak hdwd flr in foyer, 1st flr laundry. Beautifully landscaped w/brick paver walkway to deck. (BGP-64Lat) 734-453-6800

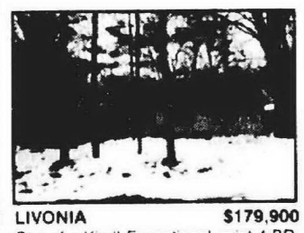


CANTON $207,500
Fabulous 4 br, 2.5 ba, Home in sought after sub. Great location & private yard. New Oak kitchen. Many updates include vinyl siding, A/C, fresh paint & more. Warranty. (BGN41RUN) 248-347-3050

COMMERCE $229,900
Wow! Fabulous Neutral Ranch Condo! This Condo has soaring ceilings,sky lights,fireplace & 1 st flr laundry.Full bsmt,attached 2 car garage end unit.Only 2 yrs old 2br w/2 full baths. (BGN87SHO) 248-347-3050



FARMINGTON HILLS $109,500
Super sharp 3rd Floor Unit! 2 BR, 2 bath unit w/neutral decor & custom mirrors thru-out. Conviently located w/view of tennis court. East to west sunlight all year. Master BR w/private bath & wic. (BG-L-56TWE) 734-462-1811



LIVONIA $179,900
One of a Kind! Exceptional, mint 4 BR, 2 full bath cedar sided ranch. Remodeled kit. w/all appliances. Formal dining area, family rm, 1st floor laundry, 2.5 car garage on wooded lot. (BG-L-51IRV) 734-462-1811

ROYAL OAK $215,000
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Wendy Hewitt, an account executive with Money Source Financial Services in Canton, has been named Affiliate of the Year by the Western Wayne/ Oakland County Chapter of the Women's Council of Realtors.

She's been in the residential mortgage lending business since 1984.

Hewitt has a bachelor's degree in communications from the University of Michigan and lives in Livonia.

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Keller Williams Realty has established an office at 31500 Schoolcraft Road, Livonia, (734) 266-9000.

Mike Workman, an associate broker, Certified Buyer Realtor and Accredited Buyer Representative, is the team leader.

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Barry C. Johnston, IIDA, has been promoted to Associate at Ford & Earl Associates, an interior architecture and design firm headquartered in Troy.

He joined the firm in 1999 as an interior designer.

Johnston earned a bachelor of science degree in interior architecture and a bachelor of science in architecture from Lawrence Technological University.

Johnston has 17 years experience in the field and lives in Rochester.

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Renata Kolak has become the first Associate in the 20-year history of Tiseo Architects in Livonia. She currently serves as project manager/ designer of the new corporate headquarters for Tiseo.

Kolak earned a master's degree in architecture from the Warsaw (Poland) University of Technology School of Architecture. She lives in Livonia.

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Rita Sandon has been appointed activities director at Independence Village White Lake, a senior living community.

Sandon attended Mercy College and studied nursing at the Grace Hospital School of Nursing and gerontology at Schoolcraft College.

Present and past affiliations include Milford Business Association, Business Expo Committee of Huron Valley and Church of the Holy Spirit Parish.

Sub-flooring comes with guarantee

LP has expanded its product offerings in the sub-flooring category with the introduction of Top Notch HP high performance flooring. This advanced sub-flooring is backed by one of the best warranties in the industry – a limited lifetime warranty. The builder gets a 90-day no-sand guarantee due to moisture absorption.

Most sub-flooring has a tendency to swell, warp, cup and/or delaminate when exposed to large amounts of moisture. When this occurs, the builder must sand the sub-flooring to make it smooth and level or replace the sub-flooring completely before installing the flooring underlayment, carpeting or hardwood flooring.

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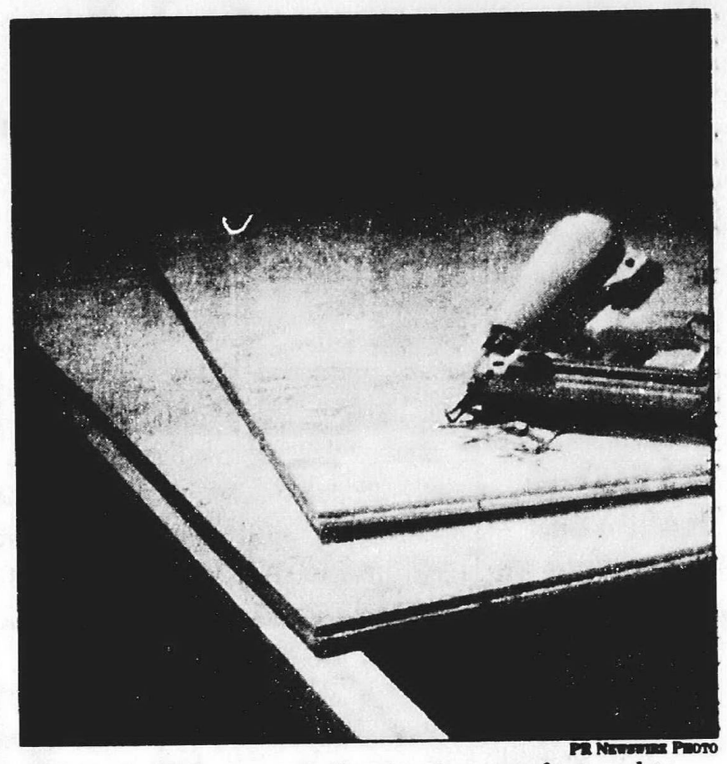
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High-tech: *This new sub-flooring is manufactured to resist water.*

Tips on avoiding homebuying mistakes

(NAPSA) – With the homebuying season under way, many consumers are looking for ways to lessen the frustration involved in the process.

"Buying a home is a major investment and there is no substitute for taking time to educate yourself," says David Weekley, president of David Weekley Homes. Here he lists 10 common homebuying mistakes and suggestions for avoiding them:

1. Not doing your homework. Enter the market well-prepared by researching location, school district, deed restrictions and taxes.

2. Trying to make a shrewd investment. Focus on finding the best place for you and your family to live rather than trying to predict the real estate market.

3. Choosing a poor location. Consider what part of town you would like to live in and aveid homes located on busy streets.

4. Overlooking an inferior floor plan for an attractive exterior. Choose a great floor plan over a great exterior because you'll spend far more time inside the house than outside.

■ Consider what part of town you would like to live in and avoid homes located on busy streets.

5. Overlooking how the home will function for your family. Consider features that are most important to your family and choose a home that will meet those needs.

6. Not having the home properly inspected when buying a resale. Hire a state-licensed, professional inspector to evaluate the home's true condition, which could save you thousands of dollars in repairs and maintenance.

7. Not having the home properly inspected when buying a new home. Research the number of homes sold, homeowner satisfaction, years in business, industry recognition and warranties offered.

8. Not getting what you want because you're impatient. If it's a used home, allow time to negotiate and get the best deal possible. Refusing to rush the process could save you $5,000 on the purchase price.

9. Waiting for a better time to buy based on the market and interest rates. History shows that those who purchased homes and kept them for three to five years or more did better than those who didn't. Waiting is one of the biggest mistakes a homebuyer can make.

10. The biggest homebuying mistake is not buying at all. Buying a home will give you a place to call your own and allow you to take advantage of tax breaks and build equity.

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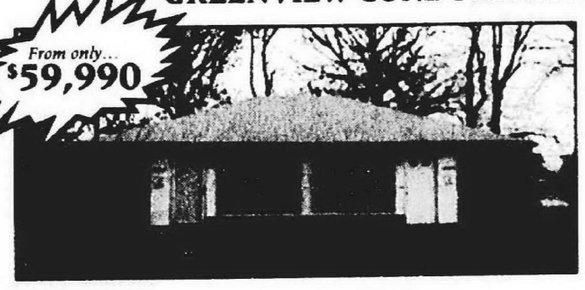

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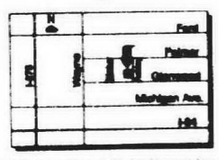

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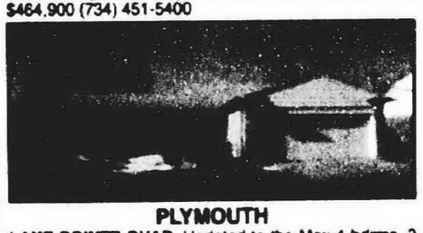

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320 Hartland

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324 Linden

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325 Livonia

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325 Livonia

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329 Novi

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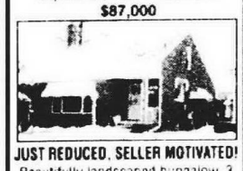

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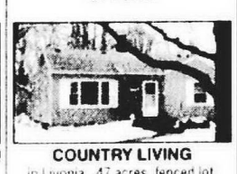

COUNTRY LIVING
in Livonia. 47 acres, fenced lot. 1096 sq. ft. 2 bedroom ranch with 2 bonus rooms, new garage, vinyl siding with stone front, furnace and roof. FHA-VA. 1 year home warranty.
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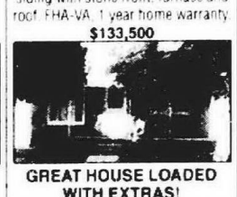

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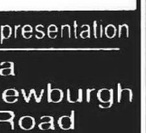
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345 Westland/Wayne

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352 Livingston County

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353 Macomb County

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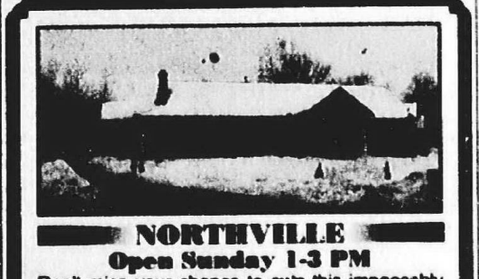

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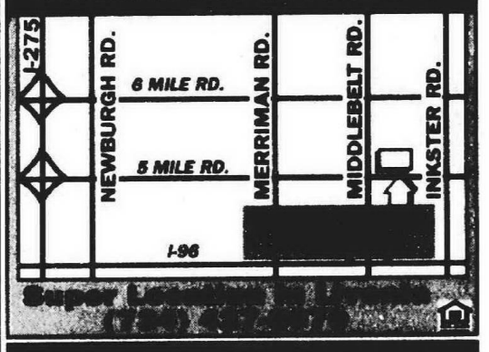

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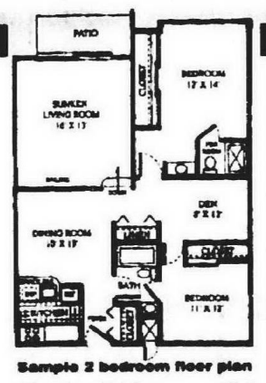

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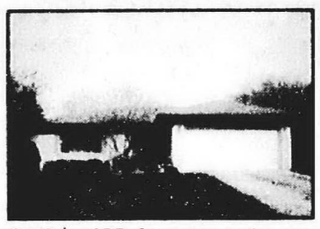

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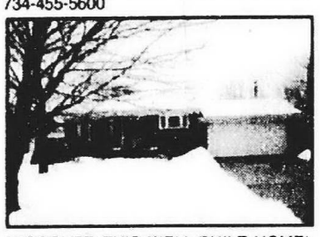

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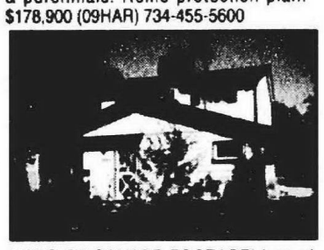

TONS OF SQUARE FOOTAGE! Lots of storage space in this 5 bedroom Colonial, 2 bath, huge kitchen, all appliances stay, circuit breakers, newer entry door & roof, lovely yard, covered patio. $117,000 (60HAZ) 734-455-5600

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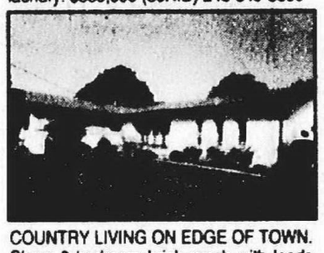

COUNTRY LIVING ON EDGE OF TOWN. Sharp 3 bedroom brick ranch with loads of updates! Three full baths, 2½ attached garage plus an additional garage. Great buy! $224,900 (62RUS) 248-349-5600

COZY QUAD! On deep wooded lot! Four bedroom, 2 bath. Newer: roof, circuit breakers. Natural fireplace in family room, lower level bedroom with full bath. Door wall from dining room. Enjoy the pond from the patio. Steel entry doors, some appliances stay. Bring offer! $169,652 (34BIG) 734-455-5600

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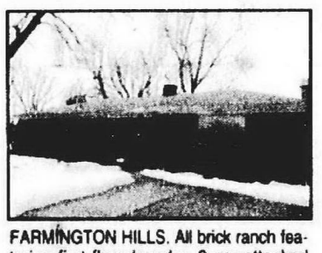
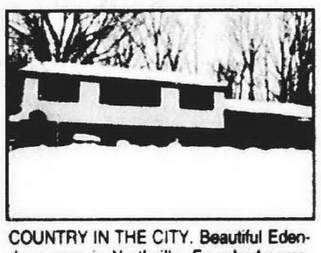
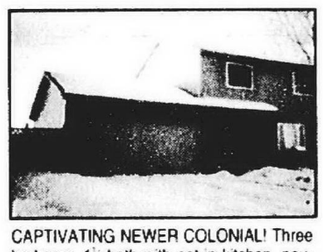


FARMINGTON HILLS. All brick ranch featuring first floor laundry, 2 car attached garage, 2 baths, wet bar in huge family room and 3 fireplaces. Updates include newer furnace & roof. $229,900 (73DRA) 248-349-5600

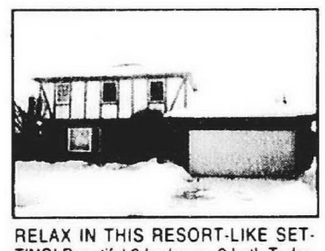


COUNTRY IN THE CITY. Beautiful Edenderry area in Northville. Four bedrooms, 3½ baths with newer windows and updated kitchen. Quality-built home with hardwood floors & wet plaster walls. Huge master suite. $379,900 (05SHA) 248-349-5600

BEAUTIFULLY DONE AND MOVE-IN CONDITION! Three bedroom ranch with spacious & cheerful kitchen with ceramic floor. Large living room. Updates: copper plumbing, vinyl windows, newer landscaping. Fenced yard. $94,900 (06COR) 734-455-5600



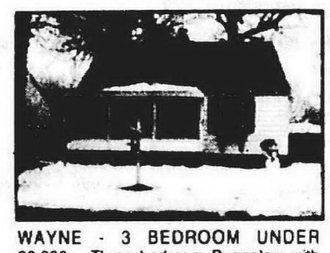
CAPTIVATING NEWER COLONIAL! Three bedroom, 1½ bath with eat-in kitchen, neutral tones & plenty of cabinets. Doorwall to deck, fenced yard. Bedrooms with large closets. Full bath up with master & hallway access, full basement, brick patio, professional landscape, home protection plan. $159,900 (74JUL) 734-455-5600



RELAX IN THIS RESORT-LIKE SETTING! Beautiful 3 bedroom, 2 bath Tudor-style Colonial on prime lot overlooking 4 acre park. Premium upgrades: shingles, Andersen vinyl clad windows, ceramic tile foyer, kitchen, baths. So much more! $259,900 (15SPI) 734-455-5600

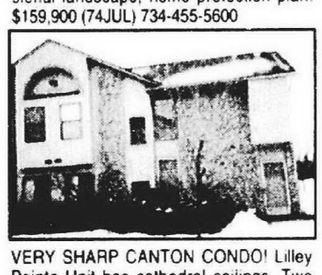
WHAT'S NEW IN WOODVIEW. Westland with Livonia schools. Mint 2 bedroom, 2 bath Condo overlooking the pond. Feels like brand new. New professionally painted throughout. Neutral decor with newer carpet, blinds, light fixtures & more. $89,900 (42WOO) 248-349-5600

BUILT AHEAD OF ITS TIME! True Cape Cod on splendid acre lot near Meadowbrook Country Club. Four bedrooms, all with walk-in closets, 2+2 baths and 2 fireplaces. Spacious rooms & some updates. Huge garage and circular drive. Wonderful area & setting. Northville schools. $359,900 (76HAR) 248-349-5600

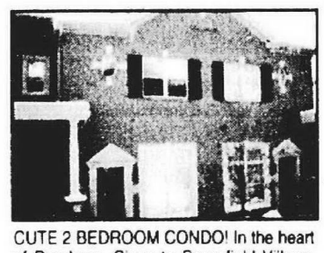


WAYNE - 3 BEDROOM UNDER 90,000... Three bedroom Bungalow with full basement, newer windows, steel doors, enclosed porch, hot water heated, plaster wall with cove ceilings, quiet street. Wayne-Westland schools. $89,900 (90WIN) 248-349-5600

EXTRA CLEAN 3-4 BEDROOM BRICK! 1½ bath, fireplace in living room, second level with den/library - could be fourth bedroom. Newer: furnace, roof, kitchen and ceramic bath. Full basement. Move in at closing. Stove, refrigerator, washer and dryer all stay. $93,500 (03FEN) 734-455-5600

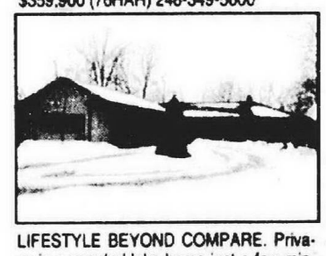


VERY SHARP CANTON CONDO! Lilley Pointe Unit has cathedral ceilings. Two bedroom, two bath. Custom window treatments in great room. Neutral decor. Open floor plan, spacious living. Private entry, intercom for guest entry. Doorwall to deck. Central air. $118,900 (71LIL) 734-455-5600



CUTE 2 BEDROOM CONDO! In the heart of Dearborn. Close to Greenfield Village. In shopping distance from shopping & restaurants. All appliances stay. Move right in. Cozy fireplace. $168,900 (35WES) 734-455-5600

GROWING FAMILY? You'll want to see this original owner. Four bedroom, 2½ bath Colonial that offers many updates - kitchen, roof, windows, furnace/air conditioning and more. Finished lower level has fifth bedroom/office. This home raised one family and is ready for yours. $359,900 (89CLE) 248-349-5600



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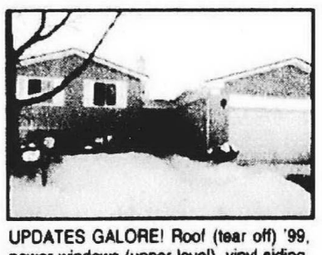
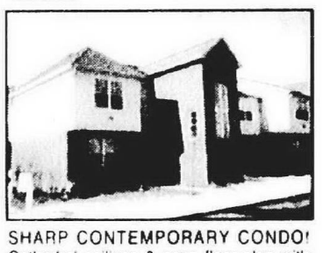
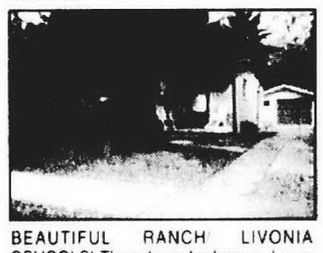


UPDATES GALORE! Roof (tear off) '99, newer windows (upper level), vinyl siding, furnace & duct work, refaced kitchen cupboards in '96, hot water heater '98 and deck in '94. Family room with natural fireplace. Attached garage. Deck overlooks stream. Come feed the ducks in the spring. $195,000 (35POC) 248-349-5600

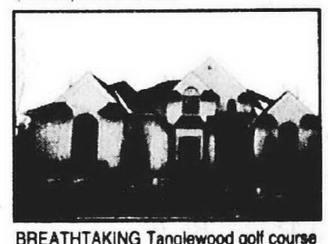


SHARP CONTEMPORARY CONDO! Cathedral ceilings & open floor plan with neutral decor. Gas fireplace, snack bar opens to living room. Doorwall to covered balcony. Two bedroom, 2 bath. $144,900 (48FIV) 734-455-5600



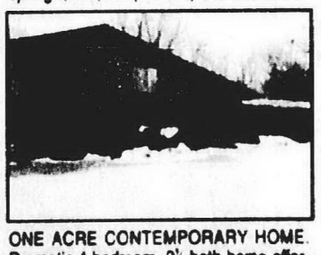
BEAUTIFUL RANCH! LIVONIA SCHOOLS! Three large bedrooms. Large living room. 1½ baths. Kitchen updated & offers eating space. Full basement with fireplace & glass block windows. Newer central air. Doorwall to deck. $144,900 (28MER) 734-455-5600

SHARP MAINTENANCE-FREE! Three bed, 2 bath with spacious master bedroom. Many updates: carpet, fresh paint. Kitchen with all appliances. Family/rec. room. Full bath, double shower. Office in basement. Enclosed Florida room, central air, lots of storage space, quiet neighborhood. $102,000 (44WIN) 734-455-5600

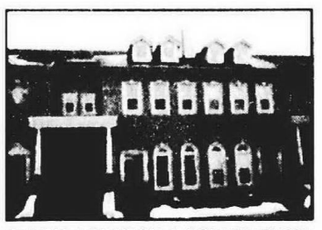


BREATHTAKING Tanglewood golf course setting for this executive caliber home. One of the finest lots in Lyon Township. The elegant interior offers solid doors throughout, sky light, crown moldings, marble entry, sauna & x-tra room for office or bedroom. $765,000 (65STA) 248-349-5600

GREAT HOME in Dearborn. Three bedroom Cape Cod with 3 full baths, 3 fireplaces, finished basement, 2½ car garage, first floor laundry & a very open floor plan. Kitchenette in basement. $248,900 (50ORC) 248-349-5600

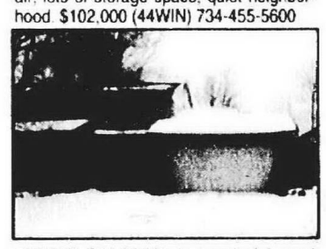


ONE ACRE CONTEMPORARY HOME. Dramatic 4 bedroom, 2½ bath home offering beautiful setting, open floor plan, spacious room, vaulted ceilings with lake view. $289,900 (44CRE) 248-349-5600



CHARM, LOCATION & CONVENIENCE! All in this 2-3 bedroom, 2 bath new Condo! Vaulted ceilings, skylights in great room, formal dining room, fireplace, close to golf course & park. Perfect area for garden spot. Ceramic tile. $229,900 (74GLE) 734-455-5600

CLEAN AND WELL KEPT! Three bedroom home with many updates: thermo windows, storm doors, copper plumbing. Two car garage. Basement. Large lot with privacy fence. $169,900 (40OXF) 734-455-5600



CHOICE COLONIAL in wonderful area! Four bed, 2½ bath with updates: windows throughout, oak kitchen. Entertainment sized family room, natural fireplace, wet bar & doorwall to deck. Main bath with ceramic floor & jetted tub. Master with bath. $224,900 (10YOR) 734-455-5600

WELCOME HOME. Impressive 2-story home with 4 bedrooms, stone entry, den with glass privacy doors, large family room with fireplace, first floor laundry, side entry garage, professional landscaped yard. Close to schools, shops & x-ways. $429,900 (53WAR) 248-349-5600

PACK YOUR BAGS. Move right in and enjoy the peaceful setting of this stunning Colonial on large wooded lot. All hardwoods on main level. Beautiful kitchen with large windows, huge master suite. $304,900 (88PEM) 248-349-5600

LOVELY SCENIC VIEW OF woods from huge deck & 3 doorwalls. Unique open floor plan with gas fireplace & custom snack bar. Two bedrooms with connecting door & 2 full baths. Private lobby with attached 1 car garage. $175,000 (58YOR) 248-349-5600

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NORTHVILLE $920,000
MAGNIFICENT HOME to be built in Fox Hollow! Every amenity expected, including an interior decorator. Lush master suite. Entertainment/ bar area off GR. Dual staircases.
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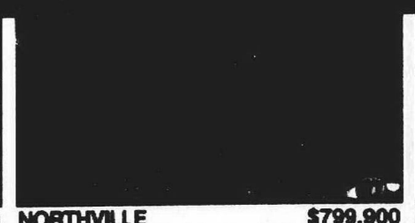

NORTHVILLE $799,900
PRESTIGIOUS BOULDERS AT STONEWATER! Northville schools, new construction, superb detail on this stunning lakefront Colonial, w/ o, 3-car garage. Stunning!
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NORTHVILLE $565,000
WALK TO NORTHVILLE from this beautiful home on wooded lot in Shadbrook! 4 BR, 4.5 baths, finished lower level, library & 3-car garage.
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PLYMOUTH $499,990
PRESTIGIOUS EATON ESTATES! Better than new Condo with many updates. Private, gorgeous yard, lower level walkout has 2nd kitchen leading to brick paver patio.
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PLYMOUTH $494,900
AWESOME! Beautifully fin'd w/o backing to protected woodlands showcases this stunning home. 1st floor mstr w/FP. Let your dreams come true!
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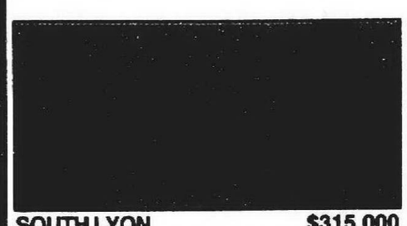

SOUTH LYON $315,000
WONDERFUL CONTEMPORARY! Situated on.82 acre lot, country setting, 4 BR, 3.5 bths, FP, country kit w/oak flr, 1st fl mstr/1st flr laun, lg deck overlooks private setting & 2 car garage.
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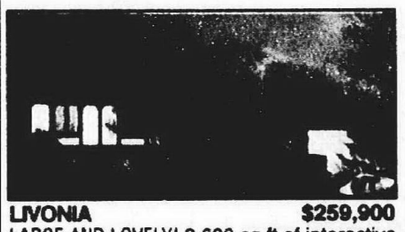

LIVONIA $259,900
LARGE AND LOVELY! 2,600 sq ft of interactive spaces to enjoy! Large & bright lowest level could be used as separate living quarter. Quick occupancy.
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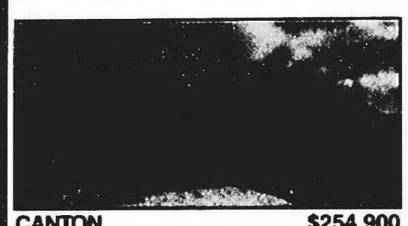

CANTON $254,900
CUSTOM RANCH! Dream 3 bdrm, 2 bath ranch. Neut decor. Cathedral ceilings, corner frplc, skylite, island kit w/mega cupboards. Wonderfully open flr plan!!
(23W40981) 734-455-7000

CANTON $249,900
BEAUTIFUL HOME Largest cul-de-sac lot backing to protected national park. Neutral decor, soaring cathedral ceiling in GR, white kit w/doorwall to huge deck.
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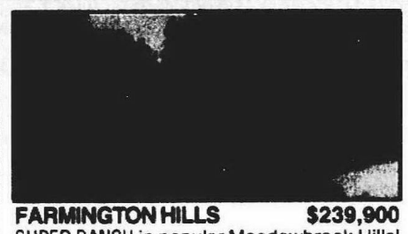

FARMINGTON HILLS $239,900
SUPER RANCH in popular Meadowbrook Hills! Newer roof, CA, freshly painted, parklike lot, 3-full baths, stone FP, part fin'd bsmt, Farmington Hills schools & quick occupany.
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LIVONIA $239,900
THE MOST FOR YOUR MONEY! 1991 built colonial. Fireplace, large lot, walk in closet, master bath, and much more!
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OCEOLA $234,900
SHARP 1998, 3 BR HOME ON CUL-DE-SAC! Backs to woods across street from Thompson Lake. Neutral decor, finished bsmt, vaulted ceilings. Howell schools! Perfection!
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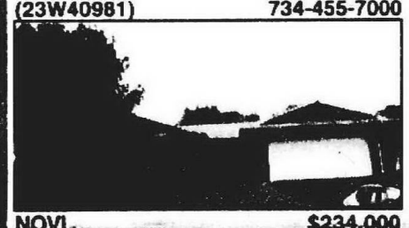

NOVI $234,000
SPACIOUS WELL MAINTAINED all brick Ranch! 4 BR, 2 full baths, new kitchen, LR w/frpl, lg FR, full fin'd bsmt w/bath, home protection plan provided.
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LIVONIA $219,900
JUST LISTED Wonderful Kimberly Oaks location accents this updated 4 BR colonial. Original owners have lovingly maintained & updated t/o. FR w/fp and more.
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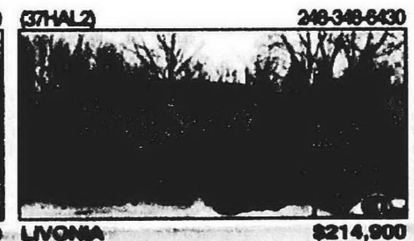

LIVONIA $214,900
GREAT FAMILY HOME! Fantastic sub backing to trees. Lots of hardwood flooring, finished basement, sliding doorwalls from lg FR w/ natural fireplace. One year home warranty.
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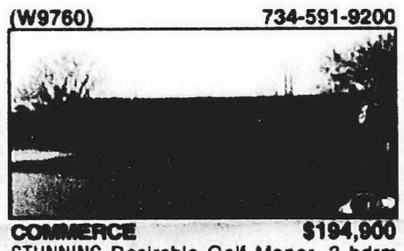

COMMERCE $194,900
STUNNING Desirable Golf Manor, 3 bdrm Ranch remodeled in 2000. Hardwood floors, windows, roof, paint, kitchen. Family Rm w/ fireplace.
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WHITMORE LAKE $189,900
LAKEFRONT LIVING UNDER 190,000! Move right in. Beautiful all sports Whitmore Lake w/over 650 acres of fun. 1600 sq ft colonial w/bsmnt, 2 car garage, and updating t/o.
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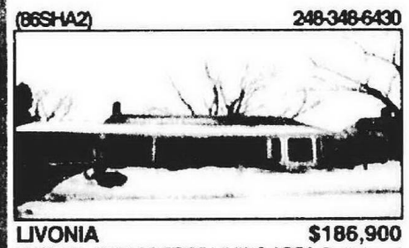

LIVONIA $186,900
APPROX. 2000 SQ FT OF LIVING AREA Split level home with eight rooms - 1.5 baths and ample storage. Newer windows, entry & kitchen flooring, and more.
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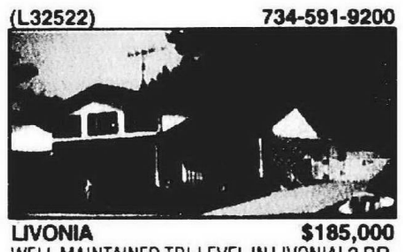

LIVONIA $185,000
WELL MAINTAINED TRI-LEVEL IN LIVONIA! 3 BR, 2 full baths, recent updates: Anderson windows, carpet, kitchen floor & landscaping. Finished lower level w/natural frpl.
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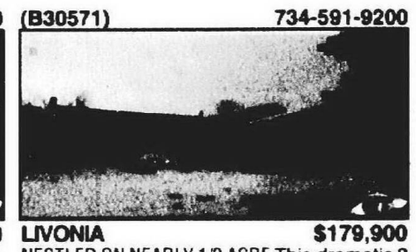

WESTLAND $179,900
NESTLED ON NEARLY 1/2 ACRE This dramatic 3 BR, 2 bath custom built brick ranch offers style, grace, & space. Numerous extras including private tennis court!!!
(G15613) 734-591-9200

DEARBORN HEIGHTS $179,900
HERE IT IS! The perfect home for that lg family. 6 BR, 2 baths, mstr w/wic, updates galore, new cabinets, vaulted ceiling, fenced yard, move-in condition.
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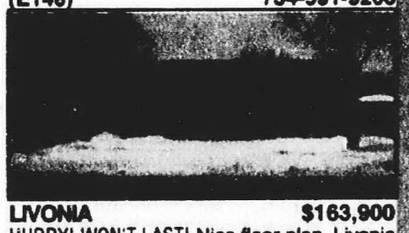

LIVONIA $163,900
HURRY! WON'T LAST! Nice floor plan. Livonia ranch features 3 BR, 1.5 baths, 2 car garage, some newer windows, home warranty.
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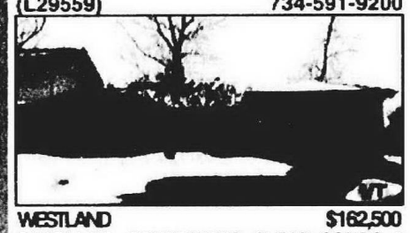

WESTLAND $162,500
CHARMING, CONVENIENT, CLEAN CONDO 2 bedroom, 2 bath, first floor laundry, full basement, attached garage.
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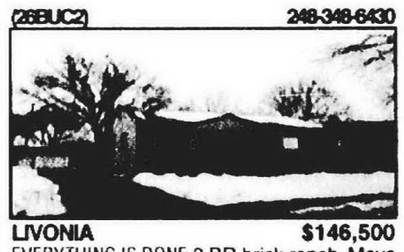

LIVONIA $146,500
EVERYTHING IS DONE 3 BR brick ranch. Move in & enjoy the cherry kitchen, light & bright living living room, deck, and tiled basement. Numerous recent updates.
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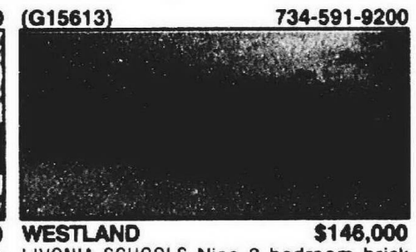

WESTLAND $146,000
LIVONIA SCHOOLS Nice 3 bedroom brick Ranch, C/A, newer windows, carpet, doors. 9X15 Florida Room, 2 car garage, fireplace. Good location.
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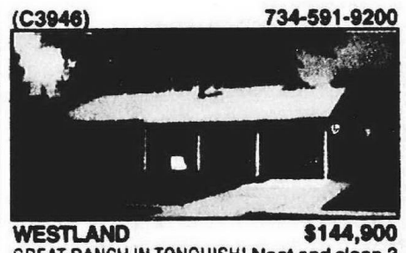

WESTLAND $144,900
GREAT RANCH IN TONQUISH! Neat and clean 3 bdrm, 1.5 bath home. Huge kit w/extra cupboards. Liv rm w/wood burning stove. Partially fin bsmt w/2 bdrms. Newer c/a and gar door.
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DEARBORN $144,900
FIRST TIME ON THE MARKET! Immediate occupancy in this W. Dearborn 3 bdrm bungalow. Kit, din rm combo, liv rm w/gas frplc. Many updates. Relax on the full front porch!
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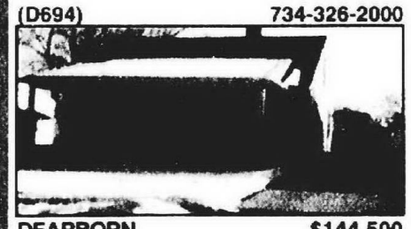

DEARBORN $144,500
WEST DEARBORN CHARMER! All the work has been done for you! Oak cabinets in kitchen, 2.75 car mechanics dream garage. 3 BR, 2 baths.
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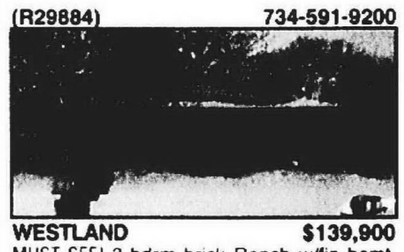

WESTLAND $139,900
MUST SEE! 3 bdrm brick Ranch w/fin bsmt. Updates; windows & bay in LR, newer exterior doors, C/A-furnace, roof, white kit. all appliances stay. 2.5 car garage.
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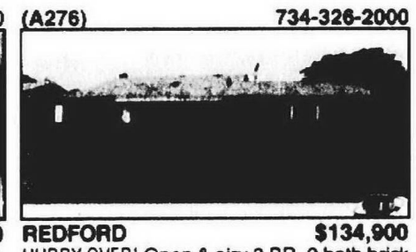

REDFORD $134,900
HURRY OVER! Open & airy 3 BR, 2 bath brick bungalow - a marvelous mix of sunshine, classic styling, & comfort. 1500+ sq ft w/family rm & well appointed upgrades.
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WESTLAND $119,900
CHARMING BRICK RANCH! Move right into this immaculate, updated, 3 BR charmer. New carpet, remodeled kitchen, a/c, roof all in the last few years.
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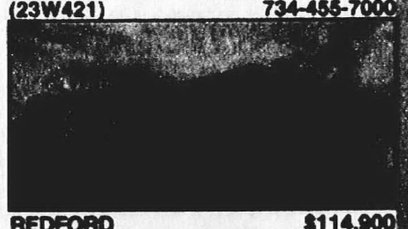

REDFORD $114,900
TRY A REDFORD TRI 3 bdrms, 1 bath home has all newer windows and carpet. Beautiful 2 tier deck w/access from doorwalls in 2 upstairs bedrooms. Appliances stay.
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WESTLAND $109,900
HOME AT LAST! A great starter home with 3 bdrms and 1 bath located on a .93 acre lot. The back part of the lot is wooded.
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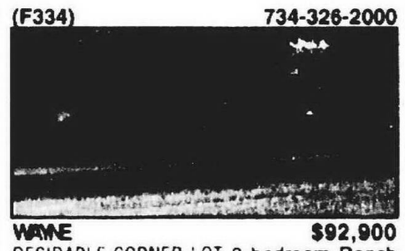

WAYNE $92,900
DESIRABLE CORNER LOT 3 bedroom Ranch with 2 1/2 car garage, 12 x 14 deck, covered front porch, newer windows, vinyl siding, furnace and roof. Clean and ready to show.
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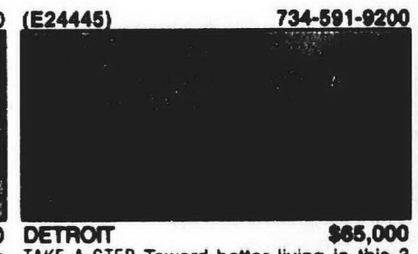

DETROIT $65,000
TAKE A STEP Toward better living in this 3 bedroom aluminum Bungalow in a great area. Full bsmt, newer windows and entry doors, cerami bath w/vanity, 2 1/2 car garage.
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WESTLAND $59,990
A RARE FIND At even a rarer price. 2 bdrm Ranch Condo starting at $59,990. Full brick, full basement, private yard, appliances, no association fees.
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DETROIT $59,900
CLEAN, CLEAN, CLEAN Freshly painted, hardwood floors, new electrical service, walk-in pantry, new exterior doors, covered front porch, fenced lot. City work complete.
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HARTLAND
YOUR COUNTRY RETREAT! Beautiful 97 built cape cod on 2 rolling acres. 1832 sq ft. 3 BR, 2.5 baths, 1st fl mstr ste, additional 1100 sq ft in part daylight walkout bsmnt.
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EXCLUSIVE W. BLOOMFIELD DEVELOPMENT Nestled among custom homes. Private setting. Other lots available including wooded & walk out sites.
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WESTLAND
NICE 4 BR, 2 BATH, BRICK RANCH! Livonia schools, all major items: furnace, c/a, roof, windows, driveway, electrical, updated baths & full bsmt. Show & Sell!
$164,900 (S2R082)

DETROIT
GREAT STARTER HOME! 3 BR, 1 bath Ranch, large family room w/woodstove, newer kitchen w/oak cabinets, finished basement, 2-car garage & home warranty.
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Reservations for Metro Airport Transportation service. Full time. Must be flexible to work any shift and have good customer service skills. Good benefits and working environment. Apply in person only Mon.-Fri., 10am-4pm @ 26500 Van Born Rd. (between Inkster & Beech-Daly) in Dearborn Heights, MI.

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PLUMBERS WANTED

qualified candidate must possess a minimum of 2 years exp. in new residential plumbing. We offer top pay, benefits, 401K, paid vacation and holidays. Call 810-783-7200 for appointment.

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PLANT MANAGER

Automotive parts packager is seeking a high energy individual to lead its largest operation. Individual should be able to demonstrate strong leadership skills, proven track record of operational improvements & sound understanding of lean manufacturing concepts. Ability to create a team environment is necessary. Degree or commensurate experience required. Forward resume including salary requirements to:
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Livonia, MI 48150

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Minimum one year exp. with ability to set-up own job required. Good pay and benefits. Apply in person at: Sure Fit Metal Products, 30999 Industrial Rd., Livonia. 734-522-9310

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2nd Tier manufacturer of small stamping plant seeking individual experienced in operating presses from 5 ton to 60 ton. Knowledge of S.P.C. charting a plus. Profit sharing, 401k, and medical benefits. Fax resume and salary requirements to: (313) 537-0286 or apply at: Franklin Fastener Co., 12701 Beech Daly Rd., Redford.

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Walled Lake In-Plant Print Shop seeks experienced press operator for Itek & AB Dick Presses. Benefit package includes health, dental, life and 401K plan. Hourly wage based on education and experience. Fax resume to 248-960-0079. E.O.E.

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Precision tool manufacturer has immediate opening. Successful candidate must possess excellent computer and communication skills, with strong attention to detail. Fast paced atmosphere and pleasant working conditions. Competitive salary, 13 paid holidays and full benefit package.

Send Resume or apply at:
Office Manager
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Plymouth, MI 48170-2584
Or fax (734) 416-2200.
E.O.E.

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Livonia, MI 48150

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Highly motivated individual to build light industrial buildings in Canton. Must have experience with contract awards, budget reports and direct supervision of industrial projects. FAX RESUME WITH SALARY REQUIREMENTS to Scott S. @ (248) 865-2096.

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$25,000/yr.+benefits, discounts. Glamour position in Beauty Industry. Must have Excel & Word experience. Will greet customers and be right hand person to V.P. SALES. Opening in Novi Area. EMPLOYER PAYS FEE. Fax confidential resume to: 248-569-0408 Employment Center Agency

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SHOP HELPER
for clean up work and misc. errands. Must have good driving record. $9/hour (248) 478-5604

SOCIAL WORKERS
full and part-time available with benefits. Send resume to W.C.F.C. Attn: J.M. 30600 Michigan Ave. Westland, 48186.

500 Help Wanted General

SHIFT MANAGER

NW area medium sized company is seeking a responsible individual with 1 to 5 years supervisory experience. Familiar with computerized systems. Duties include: Insuring that inventories are maintained both system wise and physically in the facility. Troubleshooting and resolutions of inventory inaccuracies. Accountable for meeting production targets & continuous operational improvements. Will be responsible for all departments during the day shift. Must have excellent verbal, written and interpersonal skills.
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ITW CIP/Anchor Stampings, a world wide supplier of fasteners and specialty stampings, is seeking a high energy individual to join the team in the shipping/ receiving area. Hi-lo, computer skills, bar coding experience is a plus. Day (1st) shift position available. This position offers full medical and dental benefits, 401k retirement, pension plan, and paid vacations. For confidential consideration, please forward resume to:
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Supervisors, Art & Sports Teachers, Counselors & Lifeguards needed for day camp in W. Bloomfield.
248-661-3630
Fax resume 248-357-6361

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Northville Insurance Repair General Contractor seeking working Superintendent with own tools & vehicle. Fax resume to: 248-465-1441 Or call: 248-465-1440

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To tutor grades K-12. Priority need: Math Teacher (grades 8-12). Plymouth Learning Center 734-455-3443

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Fax resume 248-357-6361

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Full time for credit union in Westland & Livonia. Computer experience, good communication skills, pleasant attitude, self motivated. Experience preferred, not required. Knowledge of CUPS a bonus. Competitive pay, benefits. Fax resume to 734-728-4749. Attn: Nancy in Westland or 734-525-7027. Attn: Jennifer in Livonia or mail to: 1747 S. Newburgh Westland, MI 48186 or 36525 Plymouth Rd. Livonia, MI 48150 No phone calls.

500 Help Wanted General

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Established Livonia-based co. seeking skilled Processors & Closers for full time positions. Salary plus benefits. For interview call Ms. Adams at: 734-464-4171.

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Please Fax resume and salary history in strict confidence to Alvin Johnson 248-349-6590 or call 248-349-4505 Coverall of Detroit

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Seeking individual w/ Chauffeur license. Days. Benefits. Apply by mail/person: Prince Industries, 33100 Capitol, Livonia, MI 48150. 734-427-8550

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TRUCK DRIVERS - Full time, must have CDLA w/HAZMAT, 3/yrs. minimum exp. Good pay, new equipment, only qualified need apply. 734-422-5534

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Under the general direction of the Water & Sewer Director, responsibilities will include scheduling, supervising and training field staff, related record keeping and administrative tasks. Successful applicant must have a minimum of four years of construction, operation and maintenance experience in water distribution and wastewater collection systems, with a minimum of two years supervisory experience in water/wastewater systems maintenance and repair. Must hold an MDEQ S-1 Certification and a valid Michigan driver's license. Competitive salary and paid benefits. Van Buren Township is an Equal Opportunity Employer. Send resume and salary history to: Van Buren Township Water Dept., 46425 Tyler Rd., MI 48111

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Experienced only. Call after 6pm. Ask for Glen 734-722-7881

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MIG light gauge metal. Full or part-time. Competitive wage & benefits. Tupper Door & Hardware, Inc., 8 Mile Rd., Farmington Hills. Ask for Hal: (248) 477-0600.

WELDERS /FABRICATOR
Wixom manufacturing co. has immediate opening for full-time Welder / Fabricator. Welding skills (TIG or MIG) & production management experience desired. This positions offers excellent pay, paid medical / dental /optical /life /disability coverage, 401K, paid vacations & holidays and opportunities for overtime. If interested, call: Custom Electric 248-305-7700

WOOD INSTALLERS
Needed to service builders & residential customers. Must be good with people & take pride in your work. Material delivered direct to job site. Steady work with excellent wages. Contact Paul at Riemer Floors (248)335-3500 ext. 3080

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SYSTEM ADMINISTRATOR

For N.W. Suburban Manufacturing/distributor. Crystal Access, Mas-90. Resumes to CFO, P.O. Box 100, Walled Lake, MI 48390-0100

502 Help Wanted-Office Clerical

FINANCIAL CONTROLLER
Needed. Must have extensive tax filing knowledge for small business. Computer experience essential particularly with Quick Books Pro & Microsoft Office. Flex hours available. Good salary & benefits. Fax resume to 248-477-4677

Full Time

Customer Service Leader

Are you looking to step up your work pace? We are looking for a self-motivated team leader for our Livonia circulation department. This is a clerical and supervisory position with various other duties, as needed. High school diploma or equivalent required. Must have 1-3 years in related position, general knowledge of business practices, and basic computer skills. Excellent customer service and strong organizational skills are essential. We offer a great work environment, competitive salary, excellent benefits and generous time off policy.

Please submit resume with Job Code: CSL to:
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36251 Schoolcraft Road
Livonia, MI 48150
E-mail: ebibik@oe.homecomm.net
Fax: (734) 953-2057

502 Help Wanted-Office Clerical

ACCOUNTING ASSISTANT
Full time in the Bloomfield Hills area, self motivated person needed for a multi task position involving Accounts Payable, Accounts Receivable, bank recs', and supply ordering. Excel/ Lotus spreadsheet a must. Real estate background helpful but not necessary. Fax resume with salary requirements to (248) 647-6130, or call (248) 647-2200

ACCOUNTING ASSISTANT & OFFICE ASSISTANT

International Manufacturer of Heat Treatment Systems has just relocated to Livonia and has immediate openings for the above positions. Experience with Excel and Word required. Excellent benefits available. Team players able to handle multiple tasks please send your resume with salary requirements to: Aichelin Heat Treatment Systems, 37584 Amrhein, Livonia, MI 48150. Fax - 734-953-0980. Email - AichelinUSA@aichelinusa.com

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Accounting Clerk

for credit union. To handle NSF returns, reconcile accounts, process ATM clearings/adjustments, bookkeeping experience or education required. Fax resume to (248) 557-0453 or e-mail to sprice01@earthlink.net.

ACCOUNTING CLERK

Company in West Bloomfield seeking person to fill Full Time Accounts Payable position. REQUIRED: Excel spreadsheet knowledge and an Associates Degree in Accounting or equivalent experience in accounts payable. E.E.O. Mail or FAX resume & cover letter to: C. Thompson, P.O. box 255005, West Bloomfield, MI. 48322. Fax: 248-865-1630

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE person needed for West Bloomfield Residential Builder. Computer experience needed. Mail resume to: 5257 Beechtree Trail West Bloomfield, MI 48322 or fax (248) 788-2710

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE CLERK
Property management co. in Farmington Hills. Full time w/excellent salary & benefits. Send resume: HR Department; PO Box 2899; Farmington Hills, MI 48333 Fax: 248-538-7740

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE
PART-TIME. Filing, job costing, data entry, phones, typing, misc. Computer experience required. Fax resume and salary requirements to: 248-538-7010

ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

A self-starter with good communication and computer skills. Experience in cash receipts, invoicing and third party billing. Send resume to: Human Resources, 23156 Haynes, Farmington, MI 48336-3337.

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT
Looking for a sharp, self-motivated individual to handle multi tasks for company located in Oak Park. Must have Microsoft knowledge & good telephone skills. Bookkeeping knowledge a plus. Fax resume to - 248-591-7200

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Full-time in a busy, service oriented company. Good organizational skills a must. Send resume & salary requirement to: PO Box 530306 Livonia, MI 48154.

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT
Regional equipment leasing co. seeks Admin. Asst. with strong phone, computer & typing skills. We offer an excellent compensation package including Medical & 401k. Please mail/fax resume to: HR Dept. 21599 W. 11 Mile, Ste 100, Southfield, MI 48076 or fax 248-356-4707

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ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT
Medical office. Entry level. Will train. Filing, phones, patient scheduling. 734-432-9848

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT/BOOKKEEPER
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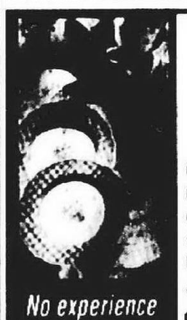

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Farmington Hills Law Firm seeks legal secretary with a minimum of 2 years legal secretarial experience in the areas of family law and corporate. Applicants must be computer literate, possess excellent oral and written communication skills and be highly organized. Salary commensurate with experience. Excellent benefits.
Please forward or fax resume to: Office Manager, (248) 737-3330

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Birmingham auto dealer needs experienced Biller/Title Clerk. Experience in basic accounting & Microsoft Windows a plus. 248-645-6300.

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Auto Dealer
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AUTO DEALERSHIP
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RECEPTIONIST/ PHONE OPERATOR
We are looking for the right person to compliment our staff and to team up with us in our new facility. This will be a part-time position, working from 24 - 30 hours a week as our Receptionist and Telephone Operator, and will be trained to assist in other areas of office operations. The schedule would be workable, you are willing to learn and are open minded and light hearted, please apply at Livonia Autoplex, 34501 Plymouth Rd., Livonia, MI 48150.
Ask for Lavada Boaz
(734) 425-5400

AUTOMOBILE DEALERSHIP located in Western Suburbs has an immediate opening for General Office help. Experience in a Dealer Accounting office is preferred. We offer an excellent benefit package including health care, dental and a 401K plan. Apply in person only to: DICK SCOTT DODGE 684 W. Ann Arbor Rd. Plymouth, MI 48170 Equal Opportunity Employer

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Needed for medium-sized Southfield law firm. Excellent benefit program. Salary commensurate with experience. Some overtime may be required. Experience in time and billing systems for law firms is preferred. Candidates must be proficient in spreadsheets and A/R data entry and collection. Accounts Payable and payroll experience a plus. Send resume to: Raymond & Prokop, P.C., 26300 Northwestern Highway, 4th Floor, Southfield, MI 48086, or e-mail resume to kyancura@raypro.com No phone calls please.

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502 Help Wanted-Office Clerical

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Must include job code: SA

502 Help Wanted-Office Clerical

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SECRETARY/RECEPTIONIST PART TIME
Busy Plymouth real estate office now hiring secretary/receptionist. Hours will be evening and weekends. Requires phone skills, computer and organizational skills. Looking for outgoing, personable, self-starter who is a team player. References required. Call: Alissa Nead: (734) 459-6000

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636 Lost & Found

FOUND: GOLD collie mix, reddish tint. 50-70 lbs. found in Farmington area.
(734) 525-6748

622 Legal Notices Accepting Bids

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that by virtue of a default under the terms of a Lease Agreement dated July 7, 1999 between Associates Leasing, Inc. (the Lessor) & Intri-Tec, Inc. (the Lessee), the holder of the aforesaid Agreement and the indebtedness represented thereby, will sell at public sale on the terms set forth below at the premises of:
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Dated: February 11, 2001
PARKSIDE CREDIT UNION
36525 Plymouth Rd., Livonia
Patricia Barrett, Collection Mgr
Published 2-11-01 to 2-18-01

THE U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development is considering Mortgage insurance for the construction of a new apartment project to be known as Cider Mill Village located on the north side of Avon Road, east of John R in the City of Rochester Hills. The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service has identified a 13 acre regulated wetland on the 58 acre site. Although the developer does not intend to build any portion of the project within the identified wetland area, the Department is interested in obtaining public comments concerning the construction of this apartment project on a a site that encompasses wetlands. Written comments are to be received within fifteen (15) days of this notice and can be faxed to (248) 454-9563 or mailed to Nancy A Ludwick, St. James Capita, LLC, 42676 Woodward Avenue, Bloomfield Hills, MI. 48304.

636 Lost & Found

FOUND - 2-10-01 in Farmington. Male West Highland white Terrier. Very friendly. If not claimed, needs good home.
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FOUND: medium size dog, white w/gold patches. found Feb 11 at 696/Greenfield area. 734-782-5768

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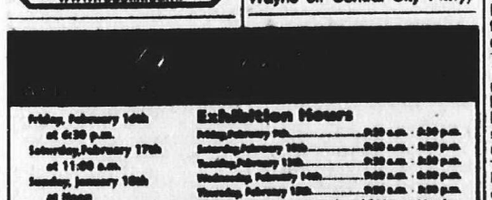

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1935 ART Deco dresser with mirror & chest. $700; 1930 Art Deco sofa with carved walnut arms and feet, $1500 best; end table, $100; coffee table, $250; Parson, table, $250; Contemporary chair, new fabrics, $300 excellent condition; Oak dining set table w/custom padding w/extra leaf & 4 chairs & buffet $700. Executive office desk and 2 file cabinets with chair $100. (248) 356-5195.

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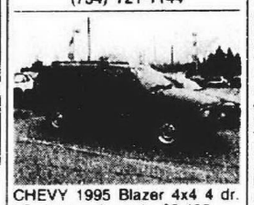

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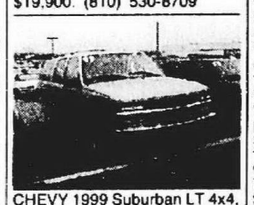

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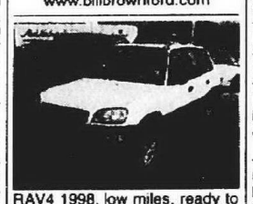

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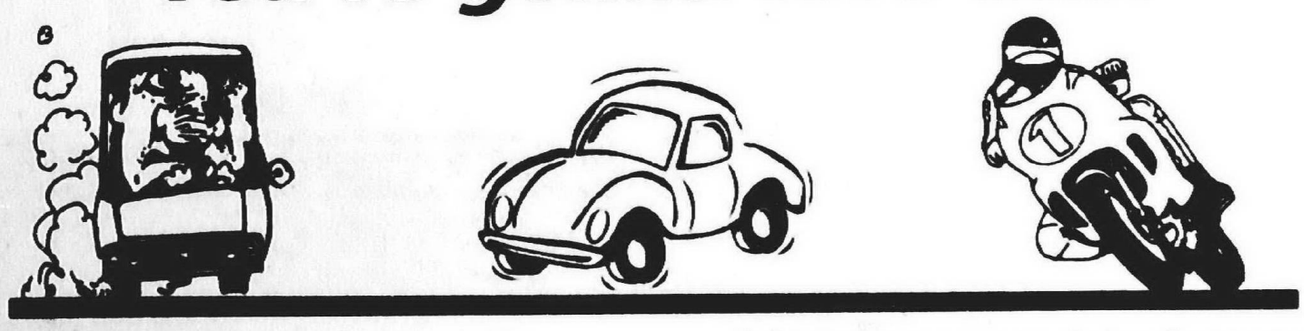

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866 Plymouth

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870 Saturn

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870 Saturn

SL2 1995 - very good condition, low 46,000 mi. Teal w/grey interior. $6800. 313-274-9584

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872 Toyota

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CAMRY 1994 LE - 87,000 miles, dark green, great condition, $8300. 248-656-6057.

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872 Toyota

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878 Autos Under $2,000

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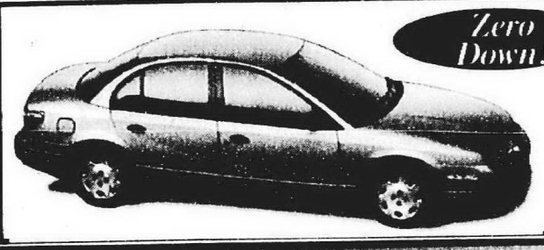

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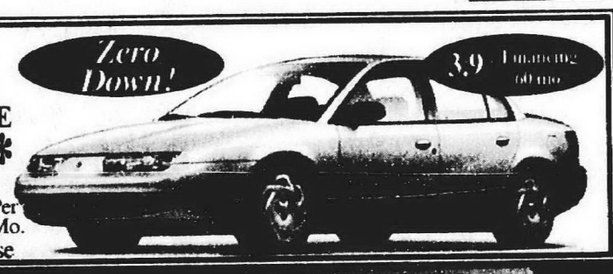

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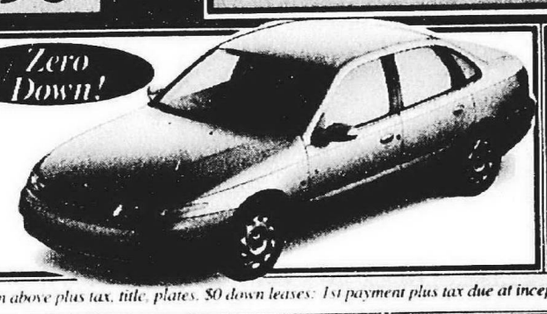

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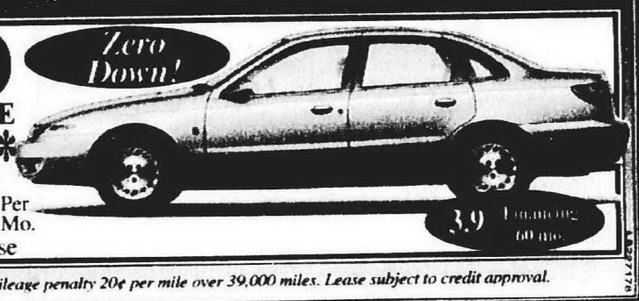

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4 Dr. Cloud 9 white clearcoat, dark charcoal cloth, 2.0L SPI engine, automatic transaxle, P196/60R15 BSW tires, comfort group, tilt steering column, speed control, front courtesy/map lights.

Ford Employee or Eligible Family Member

WAS $15,690 NOW $13,670.85*†

A-PLAN 36 MO LEASE RENEWAL ZERO DOWN $263.43** $900 DOWN $235.85**

2001 TAURUS SE

17 Taurus Available

Stk. #12397

0.9% APR financing available

FOUR DOOR

Vibrant white, medium graphite cloth interior, six cylinder engine, automatic overdrive transmission, front & rear floor mats, six passenger seating with flip-fold con., power driver's seat, 60/40 split/fold rear seat, adjustable pedals.

Ford Employee or Eligible Family Member

WAS $20,370 NOW $16,416.00*

A-PLAN 36 MO TAURUS TO TAURUS LEASE WITH RENEWAL ZERO DOWN $246.34** $1500 DOWN $201.10**

2001 RANGER XLT

Stk. #12571

1.9% APR financing available

4X2 SUPER CAB

Oxford white CC, dark graphite cloth, order code 387A, XLT trim, elec AM/FM stereo/clk/dual me, wheels, chrome 7-spoke i5", 4.0L SOHC V-6 engine, 5-spd automatic O/D trans, P225 steel OWL a/season tires, 3.55 ratio regular axle, power window/lock group, remote keyless entry

Ford Employee or Eligible Family Member

WAS $21,635 NOW $16,356.35*

Ranger Series Off-Lease Buy

A PLAN 24 MO LEASE WITH RENEWAL ZERO DOWN $203.97** $1500 DOWN $139.82**

2001 EXPLORER SPORT

Stk. #12510

1.9% APR financing available

2 DOOR 4x2

Oxford white clearcoat, drk. graphit cloth sport bucket, 4.0L SOHC V-6, 5-speed auto O/D trans., P235/75R15 A/T OWL tires, 3.73 lim. slip axle, prem. sport group, step bar, front tow hooks, fog lamps, conven. group, speed, tilt, puddle lamps, autolock/relock, remote keyless entry, AM/FM stereo w/single CD/cass., cloth comfort group, front overhead console, floor console, power driver's seat 6-way, cloth L/B bucket seats.

Ford Employee or Eligible Family Member

WAS $25,205 NOW $20,318.80*

A PLAN 24 MO LEASE RENEWAL ZERO DOWN $262.82** $1500 DOWN $199.97**

2001 WINDSTAR LX

Stk. #11783

0.9% APR financing available

WAGON

Light Sapphire Blue medium graphite cloth, 3.8L OHV EFI engine, 4 speed automatic overdrive transmission comfort group, aux. climate control system, luggage rack, 2nd/3rd row privacy glass, elec AM/FM stereo/cassette, 6.5 x 15" aluminum wheel enhance seating group.

Ford Employee or Eligible Family Member

WAS $27,045 NOW $21,487.65*

A-PLAN 36 MO LEASE RENEWAL ZERO DOWN $298.59** $1500 DOWN $256.31**

2001 F150 STYLESIDE XLT

Stk. #12035

2.9% APR financing available

4X4 STYLESIDE SUPERCAB

Arizona beige clearcoat, parchment 40/60 split bench, pref. equip. pkg. 507A, XLT series, overhead console, AM/FM stereo/clock/single CD, air, 5.4L EFI V-8, electronic 4-spd. auto O/D, 3.55 ratio lim. slip axle, 6500# GVWR pkg., electronic shift-4x4, sliding rear window, trailer tow group, off road 4x4 equip. group, P265/70R-17 OWL all terrain, skid plates, 17" cast alum. wheels.

Ford Employee or Eligible Family Member

WAS $31,830 NOW $23,843.35*

F-Series Off-Lease Buy

A PLAN 24 MO LEASE RENEWAL ZERO DOWN $338.54** $1500 DOWN $273.16**

2001 EXCURSION

Stk. #10660

1.9% APR financing available

4x2 LIMITED

Chestnut clearcoat metallic, med. parchment leather, trip computer, illum. running boards, prem. alum. wheels, aux heater/air, third row seat, rear radio controls, reverse sensing sys., comfort/conv. group, power driver's seat, pwr. rear quarter vent windows, 5.4L PI V-8, elect 4-spd. auto trans., LT265/75RX160 OWL all-season, 3.73 ratio reg. axle, telescope pwr. HTD T-T mirrors, AM/FM stereo W/in, dash 6-CD, heated front seats.

Ford Employee or Eligible Family Member

WAS $39,250 NOW $30,933.05*

A PLAN 24 MO LEASE RENEWAL ZERO DOWN $441.38** $1500 DOWN $375.54**

2001 EXPEDITION

Stk. #11431

1.9% APR financing available

XLT 4x4 5.4 V8

Oxford white clearcoat, dark graphite cloth capt. chairs, XLT series, tow hooks, prem. elec. AM/FM/stereo/cassette, privacy glass, 5.4L EFI V8 eng., 4-speed automatic transmission, 3.55 ratio limited slip axle, comfort/conv. group, black power heated mirrors, aux. heater/air, trailer tow, sport appear pkg., P265/70R-17 OWL all-terrain, skid plate package, fog lamps, 17" 10-spoke alum. wheels, third row seat, CD changer (6 disc).

Ford Employee or Eligible Family Member

WAS $38,135 NOW $29,940.45*

A PLAN 24 MO SUV-TO-SUV LEASE WITH RENEWAL ZERO DOWN $460.69** $1500 DOWN $395.92**

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2001 RANGER XLT 4X2 SUPERCAB	0 Down $1500	$380 $1672
2001 WINDSTAR LX WAGON	0 Down $1500	$486 $2000
2001 EXCURSION LMTD 4X2	0 Down $1500	$807 $2127
2001 TAURUS SE 4 DOOR SEDAN	0 Down $1500	$430 $1972
2001 FOCUS SE 4 DOOR	0 Down $1500	$388 $1382
2001 EXPEDITION XLT 4x4	0 Down $1500	$827 $2140
2001 F150 4X4 SUPERCAB	0 Down $1500	$488 $1880

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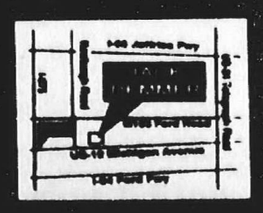

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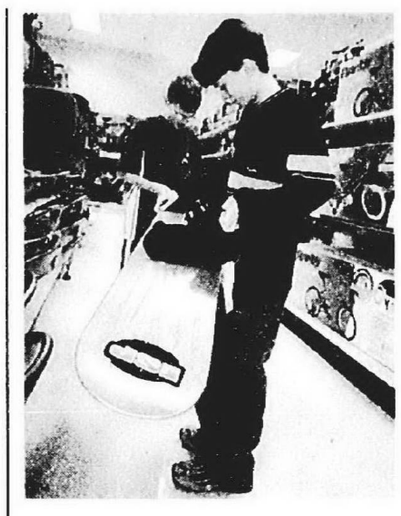

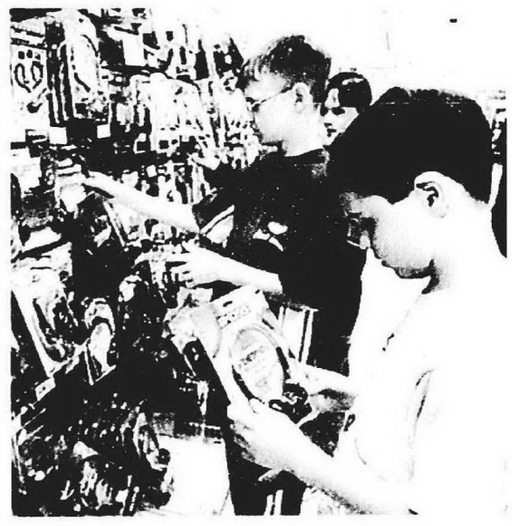

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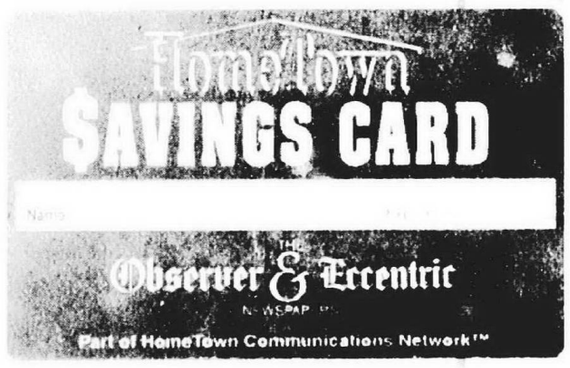

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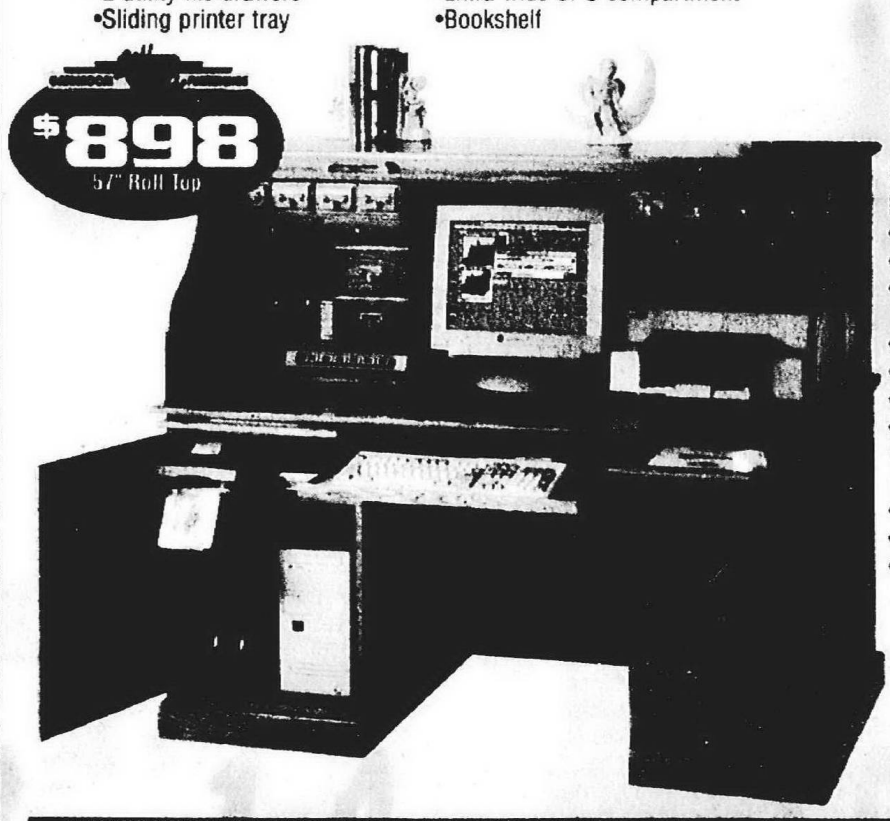

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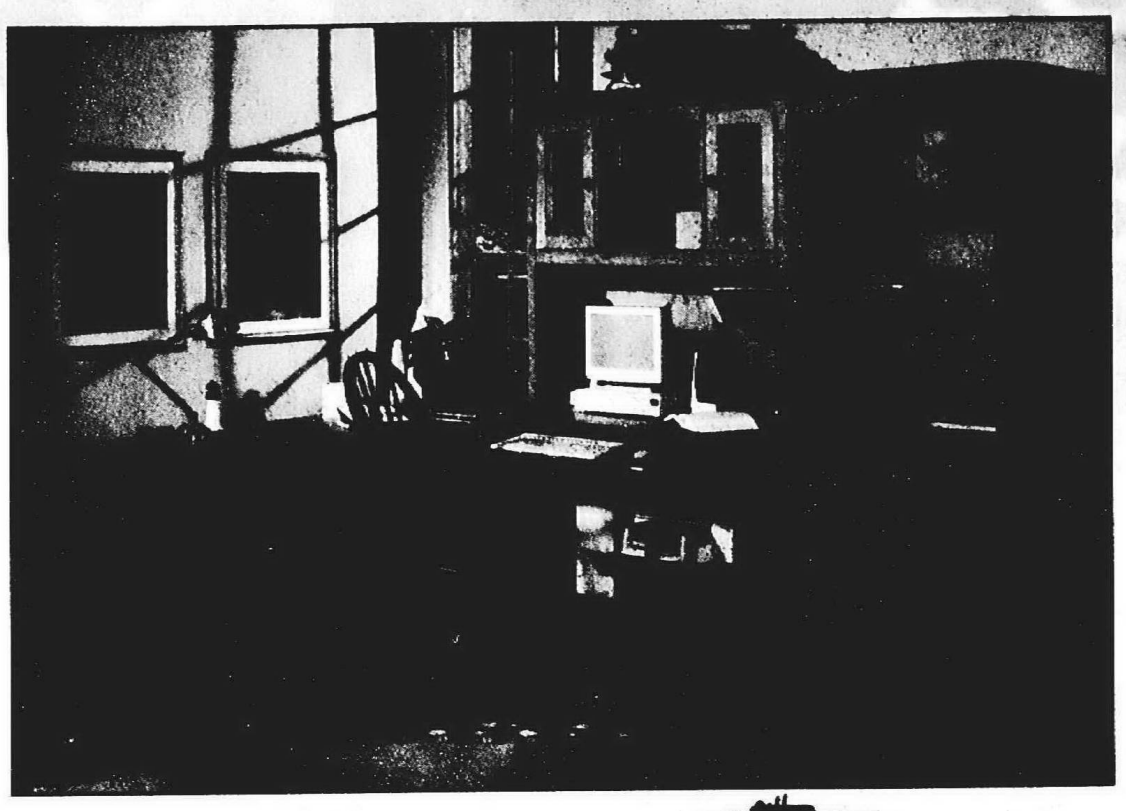

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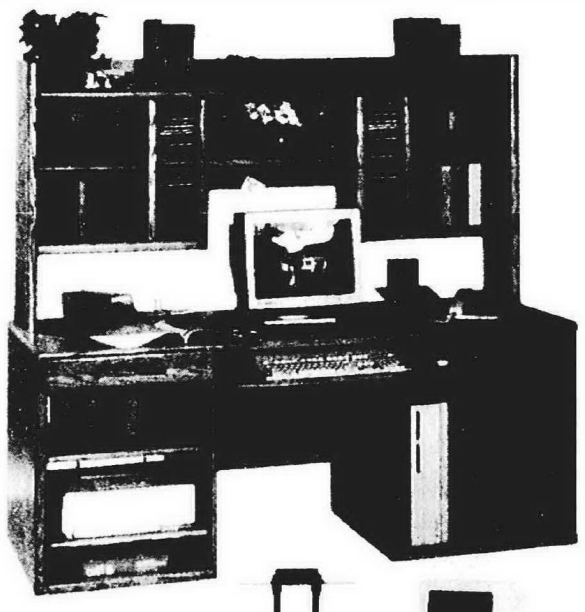

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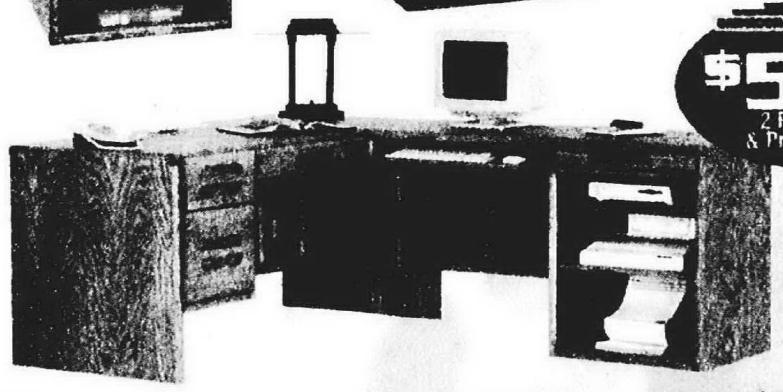

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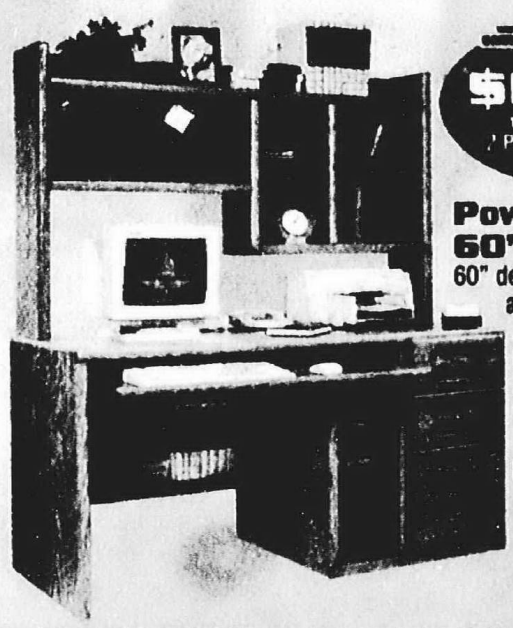

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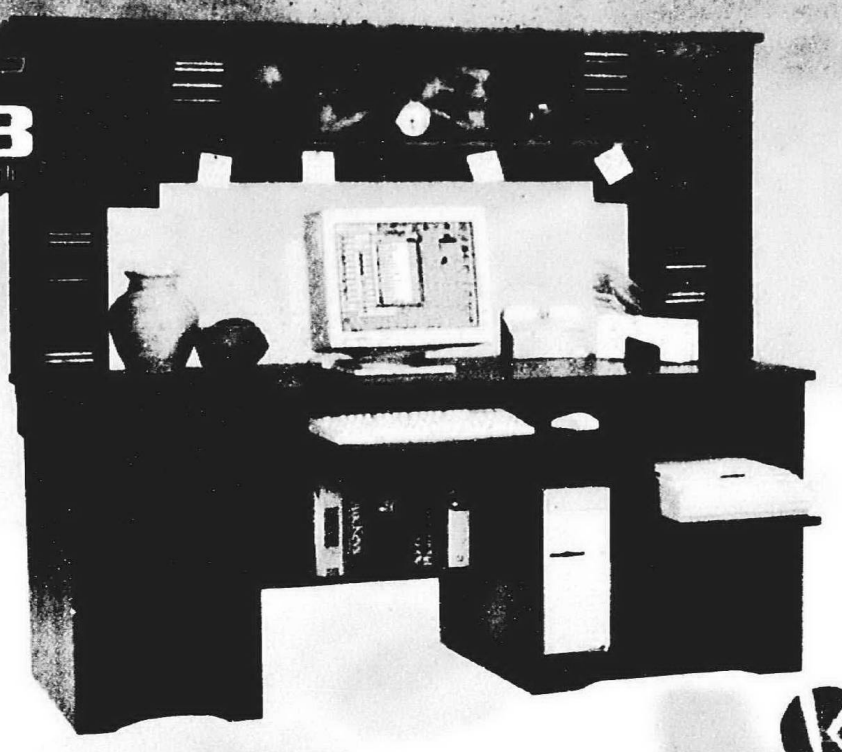

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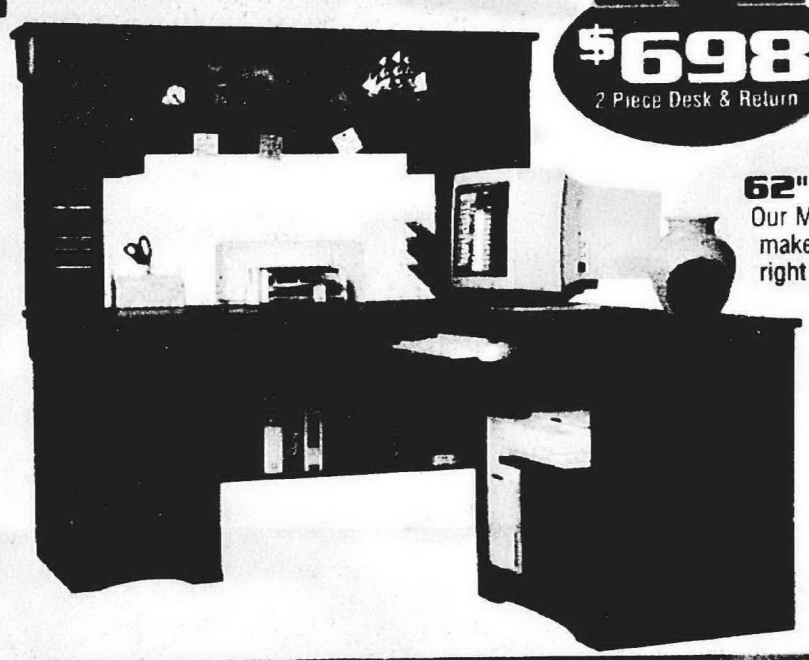

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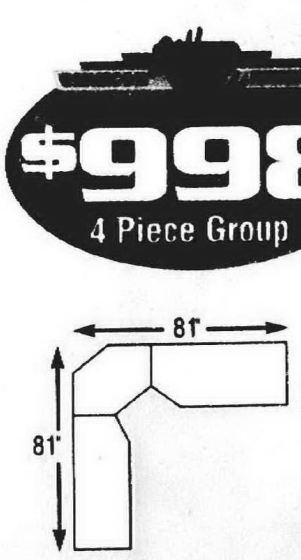

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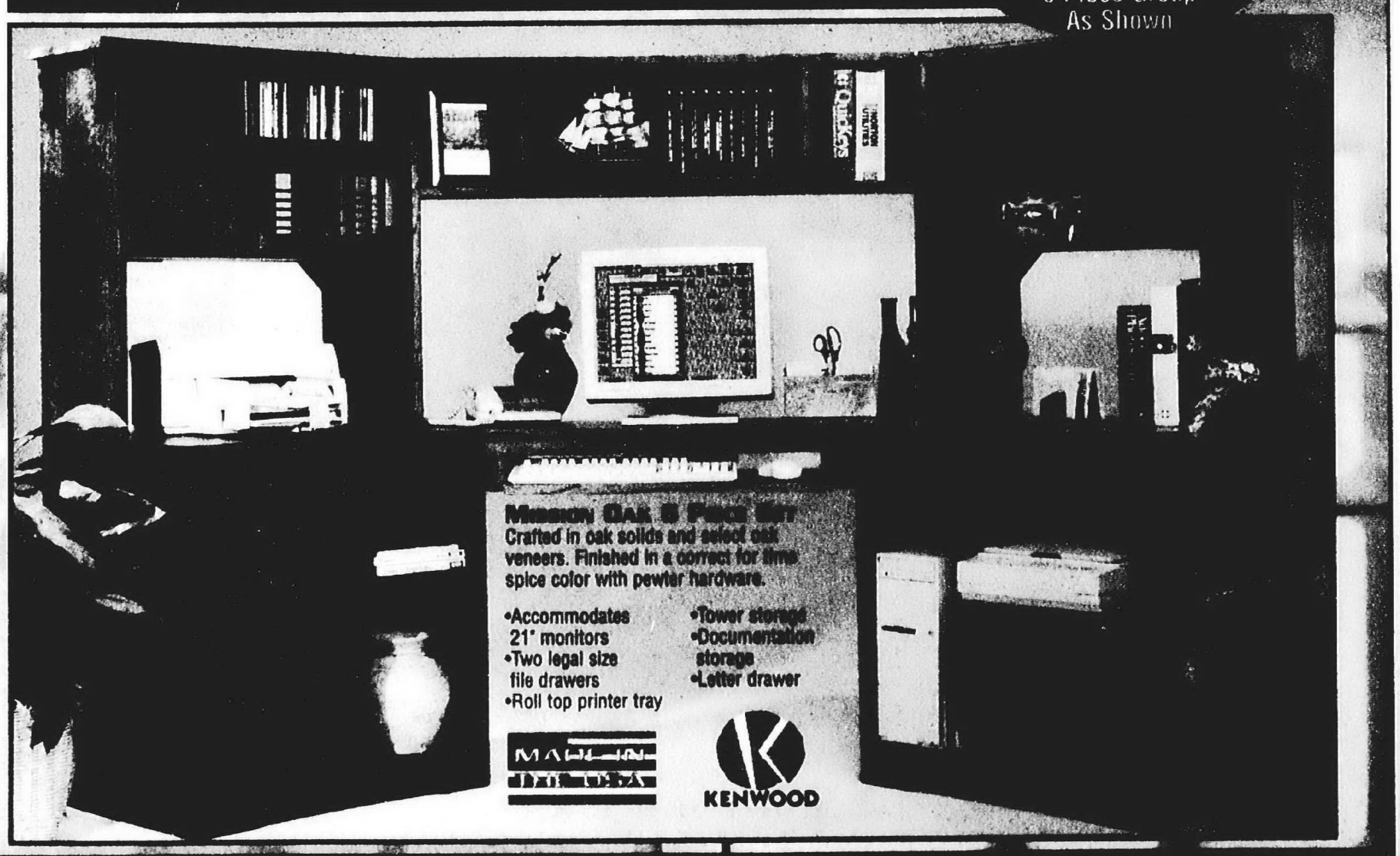

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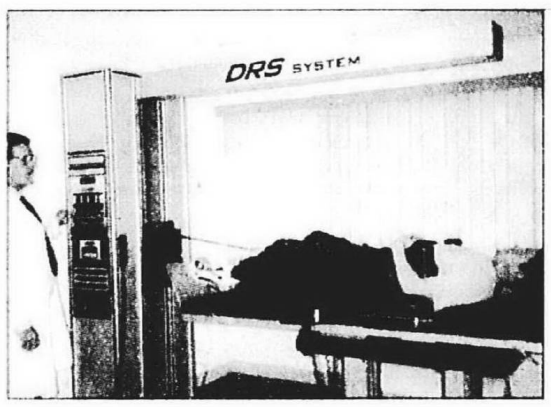

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Leapin' loonies

The Canadian loonie has been holding steady at less than 67 cents US since 1998. That means American visitors to Windsor and Essex County have been getting about $1.50 Cdn. on every U.S. dollar when they shop across the border. And what about those who choose to stay at home? As writer Stephen Fields puts it: "What are you waiting for?" **3**

Current currency

Okay, so maybe the Canadian dollar isn't worth a heck of a lot compared to the mighty U.S. greenback. At least it's more colourful, especially with the new bills just released by the Bank of Canada **4**

Pain in the back

It isn't just quality products that sells for a lot less in Canada. Windsor and Essex County offer premium services in a variety of fields, including health care, to U.S. visitors. One such company promises relief from back pain at "significantly less" than across the border **5**

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COVER KID: Dane Marshall, 7, takes out his frustrations on some walnuts on top of a rock-solid granite kitchen countertop at this LaSalle home..... **See Home Style /11**

- Ed Goodfellow photo

Tax rebate available

If you are a non-resident visiting Canada, and you buy certain goods or accommodation, you may be able to claim a refund of the goods and services tax (GST).

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Also, your goods must be removed from Canada within 60 days after they are delivered to you.

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Since February 1, 1999, those who want to claim a refund of taxes on goods have had to provide proof that the goods were exported.

To verify the latest list of locations where this service is available, check out Canada Customs and Revenue Agency's Internet Site at: www.cra-adrc.gc.ca/visitors.

REPORTING

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U.S. buck still buys a bundle

BY STEPHEN FIELDS

Pick up a copy of any financial newspaper these days and you're bound to find the prediction of some pin-striped analyst telling you that as a consumer, you're confidence should about as low as the collective IQ of the average guest panel on the Jerry Springer show.

Head across the border to Canada for some shopping and you'll find yourself coming back to tell your friends and family members about how much money you saved because of how far your US dollars stretch. They'll all think your IQ compares to Stephen B. Hawking's.

It's no secret that Americans shopping in Canada have had a currency advantage for quite some time. But a number of factors indicate that it may become even more lopsided — in your favour.

Back in November, a leading economist was warning that within the next 12 to 18 months, the Canadian dollar would fall to US60 cents as global growth takes a downturn. The dollar had then edged to under US65 cents, continuing a recent slide that has brought it to its lowest level in nearly two years.

The Canadian dollar hit a low of US63.31 cents against the U.S. dollar during the Asian crisis of 1998. It has not risen above US70 cents since.

U.S. shoppers, like Marie Zyren, know how far their greenback goes – as much as $1.50 Cdn. – once they cross the border to Windsor. - file photo

Less than 67-cents

By the end of December, the dollar traded at US66.64 cents, the highest since Oct. 5, when it was US66.78 cents. During that week, it has gained as much as half a U.S. cent from a previous US66.1cents, the biggest gain since Dec. 8.

Despite some minor fluctuation in January, the Canadian dollar closed on the last day of the month at US66.64 cents.

Having the Canadian dollar remain at a steady US65 cents is an optimum level for everyone involved, according the chairman of Windsor's chamber of commerce. "I think at the local level that it's a positive for the dollar to stay low because it makes it a lot more attractive for our friends to the north to come over here and shop," says Ted Farron, who owns a gourmet butcher shop in south Windsor.

Farron says he understands the importance of maintaining a strong dollar on a macro level, but a lower dollar locally keeps Windsor shoppers at home and encourages US consumers to come here.

"I always shudder when I see the dollar (Canadian) getting too strong," he says.

Most retailers in the city participate in a Fair Exchange program to ensure that American consumers aren't getting ripped off on their currency when they shop in Windsor. The rationale is simple: offer a fair rate of exchange and American consumers will come back.

The result is that Americans can get as much as 50 per cent more on the dollar when they shop here, depending on what the bank rate is at on any given day.

Actual price dollar comparisons really vary very little when you come to Windsor. So the question begs to be asked: Would you buy a couch for $1,000 at home when you could get it for almost half the price over here?

What's even better is that if you're an American, you're exempt from the sales taxes that Canadians have to pay. Over here, we have to pay 15 per cent sales tax — 7 per cent federal Goods and Services Tax (GST) and 8 per cent Provincial Sales Tax — but you don't have to pay any of that.

Okay, only one of the taxes. You have to pay the PST but you can get reimbursed for the GST on most items by mailing in a form. (With larger purchases involving delivery to the U.S., some retailers take care of the GST along with all other paperwork at the border.)

Apparently consumer confidence in the US economy isn't real great right now and those in the know are suggesting that consumers will be turning more conservative in their buying.

Hey, be as conservative as you want. But there's still stuff you need, right?

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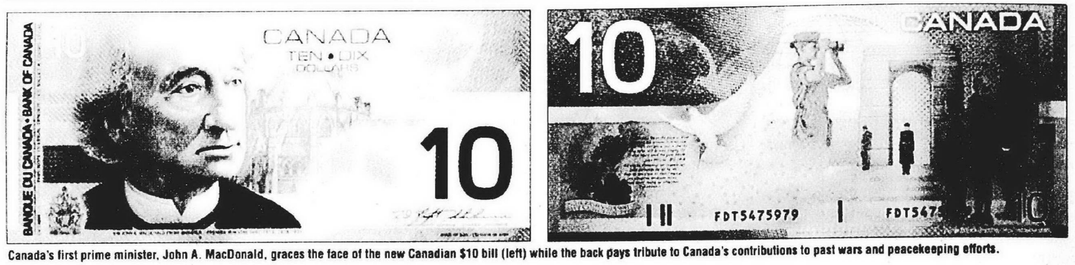

Canada's first prime minister, John A. MacDonald, graces the face of the new Canadian $10 bill (left) while the back pays tribute to Canada's contributions to past wars and peacekeeping efforts.

Let us show you our money

Okay, so our new Canadian bills still can't buy a lot of US bucks. But they're plenty pretty

dollar dealings

by Claudio D'Andrea

You gotta love us Canadians eh?

As if our money wasn't funny looking enough, we had to go out and funkify it some more.

And why not? It's not as if the value of our money's going anywhere fast — at least not going up in value. We may as well have some fun with its design.

Enter the new $10 bank note. And what a beauty eh?

The new bill, unveiled in mid-January and the first of several other new denominations to be unveiled over the next couple of years, is actually European-looking in design. Its theme is of Remembrance Day (what we call Veteran's Day) and Peacekeeping, representing Canada's participation in peacekeeping activities and our participation in past wars.

The mug on the front of the bill is Sir John A. MacDonald, Canada's first prime minister.

Tactile dollar

The cool stuff with this note is the tactile feature that improves the ability of the blind and visually impaired to recognize different denominations. You can even make out some shiny maple leafs if your turn the bill toward the light a certain way.

Since currency is something that's near and dear to most of our hearts and wallets — even in Canada — the new bill was bound to stir up some controversy. Most of it is based on misinformation.

For instance, a portion of a famous poem written by Lt. Col. John McCrae, in Flanders Fields, is printed on the new $10 bill. Some people tried to argue the Bank of Canada misprinted the first lines:

"In Flanders fields the poppies blow
Between the crosses, row on row..."

Most Canadians, yours truly included, thought the poem went:

"In Flanders fields where poppies grow
Between the crosses, row on row..."

"It seems a lot of us in school remember it as 'where poppies grow' but in fact the first line is "the poppies blow'," says Linda Drouin, head of public affairs for the Bank of Canada.

Other misconceptions surrounding Canadian money:

• No, that isn't an American flag waving in the wind on those Canadian greenbacks. According to the website www.wallis.com/cnd_bills/Flag, American papers have been reporting, on a recurring basis, that the Bank of Canada's 1986 $2 bills (which have since been replaced by 'toonie' coins) show the American flag flying in the background. Some stories say the flag appears in the 1989 $10 note.

The website stresses that the U.S. flag has never appeared on any Canadian banknote. The only flags ever depicted on Canadian money, the site adds, were the Royal Union Jack, Union Jack, Red Ensign and, since 1965, the Canadian flag.

• Funny how the World Wide Web spins its net in all weird and wonderful directions whenever you try searching for information. A search for information on the new Canadian banknotes pointed to a website about Bad Money.

Turns out this Bad Money was a Canadian movie that starred Graham Greene. It's about four Calgarians who find themselves in desperate need of money, with Greene playing a suddenly unemployed corporate businessman with a large family to support. Karen Sillas as a woman trying to make a go of a vegetarian restaurant and two unambitious youths who dream of larger welfare cheques and the west coast's warmer climes.

Canadian comedy

Presumably, this movie's a drama. If it was about Canadian money it would qualify as a comedy.

• Pssst, wanna cool Canadian million-dollar banknote? Sorry, it doesn't exist.

The same wallis website that debunked the American flag myth also states unequivocally that "there is no such thing as a Million Dollar Note in Canada."

All $1-million notes are "non-negotiable" souvenirs and "are really not money," the site states.

It fails to put real Canadian money in the same category.

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Knowing that the American dollar is worth more in Canada is one thing, but exchanging those greenbacks for Canada's more colourful currency is another matter.

The Convention and Visitors Bureau of Windsor, Essex County and Pelee Island urges American shoppers to consider using their credit cards first, followed by ATM cards, border currency exchange sites or a bank, in order to receive the fairest exchange rates.

Definitely don't rely on retail establishments, says Elizabeth Hamel of the bureau, because they don't offer a guaranteed exchange rate.

In fact, it is entirely legal, if short-sighted, for merchants to offer no exchange at all. Such instances are rare, but Hamel's advice helps customers to avoid the possibility.

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Dollar eases pain of back therapy

Non-surgical treatment 'significantly less'

By Karen Paton-Evans

You can't put a price on pain-free living. But when you get hit with the high cost of treatment, it makes you wonder if you can afford to feel good.

Fortunately, there are alternatives.

When an American resident travels across the border to Western Ontario Sports Injuries & Rehabilitation Clinic, desperately in need of relief from chronic back pain, he returns home with a new lease on life, unburdened of aches, stiffness or a staggering bill.

Richard Leblanc, physiotherapist and owner of the Windsor clinic, claims his non-surgical treatment costs are "significantly less, in terms of thousands of dollars less," than those at comparable clinics in the US. The healthy exchange rate computes into even greater savings.

Western Ontario Sports Injuries & Rehabilitation Clinic promises it can ease extreme back pain.

border bargains

by Karen Paton-Evans

A bargain is no deal, however, unless it achieves what it promises.

Last fall, Western Ontario Sports Injuries & Rehabilitation Clinic adopted a new method of bringing comfort to back pain sufferers. The Decompression Reduction Stabilization (DRS) system, developed by neurosurgeons, orthopedic surgeons and biomedical engineers, earned clearance from the US, Food and Drug Administration in 1997, following the successful treatment of more than 8,000 patients.

Leblanc's own testing of the system convinced the physiotherapist that it would benefit his own patients. He obtained the DRS unit through Universal Pain-Technology Canada Inc. and began treatments in October, 2000.

"Essentially, the treatment serves to relax tight tissues and stretch them, providing comfort to the patient," Leblanc says. "The unit is for people who do not respond well to other forms of treatment" such as massage and physiotherapy. The DRS system is a safe alternative for people who want to avoid surgery, he adds.

Prior to treatment, the patient must go through a screening process to ensure the DRS system is the right solution. "We won't waste their time or ours," Leblanc says. "We don't put people on the unit who don't belong there."

The patient is fitted with custom upper and lower harnesses, which are then connected to a computerized control system. While the patient lays at ease on his back, the computer administers precise, painless pressure, using the harnesses to gently distract the lumbar disc level to reduce the pressure inside the discs.

One treatment typically involves several distraction cycles and lasts 45 minutes. Patients usually require 15 to 25 sessions to achieve maximum, long-lasting relief from back pain.

Leblanc recommends an average of 20 sessions, performed daily, Monday through Friday, with weekend rest periods. Patients who have to travel great distances may choose to speed up the process. "Some go twice a day and finish the treatments in two weeks," he says.

Those who live in the Greater Detroit area find the clinic is conveniently close to home and so make the short drive for daily treatments.

The cost of 20 treatments is $2,800 Cdn or approximately $1,870 US. Western Ontario Sports Injuries & Rehabilitation Clinic issues receipts, which patients submit to their health insurance carriers.

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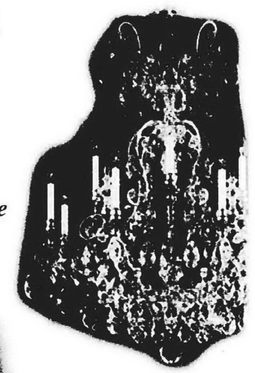

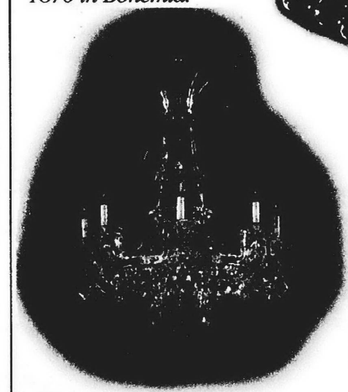

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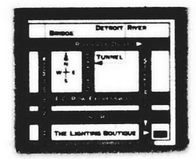

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Work of art unveiled

Art Gallery opens doors

The Art Gallery of Windsor (AGW) has come home.

After almost 60 years in business and several moves AGW has returned to its former downtown waterfront site – this time with a brand new face.

Feb. 10 and 11, the gallery officially opened the doors to its new home – a state of the art facility located at 401 Riverside Drive.

Pierre-Auguste Renoir's painting Claude and Renee is among the works on display at Art Gallery of Windsor's opening show, The Impressionist Masterworks. It will be shown until May 6.

And it did so in grand fashion with an exhibit of Impressionist Masterworks including Van Gogh, Cezanne, Pissarro, Gauguin, Monet, Renoir and Degas.

For an establishment that long ago earned its place as a cultural landmark and resource for the Windsor area, the opening was the culmination of years of hard work and dedication on the part of gallery staff.

For visitors from both sides of the busiest border crossing between Canada and the United States, AGW is a treasure chest of art by local, regional and national artists.

The gallery's art collection is made up of nearly 2,900 works of art, including paintings, drawings, prints, photographs, sculptures, illustrations and videos – each of which is relevant to Canadian cultural heritage. The works cover a period from 1750 through to the present day.

AGW boasts a particularly strong collection in later 19th century Canadian painting and early 20th century Canadian modernism.

AGW's grand opening kicked off with an Honour Song by the Walpole Island Singers, opening remarks and a ribbon cutting ceremony.

Exhibitions opened to the public at noon with artist demonstrations, open studio activities, mingling with artists, performance by the Windsor Symphony Orchestra string quintet and a 'Hats Off to the AGW' cocktail reception.

The AGW is located minutes from the Detroit-Windsor Tunnel exit, four blocks north and five blocks west of the tunnel exit on Park Street East. For more information, click on the gallery's website www.artgalleryofwindsor.com or call 519-977-0013.

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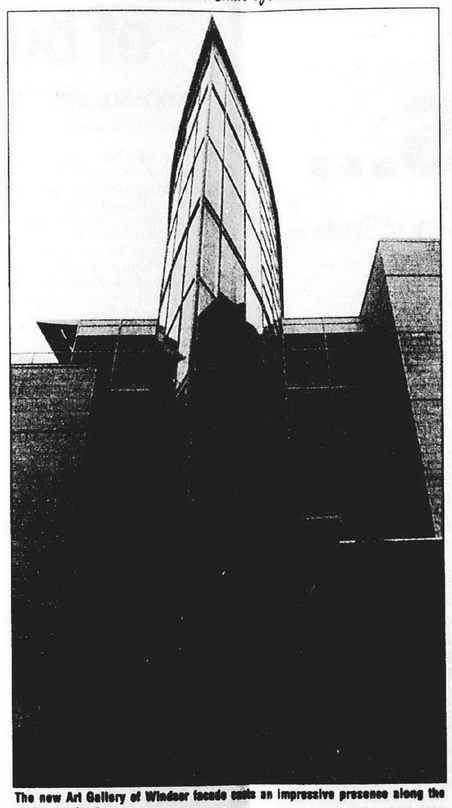

The new Art Gallery of Windsor facade casts an impressive presence along the city's waterfront. - Windsor Star file photo

OPENING EXHIBITS AT THE AGW

Here's a look at what's on exhibit at the new Art Gallery of Windsor:

- The Impressionist Masterworks exhibit, which is on tour from the National Gallery of Canada, runs through May 6
- Alignments: Contemporary Works from the Permanent Collection runs through April 8 and Continuities: Highlights from the Permanent Collection until May 6
- Works of Brian Jungen (until July 22) and Ed Janzen: Jack Pine (until spring) are also be on exhibit.
- Elja-Liisa Ahtila: Consolation Service will be shown until March 11.

Regular AGW hours of operation are Tuesday through Thursday, 11 am to 7 pm, Friday 11 am to 9 pm, Saturday 10 am to 5 pm and Sunday 12 to 5 pm. The gallery is closed on Monday.

Ethnic flavour adds spice to the downtown

Story by Diane Simon

Rich in multiculturalism, Windsor's city centre offers an incredible array of dining experiences, from casual and quaint to formal and elaborate – all within a short walk or drive from the Detroit Windsor Tunnel exit.

"I find that now that I travel a lot for business...I'm often disappointed" in other cities, says Sandra Bradt, director of tourism with the Convention and Visitors Bureau of Windsor, Essex County and Pelee Island. "We are spoiled because of the variety of restaurants...a lot of that is because of the multicultural make-up of the city," she explains, adding Windsorites tend to be "more adventurous in their eating."

Windsor, she adds, offers a broader range of eating establishments than other cities of comparable, and even larger, size.

Those searching for ethnic dining will not be disappointed in what the city centre has to offer. Establishments like the Nisbet Inn English Pub and Restaurant, the Mandarin House Szechuan and Cantonese Restaurant, Chanoso's Restaurant, Joseph's, Marathon Ethiopian Restaurant, Patrick O. Ryan's Irish Public House, Musashi Japanese Cuisine and Sushi Bar, Basil Court Thai Restaurant and The Pitt For Pasta.

Quaint to formal

Italian food establishments range from the quaint and charming – La Guardia – to casual and formal dining in the form of Terra Cotta, Vivo! Ristorante, The Alan Manor, Elaine Bistro, New Asian Curry House, Big Tomato, An Italian Eatery and The Cook's Shop Restaurant. Vegetarian fare is the specialty at The Hip Rose.

The Tunnel Bar-B-Q, the Top Hat Supper Club, United Grill, Ye Olde Steak House, Pepper's Bar and Grill, Plunkett's Bistro Bar and the Chatham Street Grill, Cadillac Jacks, Honest Lawyer Restaurant, Bad Hare Saloon and Woody's Outhouse cater to those interested in steak, prime rib, chicken and ribs.

Fish and seafood lovers can choose from The Old Fish Market, Sir Cedric's Fish and Chips and The New Sitting Bull. Cafes, bistros and diners are located throughout the city centre as well.

Dining and accommodation options are only minutes from the Detroit-Windsor Tunnel or Ambassador Bridge.

Hilton Windsor offers top quality accommodations as well as fine dining at the Park Terrace Restaurant. Casino Windsor Hotel offers 21 floors of elegant rooms, as well as restaurants and gaming facilities. Comfort Suites, Ramada Plaza and Suites, Days Inn, the Radisson Riverfront Hotel, Quality Suites by Journey's End, and Travelodge Downtown are all located within the city centre.

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For (eye) openers...

If you're looking for fashionable eyewear, look no farther than Windsor

Rita Herman models a pair of Lafont designer eyeglasses. Above are two other styles: BCBG sunglasses (left) and Anne et Valentin glasses. - Ed Goodfellow photos

By Karen Paton-Evans

Shopping for glasses and contact lenses in Windsor is a real eye opener for Greater Detroit residents.

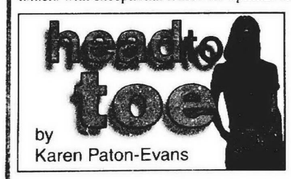
The prices are lower, the selection is fabulous, the lenses are thinner and the service is great.

Rita Herman, owner of Sight For Sore Eyes, says her customers travel from Ann Arbor, Pontiac, Flint and other Michigan cities to get the latest styles in prescription eyewear and sunglasses. They often return with their friends or just drop in to say hi to Herman and her helpful staff.

"We're small, boutiquey and very personal. We make it fun," Herman says.

Americans love the whole experience, from the no-pressure assistance in choosing a new frame style to the one-hour lens service done on site for many types of lenses.

Herman, an optician with 26 years of experience, is very precise in her work, providing customers with exceptional lenses for optimal vision.



What really sets Sight For Sore Eyes apart is its selection. Eighty percent of the boutique's stock is exclusive to the store. Most frames cannot be found anywhere else in southwestern Ontario.

Only a handful of stores carry the distinctive styles in Toronto. Many frames have never been seen in Michigan before.

When they return home, American customers can expect to receive many compliments on their unique glasses.

"A lot of our frames are handmade. The colours are more vivid than regular frames," Herman says. "When the frame is unique, I don't bring in a lot of that style."

That policy ensures the uncommon status of the frame and its wearer.

The boutique brings in the most unusual styles from Isaac Mizrahi, Anne et Valentin, L.A. Eyeworks, Beausoleil, Theo, Hugo Boss, Chanel and Pro Design. It also carries frames from more mainstream designers such as Armani, Gucci, Christian Dior, Ralph Lauren, Neostyle and Valentino.

Vintage frames are big, too. "I just recently purchased three dozen vintage pieces. They've never been worn and they're in their original packages," Herman says.

The rhinestone-studded cat's eye frames are flying out of the boutique.

Plastic and titanium frames are especially fashionable. Black continues its reign, but colour is coming on strong. On one plastic frame, there can be as many as four layers of colour, starting with grey and morphing to pink, or purple to yellow.

"They're absolutely beautiful," Herman says.

As far as style trends, "anything goes," Herman says. "Rectangles are hot right now. It goes right up to the cat's eye."

Though Sight For Sore Eyes' inventory is very fashion-forward, the most important consideration is personal preference and the size and shape of the customer's face. In helping the customer select the perfect frame, the staff looks for the style that is most flattering and best expresses the customer's personality.

"We can do much thinner lenses here than they can do in the States," Herman says.

Canadian lenses follow European standards, so a lens that would normally require the thickness of the bottom of a Coke bottle is ultra-slim.

Prices are reduced, too, compared to Michigan eyewear.

Even Herman is surprised at the huge difference in retail pricing. She sells a basic Gucci frame for $200 Cdn. A Detroit eyewear chain store sells the same frame for $299 US. An Ann Arbor woman would save approximately $166 US, just on the frame. There is a savings on lenses, too.

Sight For Sore Eyes has many options for the contact lens wearer.

"Our contact lenses are an extremely good deal," Herman says.

The new looks in sunglasses are also worth the trip over the Detroit River. The latest offerings by Ray Ban, Revo, Hugo Boss, Chanel, Gucci and many other designers are in.

"Large aviators with coloured lenses in soft blues, pinks, oranges, greens – that's really big for the spring," Herman says.

Corrective lenses and sunglasses are necessities. But they can also define your signature style, re-create your face and invite second looks. Aided by Herman's fashion sense and optical expertise, you'll truly be a Sight For Sore Eyes.

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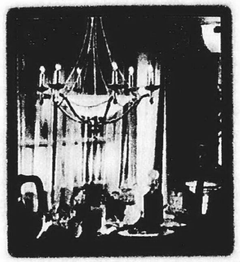

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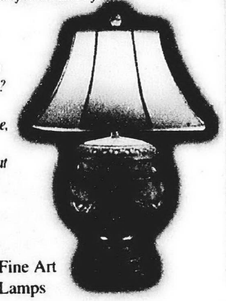

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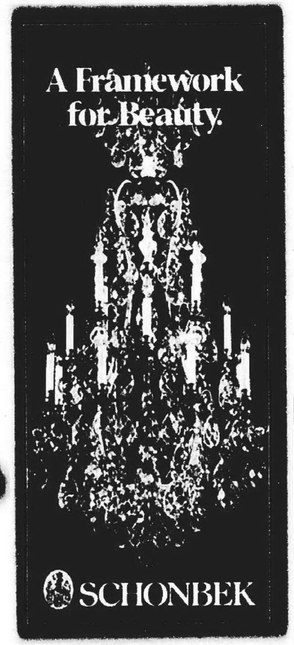

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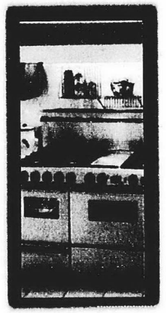
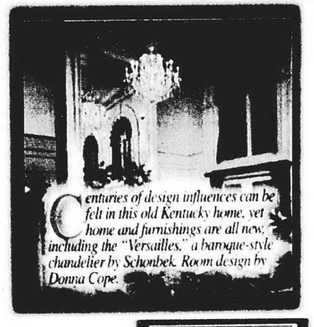
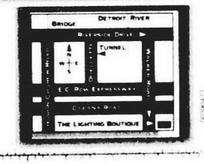




Centuries of design influences can be felt in this old Kentucky home, yet home and furnishings are all new, including the "Versailles," a baroque-style chandelier by Schonbek. Room design by Donna Cope.



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Windsor cashes in at the slots

Casino Windsor is holding its own against the competition from Detroit, says the head of the corporation that runs the city's popular gaming destination.

Ron Barbaro also predicted in a January 5 story in The Windsor Star that one of Detroit's three casinos will close, a casualty of intense cross-border competition for gaming.

border briefs
by Claudio D'Andrea

The chairman of the Ontario Lottery and Gaming Corporation, which oversees Casino Windsor and other casinos in the province, said Windsor should hold onto the top spot in the regional gaming market based on its tax advantage, size and location in a safe community. Casino Windsor's market share is 40 per cent, or more than 50 per cent when the Windsor Slots at Windsor Raceway are added.

"I personally think that of the three casinos over there, one of them won't make it," Barbaro said. "It's not a death knell; I just feel that down the road one of them won't make it."

The entrance of the newly renovated Windsor Slots at Windsor Raceway maintains the 1920s theme which is prevalent throughout the facility. - Windsor Star file photo

Raceway unveils $12M facelift, slots

Windsor Raceway opened the doors on its $12-million facelift earlier this month.

The raceway, located in the southwestern most part of the city, completed an eight-month revamp with a lavish grand opening ceremony January 4.

Half the gaming floor at the raceway is made up of 750 slot machines, up from 712. It resembles a speakeasy with a cafe, the Hideaway Lounge, piano and mannequins of flappers and dapper gents dancing on tables.

The other half of the slot area mimics a bootlegging warehouse. Even the carpet is designed to resemble planks of wood.

"It's wonderful. It's awesome," Silvia Thomas of Detroit, who was on hand for the grand opening, told The Windsor Star.

City Centre's new office opens

Fran Funaro

Windsor's downtown business association has a new home and everyone's welcome to visit.

The City Centre Business Association (CCBA) opened its doors at 474-478 Ouellette Avenue in December.

CCBA managing director Fran Funaro says the new address offers increased visibility than the old office and may attract more visitors. "It's a storefront location," she said before its December 13th opening. "We're very excited about it. We'd like everyone to know we're open for business."

For more information, call (519) 252-5723 or visit the CCBA's website at www.windsordowntown.ca. Information is also available at the Downtown Information Centre at 352 Ouellette Avenue or call (519) 977-1844.

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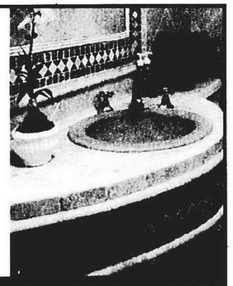

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In the living room, great room, bedroom or anywhere else there may be a fireplace, the inner fire of brilliant granite is a marvelous complement. Its versatility translates into traditional and ultra modern décor.

Granite really shows its strength in the foyer and other high-traffic areas. These vulnerable spots will never show signs of wear when clad in an armour of hard, natural stone.

Tough, elegant and enduring, the only drawback to granite is its price. While granite easily pays for itself over the years, its initial cost could be daunting. Unless you know where to shop.

home style
by Karen Paton-Evans

Colautti Brothers Tile & Carpet Inc. provided the slate flooring for this home in LaSalle, just west of Windsor. - Ed Goodfellow photo

Windsor's Colautti Brothers Tile & Carpet Inc. has been supplying world-class flooring products for more than 80 years. Business has continued to thrive because of Colautti's commitment to excellent value, workmanship and service.

"We have a lot of buying power because we are so well-established," says Colautti's Tom Marshall. The business' granite is always competitively priced, but for Americans, "it is definitely a good bargain," Marshall says.

Customers from Michigan realize substantial savings, from 30 percent or better, depending on the current rate of exchange on the US dollar. Colautti includes the cost of delivery and brokerage fees in the quote, so the customer knows exactly what he or she is paying for those beautiful countertops or flooring.

Some customers, who have admired Colautti's granite products and installation in their friends' homes, just phone Marshall and place their order. Others come to the Windsor store to select their products from Colautti's enormous stock of granite, shipped in from Europe, South Africa, China, the US and Canada.

A Colautti specialist goes to the customer's home to take exact measurements and make templates. "We take all the responsibility," says Marshall.

The countertops, tables, desks and other products are fabricated by experienced stone cutters, using state-of-the-art equipment in Colautti's own granite and marble shop. The stone cutters can profile the granite edges in a dozen different ways.

"I've had customers come to me with their own ideas for edges, and we've done them, too," Marshall says.

When the granite is ready to ship, Colautti's installation team delivers it to the customer's home. "We don't mind going anywhere in Michigan," Marshall says.

Colautti does the installation as well. Professional installers attend to every detail, including mounting the sink and drilling the faucet holes.

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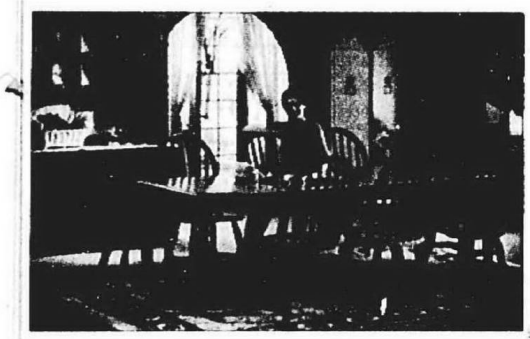

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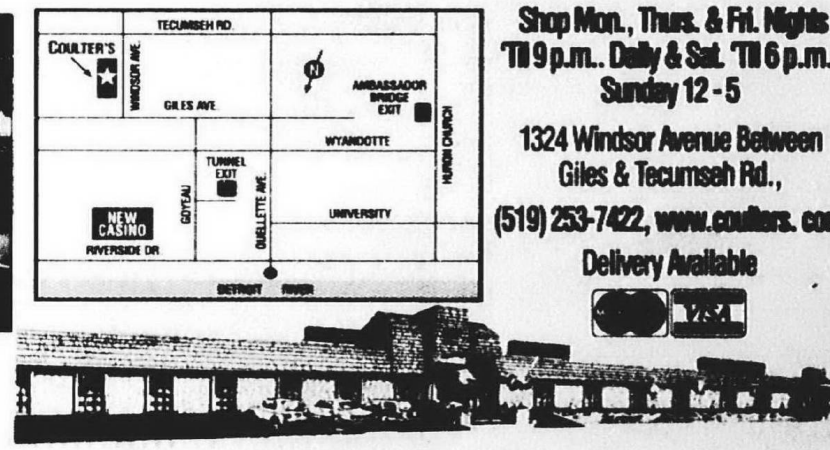

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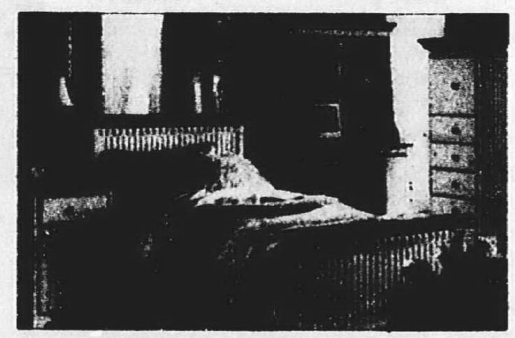

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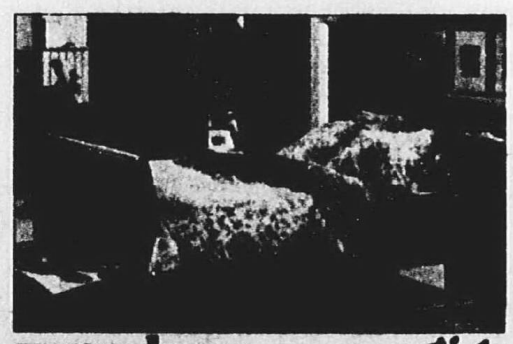

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