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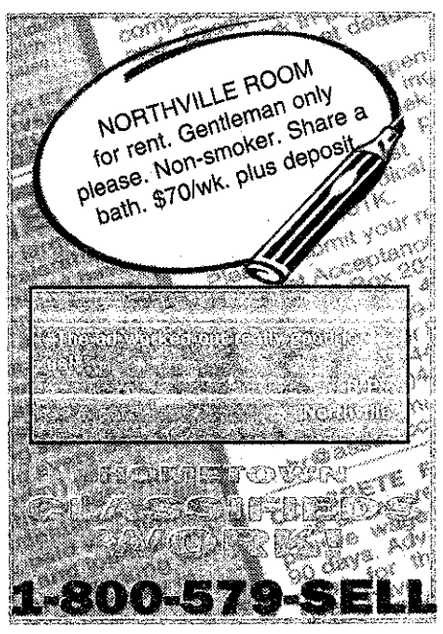
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Dads and daughters hit the dance floor



STAFF PHOTOS BY PAUL HURSCHMANN

Special moments: *Rylie Miller, 6, smiles as dad Dave attempts to reattach her corsage to her sweater for the third time. It fell off moments later as she started to dance. The two were attending the annual Valentine's Daddy-Daughter dance at Canton's Summit on the Park Feb. 9. In the photo at right, Emily Sneideman (left) and twin sister Maggie, 6, compare wrist corsages with best friend Meredith Barton, 6, prior to the dance.*



High school work slowed

■ Communication problems between school and township officials over the third high school at P-CEP have resulted in a permit snafu.

BY TONY BRUSCATO
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Construction of the Plymouth-Canton school district's $50 million high school and sports facilities project could come to a screeching halt if school officials don't soon get a water and sewer permit from Canton Township.

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Township pointing to high-tech system

■ FINGERPRINTING

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The acquisition of a state-of-the-art fingerprinting system has been a long time coming, and will soon be a reality for the Canton Township Public Safety

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Redistricting effort under way in House

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Canton's Rep. Bruce Patterson has assumed leadership of the committee that will literally map out the state's political future.

The Majority Leader in the Michigan House of Representatives will chair the Elections and Redistricting Committee, which updates the boundaries for legislative districts for the House, Senate and Congress.

Every 10 years, after the U.S. Census is completed, the state takes on the task of divvying up its share of the 435 Congressional representatives in Washington, as well as carving out legislative districts within the state.

On April 1, when the Republican-led committee receives its final figures from the Census Bureau, Michigan will have one less seat in Washington,

Please see **REDISTRICTING**, A4

Backyard paradise

Couple right at home with wildlife refuge

BY ALICE ASHMORE
STAFF WRITER

Karen and Paul Roberts have created an oasis of sorts in their back yard.

The Canton couple has put out the welcome mat for critters of all kinds as the property has been certified as a National Wildlife Federation Backyard Wildlife Habitat.

The Roberts are among 28,000 property owners in the United States and Canada to have earned the recognition from the NWF.

"When we built out house three years ago, we wanted to overcome the blank landscape," said Karen Roberts. She said it was a way of turning "urban sprawl" back into a natural setting.

"People are very surprised when they walk around and see what we've done."

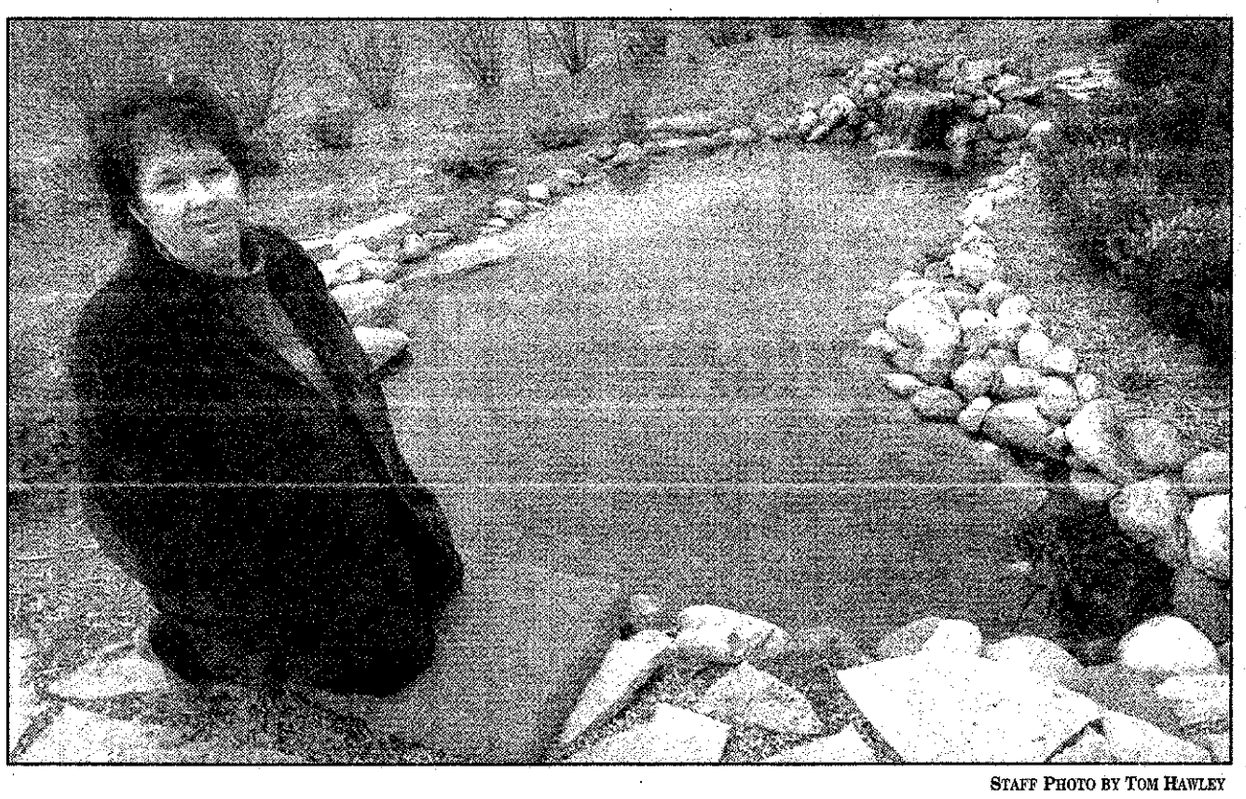
A large fish pond with a waterfall flows through the yard and birds of every variety frequent the feeders.

"We have quite a variety of birds, including junco, blue jays, cardinals, Cooper's hawk, sparrows, flickers, downy woodpeckers and a number of migratory birds.

Currently she has two feeders, and a number of homemade suet cakes in the yard for her feathered friends. "My sister gave me a cook book – *My Recipes Are For The Birds,*" Roberts said.

Frogs, gold fish and a "mud puppy" share the pond, while the "ever present" rabbits and squir-

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STAFF PHOTO BY TOM HAWLEY

Natural setting: *Karen Roberts shows off the large pond that has become a centerpiece of her back yard. The Roberts' efforts have been recognized by the National Wildlife Federation.*

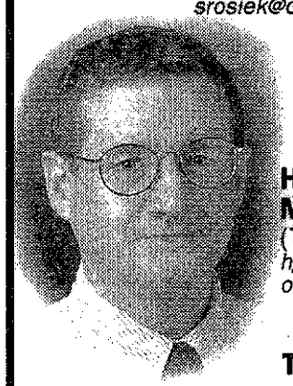
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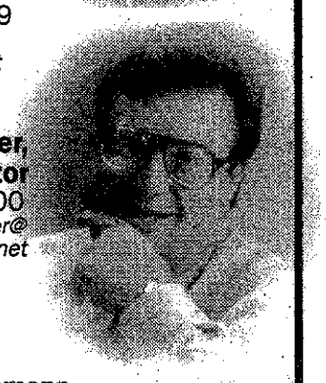
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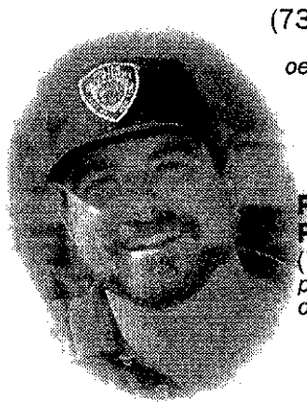
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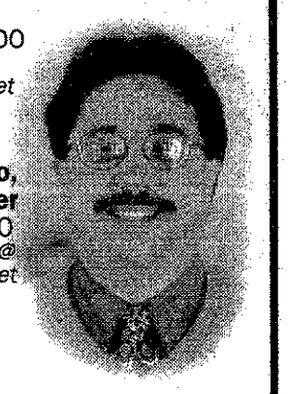
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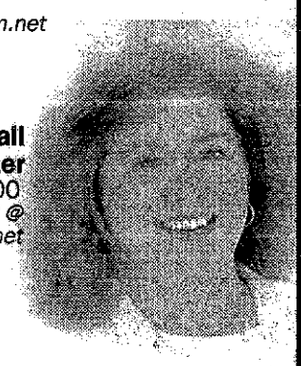
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Township getting court refund

BY TONY BRUSCATO
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■ Canton, which is responsible for nearly half the 35th District Court caseload, will receive $588,000.

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 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 are appreciative of the community in giving us the new courthouse," said Erdman. "We tried to be as conscientious as we could in building and financing it."

Man questioned in porn complaint

A 58-year-old Canton man is under investigation for contributing to the delinquency of a minor. The man allegedly allowed two local 10-year-old girls to watch a pornographic video at his apartment.

The girls – one from Plymouth and one from Canton – said they were visiting the man and found the video in the man's closet. They said he put the tape in the living room VCR for them, and he went in the bedroom to watch television.

The girls said they watched for about 20 minutes, then left.

The man said the girls found the video, but he took it away and disposed of it. The man told police, "Neighbor kids come over all the time, and (the Canton girl) and a friend even spent the night here."

Stolen wheelchair

A 47-year-old Canton man reported someone had stolen a folding wheelchair from his Copeland Circle home's garage.

He said his daughter uses the wheelchair, which is valued at $1,500.

The man said the wheelchair was stolen sometime between Jan. 6 and Jan. 13.

Remodel rip-off

A 57-year-old Canton man said he has been defrauded by an employee of a Livonia home improvement company.

The victim said he had signed a contract in January with the employee, a 44-year-old Grosse Ile man. He gave the man, who represented himself as a partner in the home improvement company, a check for $495. A few weeks later, when he called the company, he was told the suspect no longer works there.

Police called the suspect's mobile phone, which has since been disconnected. The case is still open and under investigation.

Purse snatcher

A 55-year-old Canton woman told police Feb. 9 she had been robbed of $200 worth of traveler's checks.

The woman said she was in the parking lot at the Fairfield Inn on Ford Road when a red SUV raced toward her. One of the three men in the vehicle jumped out and demanded her purse. The woman said she did not see a weapon, but the man was holding his left arm tightly to his side, as if he had a weapon.

She gave the man her purse and the men sped away.

Misplaced truck

A 50-year-old Redford man visited the Canton police station at 1 p.m. Feb. 10 in order to enlist the police to help him find his truck. He told the officer on duty he didn't know where his vehicle was, since he had run it off the road at about 5:30 that morning. The man also told police he may have hit something.

Turns out, he did. Police found his 1991 Ford Explorer in a field off Canton Center Road, north of Sheldon Center.

The vehicle had sustained heavy front end damage, and had apparently lost its right rear wheel, hit a county road sign, and a tree. The truck then traveled another 125 feet before stopping.

The man said he had been on his way to help a friend, and didn't know which road the friend lived on. After running off the road, the man called his wife, but waited at least six hours before notifying the police.

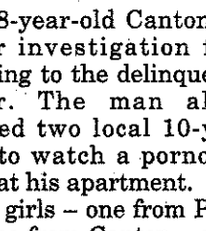
He was issued citations for failure to report and accident, failure to use due care and a ticket for no insurance.

Narcotics investigation

A Plymouth Canton High School student was taken to St. Mary hospital after a teacher informed school security he appeared intoxicated.

When a school police officer asked the teen to come to the office, the boy staggered down the hall, running into walls and ultimately running into the office door.

The student was tested for alcohol, but the test indicated he had not been drinking. Finally, the student told police he had taken two or three pain killers earlier that morning.

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High school *from page A1*

"It's a critical issue, and it needs immediate attention," said Bill McCarthy, senior project manager of McS/EV Consultants and Construction Managers. "We can work on the site, but we're getting to the point where we won't be able to work. I hope we can get it resolved.

"We need to have a pre-construction meeting with Canton Township, and that meeting has been moved around on us," he said. "There's been some issues surrounding this meeting."

What no one will state publicly is that the issues holding up the water and sewer permit are directly tied to the site plan approval, a problem the school district has been battling with the township planning commission, and complaints by North Pointe subdivision residents over placement of some sports facilities.

While state law doesn't require Plymouth-Canton Schools to have approval of the township's planning commission for the project, school officials generally do so as a matter of courtesy.

However, the township's planning commission has been very vocal in its criticism of the way some adjacent property owners in the North Pointe subdivision have been handled. Along with their criticism, the planning commission has denied site plan approval.

While the district doesn't need the township's site plan approval, it does need the sewer and water permit from the municipality.

The site utility issues concerning water and sewer were brought up to the township's engineering department last June. McCarthy said those issues should have been settled by October.

However, it was last October when North Pointe residents began addressing their concerns to the school board and the township planning commission.

Township Supervisor Tom Yack believes the school district should have worked more closely with the township before North Pointe concerns became a problem.

"When you want to deal with us after construction begins ... expect delays," said Yack. "I believe school districts should go through the same planning process as every other entity is forced to do, and talk about major issues beforehand.

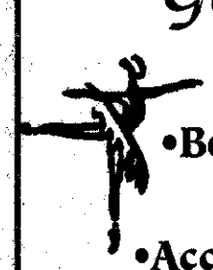
"Those neighbors never thought, in their wildest dreams, one of the most intense uses (football field) would be in their backyards," he added. "The school district's focus is on a best plan to educate students, not their neighbors."

McCarthy wouldn't say when the construction could be halted, noting it will be soon. Yack said the township board will discuss the issue at its Tuesday study session. The full board could take action on the site plan and the water and sewer permit Feb. 27.

"I'm very disappointed in the process doesn't seem to be getting us to closure on a time frame that serves the construction of the building," said Plymouth-Canton Schools Superintendent Kathleen Booher. "My staff and I, along with our construction and design team, have worked very intently with the township over many, many months. We're responding to every request they want for more materials.

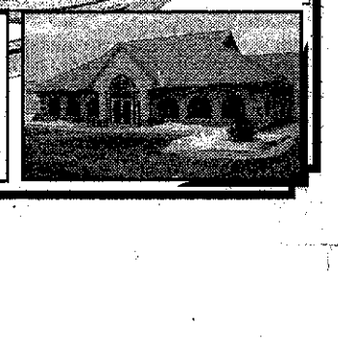
"The focus has been on the junior varsity football field, but now we're extremely frustrated that construction of the building will be affected by the decision to not let us move forward on the permits," said Booher.

Dancewear Gallery

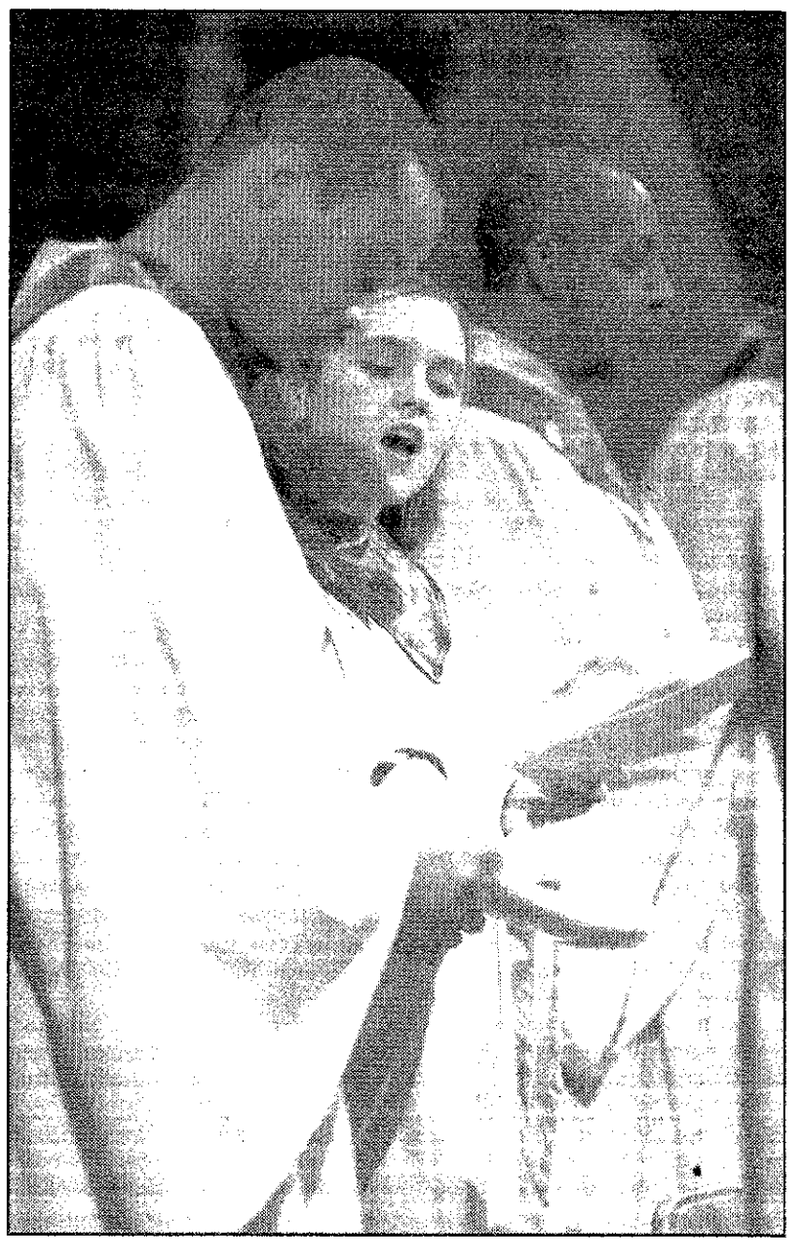


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Lift every voice: *Staff member Trisha Mick helps client Alfonzo Jackson keep his place as they sing with the Broe Tabernacle Therapeutic Choir for high school students at Plymouth Christian Academy Thursday.*

Sweet music

Choir members sing empowered song

BY TONY BRUSCATO
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They generally can't keep a tune, and sometimes don't remember the words.

But despite those shortcomings, members of the Broe Tabernacle Therapeutic Choir are still able to present a powerful message.

"Live your life to the fullest because you never know when it might change," said Sarah Moriarty, 16, of Canton, a junior at Plymouth Christian Academy.

Members of the Farmington Hills a capella choir are recovering from traumatic brain injuries, and singing is part of their therapy. Some of the choir members are in wheelchairs, others use canes for stability, and some wear protective helmets in case they have a seizure and fall.

But, despite their problems, choir members told students at Plymouth Christian Academy about their accidents, head injuries, rehabilitation and faith in God to help them recover.

"Our mission is to provide our choir members with a therapy experience, as well as to increase the community's awareness about brain injury, safety and prevention," said Leonard McCulloch, director of psychological services at Broe Rehabilitation. "Little is known about traumatic brain injuries, and we see so much drinking and driving, and sports-related concussions at this age group."

"Stan the Man," as he was introduced, stood up in front of hundreds of students to read a poem. He joined Broe Rehabilitation Services after the car he was riding in crashed into a tree at 90 mph.

"Stan is considered very impaired," McCulloch told students. "He has short-term memory loss, and probably won't even remember he was in the choir today."

Choir member Leon Darnell told of being hit by a car and having both arms, legs and his collarbone broken.

"We want to tell students not to do the stupid stuff, like drinking and drugs, or this is what could happen," said Darnell. "We show the kids we were in their shoes before this happened, and if we had listened we'd be out there now like them, with a nice job. Life is free, so go out there and take it."

A number of the students spent time with choir members after the show, listening to their stories and words of wisdom.

"I was extremely inspired by Leon, and the strength he had in his faith," said James Bauslaugh, 16, of Canton. "Obviously, they have a rough situation. But, we've got to take advantage of the blessings God has given us."

Todd Briggs, chaplain at Plymouth Christian Academy, was hoping the program would inspire students.

"Kids think they're invincible. But here is some hard, cold reality that but for the grace of God things can change dramatically," said Briggs. "They need to be more understanding how precious life is ... that tomorrow is not guaranteed."

Paradise *from page A1*

rels scamper across the yard.

Roberts is the mother of 6-year-old triplets. She loves introducing her children to nature. "It is excellent, our kids have learned so much already."

She is amazed at the one of her children can identify 15 different species of birds. "It has really honed their powers of observation."

Roberts said she and her husband developed their love nature growing up in the country. "We wanted our kids to have that experience."

The wildlife habitat is surprisingly little trouble for its owners. "We landscaped with the idea that it is very low maintenance."

She loves having a pond on her property. "We didn't realize how much fun it would be in the winter." The family watches it freeze and thaw, and watches the fish swim and the water flow beneath the ice."

The pond measures nine feet by 18 feet and is only about 22 inches deep and is terraced. "That way I didn't have to put a fence around it."

"In the summer I eat my breakfast outside overlooking the pond. The kids are out there all the time."

During warm weather, a variety of flowers attract numerous butterflies to the garden.

The Roberts even have an official sign from the NWF designating their yard as a Backyard Wildlife Habitat. "I put it up as soon as I got it," she said.

The Backyard Wildlife Habitat Program offers individuals, families and organizations and easy and enjoyable introduction to nature that can yield a lifelong commitment to conservation.

"I would really like to encourage people to take part in this program," Roberts said.

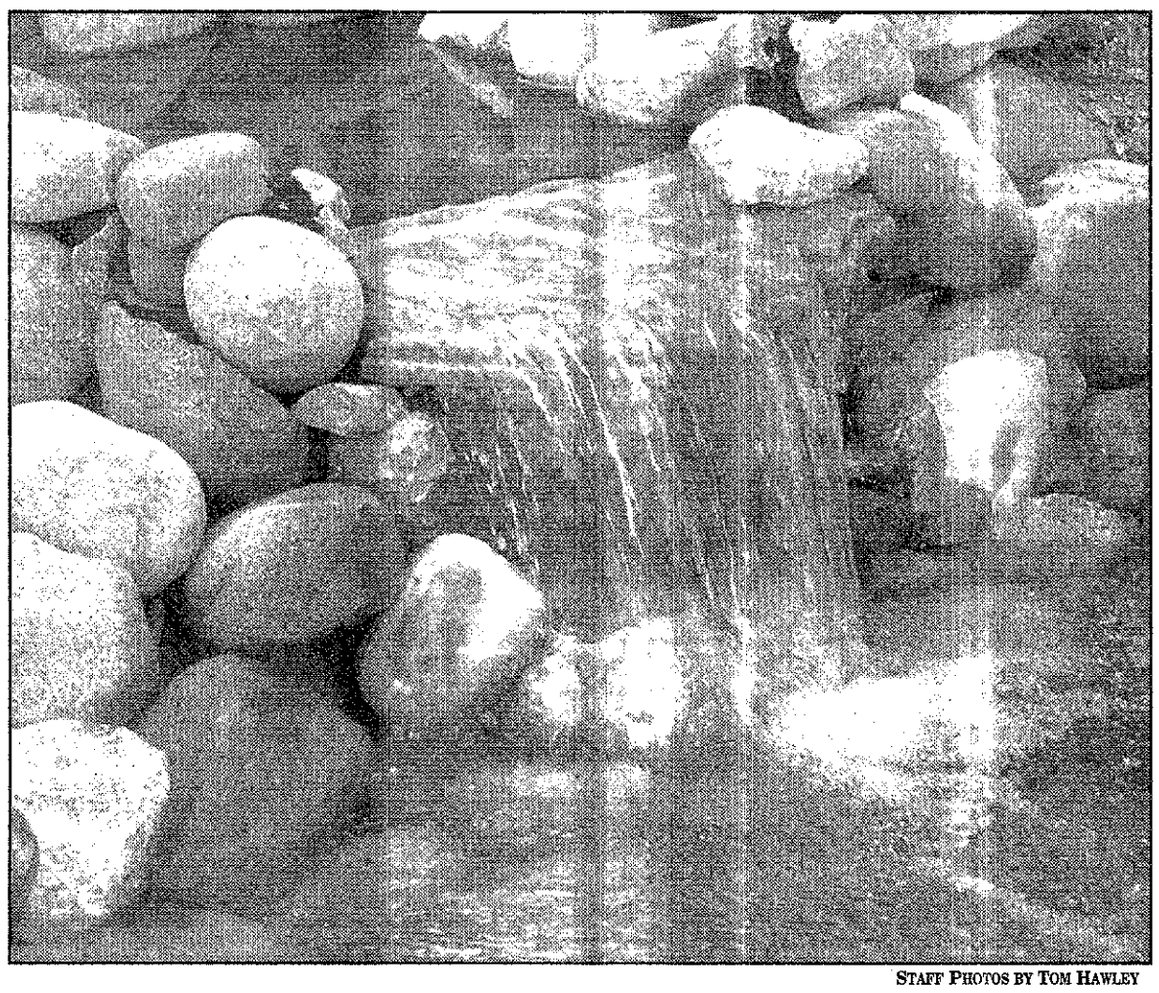
Her husband has also been active in the project. "It is mostly my deal, but he has helped me out with the pond and the trees."

The NWF backyard conservation program began in 1973. It requires that the four basic habitat elements be provided: Food , water, shelter and a place for wildlife to raise their young. Applicants must also take steps to conserve natural resources in their yard.

The National Wildlife Federation is the nation's largest member-supported conservation group. It unites people from all walks of life to protect nature, wildlife and the world we share, according to a NWF press release.

"The NWF has educated and inspired families to uphold America's conservation tradition since 1946," the release said.

For more information of Backyard Wildlife Habitats, you can visit the NWF Web site at www.nwf.org



STAFF PHOTOS BY TOM HAWLEY

Falling water: *A waterfall and goldfish highlight the backyard pond. Below, large bird feeders attract bluejays, cardinals, sparrows and other feathered friends by the dozen.*



Deadline near for Academy applications

Open enrollment in Canton Charter Academy for the 2001-2002 academic year ends Wednesday, Feb. 28.

Applications will be accepted for grades K-6.

Should the applications exceed available space, a random selection drawing will be held Tuesday, March 13 at 3:30 p.m. at the Masonic Lodge, 730 Penniman Avenue, Plymouth.

Applications received after open enrollment will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis for remaining openings. Waiting lists will be formed accordingly.

Canton Charter Academy is at 49100 Ford Rd. The local phone number is (734) 453-9517. An answering service is available for messages.For additional information, call (800) 699-9235.

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Department.

In 1995, the Township Board of Trustees approved Canton's participation in a 25-percent matching grant with the State of Michigan for a Live-Scan System. However, the state tabled grant applications and recommended the formulation of a consortium concept.

Last year, Mike Fried, Wayne County Prosecutor, again submitted a grant application and received a Bryne Grant for the Live-Scan System for Wayne County law enforcement consortiums.

Tuesday, the township board approved contracts with Grand Rapids company, Identix, and Comcast Cable for the installation and maintenance of the system.

Live-Scan is a computerized imaging system in which fingerprints are scanned directly from a subject's hand, along with descriptive information entered by an operator, and automatically telecommunicated to the Central Records system in Lansing. Presently, ink fingerprints are submitted by mail to Central Records for identification, classification and entry into the statewide system.

"By that time the individual is usually gone," said Canton police Capt. Al Wilson.

Grant money will cover the majority of the system's purchase costs. Canton will pay $13,241 of the $52,964 to buy Live-Scan. Maintenance will run an additional $32,867 over the next five years, and the cable bill will run $700 a month for 15 years.

Trustee Melissa McLaughlin asked why the monthly bill is so high.

Township Finance Director Tony Minghine explained it may seem expensive, but compared to the township's $1,500 monthly bill for Internet service it's not exorbitant.

Public Safety Director John Santomauro said the township is negotiating with Comcast in order to work out a deal in the cable maintenance fee.

Wilson also said the system will improve accuracy in collecting fingerprints, as it is designed to accept or reject prints immediately.

The Live-Scan system will allow immediate identification if a subject has been previously fingerprinted. The system will enable Canton police to match the subject's fingerprint with open criminal cases.

Six other participating agencies, Belleville, Romulus, and Van Buren, Sumpter and Huron townships, and the 34th District Court in Romulus, will transmit through the Wayne Area Justice Information System, which is designed to electronically interface criminal justice related agencies for the purpose of data capture, transfer and sharing.

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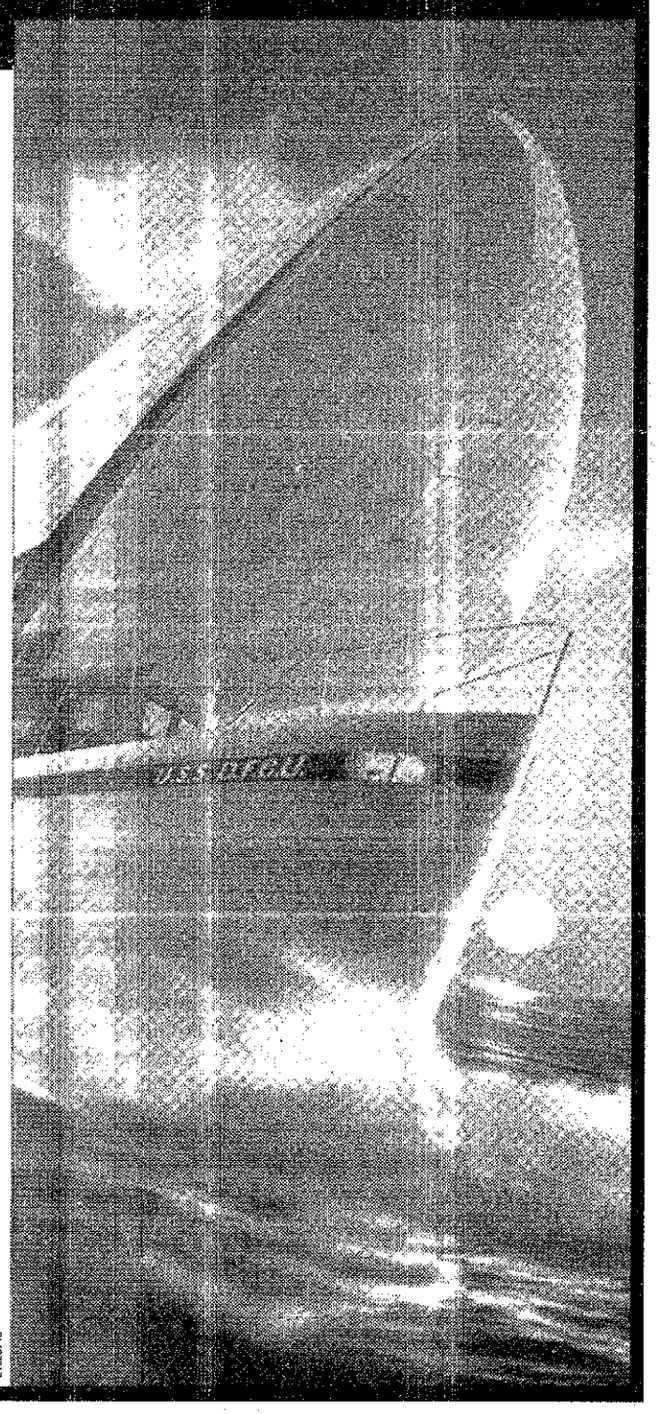
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OBITUARIES

JOSEPH S. CURRERI

Services for Joseph S. Curreri, 66, of Plymouth, will be held Feb. 11 at the First United Methodist Church of Plymouth with the Rev. Dean A. Klump officiating.

Mr. Curreri was born July 5, 1934 in Massachusetts and died Feb. 3 in Florida. He was an engineer retired from Ford Motor Company and NASA for the past nine years. He was a member of the United States Marine Corps during the Korean conflict.

Survivors include his wife, Joan of Plymouth; son Michael (Maria) Curreri of Bloomfield Hills; daughters Karen (Lewis) Burton of Plymouth and Jolene Perry of Parma, Ohio; and five grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to St. Joseph Mercy Hospital, Michigan Heart and Vascular Institute, P.O. Box 995, Ann Arbor, MI 48106.

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 stepsons, 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.

Arrangements were made by Schrader-Howell Funeral Home.

JEAN WEST KEHOE

Services for Jean West Kehoe, 86, of Salem Township will be held in Vermont at a later date.

Mrs. Kehoe was born March 8, 1914 in New York, and died Feb. 6 in Salem Township. She was a homemaker.

Survivors include son, Edward C. (Ann) Kehoe of Brandon, Vermont; daughter, Jean (John) Van Dyke of Plymouth; sister, Eleanor Wilde of New Jersey; sister, Joan Steinberger of Pennsylvania; grandson, John F. "Ric" Van Dyke of Wixom; grandson, Michael (Myke) Van Dyke of Virginia; grandson, Randy Kehoe of Vermont; grandson, Russell Keohe of New York; and six great-grandchildren.

Arrangements were made by Vermeulen Funeral Home.

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON
REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS FOR ARCHITECTURAL SERVICES

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Charter Township of Canton will accept qualifications at: the Leisure Services Department, 46000 Summit Parkway up to 5:00 p.m., March 5, 2001 for the following:

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Specifications are available at the Summit on the Park offices at the above address. Questions may be directed to Ann Conklin, (734) 394-5460. The Township reserves the right to accept or reject any or all submissions. The Township does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origion, sex, religion, age or disability in employment or the provision of services.

TERRY G. BENNETT, Clerk

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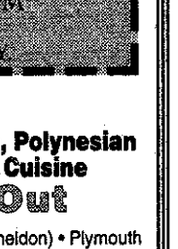
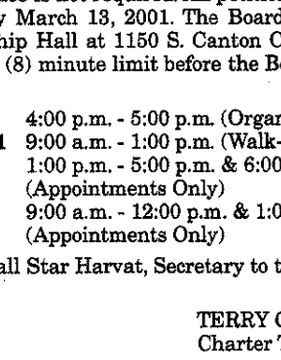
Notice is hereby given by the undersigned, Terry G. Bennett, Clerk of the Charter Township of Canton, County of Wayne, State of Michigan to all residents of the Charter Township of Canton: that all persons protesting their assessment must complete petitions prior to appearing before the Board. A personal appearance is not required. All petitions must be received in the Assessors's office by March 13, 2001. The Board of Review will be held in the Canton Township Hall at 1150 S. Canton Center Road. Please come prepared, as an eight (8) minute limit before the Board will be strictly adhered to.

Tuesday, March 6, 2001	4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. (Organizational Meeting)
Saturday, March 10, 2001	9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. (Walk-in Schedule)
Monday, March 12, 2001	1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. & 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. (Appointments Only)
Tuesday, March 13, 2001	9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. & 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. (Appointments Only)

For answers to questions call Star Harvat, Secretary to the Board of Review (734) 394-5111.

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decreasing its federal share from 16 to 15 representatives in Congress.

Patterson explained Congressional districts must be drawn up precisely, with an exact number of constituents living in each district.

Already Lansing is abuzz with rumors, maps and whispers of which changes will be made, and which seats will be shifted.

"There's going to be some changes in Wayne County and the state Senate, there will be some shifting," said State Rep. Glenn Anderson, D-Westland. He said one potential change could be to the 8th Senate District, currently represented by Loren Bennett, and there may be an additional district created south of Van Born Road.

"I've heard a lot of names of people that might run for that seat," said Anderson. "But it's all just speculation at this point."

Former 18th District State Rep. Eileen DeHart said the maps of potential district shifts have been floating around the senate floor for months.

Those subtle shifts have a direct effect on the outcome of votes in the 110-member state house's votes.

"The first thing we need to do when we get to Lansing is count to 56," joked DeHart.

"Those maps are highly speculative," said Patterson. "Right now people are talking through their hats."

Patterson said the committee cannot begin work on the maps until the figures are complete in April.

DeHart said the committee must work within specific federal guidelines, but there is usually a little room left for interpretation. Traditionally, she said, one of the functions of the committee is to preserve their party's interests.

The committee is comprised of six Republicans and three Democrats, including Ypsilanti Democrat Ruth Ann Jamnick.

"As with anything, there are loopholes created, intentionally or unintentionally, and there's some slack given," she said. "They'll do what they have to do, but they won't be blatantly unfair."

The process frequently is complicated with lawsuits. In 1992, the City of Detroit unsuccessfully sued in federal court, alleging its citizens were undercounted by the Census Bureau.

The federal court rejected both Republican and Democratic plans for redistricting, and drew up its own plan, which changed so many incumbent districts that only 11 of the 16 incumbents that ran in 1992 won the vote.

Patterson said while it's "usually the case" that some legal action will be taken as a result of redistricting, he has plans – which he wouldn't comment on – that will keep that from happening this year.

"You're just going to have to wait and see," he said.

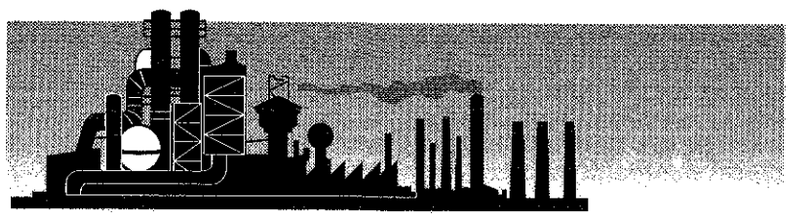
Patterson said while many are closely watching the redistricting process, other committee functions, such as campaign finance reform and election integrity are perhaps more significant.

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State electric deregulation won't follow California model

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Periodic power outages for one of every four customers while rates skyrocket ... utilities on the verge of bankruptcy ... government forced to seize electric company assets, buy energy on behalf of its citizens, and ask the courts to order that generator plants keep the lights on for customers.

No, these events are not taking place in some third world, underdeveloped nation, they are occurring now in California, part of a growing energy crisis there.

The most frequently cited cause is "deregulation."

Michigan lawmakers completed work on a package of bills to deregulate electric utilities here last spring, but nearly all – lawmakers, utility officials, state Public Service Commissioners and consumer organizations – say this state's future is much brighter, literally. They say a similar energy crunch here is unlikely, some even say "impossible."

One dissenter, Barry Cargill of the Small Business Association of Michigan, says the state's energy picture is far from perfect. Michigan power producers are increasingly relying on natural gas to fire their electric generators at a time when prices for natural gas here are on the rise, he said. That could lead to electric rate hikes in the future. And while Michigan's deregulation plan is much better than the scheme attempted in California, Cargill said he expects it will be five to 10 years before a truly competitive electric marketplace exists in Michigan for "the smaller consumer."

Jim Padgett, manager of regulatory affairs at Detroit Edison, disagrees. Eighty-five percent of Michigan's generation capacity is still coal-fired, he noted. And he believes small businesses will be among the first to benefit from competition spurred by deregulation.

In any case, Padgett and Cargill agree, Michigan won't likely experience any of the rolling blackouts now occurring in California. A primary cause of the problem there is the lack of construction of new power plants over the past decade while California's electric demand has increased at nearly twice the national average. Its deregulation plan is only part of the problem. Neighborhood protests over the location of new plants and tough environmental restrictions have kept any power facilities from being built in the past 10 years, Padgett said.

By contrast, more than a dozen new power plants have been proposed in Michigan in just the past year, according to Joelle Demand, aide to state Sen. Mat Dunaskiss, R-Lake Orion, the primary architect of Michigan's "customer choice" deregulation plan. Two are already under construction, one by the Southern Co. in Zeeland and another by KM Energy in Jackson. And while these plants are primarily being located in outstate Michigan communities, she said, they could sell energy to utilities in the southeastern corner of the state to keep the power on here as well.

If all those proposed plants were eventually completed, Demand explained, they would produce 8,800 megawatts of electricity, roughly equal to 40 percent of the state's current power need.

Detroit Edison has already put more generators on line, according to company spokesperson Lorie Kessler. Edison has recently "refired" its old Conners Creek power plant in downtown Detroit, switching it from coal to natural gas in the process. A River Rouge plant has also been completed by an Edison affiliate while the company has been adding "peaker" plants, intended to supplement supply when demand is highest, she said.

Michigan's prospects were somewhat dimmer until the passage of that deregulation bill last year, Demand contended. Companies interested in building new power plants had been holding off until they knew what the rules of deregulation would be, and the spurt of construction is a result of passage of that law.

"Now and then the Legislature does something right," Dunaskiss stated. "I want to assure Michigan residents that we will not face the electric energy crisis seen in California. Michigan's electric industry is poised to provide residents with both reliable and affordable electricity."

Padgett said he does not believe the state was headed for a shortage, but power companies were holding off until the legislature laid out "the rules of the game." He too attributes the spurt in construction to the passage of that act.

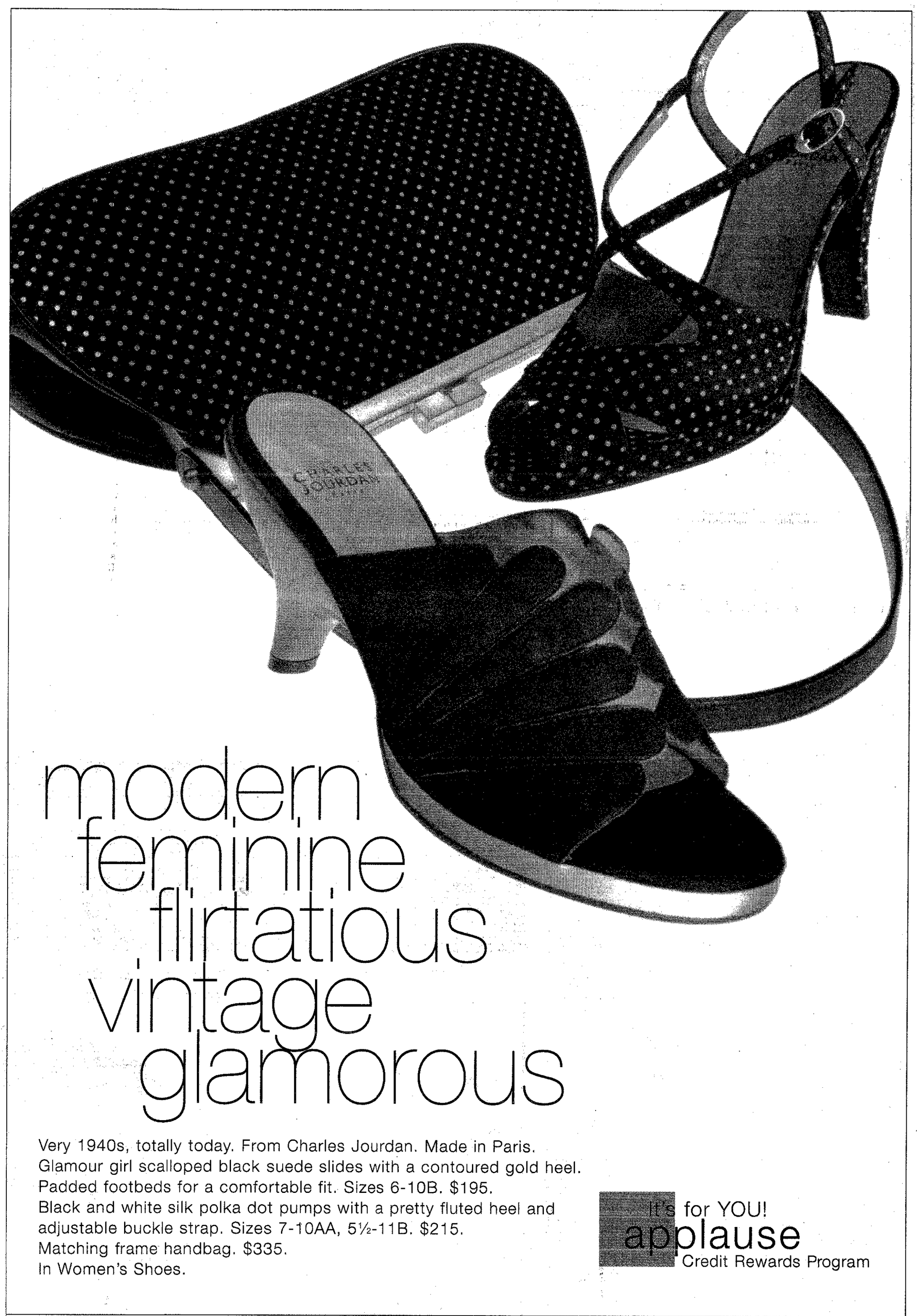
Still, utility regulators in Michigan have kept an eye on the situation in California and raised concerns about its implications for Michigan. Last month, the Michigan Public Service Commission ordered the state's two largest electric suppliers – Edison and the Consumers Energy Corp. – to update their annual "capacity plans," explaining how they intend to meet the need for electricity in Michigan this summer, when demand is at its highest. The documents are due in Lansing this week.

Padgett said Edison's plan would predict a peak need in its service areas this summer for 12,000 megawatts. The company plans to generate roughly 80 percent of that itself. The company has already signed contracts with Ohio utilities to supply the remaining power need, about 2,100 megawatts, according to Kessler.

Consumers Energy is expected to project a peak need in its service areas of 7,800 megawatts. It has already stated to the PSC that it has generation capacity well over that amount, giving it 15 percent reserve.

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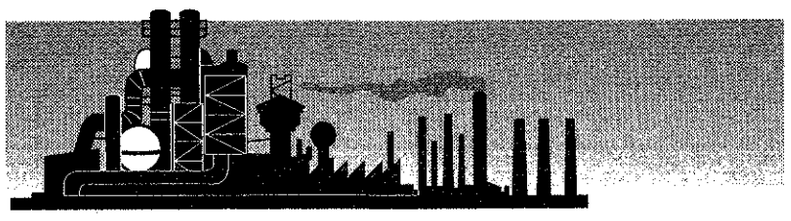
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California shows how not to deregulate electric utilities

California is a case study in "how not to deregulate" electric utilities.

The good news for Michigan is that it did not repeat those errors when it passed deregulation legislation last spring, according to the state Public Service Commission's new chair Laura Chappelle.

"There are a number of differences," Detroit Edison spokeswoman Lorie Kessler agreed. "You can go right down the list and check them off."



For one, California lawmakers ordered their utilities to divest themselves of power generation plants, state Rep. Ken Bradsteet, R-Gaylord, explained. The idea was that electric utilities would be split in two. There would remain just a single distribution network for electricity, over existing wires, but generators of electric supply could competitively try to sell their power to customers.

Bradsteet said Michigan's deregulation avoided such a divestiture. "A utility has to have its own capacity," he said, although the state's "customer choice" deregulation plan will allow users to buy power from alternative generators.

California utilities were then required to purchase their power wholesale from "energy pools," and by law they were prevented from entering long-term contracts. According to Jim Padgett, manager for regulatory affairs at Detroit Edison, long-term contracts were frowned upon in California because lawmakers there feared price fixing or manipulation between distributors and generators.

But when the price of natural gas, needed to fire the electric power plants, became volatile, California utilities were still required to buy supplies on a the wildly spiking day market.

Bradstreet, now chair of the state House Energy and Technology Committee, said Michigan law allows utilities to lock in prices of energy supply for the future, which adds protection against fluctuations in price.

Finally, rates charged to consumers were capped in California while wholesale prices for energy were left unregulated. California lawmakers envisioned competition would keep the prices down, but that didn't happen. So as supply prices rose, utilities were forced to sell energy at a loss. Losses there have been estimated at over $12 billion, forcing several utility companies into bankruptcy court.

Chappelle called that a "phony rate cut." While Michigan law did order up a 5 percent rate reduction for Michigan customers, those long-term contracts are expected to avoid putting them in a similar financial bind.

Michigan's deregulation law, known as Public Act 141 of 2000, ordered utilities to institute "customer choice" programs in which consumers will be able to contract with alternative power suppliers for electricity. Although the power would arrive to customers' buildings over existing lines, the plan would allow users to seek lower prices for their power supply.

The law, drafted by Sen. Mat Dunaskiss, R-Lake Orion, put the PSC in charge of overseeing the process of deregulation and the creation of a competitive marketplace.

While the plan is expected to benefit businesses first, which often have very large electric requirements, residents may also may find savings in the program. To do that, they will have to "aggregate," or join in with other homeowners to make group purchases from lower-cost suppliers.

A feature of the bill is that customers who do not wish to go shopping for electric supply can opt to continue their electric service as is, according to Dunaskiss aide Joelle Demand.

Gary Peters begins run for governor

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Saying "it is time for the next generation of Democrats to take up the mantle of leadership," state Sen. Gary Peters announced his intention Friday, Feb. 9, to run for governor of Michigan in 2002.

The Bloomfield Township Democrat said he is getting an early start in the race because he needs to overcome a lack of name recognition. Among those considering a run for governor, Peters admits he is one of the least known statewide.

Former governor James Blanchard, who has already announced his intention to run; U.S. Rep. David Bonior, who is openly expressing interest in the post; and state Attorney General Jennifer Granholm, often mentioned as a top prospect, all enjoy wider name recognition. State Sen. Alma Wheeler Smith, D-Salem Township, has also already indicated she intends to run.

"No one has ever questioned my ability, background and experience to be governor," Peters said, making his announcement. "Lack of name identification is something that can be remedied over time."

But he also noted that candidates can peak in popularity too soon, a pointed reference to the early frontrunners. "History has proven, time and time again, that those riding at the top of popularity 18 months out from an election often have difficulty maintaining that position as the campaign progresses," he said.

Peters filed papers with the Secretary of State's office to establish an exploratory candidate committee. He has also launched a Web site for his campaign, www.PETERS2002.com. He's also conducted his first mailing, to 2,000 party activists seeking support in his campaign.

While the slate on the Democratic side is filling up, Republicans expected to carry the GOP banner into the contest include Lt. Gov. Dick Posthumus and State Sen. Joe Schwarz, R-Battle Creek.



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County commission OKs independent airport audit

BY RICHARD PEARL
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The Wayne County Commission on Thursday unanimously authorized an independent accounting firm to audit the midfield terminal construction project now under way at Detroit Metropolitan Airport.

The accounting firm, KPMG Peat Marwick LLP of Detroit, already is under contract to the county to handle audits relating to its annual financial statements, including those of Detroit Metro.

Officials said that, with the midfield project in its final months, the timing was good for an audit to be sure nothing detracts from the grand opening.

Northwest Airlines, the terminal's tenant, is the project general contractor under a special arrangement with the county.

The county funded much of the estimated $1.2-billion project by issuing more than $1 billion in bonds.

Both Brendan G. Dunleavy, county auditor general, and Lester W. Robinson, county airports director, supported the authorization, which also was endorsed by both commission Vice Chair Kay Beard's audit committee and by County Executive Ed McNamara.

■ 'KPMG is quite familiar with the airport operations and its Capital Improvement Program and would be an excellent choice in conducting and completing this audit.'

Lester Robinson
Wayne County Airports Director

The midfield project "is at the stage (where) the Airport believes that the performance of an audit would be most beneficial," Robinson stated in a letter to Commission Chairman Ricardo Solomon.

"The terminal is set to open in 11 months, a large portion of the contract commitments have been established (and many completed) and a review could take several months to complete," Robinson continued.

He stated the airport "finds it desirable to have any potential concerns/findings be discovered prior to the opening ... in order to leave the historical opening" of the facility "as the focal point in December and not be overshadowed by any possible discrepancies or concerns over its construction.

"KPMG is quite familiar with the airport operations and its Capital Improvement Program and would be an excellent choice in conducting and completing this audit," Robinson said.

He noted that both Dunleavy and the airport "have agreed that this review should be done by an independent auditing team outside of the county."

The authorization grants Dunleavy and Robinson the authority "to enter into negotiations to amend" the existing KPMG contract to include auditing "all books and records of all the design and construction contractors selected by Northwest Airlines" for the project.

Although Robinson recommends establishing "a maximum cost" of $200,000 for the midfield audit, Beard recommended against it because she "didn't want to tie their hands with a specific amount," according to a commission spokeswoman.

The KPMG contract runs until the end of fiscal year 2001 audit, which is approximately March 21, 2002, said Robinson.

Dunleavy said the audit likely will be in two parts – one now, the other "probably after the opening."

Thursday's authorization comes as the county is under increasing scrutiny by the state over airport contractual and hiring practices unrelated to the midfield project.

Mardi Gras will benefit scholarships

The 6th annual Mardi Gras Magic party, to be held 5:30-9 p.m. on Friday, Feb. 23, at the Hyatt Regency Dearborn, will benefit scholarships for students in the College of Arts, Sciences and Letters at the University of Michigan-Dearborn.

The event will feature 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.

Some of the items up for auction include tickets for Red Wings, Pistons, Rockers and Vipers games, lunch and dinner certificates for local restaurants, passes for comedy clubs and theaters, autographed sports items, a jazz brunch/overnight package at the Ritz-Carlton and overnight accommodations at the Hyatt Regency and Hampton Inn in Dearborn.

Founded in 1995, the scholarship is funded solely through donations received from CASL alumni and friends. The Mardi Gras Magic event is the group's primary fund-raiser.

"Over 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."

The alumni affiliate is co-hosting the event with Merchant's FineWine in Dearborn. Tickets are $50 per person. Sponsors who donate $150, $250 or $500 will receive two tickets and special recognition. The alumni affiliate also is seeking donations of items for the auction.

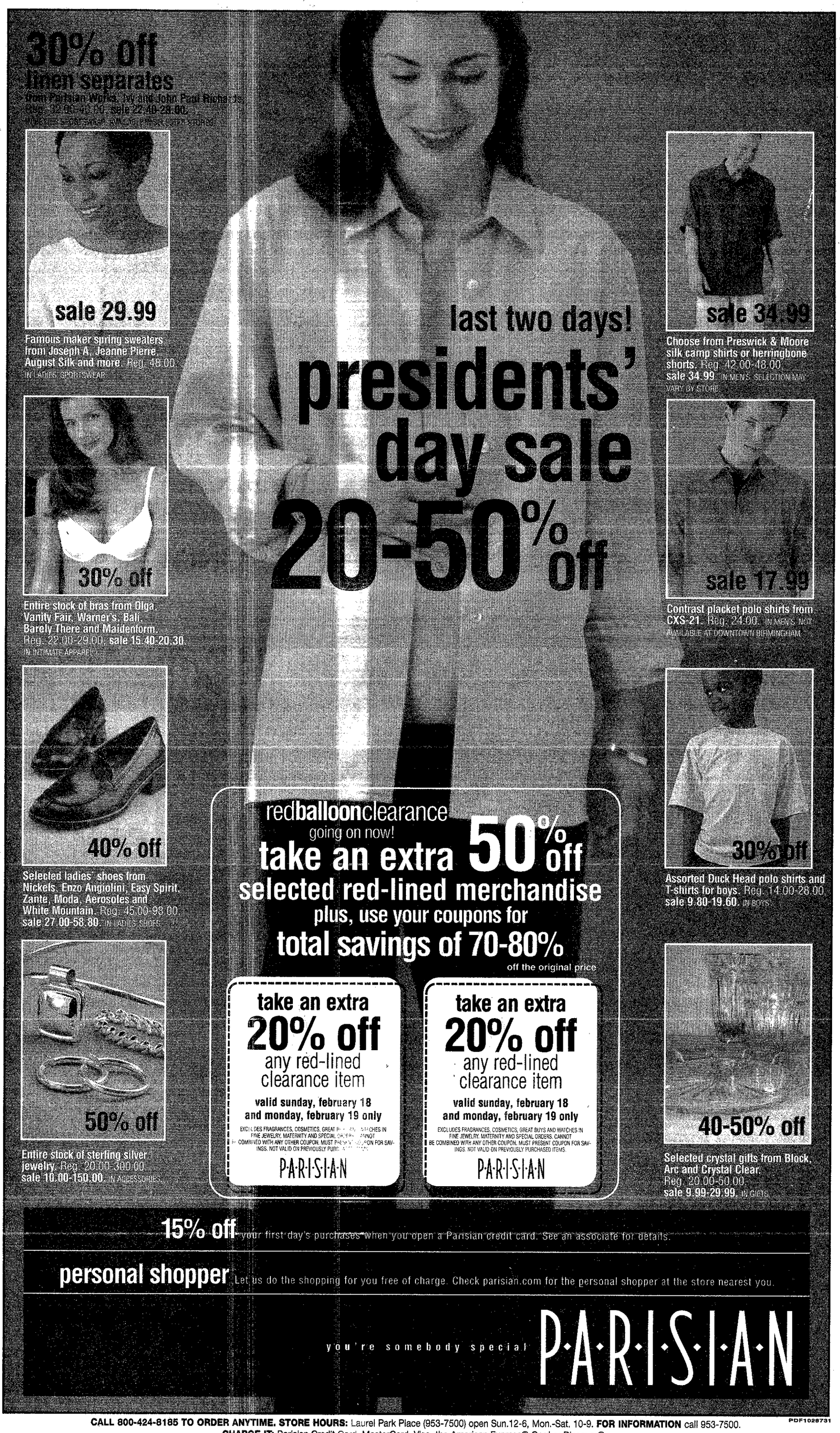
"Besides the efforts of our alumni, the college also appreciates the contributions of our donors and of those attending the event," Gedert said. "We see many of the same people year after year, who really have no other affilitaion with the University. They say they look forward to this event every year."

To purchase tickets for Mardi Gras Magic, make checks payable to UM-Dearborn and send to Susan Gedert, 2100 University Mall, University of Michigan-Dearborn, 4901 Evergreen Road, Dearborn, MI 48128. Tickets also are available at Merchant's FineWine, 22250 Michigan Ave., Dearborn, MI 48128. For more information about the event, call (313) 436-9198.

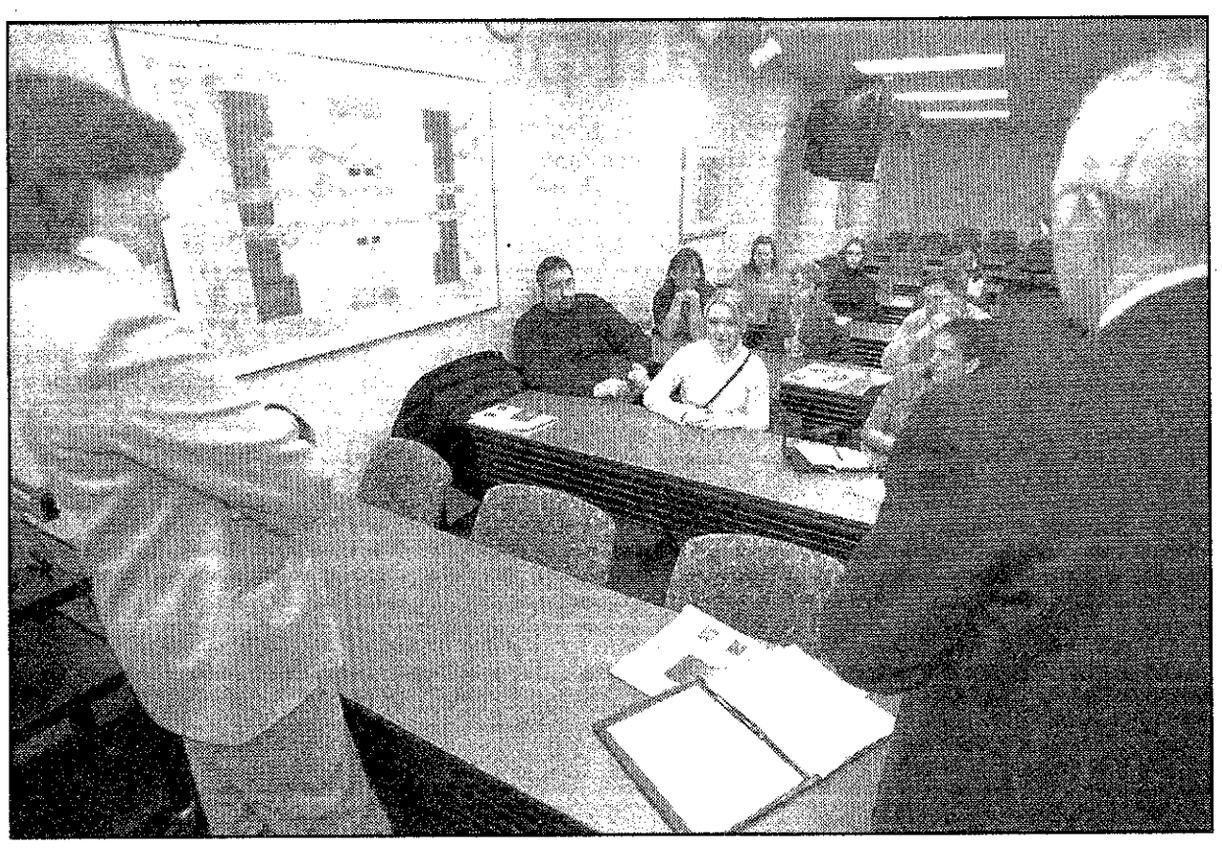
Madonna sets Open House

Madonna University in Livonia is holding an Open House for prospective students 1-4 p.m. Saturday, March 24, in the Take 5 Lounge on campus.

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Gathering information: *Kay Nelson from the College of DuPage in Illinois and Kendall Griggs from Hutchison Community College in Kansas are both part of the evaluation team that visited Schoolcraft. Here they listen to students talk about why they like Schoolcraft.*

Schoolcraft College wins new 10-year accreditation standing

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Schoolcraft College passed its big test with flying colors, winning a new 10-year accreditation from the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools.

The new 10-year standing was awarded the Livonia-based community college after a visit earlier this month by an evaluation team of 11 college educators and administrators from nine states. Ten years is the maximum accreditation granted by the Chicago-based NCA.

Schoolcraft's previous 10-year accreditation expires this year.

In accepting the announcement on behalf of the 36-year-old college, Schoolcraft President Richard McDowell said, "The team's findings will help us become a better college. I'm proud that we're such a quality institution."

The visit and accreditation climaxed an effort begun 2-1/2 years ago by more than 150 Schoolcraft employees who undertook a broad self-study required by the NCA as preparation for the on-site evaluation.

Ranging from secretaries to administrators, the employees were organized into subcommittees for the in-depth scrutiny, according to college spokeswoman Kathy Hulik.

During its visit, the NCA team held open meetings to further encourage comments about Schoolcraft from students, staff, full- and part-time faculty and administrators.

NCA team chairwoman Margaret B. Lee, who is both president of Oakton Community College in Des Plaines, Ill., and a professor of English there, announced the new accreditation Feb. 7, at the end of the team's three-day visit.

Lee also praised the four meals she and the other educators enjoyed at American Harvest Restaurant, run by Schoolcraft's renowned culinary arts department. She declared her group "the best-fed of any (NCA) team."

The other 10 members also included two from two other Illinois community colleges, two from an Arizona campus and one each from colleges in Ohio, Wisconsin, Iowa, Missouri, Kansas and Colorado.

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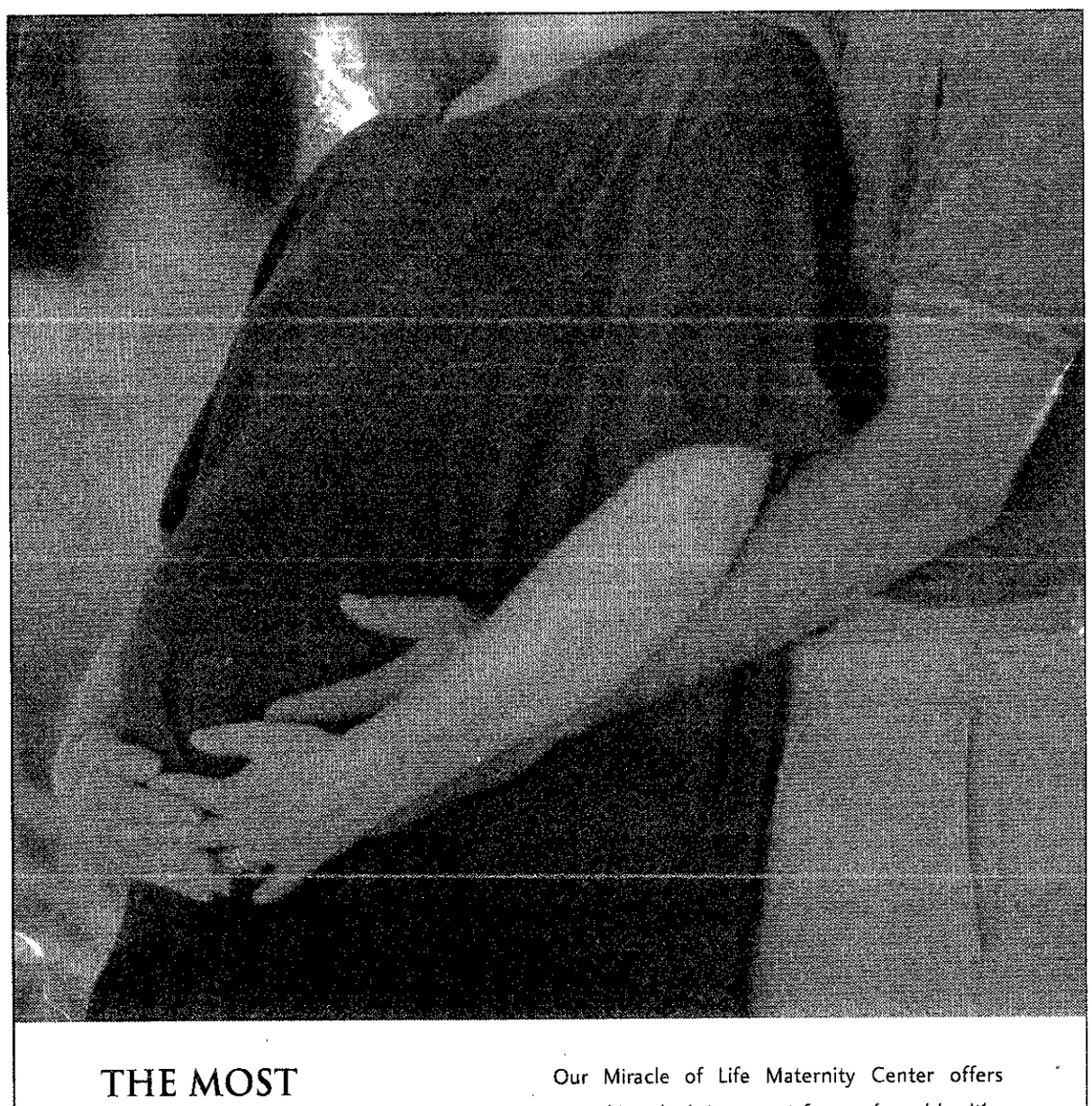
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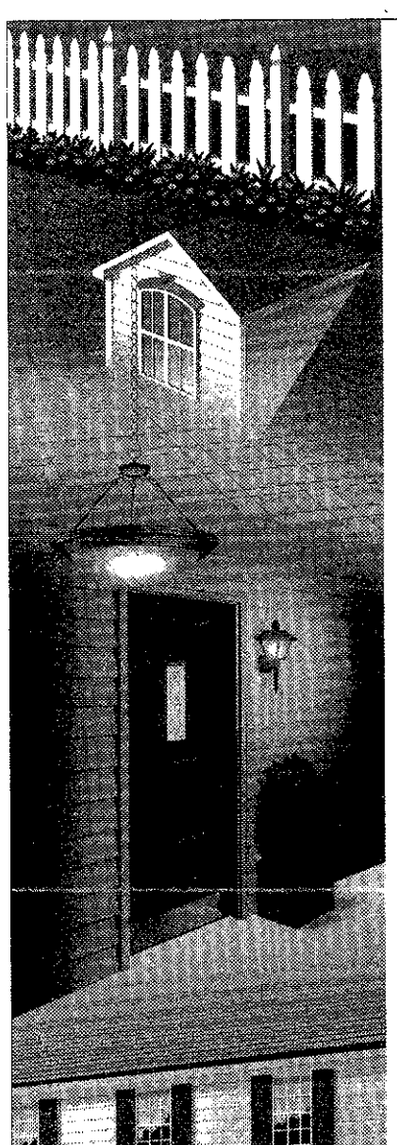
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NAHL expanding

The North American Hockey League — of which the Compuware Ambassadors is a member — will add the Pittsburgh Forge for the 2001-2002 season, it was announced Wednesday.

The Forge purchased the Rochester Junior Americans franchise, which had been inactive this season. The team will be led by general manager Kevin Constantine, former head coach of the Pittsburgh Penguins and San Jose Sharks.

Chris Imes, who played for the University of Maine's NCAA championship team in 1993 and was a member of the U.S. Olympic team in 1994, will serve as the team's coach. Imes was the assistant coach of the Tri-City Storm of the United States Hockey League.

The team will play its games at the Island Sports Center on Neville Island in Pittsburgh.

Good Counsel football

The Our Lady of Good Counsel football program will have an organizational and informational meeting at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, April 3 at the Our Lady of Good Counsel gym, located at 1062 Church in Plymouth.

Boys who are members of these churches are elgible to play at Good Counsel: Lady of Good Counsel, St. Kenneth, Our Lady of Victory, St. Mary of Wayne, St. Richard, St. Thomas A'Beckett, Divine Savior, Resurrection, St. James and St. John Neumann.

For more information, call Mike Girskis at (734) 454-0847 (home) or (734) 427-6270 (office).

Hitting camp

Two sessions are scheduled for Madonna University's Softball Hitting Camp: from 10 a.m. -1 p.m. Saturday and from 9 a.m.-noon Sunday, March 11.

Cost for each session is $14. Sessions are limited to 20 girls. Checks should be made payable to Madonna University Softball.

The sessions will include two hitting cages, one live pitching station, working off tees and soft toss.

Register and drop off payments at Madonna University's softball office, located at Levan and Schoolcraft in Livonia.

Kristy Maska Night

The Eastern Michigan University women's basketball team will celebrate "Kristy Maska Night" for their game against Bowling Green State 7 p.m. Wednesday in the Convocation Center.

Kristy Maska, the lone senior on the basketball team, has had an outstanding career, which includes becoming the ninth EMU player to score 1,000 career points.

In honor of Kristy's career, anyone named "Kristy" or who wears a mask will get into the game free. The Convocation Center is located on Hewitt Road, near US-23 and I-94. For tickets or more information, please call (734) 487-2282.

Also: The EMU women's basketball team will have an autograph session after their game against the University of Toledo on Saturday at 4:30 p.m. in the Convocation Center. The game will be the final home game of the regular season for the Lady Eagles.

For tickets or more information, please call (734) 487-2282.

Baseball clinics

The Plymouth Salem baseball team and coaching staff will sponsor its annual instructional clinics on consecutive Saturdays, March 24 and March 31 in the Salem gym. Cost for each session is $20, which includes a hot dog lunch.

The 11-15 year-old session will be 9 a.m.-noon on both days; the 7-10 year-old session will be from 1-4 p.m. each day. Lunch will be served from noon-1 p.m.

Checks should be made payable to the Plymouth Salem Dugout Club and sent to Bill Styles, 10782 Red Maple, Plymouth, 48170. Space is limited; for more information, call Bill Styles at (734) 453-1679.

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

Strong start, then fizzle

Rockers take the early lead but Attack rallies for win



STAFF PHOTO BY PAUL HURSCHMANN

On the go: *The Rockers' Droo Callahan (left) tries to get around the Attack's Alex Zotinca during Friday's game. Callahan scored twice for the Rockers in the fourth quarter, but it wasn't enough.*

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The first game following the NPSL all-star game break got off to a very promising start for the Detroit Rockers. They jumped all over the Kansas City Attack from the beginning, building a 6-0 first-quarter lead.

But it was downhill after that. The Rockers surrendered 16 consecutive points and didn't add to their point total until the fourth quarter. Twice they managed to close the gap to six, but never got closer in losing 23-12 Friday at Plymouth's Compuware Arena.

The loss dropped Detroit further behind the Attack in a race for the final NPSL playoff berth. The Rockers are 5-20; the Attack is 9-16.

First-period goals by Dennis Brose, Joel Shanker and Martin Nash pushed the Rockers to their 6-0 lead. But Nate Houser scored for Kansas City with just 10 seconds left in the quarter to narrow the gap to 6-2, and momentum started to swing.

The Attack added seven more two-point goals, two by Dane Skaric (he also had an assist in the surge), to build a 16-6 lead with 14 minutes left in the game.

The Rockers' rally, led by Droo Callahan (two two-point goals), Tim Ernst (one two-pointer) and Shanker (two assists), twice got them to within six points. Callahan and Ernst scored in an 18-second span to make it 16-10 with more than nine minutes left.

Eric Wilson's goal pushed the Attack's lead to eight, but Callahan answered 19 seconds later to draw Detroit back to within six (Shanker assisted).

However, the Rockers' rally ended there. Skaric scored his third goal of the match for Kansas City with 3:25 left, and Alex Zotinca finished it with a three-pointer with :46 left.

Callahan's two goals led Detroit. Shanker collected a goal and two assists, and Ernst had a goal and an assist.

Kansas City was led by Skaric with three goals and an assist, Wilson with two goals and an assist, Zotinca with a three-pointer and a two-pointer, Mirsad Szilic and Wes Wade each with a goal and two assists, and Houser and Clovis Simas with a goal and an assist apiece.

Warren Westcoat faced 44 shots on goal for the Attack, making 38 saves — just two short of the NPSL single-game record. He is 7-7. Newly-acquired Paul Shepherd was in goal for the Rockers; he had nine saves, falling to 0-2.

Detroit goes on the road for games at Milwaukee Saturday and Toronto next Sunday.

Late goal lifts American stars

Cleveland Crunch defender John Ball nailed a three-point goal with 3:21 left to lift the American Conference all-stars past the National Conference stars 19-18 Wednesday in Buffalo.

The American stars rallied from a 14-point deficit in the first half to earn the victory. Indeed, the Nationals

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Free throws ruin Salem

BASKETBALL

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First round - Tuesday
(hosted by Lakes Division teams)

Stevenson (No. 8) at W.L. Central (No. 1)
Northville (No. 7) at Farmington (No. 2)
Western (No. 3) at N. Farmington (No. 6)
Canton (No. 4) at Salem (No. 5)

Consolation bracket
Churchill (No. 12) at Franklin (No. 9)
Harrison (No. 11) at John Glenn (No. 10)

Defense was a problem for Plymouth Salem Friday night at North Farmington.

But it's tough to defend a free throw. And the Raiders got plenty of practice shooting them against the Rocks — and they didn't miss many.

Salem rallied from a nine-point deficit after three quarters to take the lead from North in the fourth quarter, but the game went overtime before the Raiders prevailed, 83-79.

The result means Salem will host Plymouth Canton in the opening round of the Western Lakes Activities Association Tournament Tuesday. North entertains Walled Lake Western in Tuesday's opening round.

Salem finishes at 7-4 in the WLAA; the Rocks are 7-10 overall. North is 6-5 in the conference, 9-8 overall.

"Free throws were the difference," was Salem coach Bob Brodie's reply when asked to evaluate the game.

But should the Rocks have won this game? "I can't tell," Brodie answered. "We were scoring, we just couldn't stop them. When we did, we got called for it.

"And they were pressing us the whole game."

Salem, which trailed 21-19 after one quarter and 45-40 at the half, fell further behind in the third. Entering the fourth, the Raiders had a 64-55 lead.

The reason: For the game, North was 36-of-43 from the free-throw line (83.7 percent); Salem was 15-of-19 (78.9 percent).

The Rocks had 30 baskets (including four three-pointers) to the Raiders' 20 (seven threes).

Salem lost Scott Discher and Nick Tochman to fouls, and four others had four personals each. North did not lose anyone.

Each team had five players in double figures in scoring. Salem was led by David Hoskins with 25 points; Pat Abraham added 14, Jeff Haar and Ryan Haydon scored 13 apiece, and Tochman netted 10.

North got 17 apiece from Mike Patterson and Mike Leach (Leach was 13-of-16 from the line), 15 from Jason Neal, 12 from Marcus McComb and 10 from Blair Weiss.

Canton 66, Churchill 53: A defensive adjustment at halftime led to a Plymouth Canton second-half surge, during which the Chiefs outscored Livonia Churchill 43-34 en route to the victory Friday at Canton.

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Whalers shock OHL leaders

A lack of scoring had plagued the Plymouth Whalers for the past couple of weeks. In that span, they'd been shutout three times — their first three blankings this season — all of which did not make a trip to Erie for a game against the Ontario Hockey League-leaders too inviting.

But on Friday, the Whalers got into the flow very quickly, scoring twice in the first period and keeping the Otters bottled up to skate to a 3-1 victory.

The win narrowed the gap separating the OHL's top two teams — Erie and Plymouth — to four points. Plymouth is 34-11-4-5, 77 points; Erie is 36-10-9-0, with 81 points.

Rob McBride and Bryan Thompson scored the Whalers' first-period goals, giving them a 2-0 lead. The Otters narrowed the gap to 2-1 in the third before Chad LaRose got an insurance goal for Plymouth. George Nistas and Damian Surma assisted on LaRose's goal.

Rob Zepp was in the net for Plymouth.

End of the line

Chiefs oust Rocks, then fall to N'ville in district final

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The only thing certain about the state district team wrestling tournament Wednesday at Plymouth Salem was that whoever emerged with the title would have earned it.

Which is just what happened. Plymouth Canton and Plymouth Salem tangled in the opening round and, for the third time this season, the Chiefs got the better of it, beating the Rocks 50-13.

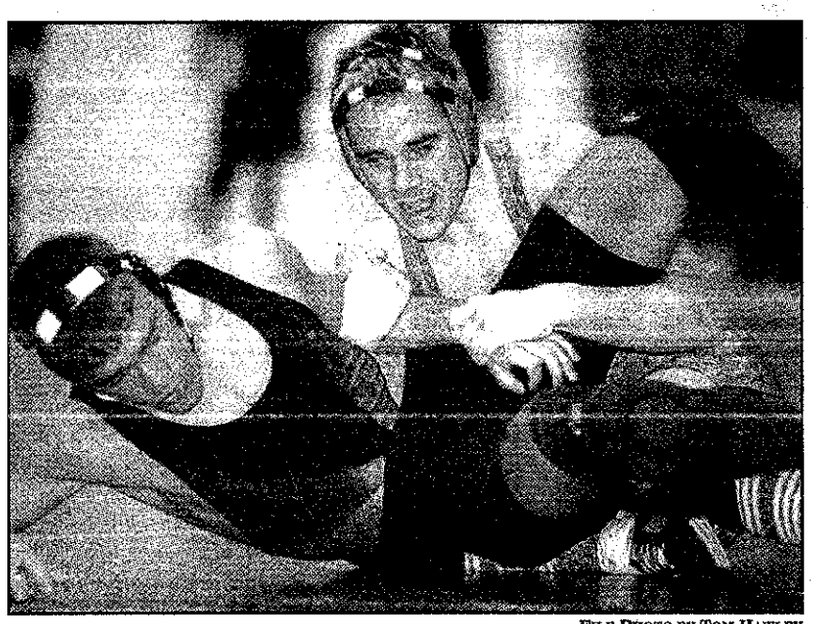
Which earned them a date against Northville, the team that had captured the Western Lakes Activities Association championship four days earlier (Canton was third, Salem fourth).

The Mustangs had no opening-round opponent, leaving them rested and ready for Canton. And the way the meet began, it seemed Canton would have a tough time stopping the fifth-ranked team in the state.

But after Northville won four of the first five matches, the Chiefs rallied, narrowing the gap to a single point (19-18) with six bouts left.

It was not to be for Canton, however. The Mustangs won the next four matches to earn a 36-30 meet victory.

Northville advances to the state team regional, which they host Wednesday. The Mustangs will go against Livonia Stevenson in the opening round, with the winner taking on the Redford Catholic Central-Dearborn Edsel Ford victor for the regional title.



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Double-winner: *Canton 140-pounder Greg Musser (top) got a pin and a decision in Wednesday's matches.*

Canton finishes its season with a 15-5 dual-meet record.

"There were a number of matches that could have gone the other way," said Canton coach John Demsick. "But (Northville) really wanted it. It was a one-match difference. We were very close. And they are ranked fifth in the state."

Demsick knew that to beat the Mustangs — they had beaten Canton 38-24 Jan. 25 — some changes were necessary. So he pushed Joe Faraoni from the 152-pound weight class to 160 to face Northville's Anton Palushaj, where Demsick figured he had a better chance for a win.

But it didn't work out that way. Chad Neumann, the WLAA champ at 152, got a technical fall against Canton's Mike Bonner and Faraoni, who was the Observerland champ at 152, got caught by Palushaj and was pinned in 1:57.

The next two matches were replays of the WLAA finals, and unfortunately for Canton the results were the same. At 171, Northville's Josh Pettijohn edged Scott McKee, 9-7; at the WLAAs, Pettijohn beat McKee in the title match, 3-1 in overtime.

At 189, Canton's Phil Rothwell went up against Joe Rumbley. In the WLAA finals, Rumbley nipped Roth-

Please see WRESTLING, B7

Canton wins 6th-straight WLAA match

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VOLLEYBALL

The stage is set.

Plymouth Canton's volleyball team did the setting, beating Livonia Franklin 15-7, 15-9 Wednesday at Canton. For the Chiefs, it was their sixth-straight win in the Western Lakes Activities Association and pushed their record to 7-3 in the conference; they are 20-11-3 overall.

It also set up a showdown for the WLAA's Western Division title, when Canton concludes its dual-match season by playing Livonia Churchill Monday at Churchill. The winner will be the division champion.

It was not a position first-year coach Steve Anderson thought his team would be in. Then again, he wasn't discounting anything when the season began, either.

"I wasn't quite sure what to expect," he said. "With what we have, I feel good about the seniors. After getting pounded all the time the last two years, they were able to turn it around quick.

"For want of a better term, they're learning how to win."

Against Franklin Wednesday, the Chiefs didn't waste much time. Courtney Jarman, serving the third rotation of the opening game, led Canton to six-straight points and an 8-0 lead. It went back and forth for a while, until Jarman stepped in to serve again — and served the game out, scoring the final three points.

The second game didn't begin quite so well for Canton. The Patriots opened with a 3-0 lead, but Canton co-captain and setter Mary Kryska served three for the Chiefs to tie it. Jarman then returned to serve five in a row, giving Canton an 8-3 lead. Franklin never caught up.

"With Kirsten Marshall up front (for Franklin), we worked on working the corners," explained Anderson. "Once they adjusted, we started going to the middle, mostly with dinks."

Jarman "was red-hot" for the Chiefs, Anderson said, collecting six service aces in 13 serves (no errors); she also had 12 digs. Offensively, Ashley Williams led Canton with 11 kills. Meghan Meier added six, and Kryska had 19 set assists.

The question now is, how far can the Chiefs go? After facing Churchill Monday, they compete in the WLAA Tournament Saturday at Walled Lake Central.

The Chargers won't be easy. "When their big hitter, (Sheila) Gillies, is on, they're very tough," said Anderson. "If she's not the top hitter in the league, she's one of the top three.

"We'll just keep doing what we've been doing. We'll try to keep the ball in play and wait for the other team to make mistakes."

Salem stings Harrison

They were hardly pressed, and that's just about how they played.

Still, the Plymouth Salem Rocks' volleyball team managed to gain a 15-10, 15-8 victory over Western Lakes Activities Association rival Farmington Harrison Wednesday at Harrison.

"It was not one of our better matches," said Salem coach Tom Teeters, who five days earlier had seen the Rocks at their best, finishing second at the Temperance Bedford Tournament. "But we did just enough to keep control of the match."

The offensive leader for Salem was Katie Good, who had 14 kills and a .382 kill percentage. She also had 12 digs.

Mary Lou Liebau contributed six kills and two blocks, and Kelly Jaskot had four kills and 10 digs. Jill Dombrowski totaled 22 set assists and seven digs.

The win pushed the Rocks' record to 26-7 overall, 9-1 in the WLAA.

GYMNASTICS RESULTS

BRIGHTON 142.95
PLYMOUTH CANTON 130.4
Feb 15 at Brighton

Vault: 1. Jenn Dion (B), 9.3; 2. Ashley Dobbs (B), 8.9; 3. Jacquie Bennington (PC), 8.65; 4. Keri Monstrola (B), 8.6; 5. (tie) J.Q. Williams (PC), Andrea Hoyt (B), Andie Wilson (B), 8.5.

Uneven parallel bars: 1. Andie Wilson (B), 8.9; 2. Ashley Dobbs (B), 8.8; 3. Jenn Dion (B), 8.75; 4. Andrea Hunt (B), 8.65; 5. Keri Monstrola (B), 8.6; 6. Kristen Schilk (PC), 8.1.

Balance beam: 1. Ashley Dobbs (B), 9.4; 2. Jenn Dion (B), 8.95; 3. Audra Ahern (PC), 8.9; 4. Andie Wilson (B), 8.6; 5. Keri Monstrola (B), 8.55; 6. (tie) Kristen Pietila (B), Andrea Hoyt (B), 8.2.

Floor exercise: 1. Ashley Dobbs (B), 9.65; 2. Andie Wilson (B), 9.2; 3. (tie) Jenn Dion (B), Keri Monstrola (B), 9.1; 5. Audra Ahern (PC), 8.95; 6. Andrea Hoyt (B), 8.75.

All-around: 1. Ashley Dobbs (B), 36.75; 2. Jenn Dion (B), 36.1; 3. Andie Wilson (B), 35.20; 4. Keri Monstrola (B), 34.85; 5. Andrea Hoyt (B), 34.10; 6. Audra Ahern (PC), 33.85.

Canton's dual-meet record: 2-7.

PLYMOUTH SALEM 139.9
WAYNE-WESTLAND 131.9
Feb. 11 at Salem

Vault: 1. Bethany Bartlett (PS), 9.1; 2. Nicole Simonian (WW), 8.75; 3. Kristin Costantino (WW), 8.65; 4. Melissa Drake (PS), 8.55; 5. (tie) April Aquinto (PS) and Julie Castillo (WW), 8.4 each.

Uneven bars: 1. Drake (PS), 9.2; 2. Bartlett (PS), 9.15; 3. Aquinto (PS), 8.75; 4. Ashley Heard (PS), 8.3; 5. Simonian (WW), 8.2.

Balance beam: 1. Aquinto (PS), 8.65; 2. Drake (PS), 8.45; 3. Bartlett (PS), 8.3; 4. Heard (PS), 8.25; 5. Chelsea Jenks (WW), 8.15.

Floor exercise: 1. Aquinto (PS), 9.35; 2. (tie) Drake (PS) and Drake (PS), 9.2 each; 4. Simonian (WW), 9.15; 5. Dendrinos (PS), 9.05.

All-around: 1. Bartlett (PS), 35.75; 2. Drake (PS), 35.4; 3. Aquinto (PS), 35.15; 4. Simonian (WW), 33.95; 5. Heard (PS), 33.1.

Dual meet record: Salem, 6-2 overall.

Marian ends Blazers' dominance

BY RICHARD L. SHOOK
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PLAYOFF VOLLEYBALL

It's going to be at least eight years before any team duplicates Livonia Ladywood's string of consecutive Detroit Catholic League volleyball championships.

Birmingham Marian ended Ladywood's run of Catholic League volleyball championships at nine Thursday with a gutty 15-9, 15-11 victory in the finals at Madonna University.

Might as well plan to see palm trees outside the Madonna gym as to expect someone other than Ladywood to win the volleyball title.

"How far back do you want to go?" Coach Stephanie Storen of the Mustangs said. "I played four years at Marian and I've coached the last three and this is the first one we've won.

"Traditionally, Ladywood always has their (championship) T-shirts made up before the game. That gets in your head a little bit."

Not this time.

"After nine consecutive years, you expect to win," Coach Larry Wyatt of Ladywood said. "That makes it hurt just that much more, especially for the seniors.

"But we knew it was going to be a battle because we split with them during the season.

"Give credit to Marian. We were up in both games and they came back to beat us."

"We've been doing that all year," Storen said of her team's trait of coming from behind. "I hate it. We always get behind and then one point at a time we fight our way back. The girls have a lot of heart."

A key for the Mustangs (26-7, 8-1) was their ability to neutralize the Blazers' marvelous setter, Melissa Buckshaw.

Buckshaw was flicking the ball up early in the first game and Erin Bartee was slamming it down. Bartee had five kills as Ladywood roared out to a 9-2 lead in the opening game.

Another key was the ability of the Mustangs to slow the ball up at the net, giving their back row time to get to the ball.

Sarah Cashen typified that play at a critical point in the second game.

The score was tied at 11 and Ladywood was digging deep to hold Marian off. The Blazers were pounding the ball over the net and the Mustangs were just hanging in there, getting it back.

It appeared Ladywood was going to get another side out when Cashen, sprawled on the floor over her knees, somehow managed to dig a kill out of the varnish and get it back over the net. Marian won the point on an error to take a 12-11 lead.

Ladywood won the next serve but Marian got it right back and Sarah Kreher served out the match. Katie Henry made it 14-11 on a tip kill at the net and Kreher had an unreturnable serve for the match.

"We wanted to disrupt their attack, make them pass the ball," Storen said.

The Mustangs got the ball deeper once they trailed in the first game and this seemed to interrupt the Blazers' flow. They also tried to keep the ball on the side away from Bartee as much as possible.

But the vital facet in the second game was that Marian just frustrated Ladywood's ability to get the ball down.

"That was a real key," Storen said. "We know if we block well, we do well. We were a little slow at the beginning of both games and we weren't getting the blocks we needed."

Kreher's serving was a key in the first game, too. She took over with the score 9-2 and served five straight winning points to get her team back in the game.

Ladywood took service away from Kreher but Marian got it right back and Henry served six consecutive winners for a 13-9 lead. Erin Poglits served two straight winners, the match ending on a tip kill by Katie Woch.

Bartee served five straight winners to spark Ladywood to a 6-1 lead in the second game and it was 10-3 with the Blazers in control at one point.

But Marian doggedly refused to buckle. The Mustangs chipped away with two single points and then the two teams went through 13 service exchanges before Marian was able to score again and shave the margin to 10-6.

"We wanted to get the ball to Melissa and let her choose what to do with it," Wyatt said. "We weren't able to do it as much as we wanted."

"We served tough," Storen said, "which is what threw their passing off."

It also threw Ladywood out of the Catholic League championship circle for the first time in 10 years.

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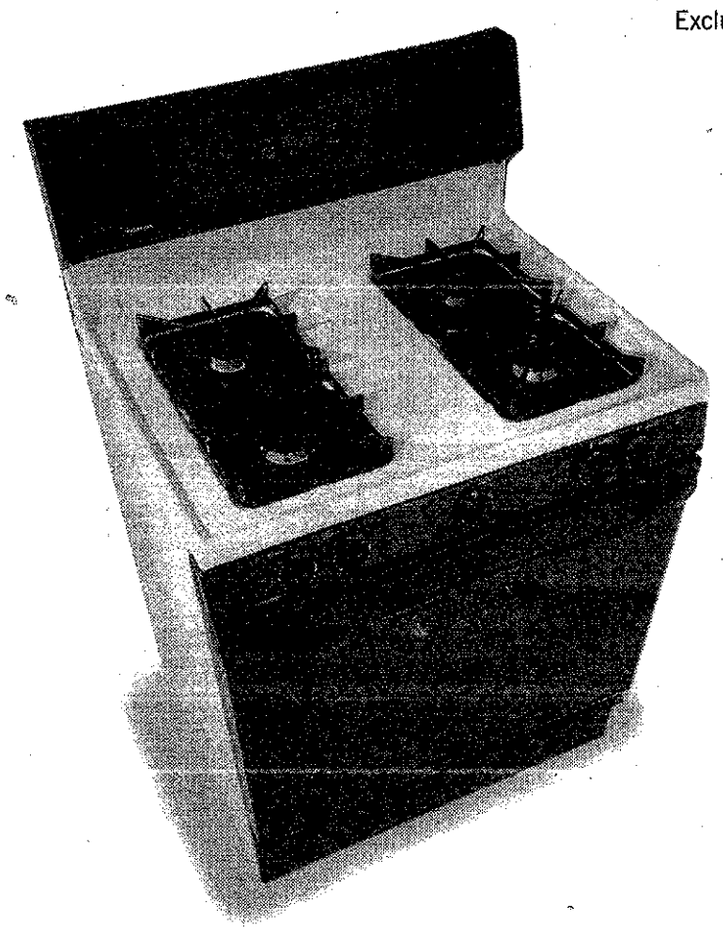
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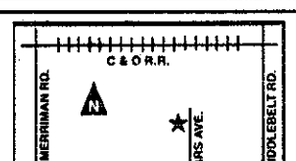


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COLLEGE BASKETBALL

A win anyway

SC stops Henry Ford CC; Hoskin goes AWOL

The Schoolcraft College men's basketball team proved they're a team of interchangeable parts.

The first-place Ocelots were missing 26 points and 11 rebounds out of their lineup, but managed to earn an 88-67 victory Wednesday against third-place Henry Ford.

Schoolcraft improved to 23-2 overall and 13-1 in the Eastern Conference of the Michigan Community College Athletic Association.

Henry Ford dropped to 15-8 and 8-5.

Several Ocelots picked up the slack for the conference's leading scorer, 6-foot-8 center Sam Hoskin, who failed to show for Wednesday's game.

The DePaul-bound Hoskin, who played at Redford Bishop Borgess and averaged 15 points and eight rebounds as a freshman at Eastern Kentucky before transferrring, also failed to appear for two practices.

Derrrick Bird, a 6-4 guard from Ypsilanti, led SC with 29 points, hitting four 3-pointers. Dwight Windom added 13 points, while Dave McGlown, Colin Wilkinson and Nick Evola added 12 points apiece.

"This is one of our best wins we've had all year given the fact that we were missing Sam," Schoolcraft coach Carlos Briggs said. "This showed our kids can stick together. It gave us a lot of confidence, especially coming on the road."

Briggs said he is uncertain of Hoskin's status the rest of the season.

Henry Ford, which trailed 38-29 at halftime, got 29 points from James Driscoll and 10 from Daryl Mason.

Siena Heights 99, Madonna 76: Siena Heights solidified its position as the No. 1 men's basketball team in the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference Wednesday — and it was at Madonna University's expense.

The Saints used a 16-2 run to start the second half to push its five-point lead (43-38) to 19 (59-40) with 16:12 remaining in the game. The closest Madonna got after that was 15 as it suffered the defeat at Madonna.

The Saints, ranked as one of the NAIA's top teams, improved to 27-4 overall and to 11-2 in the WHAC. Madonna fell to 8-21 overall, 3-10 in the WHAC.

Matt Baaki, who led Siena Heights with 25 points (including five three-pointers), scored eight points in the surge to start the second half. Sean Carlson added 22 points and Jeff Gullekson had 19, with 15 rebounds. Andy Power (from Plymouth Salem) totaled eight points and thee steals

Leading-scorer Mike Massey returned to action for Madonna after missing four games with an ankle injury; he scored 11 points in 29 minutes.

Narvin Russaw led the Crusaders with 27 points (on 11-of-18 floor shooting), 10 rebounds and four blocked shots. Freshman John Bennett (from Livonia Churchill) collected 17 points and seven boards, and Aaron Cox chipped in with 10 points, four assists and three steals.

The Saints led in virtually every area: They outshot Madonna from the floor (38-of-79, 48.1 percent to the Crusaders' 30-of-67, 44.8 percent), including three-pointers (9-of-26, 34.6 percent to Madonna's 7-of-22, 31.8 percent); they outrebounded the Crusaders, 45-37; and they forced 19 turnovers while committing just 10.

Madonna secures title tie

WOMEN'S HOOP

No, it wasn't the best of performances for Madonnna University's women's basketball team Wednesday.

The Lady Crusaders, the top team in the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference, were facing the league's worst in Siena Heights. They had incentive on their side: A win would clinch at least a share of the regular-season championship.

So what happens? They lay an egg — almost.

Madonna overcame its woeful shooting (18-of-63 from the floor, 28.6 percent) to hold on and defeat the Saints 56-53 in Adrian.

Kristi Fiorenzi (from Plymouth Canton HS), who led the Crusaders with 14 points, 10 rebounds and four steals, led a late comeback that saw them overcome a four-point deficit in the final three minutes.

Fiorenzi's basket with 3:01 to play narrowed the gap to 53-51; she made 1-of-2 free throws 22 seconds later to make it a one-point game. Then, with 1:20 left, the senior forward hit a pair of free throws to give Madonna a one-point lead. Carissa Gizicki's two foul shots with three seconds left provided the Crusaders with their margin of victory.

The Crusaders improve to 15-11 overall, 10-3 in the WHAC. A win yesterday against Aquinas College would clinch the top seed in the upcoming WHAC Tournament and the home-court advantage throughout.

Siena Heights slipped to 8-21 overall, 1-12 in the WHAC.

Madonna led 25-23 at the half and could never get its shooting on target well enough to pull away. The Saints weren't much better (19-of-55 from the floor, 34.5 percent).

Although Siena Heights shot better from three-point range (6-of-19, 31.6 percent to Madonna's 3-of-13, 23.1 percent), the Crusaders prevailed on the strength of their superior free-throw shooting (17-of-22, 77.3 percent to the Saints 9-of-17, 52.9 percent).

Turnovers were also a factor: Madonna had 18, Siena Heights made 24.

Mahogany Fletcher (Farmington Harrison) and Michelle Miela added 12 points apiece; Miela also had three steals. Gizicki, despite an 0-for-4 floor-shooting performance (all three-pointers), still contributed four points (4-for-4 from the line), six rebounds, five assists and four steals.

Jamie Hallenbeck's 14 points was best for the Saints. Kelly Abdo and Amanda Rainsberger added 10 apiece.

SC 72, Henry Ford CC 56: Five players combined for all but 10 of Schoolcraft College's points Wednesday as the Lady Ocelots pulled away from visiting Henry Ford CC.

The victory pushed SC's record to 19-4 overall, 12-2 in the Michigan Community College Athletic Association's Eastern Conference. The Hawks are 15-8 overall, 8-5 in the conference.

Angelica Blakely led the Ocelots with 20 points and 17 rebounds. Shafawnda Smelley contributed 12 points, and Janelle Olson, Rachel Eley and Ra'Sheida Edwards netted 10 points apiece. Eley also had five assists and four steals, and Edwards grabbed seven boards.

While SC had five reach double figures in scoring, Henry Ford CC was limited to 31 percent floor shooting. Katie Martin, it's leading scorer for the season — indeed, one of the top scorers in the conference — was limited to eight points.

THE WEEK AHEAD

PREP BOYS BASKETBALL

Tuesday, Feb. 20
Huron Valley at Mt. Carmel, 6 p.m.
Wayne at Garden City, 7 p.m.
Thurston at Lincoln Park, 7 p.m.
Westside at Ply. Christian, 7 p.m.
Agape at Light & Life, 7:30 p.m.
(Metro Conference Playoffs)
Liggett at Luth. W'sld, 7 p.m.
C'ville at Cranbrook, 7 p.m.
Thursday, Feb. 22
Huron Valley at Franklin Rd., 7 p.m.
Friday, Feb. 23
PCA at Lenawee Christian, 7 p.m.
Agape at World Outreach, 7:30 p.m.
Saturday, Feb. 24
Metro Conference Tourney
at Macomb CC, 1, 3, 5 & 7 p.m.

PREP HOCKEY

Monday, Feb. 19
Franklin at Novi, 7 p.m.
Tuesday, Feb. 20
Redford CC at G.P. North, 8 p.m.
Wednesday, Feb. 21
Churchill vs. Farm. Unified,
Franklin vs. Lapeer West
at Edgar Arena, 6 & 8 p.m.
Thursday, Feb. 22
Ladywood at G.P. Liggett, 7 p.m.
Red. Unified vs. N.D. Prep
at Redford Ice Arena, 7:45 p.m.
Friday, Feb. 23
Stevenson vs. R.O. Unified
at Edgar Arena, 6 p.m.
Canton vs. Gib. Carlson,
at Ply. Cultural Ctr., 6 p.m.
Farm. Unified vs. Waterford Mott
at Farm. Hills Arena, 7:30 p.m.
Saturday, Feb. 24
Ladywood vs. H.W. Regina
at Great Lakes Center, 6:50 p.m.
Red. Unified at Carlson, 7:30 p.m.
Redford CC vs. Brother Rice
at Redford Ice Arena, 8 p.m.

GIRLS VOLLEYBALL

Monday, Feb. 19
Canton at Churchill, 7 p.m.
Stevenson at John Glenn, 7 p.m.
Franklin at Salem, 7 p.m.
N. Farm. at Northville, 7 p.m.
Harrison at W.L. Central, 7 p.m.
Wednesday, Feb. 21
Liggett at Luth. W'sld, 6:30 p.m.
Thursday, Feb. 22
Agape at A.P. Inter-City, 6 p.m.
Saturday, Feb. 24
Ypsilanti Invitational, 8 a.m.
UM-Dearborn Tourney, 9 a.m.
WLAA at W.L. Central, 9 a.m.
Metro Conference Tourney
at Lutheran North, TBA.

BOYS SWIMMING

Thursday, Feb. 22
WLAA prelims at Salem, 1 p.m.
Friday, Feb. 23
WLAA diving at Salem, 2:30 p.m.
Mega Blue at Truman, 7 p.m.
Saturday, Feb. 24
WLAA finals at Salem, noon.

PREP WRESTLING

REGIONAL PAIRINGS
Wednesday, Feb. 23
DIVISION I at Northville
Stevenson vs. Northville, 5:30 p.m.
Redford CC vs. Edsel Ford, 5:30 p.m.
Championship final, 7 p.m.

MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Wednesday, Feb. 21
St. Clair at Schoolcraft, 7:30 p.m.

WOMEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Monday, Feb. 19
Schoolcraft at Lansing, 7 p.m.
Wednesday, Feb. 21
St. Clair at Schoolcraft, 5:30 p.m.

ONTARIO HOCKEY LEAGUE

Wednesday, Feb. 21
Whalers vs. Guelph
at Compuware Arena, 7 p.m.
Thursday, Feb. 22
Whalers at Sarnia, 7:30 p.m.
Saturday, Feb. 24
Whalers vs. London
at Compuware Arena, 7:30 p.m.

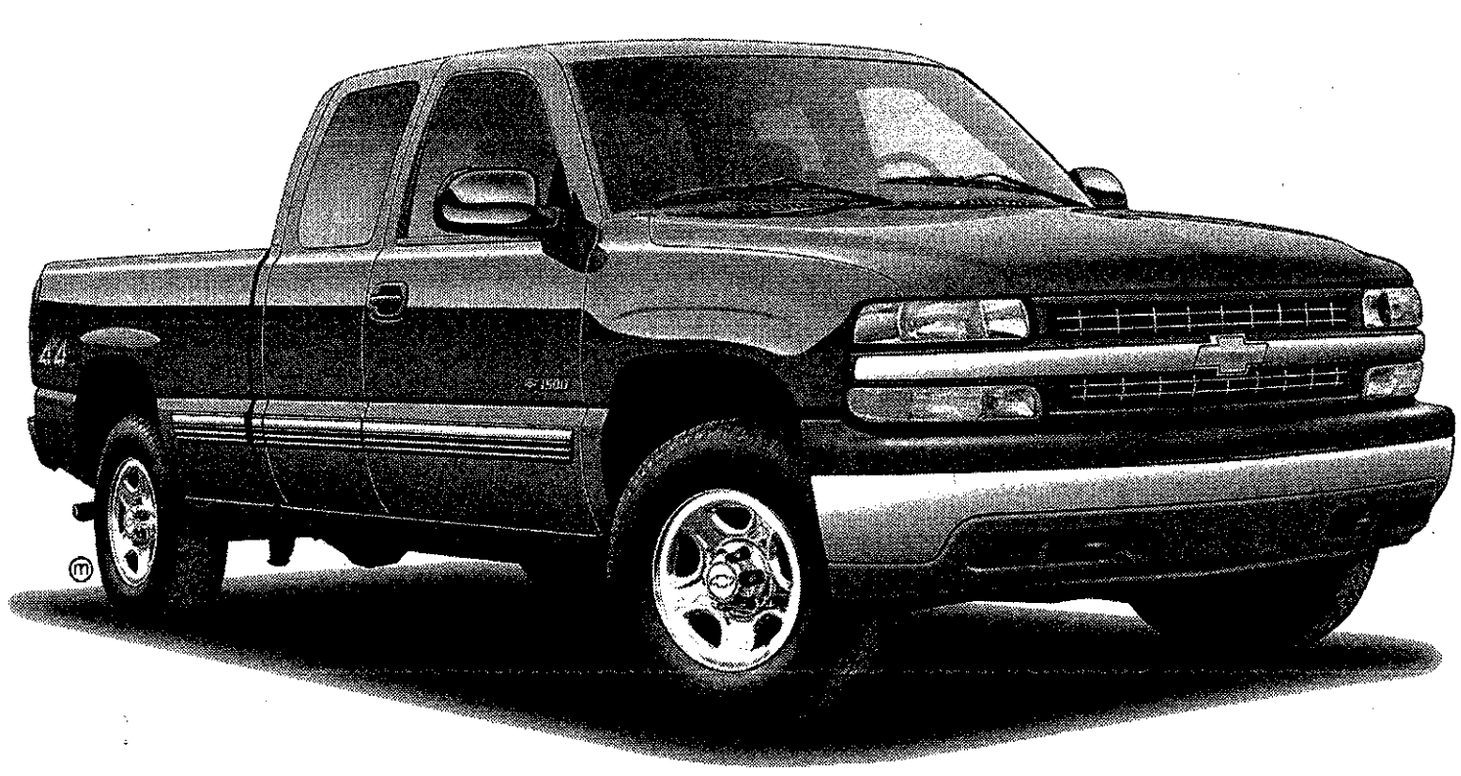
NATIONAL PRO SOCCER LEAGUE

Monday, Feb. 19
Rockers at Edmonton, 4:05 p.m.
Wednesday, Feb. 21
Rockers at Edmonton, 9:05 p.m.
Saturday, Feb. 24
Rockers at Milwaukee, 2:05 p.m.

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1st one out

WLAA-bound Wayne Memorial is the 1st school to leave Mega

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Surprise, uncertainty, solidarity and confusion.

Michigan Mega Conference officials expressed all those sentiments this week on the news that Wayne Memorial would leave the Mega for the Western Lakes Activities Association as soon as the 2002-03 school year.

And none could definitively say whether the move was a minor bump or the beginning of defections from the 28-school league.

"It's a surprise, but it's not a surprise," said Garden City athletic director Bob Dropp. "We had heard that Wayne was exploring the possibility of leaving, but nothing was definite. It was news to everybody because Wayne hadn't said anything to any of us that they were leaving. They're the first one to leave, but there might be some discussions or backroom decisions starting to unfold."

On Monday, the WLAA announced that the league's principals had unanimously voted to accept Wayne as well as new schools in the Plymouth-Canton and Walled Lake districts as new members.

While change is part of virtually every league affiliation at the high school level, it is new to the Mega.

It's been five years since it grew in size and a school has never dropped out — all due to a settlement with the United States Department of Justice and the Department of Education's Office of Civil Rights, which ruled in 1996 that some districts that had applied to the Mega were excluded because of their large minority enrollment.

"We were one of the schools fighting to get in, so I'm very sensitive to this issue," said Willow Run superintendent Gayle Green. "But leagues are constantly reorganizing. And if it's done for the right reason — and this certainly sounds like it — then I have no problem with this. The Western Lakes has bigger schools and Wayne is the third-largest school in our league.

"But I do hope this isn't some sort of ominous first-step to have something happen to the Mega."

REALIGNMENT

Mega's formation

The conference began competition in 1993 with 22 members of the Northwest Suburban Activities Association (including Garden City and Redford Union), Wolverine A (including Wayne) and Tri-River Conferences (including Redford Thurston) and Gibraltar Carlson of the Huron League, with plans to expand to 24 schools down the road.

There were immediate problems as some area school districts — specifically those in Romulus and Dearborn Heights Robichaud — sued the league in 1993, claiming they were excluded based on high minority enrollment.

Romulus was admitted to the league in 1994 as the 23rd school and dropped its suit against the league. Robichaud, Willow Run, Ypsilanti, Inkster, River Rouge of the Suburban Athletic Conference and independent Country Day applied to fill the final spot.

In 1996, the Justice Department ruled that the league must admit the five SAC schools under a consent agreement. Part of the agreement included a clause that the original Mega schools had to stay in the league for "at least five years" — a period that is due to end after this school year.

"I think the best response for us is to seek guidance from the OCR," said Mega attorney Lorie Steinhauer. "This is still under their jurisdiction and we need to check with them before there's any serious action. We don't want to be put into any litigation again."

Steinhauer has contacted the DOJ to clear up concerns she and the league may have over the definition of "at least five years," how long the Mega will be under review and if schools are permitted to leave without approval of the Justice Department, but has yet to receive an answer.

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Lorie Steinhauer
— Mega attorney

"I have some concerns over future review by the Justice Department for these schools if, at some point in time, they elect to leave the Mega," said Steinhauer, who hopes to have some answers before she meets with the league's principals and athletic directors at Tuesday's regular meeting.

And the fear that Wayne is just the first school to leave is a real one.

Could other schools go?

There have been rumblings of some downriver schools wanting to join another league or leave the Mega and form a new association. But a deterrent from that comes from the league by-laws, which state that if a school leaves, it can't schedule any competition against Mega members for two years. That forces schools to have a limited non-league schedule or face a healthy increase in its travel budget to fill out its schedule.

"It might open a can of worms," said Dearborn athletic director Dave Mifsud. "You never know how people are going to react. I know we don't have any plans and I haven't heard of other schools planning on leaving."

Wayne left to join its sister school, Westland John Glenn, in the WLAA.

For most schools though, the Mega concept is working, thanks to a trial and error process.

"When we went to 28 schools, we tried scheduling a straight 7-7-7-7 division, based on enrollment and past performance," said Dropp. "But we've adjusted that in several sports along the way. Some schools don't have a particular sport and some schools are much stronger than others. We've been tweaking this along the way. In some sports we might have three divisions instead of four, or there might be six in the Red and nine in the Gold, because their all equivalent in talent. No one said there had to be equal divisions."

And because of the suddenness of Wayne's decision to leave the league after the 2001-02 school year, the principals and AD's haven't decided their next step — add a school or carry on with 27.

"It's too early to tell, but it could work in a number of ways," said Belleville AD Mike Colletta. "Having an odd number would hurt in football, say, because we have nice, neat divisions of seven. But in other sports, because of the number of teams, there's flexibility of scheduling. We're a large group and because of the size, it can be difficult to manage. One school might not be happy because it doesn't get its way and you can't keep everyone happy. It's hard to manage, but the concept is good."

So for now, the remaining 27 members will play a waiting game to see if its members will close ranks or if some schools join Wayne in leaving for other leagues.

"It has to be looked at school by school." said Redford Union principal Brian Motter. "We knew Wayne had been approached, but nothing was definite. To my knowledge, though, no other schools had expressed interest in leaving or had contact with outside conferences.

"I don't think at this point in time, it will have a big impact on the Mega. But I'm not sure what is going to happen down the road."

MEGA ENROLLMENTS

Here are the enrollment numbers of the 28 member schools of the Michigan Mega Conference. Nineteen of the 28 schools are Class A (greater than 992 students), eight are Class B (495-991) and Inkster is Class D (less that 251). Source: Michigan High School Athletic Association.

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Edsel Ford — 1,367
Woodhaven — 1,357
Southgate — 1,316
Wyandotte — 1,294
Redford Union — 1,264
Taylor Kennedy — 1,257
*-Ypsilanti — 1,088
Allen Park — 1,041
Trenton — 1,010
Crestwood — 997
Thurston — 991
Carlson — 850
*-River Rouge — 699
*-Willow Run — 646
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SPORTS ROUNDUP

Blazers tie South

Livonia Ladywood's hockey team battled Grosse Pointe South to a 2-2 draw Wednesday at the Arctic Pond in Plymouth.

First-place South, which won the two previous meetings 2-0 and 6-2, ended the regular season at 11-4-3 overall.

Ladywood is 10-3-1 with four games remaining.

After a scoreless opening period, Libby Klein scored unassisted for the Blue Devils two minutes into the second period.

Ladywood countered at 5:30 of the third period (Sara Sharp from Molly Zarb) and at 6:10 (Smart from Mickey Fallon).

But South tied it with two minutes to go on a goal by Carrie Browm from Cammie Preston.

Ladywood goaltender Megan Shefferly made 16 saves, while South netminder Corie D'Angelo had 22.

RU baseball clinic

Redford Union baseball coaches Shawn McGowan and Rick Berryman will hold a baseball clinic from 11 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. on March 10 at the RU High School gym.

The clinic, open to all ages, covers the basics of throwing, pitching, hitting, infield and outfield play. The session will cover throwing and pitching from 11 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. and infield/outfield and hitting from 12:20-2:30 p.m. The cost is $28 for the entire session and $15 for half session.

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Spring hoop tourney

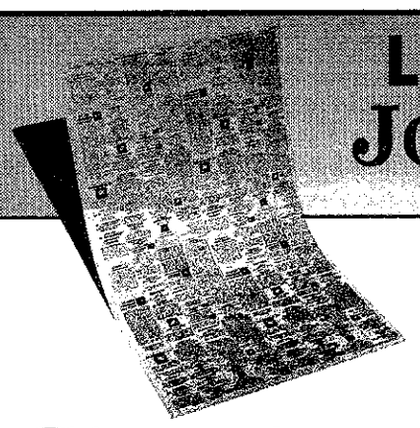
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The entry fee is $95. Each team is guaranteed a mimimum of two games. Awards will be presented in each age bracket.

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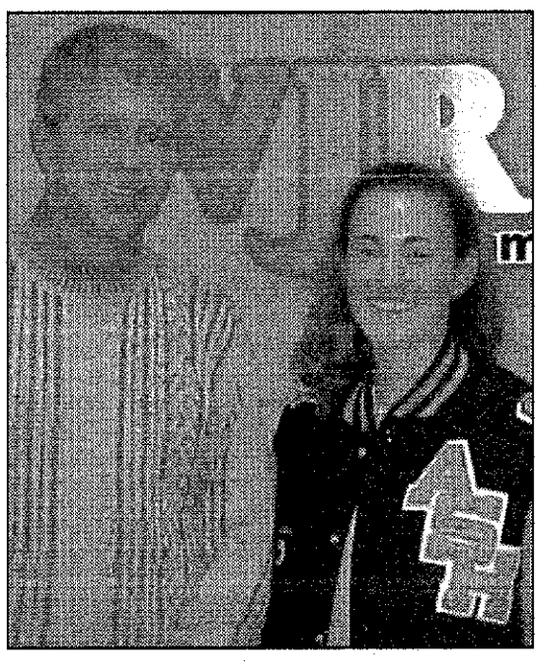
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Despite cold temperatures, some insects still thrive

NATURE NOTES



TIM NOWICKI

Earlier this winter I enjoyed showing people on my trail walk springtails in the snow.

These tiny (2-3 mm long) primitive insects can regularly be seen propelling themselves over the snow, you just have to look closely because they are so small.

It's surprising to many that insects can be seen in winter, since they are cold-blooded and cold temperatures typically precludes their activity. But some insects are cold hardy and cold adapted.

Just the other day I spotted a cranefly while out with a group on the trail. This mosquito-like looking insect was able to fly over the snow covered ground as quickly as it would in summer.

A species of stonefly emerges from its aquatic nymph stage in winter as an adaptation to avoid predators. No other insect predators have emerged and bird predators are not likely to find them either.

Their unseasonal emergence and their low numbers help them from becoming prey, because birds are not "tuned in" to eating flying insects this time of year. Even if they did consider eating insects, there numbers would be so low that it would not be worth their while to search for them.

Some insects are very cold adapted and have been studied by scientists to determine the time of warming that resulted in the receding of the last glacier that covered Canada and the northern states.

Just south of the glacier's leading edge the land was like a tundra. Mosses, lichens and small shrubs grew just like the tundra to the far north in Canada today. Climate near the glaciers' edge had a tremendous impact on the surrounding area.

Scientists know from studying the distribution of insect species today, what kind of habitat they prefer to survive in. Certain species require warm temperatures and cannot survive in cold temperatures. Others survive in just the opposite conditions.

By comparing the remains of insect parts found in lake sediments with those of living insects, they can compare when the cold adapted insects left the area and when the warm adapted insects moved into the area.

From these studies it was determined that about 15,000 years ago the climate had changed significantly enough to force the change in insect populations from cold hardy to those that survive under warmer conditions.

In the northern arctic regions of Canada a woolly caterpillar survives the long cold winters where temperatures drop to 40 degrees below zero.

Like most insects that must winter over in cold temperate climates, they produce glycerol in their bodies which prevents the formation of ice crystals inside the body.

If ice crystals form, they do not have pointed tips to puncture the cell wall, which could kill the animal if enough cells were destroyed.

The woolly bear caterpillar seen while walking the trails in fall here in Michigan spends the winter as a caterpillar tucked safely in a crevice or hole.

They, too, must survive cold temperatures, but when they emerge in spring they eat a little and then pupate. A couple weeks after pupation they emerge as an adult Isabella tiger moth. Adult moths then lay eggs which hatch and develop into large caterpillars before winter.

An arctic woolly caterpillar does not have much time to eat in summer because the season of warm temperatures is so short. One scientist determined that it takes 14 years for this caterpillar to mature and pupate into an adult moth. That is an extremely old age for an insect. Fortunately, it has developed adaptations that allow it to survive several winters of dormancy.

Keep your eyes open and look carefully for some of these winter insects as you hike the trails.

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Hunt of a lifetime

Livonian roams through Wyoming in search of elk

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Livonian Tony Conrad considers himself an avid outdoorsman.

To celebrate the new millennium, the 61-year-old pressman from the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers decided he needed a different kind of hunting challenge.

Conrad was lucky enough to obtain an elk permit allotted by the Governor of Wyoming for a late season hunt. Over 400 had applied for the special permit, but only eight were pulled.

So last November, Conrad put 1,597 miles on his '99 Ford pickup and headed to the northwest corner of Wyoming — the town of Cody just outside the Yellowstone area — in quest of a much-desired bull.

"I've been on 20 to 25 trips out west, but I was the most excited about this one because of the kind of bull I was going to get," Conrad said. "I knew I was going to get a good one. For a late season hunt you need a premium tag to draw because it's in a limited quota area. It's an area filled with big sheep, elk and deer."

Conrad will also tell you he went to great personal expense to fulfill his hunting dream.

After his 2 1/2-day drive, Conrad hooked up with two other hunters from Colorado and his trusty guide.

"The outfitter provides the food, horses, meals and tents," Conrad said. "I took just about everything I owned — twos of everything as far as personal gear. I had insulated boots, felt packs. Besides my rifle, I bought a good sleeping bag at Cabella's, one that is safe all the way down to 20 below."

For three straight days in the Yellowstone wilderness area, Conrad experienced morning low temperatures near zero, with highs reaching 25.

He also had to prepare for the physical rigors of his hunt.

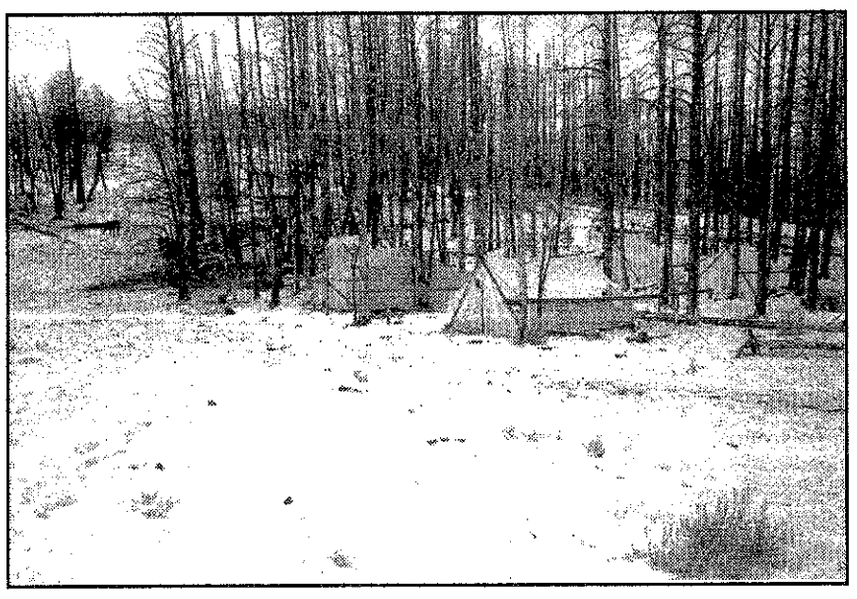
"I did a lot of walking up stairs," Conrad said. "You're up 7,500- to 8,500-feet altitude and that can be a problem. Starting out it was tough because heavy snow we were in and the extreme cold.

"But I got my elk the second day."

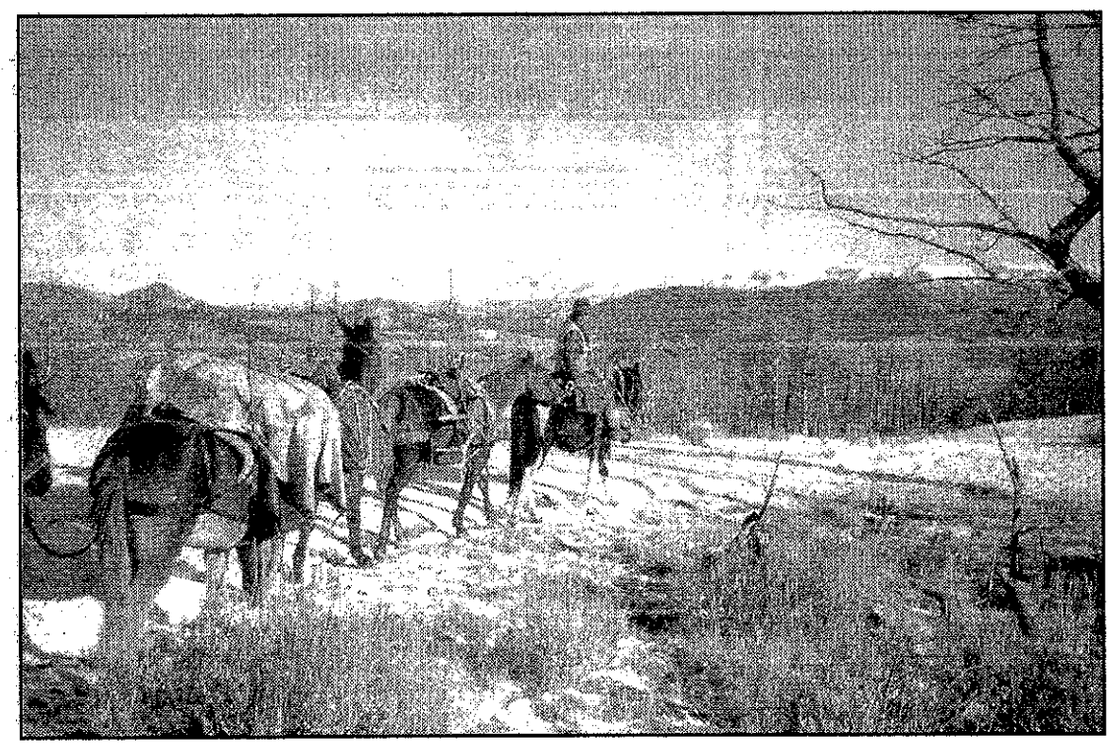
Even though it's several months later, Conrad's recalls the second day events like it was only yesterday.

"Elk migrate out of Yellowstone to the lower elevations," he said. "The guide pushed us to their escape route. They move in bachelor bands and I spotted a bull early that morning. You can spot them from long distance through the pines and branches because a lot of it was burned out in 1988.





Rigors of the hunt: *It wasn't easy, hunting for elk just outside Yellowstone National Park. Tents were certainly adequate (right), but nighttime temperatures still dipped below zero. The search for prey was on horseback, through rugged terrain (below). On the second day, Tony Conrad got his prize (above): an 8-year-old bull that weighed about 800 pounds.*



"Using my spotting scope I aimed at the best one of the five we had seen. I missed my first shot, but the second one I hit him in the hip. I made the shot from about 400 yards and running. Once I slowed the bull down we headed to the basin hell-holes where he got caught up in the rocks, and that's where I finished him off."

Conrad's mounted prize was an 8-year-old bull that weighed approximately 800 pounds.

"I missed a bigger one first day — a seven-by-seven — probably would have made the record book," Conrad recalled. "That one I missed I still think about."

Once the bull, sporting six-by-six horns (scored a 350 by Boone & Crockett) was quartered and caped, Conrad packed the meat and headed back to camp. Riding the rugged terrain by horse and mules proved to be a challenge in itself.

"Those animals are made to carry different weights and sizes," Conrad said. "It took about a half-day. It was tough walking down those creeks, most of them were frozen. Some of those areas were so steep that we had to walk the horses down."

The experience, however, was like none other for Conrad.

"I went on a goat hunt in British Columbia and it was equally exciting," he said, "but there's nothing more majestic in the U.S. then a bull elk. We really had the best weather conditions and I must have seen 500 elk."

Beat a perfect game, you'll get an 'A'

TEN PIN ALLEY



AL HARRISON

After her fourth graders had finished their MEAP test at Siegel Elementary School in the Plymouth-Canton School District, their teacher, Barbara Toth, treated them to bowling at nearby Plaza Lanes.

She also made them a special offer. If they could beat her husband, Mike, she would change their grade up to an A.

The only problem for the kids was that Mike Toth bowled his first 300 game. There was plenty of excitement as everyone realized that he could get all 12 in a row.

Justin Lake, Jeremy Vandegrift, Jimmy Rebidas and all their classmates were jumping and screaming in celebration.

Both Barbara and Mike Toth bowl in the Thursday Teachers League at Plaza. Of course nobody could beat the perfect game, but one of the kids hollered, "I got 301."

Yeah, right!

■ Ken Kossick has held the Greater Detroit all-time high series record with a three game set of 878.

How do you beat that?

Simple, just bowl 879.

That is exactly what Mike Makowiec of Canton did last week at Cloverlanes in Livonia.

Mike started the night in the Thursday Men's Junior House League with a 300, spared in the first frame of game two, the went 11 straight for a 290. He started the third game with a spare in the first, and got a nine count on the final shot for a total of 33 strikes out of a possible 36.

You may know Mike. He is one of the Pro Shop guys at David's Rite Line inside Cloverlanes.

■ Speaking of Pro shops, the Bowlers Aid Shop is now open for business inside Westland Bowl so you no longer have to drive down to Skore Lanes in Taylor.

This is possibly the most attractive bowling showroom any where in this area. Owner Mark Robey also claims to have the largest stock of balls on hand, a wide array of the latest from all major manufacturers including quite a few of the Ebonite Skulll, which was featured in a recent movie and considered a very hard-to-get collectors item.

Robey will be announcing several special programs coming up with the new store. They will be open six days a week with an expert staff on hand to assist you in your purchases and ball fitting.

Among the staff at Westland are All-Star bowlers, Todd Kurowski, Cyndi Black and Tina Judy. Private or group lessons are also available.

Mark says, "Stop in a browse or buy, we are here to serve your bowling needs."

■ A month from now I will be among the delegates to the 2001 American Bowling Congress National Convention at Reno, Nev.

This is the world's largest sports organization with nearly 2 million members.

The local associations will caucus prior to the convention to weigh the pros and cons of whatever amendments are on the agenda.

One hot topic will be the future probability of consolidating the ABC, WIBC and YABA into one single entity, to serve all bowlers more efficiently and at a lower cost.

"Connect with your new ABC" is the theme for this year.

There are several seminars and workshops slated for a very busy week, even busier yet as the activities will include bowling in the National Bowling Stadium for the ABC National Championships.

The deadline to enter the ABC is March 1. So far, there are more than 15,700 teams entered for the event, Feb. 10 through July 1, in Reno.

For more information, including available dates, reservation forms, travel information, future events and more, visit ABCtournament.com or the tournament page of the ABC section of bowl.com.

Bowlers can also register by calling 800/514-BOWL, Ext. 3320. Visa and Mastercard are accepted.

■ Rob Gaynor of Redford has taken over first in the Hamtramck Singles with 993 plus 116 handicap for a total of 1,109.

David Stacker of Rochester Hills has the second spot with 1,002 actual plus 68 handicap for 1,070. Gaynor also leads in eight-game singles with 2101.

BOWLING HONOR ROLL

Merri Bowl (Livonia)

Golden Eagles: Ray Shinosky, 300.

Northwest Mixed: Larry Gawlik, 300.

Cloverlanes (Livonia)

Lutheran Tournament: Bryan Schmaus, 300/714.

Thursday Men's Junior House: Mike Makowiec, 300-299-280/879.

Woodland Lanes (Livonia)

Livonia Strikers: Frank Hoffman, 300; Jim Craycraft, 300.

Grandale: Dave Bodine, 298.

West Chicago: Fred Grates, 300; Jeff Stroble, 300.

Livonia Trophy: Billy Dowell, 299.

Town 'n Country Lanes (Westland)

Junior Classic: Andy Deverich, 299; John Marszolek, 300; Scott Whisenand, 299/747.

Teenage: Sheila Honeycutt, 290.

Westland Bowl

G&G Bowling Belles: Karen Brown, 299.

Twin Parish: Mike Nesbitt, 300

Wednesday Ford Mixers: Al Stachan, 300 (his 2nd in two weeks).

Detroit Diesel: James Dziurgot, 297.

Wrestling *from page B1*

well, 3-1 — this one in OT, too. On Wednesday, Rumbley beat Rothwell, 6-1.

Those four wins pushed the Mustangs' lead to 36-18, too much for the Chiefs to overcome. They did get a pin from Ozzie Wagner over Valentino Palushaj, in 5:13 at 215. And heavyweight Derek McWatt won on a void.

But it wasn't enough.

Canton's other winners against the Mustangs were Doy Demsick, 10-4 over Matt Doyle at 125; Chris Hosey, a pin against Dave Carroll in 2:51 at 135; Greg Musser, a pin of Pete Kelly in 3:01 at 140; and Mike Siegrist, a 9-8 decision over Brian Ashby at 145.

In the first dual of the district, Salem actually had an early lead. After Canton's Steve Hogg pinned Zack Vahn in 2:03 in the 103 match, the Rocks won the next two — Pete Bobee besting Rob Schnettler 10-1 at 112 and Mike Goethe edging Kyle Pitt 4-2 at 119.

After Doy Demsick defeated Nick Moniodis 6-1 at 125, Salem's Nate Dillard pinned Derek Robinson in 1:20 at 130 to give the Rocks a 13-9 lead.

That, however, was that for Salem as the Chiefs won every other match. Among the best individual match-ups: at 140, Canton's Musser edged Salem's Tony Kennard 4-2, and at 215, the Chiefs' Ozzie Wagner nipped Zack Jensen 7-6.

"Our guys were really pumped up for Salem," said Demsick. "They wanted to go out there and go for it all — and they did."

Both Salem's and Canton's wrestlers competed individually yesterday at the state individual district tournament, hosted by Novi.

Rockers *from page B1*

scored the game's first 14 points, one of the goals coming from the Rockers' Martin Nash, and had a 16-4 halftime lead. Braeden Cloutier of the Wichita Wings set an all-star game record with three assists in a quarter.

But the American stars, led by David Bascome of the Harrisburg Heat (two two-pointers), Ball (a three-pointer and two assists) and Gino DiFlorio, also of the Heat (one two-pointer, three assists), battled back and narrowed the gap to 16-10 after three quarters. A 9-2 fourth-quarter surge, with Ball assisting on a goal by Andrew Crawford (Buffalo Blizzard) with 7:06 left and then scoring the game-winner, won it for the American stars.

Ball was named the game's MVP.

Baltimore Blast keeper Scott Hileman made seven saves to get the win. Leading scorer in the game was Dino Delevski (Wichita) of the National stars with one three-pointer, two twos and an assist for eight points.

The Rockers' Nash had two points and Sean Bowers picked up an assist.

Nagel scores a pair as Salem, Western end in a draw

PREP HOCKEY

Plymouth Salem surrendered two early goals to Walled Lake Western, fought back to take a 4-3 lead after two periods, then gave up the tying goal with 10:25 left in a 4-4 draw in a Western Lakes Activities Association hockey game Friday.

Salem is 7-12-4 overall, 3-11-2 in the WLAA. Western is 6-11-3 overall, 3-10-3 in the WLAA.

Kyle Davis scored twice in the first seven minutes of the opening period to give the Warriors a 2-0 lead. The Rocks tied it on a first-period goal by Mark Nagel and a second-period marker by Dan Valentine.

After Paul Price scored for Western, Salem struck for two more in the second, with Nagel and Brian Young getting the goals to give the Rocks a 4-3 lead.

However, the Warriors got the game-tying goal from Alan Shamoun in the third period.

Mark Nagel also had one assist for Salem; Steve Nagel had two.

Basketball *from page B1*

The win means Canton finishes as the No. 4 seed in the WLAA Tournament with a 7-4 record; the Chiefs are 8-9 overall. Churchill is 1-10 in the conference, 2-15 overall.

Canton plays at Salem at 7 p.m. Tuesday. Churchill, in the consolation bracket, plays at Livonia Franklin Tuesday.

"Defensively, we tried to guard their drivers," said Canton coach Jeremy Rheault. "I think that lulled us a bit (in the first half). In the second half we picked up the pressure.

"We put it together in the second half by causing turnovers."

A 22-11 third quarter allowed the Chiefs to expand their 23-19 halftime lead to 15 points.

Oliver Wolcott topped Canton with 13 points. Andrew Holmes added 12, Rian Barker netted 11, Andrew Meagrow scored nine and Jerry Gaines had eight.

Churchill was led by Brian Dziklinski with 16 points. Will Pendergrass and Hassan Jaafari scored eight apiece.

Agape 56, Novi Life Summit 45: Paul Anleitner scored 26 points and grabbed eight rebounds Thursday night to pace the Wolverines to their 14th victory in 15 games.

Visiting Canton Agape broke from an 11-11 tie after one quarter to take a 30-22 halftime lead.

Rob Hough contributed 10 points and the Wolverines made 13-of-19 free throws.

Novi Life Summit, which got 21 points from Curtis Cross, is now 15-4. It made 10-of-22 free throws.

SHURGARD OF PLYMOUTH

Notice is hereby given that the entire contents of the following storage units will be sold to the highest bidder by way of an open bid on MARCH 20, 2001 at approximately 9:00 a.m. at Shurgard Storage Centers located at 41889 Joy Road, Canton, MI 48187.

Unit #162, Claud Stopchinski: 100 boxes, speaker monitors, tool box, shelves.

Unit #211, Leroy Haskins: 1987 Dodge pick-up truck, stereo, entertainment center, dishwasher.

Unit #249, Thomas Stopchinski: Couch, bed, tables.

Unit #343, Barbara Hoag: Couch, chairs, tables, boxes of household items, shelves.

Unit #415, Chris Manning: Household items, 50 boxes, chairs, tables, clothing.

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SHURGARD OF CANTON

Notice is hereby given that the following unit(s) will be sold to the highest bidder by open auction on March 20, 2001 at approximately 9:30 a.m. at Shurgard Storage located at 2101 Haggerty Road, Canton, MI 48187. Phone 734-981-0300.

Unit #5019 DOMOGALA - 3 mattress sets, dryer, rugs, futon frame, dressers, desk, 2 end tables, computer desk, misc. household items/

Unit #6235 FLINT - 2 kid toys, 3 boxes.

Unit #4233 Hayes - Loveseat, yard tools, toddler gate, baby bouncer, fishing pole, wooden box.

Unit #6003 JOHNSON - 6 office chairs, 2 computers, fax machine, 10 boxes, file cabinet, cubicle dividers.

Unit #5225 - RODRIGUEZ - Refrigerator, washer, dryer, wooden bed frame.

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH
NOTICE OF HEARING
ASSESSMENT BOARD OF REVIEW

NOTICE OF HEARING given that the Plymouth Township Board of Review will meet on the following dates and times:

Hearings are by appointment, please call 354-3267, between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. for an appointment.

Tuesday, March 6	9 a.m.-Noon	Organizational Meeting
	2 p.m.-5 p.m.	Hearings by Appointment
Monday, March 12	2 p.m-5 p.m.	Hearings by Appointment
	6 p.m.-9 p.m.	Hearings by Appointment
Tuesday, March 13	9 a.m.-Noon	Hearings by Appointment
	2 p.m.-5 p.m.	Hearings by Appointment
Saturday, Mach 17	9 a.m.-11 a.m.	First Come - First Served

Other hearing dates and times may be scheduled as needed.

All persons protesting their assessment must complete petitions prior to appearing before the Board. A personal appearance is not required. Appeals by mail will be accepted if received by March 17, 2001.

The Board of Review will be held in the Board Meeting Room of Plymouth Township Hall, 42350 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth, MI 48170.

Please come prepared as a ten (10) minute time limit before the Board of Review will be strictly adhered to.

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH
OPTICAL IMAGING CONSERVION
ADVERTISEMENT

The Charter Township of Plymouth Police Department is seeking Quotes for the optical imaging conversion of past police records. There are 15 years of documents with approximately 40,000 pages per year.

The successful bidder must meet and comply with the Township of Plymouth Affirmative Action Ordinance.

Bid packets containing specifics may be obtained from the Plymouth Townshp Clerk's Office, 42350 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth, MI 48170. Sealed bids must be received by 3 p.m. on March 7, 2001.

MARILYN MASSENGILL, Township Clerk
Charter Township of Plymouth

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STOW & GO SELF STORAGE
AUCTION NOTICE

Pursuant to state law, Notice is herby given that a public auction will be held at **Stow & Go Self Storage**, 41999 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth, MI on MARCH 23, 2001 at 10:00 a.m., on past due tenants listed below. The entire contents of the following units will be auctioned and sold to the highest bidder on each unit. Cash Only:

Unit #373 - LARRY MARDIEGIAN of 48775 W. NORMANDY CT., PLYMOUTH, MI 48170. Waterbed, lawn vac, (2) grills, radio, dog cage, wood lattice, light, boxes, crib, rug, sleds, weed eater, other misc. items.

Unit #117 - KEVIN LACKEY of 36143 NORTHFIELD, LIVONIA, MI 48150. Fish tank & stand, tires, wheels, misc. car parts, hood, tarps, boxes, other misc.

Unit #457 - ROBERT COOMBS of 1589 SHEEFIELD, BIRMINGHAM, MI 48009. Wheels and tires, car parts, chairs, wood cabinet, file cabinet, other misc. items.

Unit #574 - ROBERT VICKERMAN of 1386 S. HARVEY, PLYMOUTH, MI 48170. Rolltop desk, lawnmower, gas can, shelf, fan, cooler, wheels and tires, dresser, night stand, truck bed box, other misc. items.

Unit #716 - DAVID JAMES of 25715 SIBLEY RD., ROMULUS, MI 48174. Car parts, dolley, car wheels, bench seat, 6 storage containers, other misc. items.

Unit #577 - MARGARET YATES of 8560 WESTCHESTER LANE, CANTON, MI 48187. Couch, chair, loveseat, vacuum, fish tank, lamp, boxes, suitcase, clothes, household items, other misc. items.

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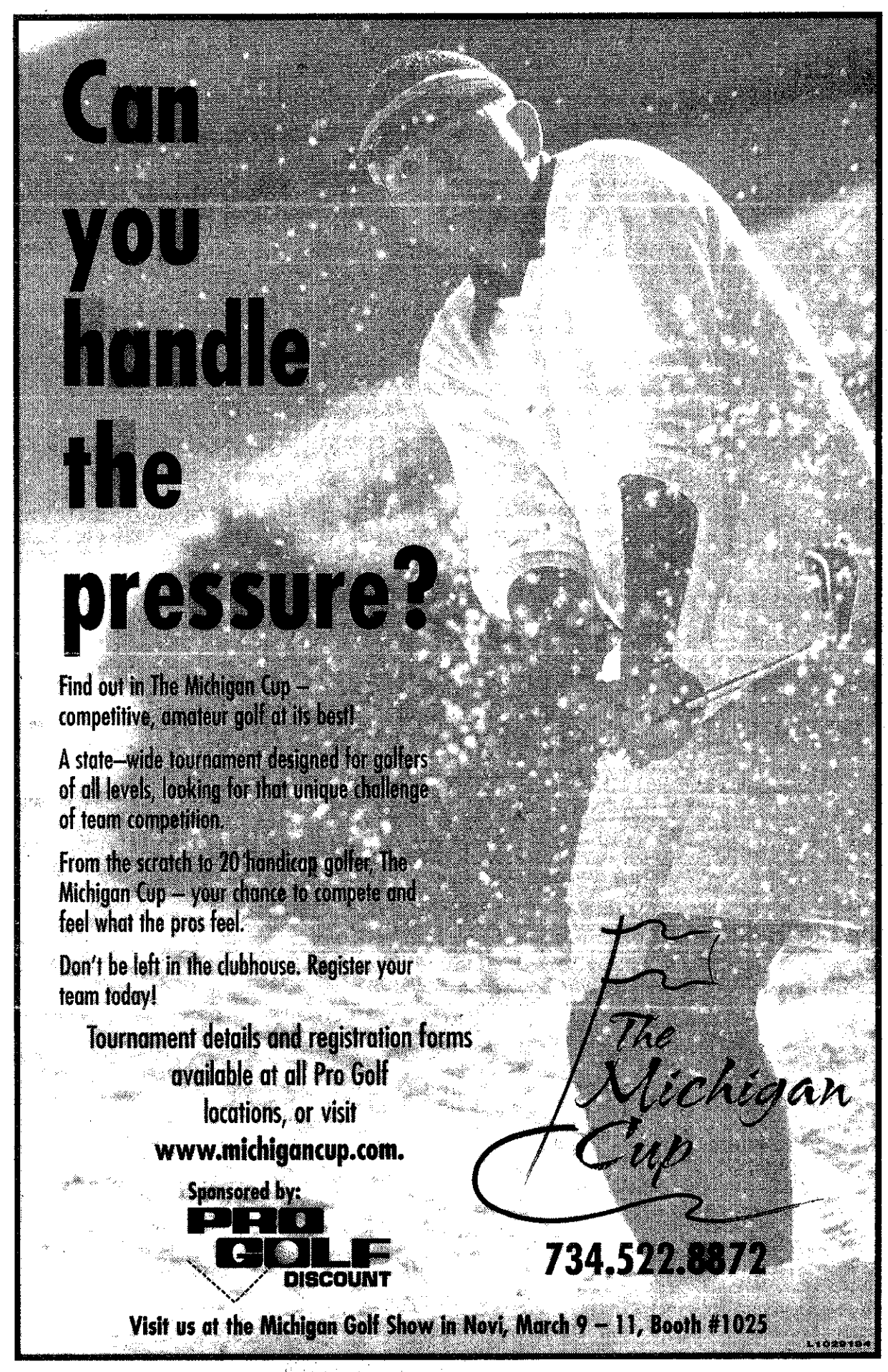
Past honorees include Howe, Aaron, Manning, Evert, and Palmer.

Someone's gonna have some awfully big skates, spikes, sneakers, or golf shoes to fill.

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AROUND TOWN

VILLAGE MUSIC
■ Group classes in Piano and Hammer Dulcimer for ages 5 through adult. The complete Kindermusik curriculum is offered for newborns to 7 year old. For information, call Norma Atwood at (734)354-9825.

FOX HILLS FISH FRY■ Fox Hills Golden Fox Fish Fry is 5-9 p.m. Fridays beginning Feb. 23 . The cost is $8.50 for all you can eat. Also, Frost Bite Open is on Feb. 25. Nine holes of golf, chili & sloppy joe bar. Hot beverages. $44 per two-man team.

EDWARD JONES SEMINAR
■ Learn how to avoid spending all of your retirement savings towards the skyrocketing costs of long-term care. Dan DeLano of Edward Jones Investments is holding a seminar at the Plymouth Cultural Center 6:30-8 p.m., Feb. 21; and 12-1:20 p.m., Feb. 24. Seminar is free but seating is limited. Call (734)451-6405 for details.

GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY
■ Meeting at 7:30 p.m. on Feb. 21 at the Livonia Civic Park Senior Center Building. Celebrate the 25th anniversary. Speaker is Richard M. Doherty, speaking on German Research. Guests welcome. Our meeting and classes are open to the public and free of charge. Call Pat at (734)425-3079 for further information.

CAMP FAIR
■ The annual Washtenaw Camp Fair will be held 10:30-3 p.m., March 3 at West Middle School, Ypsilanti. Meet representatives of local, national and international simmer programs in Michigan, nearby states, and Canada who will help you choose the right experience for your children ages 5-18. Camps attending include day, resident, travel, sports, science, arts, computer and other summer programs. For more information call (734)971-4537.

WOMEN PAINTERS
■ The Ann Arbor Women Painters and the Women's Center of America announce an exhibition of paintings in celebration of Women's History Month. The exhibit will be at the Women's Center of America, 2500 Packard St., Suite 110, Ann Arbor. 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Feb. 25-April 27 or by appointment (734)973-6779. A reception to meet the artists will be held 3-6 p.m., Feb. 25. The public is welcome.

ST. MICHAEL CHRISTIAN SCHOOL
■ Holding open enrollment for 3-year-olds-Grade 5 on Feb. 26. For more information, call (734)459-9720.

LIBERTY FEST
■ Canton Township would like to extend an invitation to all artists to be involved in the 10th Annual Fine Art and Fine Craft Show at Liberty Fest 2001. The displays will run 10 a.m.-9 p.m. Saturday, June 23 and 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Sunday, June 24. Artists can choose to display their work under the "big tents" or can bring their own tent. The show is a juried show and each participant will be required to submit slides or pictures of their work from the approved categories: painting, prints, sculpture, ceramics, jewelry, drawing, pastel and selected fine crafts. No commercially produced merchandise will be allowed. Deadline for submissions is April 16. For more information call Sharon Dillenbeck at D & M Studios, (734) 453-3710.

LITTLE LAMBS PRESCHOOL
■ Registration for next year's classes at Little Lambs Preschool (2001-2002) is 9 a.m. March 10. Parents may register inside First Baptist Church in Plymouth. We offer hands-on learning in a theme-based kindergarten readiness program, monthly field trips, low student-teacher ratio, student evaluations and parent conferences. Call 414-7792 for further information.

PCAC EXHIBIT
■ The Plymouth Community Arts Council will feature "Illustrations of Kara Renee Marsee" Feb. 12-March 8. The illustrations that she produces are directed towards the child within – that part of all of us that enjoys fun, playfulness, dreams, wonder, curiosity and friendship. The exhibit will be shown at the Joanne Winkleman Hulce Center for the Arts, 774 N. Sheldon, Plymouth.

AFTER SCHOOL WORKSHOP
■ All teachers and parents who share a concern for improving the educational success of children with attention difficulties are invited to attend a Feb. 21 workshop at Northville High School. The program, presented by David Braukman, "Best Practices at School for Students With Attention Problems 3:30-6:30 p.m.; Best Practices at Home For Students with Attention Problems, 7-8:30 p.m. Call to register (248) 344-8453.

BOATING SAFETY
■ Boating Skills and Seamanship Class conducted by Flotilla 10-11 of the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary. Begins March 1 and will be held each 7:30-9:30 p.m.Thursday for 11 weeks (class will not meet on 4/19 and 5/10) in Plymouth-Canton High School-Room 98. To register please contact the P/C Comm. Education Office at (734) 416-2940. The cost is $40 for the first family member and $25 for each additional family member.

AARP
■ AARP is sponsoring free Federal and Michigan Income Tax preparation for elderly persons at the locations listed. Work is performed by trained counselors qualified by the IRS. An appointment is required. Canton Recreation Center, Tuesdays 9 a.m.-noon, 1-4 p.m., call (734) 394-5485 for appointment; Plymouth District Library, Wednesday 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.; 1:30-4:30 p.m., call (734) 453-1234 Ext. 236 for an appointment.

DINNER THEATRE
■ Fox's Lair Dinner Theatre at Fox Hills Banquet Center presents "Murder Among Friends", a comedy-thriller. Performances are Saturdays through Feb. 24. Cocktails at 6 p.m.; dinner at 7 p.m.; performance immediately following. The $33.95 package includes buffet dinner, dessert, live show, tax and gratuity. Call (734)453-7272 for reservations.

WILLOW CREEK PRESCHOOL
■ The Willow Creek Cooperative Preschool is holding an Open House from 5:30-7 p.m., March 13 at the school located in Kirk of Our Savior Church, 36660 Cherry Hill. Meet our teachers, play with our toys, see our school, enjoy a snack, get information for 2001-2002 registration. For more information call Tina at 981-4069 or Ann at 844-7379.

D&M STUDIO
■ Join us for a wide variety of art classes for children and adults. Drawing and Painting, Cartooning, High School Portfolio Preparation, Adult Oil/Acrylic/Watercolor, Homeschool, Studio Art (Multi-Media) and Preschool classes are offered to artists of all levels. Call to register today at (734)453-3710.

STORY TIME
■ Jingling bells, floating scarves, seasonal stories and little feet moving in time to music...these are just a few of the sights and sounds parents and children will experience at Story Time with Miss Karen. Imaginative songs and chants highlight favorite children's books in these free 30-40 minute interactive programs. Karen Onkka Schanderberger is a licensed Kindermusik instructor at Evola Music of Canton. Registration suggested by calling (734)455-4677.

ANN ARBOR RANGERS
■ The Ann Arbor Rangers U17 Boys Soccer Club is looking for some new team members for the winter indoor season and spring "travel" outdoor season. If you have experience playing soccer and are interested in learning more about our team and coach, please attend one of our practices at Mack School in Ann Arbor from 8-9:30 p.m. on Mondays. For further information, please call Iris at (734) 995-0011.

OPEN HOUSE
■ The Plymouth Children's Nursery Open House is being held and 1-3 p.m., March 4 at 5825 Sheldon Rd., Canton. Plymouth Children's Nursery, Inc. admits students of any race, color and national ethnic origin. Call (734)455-6250 for further information.

HATHA YOGA
■ Hatha Yoga classes downtown Plymouth, 7:30-9 p.m., Wednesdays and 4-5:30 p.m. Sundays. Starting Feb. 14 additional Wednesday classes 9:30 -11 a.m. and 1:30-3 p.m. Unique Valentine's Day Gift Certificates available. Call Cynthia (734)420-2418.

RECREATION
■ The City of Plymouth is now taking registration for its Childrens/Tots Gymnastics, Dance, Arts, Jump-A-Rama, Tae-Kwan-Do, Personal Development, Aerobics and much more. For more information, call the recreation division at (734)455-6620.

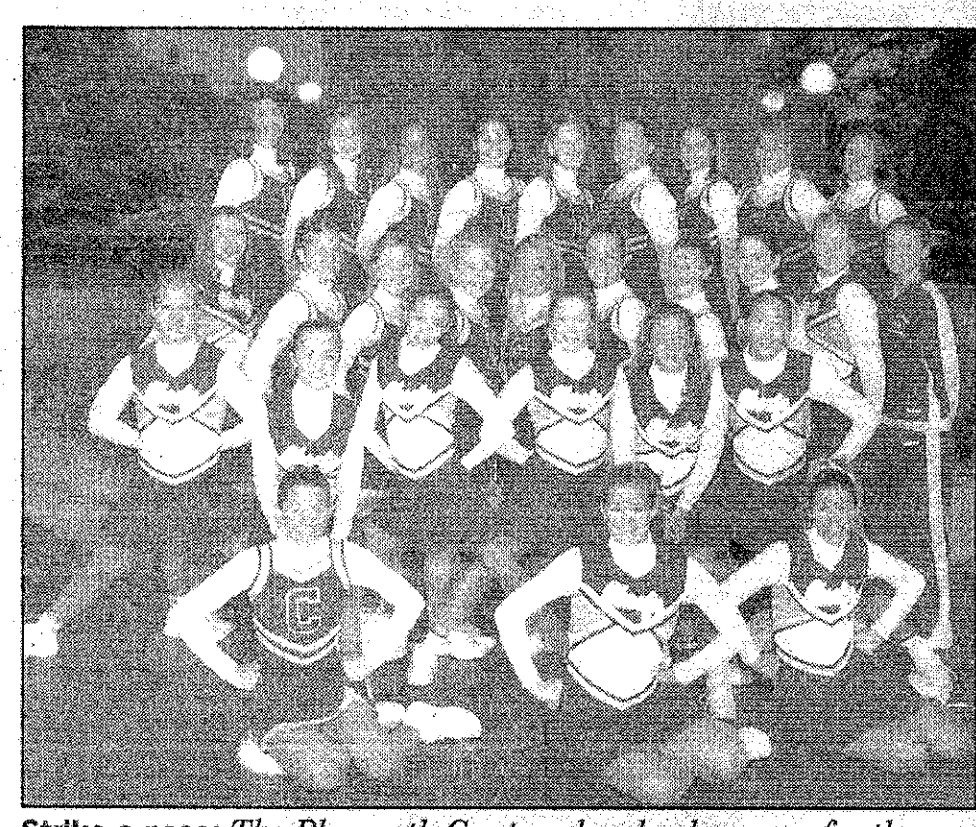
POWER SQUADRON
■ The winter course "Basic Boating Education", open to the public, begins Feb. 7 and runs through March 21. The class will be held at Clague Middle School at 7 p.m. This class is open to adults and teenagers interested in or new to boating, as well as veteran boaters who wish to improve their boating skills. Call 973-0441 for further information.

SKATING CLASSES
■ Learn to roller skate at Skatin Station II in Canton for children or adults, 7-8 p.m. every Sunday. $6 per session or $30 for 6 weeks. Inline Roller Hockey Leagues for all ages. 10 week session with one game a week for all ages EVEN adults. Call (734)459-6401 for information.

ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS
■ The Plymouth Optimist Club is selling Entertainment 2001 Books. Proceeds will be used for children's causes throughout southeastern Michigan. Books are $40 and will be home delivered. Call Bill VonGlahn at (734)453-8253.

CREATIVE MUSIC
The Creative Music Center of Plymouth/Canton has on-going registration for its kindermusik classes. Classes are pro-rated. Classes are at the First Baptist Church of Plymouth, 45000 N. Territorial (just west of Sheldon). For information, call Lori Nelson at (734)354-9109.

Cheerful competition



Strike a pose: *The Plymouth Canton cheerleaders mug for the camera during a recent trip to the Citrus Bowl in Florida. The girls were in Florida for a cheerleading competition.*

CLUBS

DEMOCRATIC CLUB
■ The local club meets on the third Wednesday of every month at Local 845 Hall at 7 p.m. for Social and 7:30 for business Meeting. For further information call: Becky Tavarozzi (734)309-5845.

PARENTS WITHOUT PARTNERS
■ The Wayne/Westland #340 chapter will be hosting a dance on Feb. 23 from 9p.m. to 1 a.m. at Burton Manor in Livonia. Admission is $5 for members, $7 for non-members. Mention this ad and receive $1 off admission. For further information, call (313)381-1242 or (734)285-9227.

TOASTMASTERS
■ Develop your public speaking, communications and leadership skills. Guests welcome. No pressure to speak. Being held at St. John Episcopal Church in Plymouth. This group meets at 7 p.m., every first and third Monday of the month. Please call (734) 459-0715 for more information.

WESTSIDE SINGLES
■ Westside Singles presents Friday night dances. Open to the public and will be held every Friday night at the Burton Manor. Doors open at 8 p.m., dressy attire, budget bar, D.J., 21 years of age and older, price is $4 before 8:30 p.m. and $6 after 8:30 p.m. Call (734)981-0909 for further information.

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

ARTS COUNCIL
■ Every second Tuesday at noon you're invited to bring your lunch and learn about art with the speakers from the DIA. The cost is $5 for members and $8 for others. Thanks to a grant from Ford Motor Co., these lectures are now free to senior citizens. Winter 2001 classes for children-acting, singing, drawing, sketching and painting. For adults-photography, mandala, drawing, sketching, watercolor, salsa dance, and figure drawing with models. Classes begin the week of Jan. 15. Art or drama Birthday Parties or Scout Workshops custom designed for your group (any age) at the Plymouth Community Arts Council. For information on any of the above activities, call (734)416-4278.

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

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

ASTRONOMY DISCUSSION
■ Help celebrate the first anniversary meeting of the group from 7-8 p.m., Feb. 19 at the Plymouth District Library. Children 6-11 welcome with accompanying adult. Topic is "Tour of the Solar System." Door prizes, slides, handouts, and video. Call Mike Best (734)459-2378 for further information.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

PLYMOUTH NEWCOMERS
■ Plymouth Newcomers is a social organization dedicated to helping people meet others in the community through its monthly meetings and variety of special interest groups. Call Christine at (734) 416-0300.

YOGA CLASSES
■ Yoga classes beginning in January in downtown Plymouth, Wednesday evenings and Sunday afternoons. Six classes per session. The cost is $50 per session. Call Cynthia for further information (734) 420-2418.

MOTHERS OF PRESCHOOLERS
■ The Plymouth Baptist Church MOPS (Mothers Of Preschoolers) meets the first and third Tuesdays of each month from 9:15-11:30 a.m. These meetings provide a time for moms to develop new friendships with other moms. Special speakers, crafts and great food are some of the highlights at a MOPS meeting. Mothers, with their children, kindergarten aged and younger, are invited to attend. Childcare is provided. The church is at 42021 Ann Arbor Trail in Plymouth. Call (734) 453-5534.

VOLUNTEERS

SENIOR PARTY
■ Plans are being made and work is well underway for the all night senior party to be held on June 10. We are looking for volunteers to help in this huge undertaking. Please call one of our co-chairs to volunteer for decorating duty. We are also in need of donations, either monetary or merchandise to be given out as prizes on the night of the party. For more information please call Joanne LaMar 459-4539 or Dave and Marcia Garnice at 844-3855. Plans are being made and work is well underway for the all night senior party to be held on June 10. We are looking for volunteers to help in this huge undertaking. Please call one of our co-chairs to volunteer for decorating duty. We are also in need of donations, either monetary or merchandise to be given out as prizes on the night of the party. For more information please call 459-4539 or 844-3855.

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ARTISTIC EXPRESSIONS



LINDA ANN CHOMIN

Brighter days could be ahead for the arts

Gov. John Engler's budget cuts of state funding for the arts in 1991 brought dark days for the Detroit Institute of Arts and local cultural institutions and organizations.

Galleries in the Detroit museum were open for only half days, and staffing was cut. Community symphonies and arts councils, which depended on money from grants from the Michigan Council of the Arts, then renamed the Michigan Council for Arts and Cultural Affairs, floundered as well. But arts advocates rallied and came up with innovative fundraising techniques.

Change of heart

Now it seems Gov. Engler has had a change of heart with the creation of a Department of History, Arts and Culture. He's currently writing an executive order for the new department which will coordinate resources in an effort to give higher visibility to historical museums and arts and cultural organizations in the state.

Although the scope of the department is sketchy, and additional funding will not be forthcoming, the new department, hoped to be up and running by spring, will elevate the image of Michigan as a state that values arts and culture. That could help tourism and in turn the historical, arts and cultural institutions and organizations.

Arts spending

"Michigan is already No. 1 in the country in terms of spending on the arts," said Engler's press secretary John Truscott. "We're looking to get more bang for the bucks in promoting and coordinating historical and cultural activities. The Governor's seen what other states do like linking with local tourists agencies. It can be as simple as placing brochures for museums in these agencies to promote local historical and cultural treasures. We think it could be a big boon to tourism and it's a great educational tool for school groups. The other benefit is if you get all of these groups together it's more likely they will talk to each other."

Arts groups didn't wait around for culture to die in the state after the devastating budget cuts of 1991. They began a dialogue shortly after the announcement and have made tremendous strides in promoting and coordinating the arts thanks to groups like ArtServe Michigan, an independent statewide organization that builds support for the arts, artists and cultural activities through advocacy, education and services.

A place they deserve

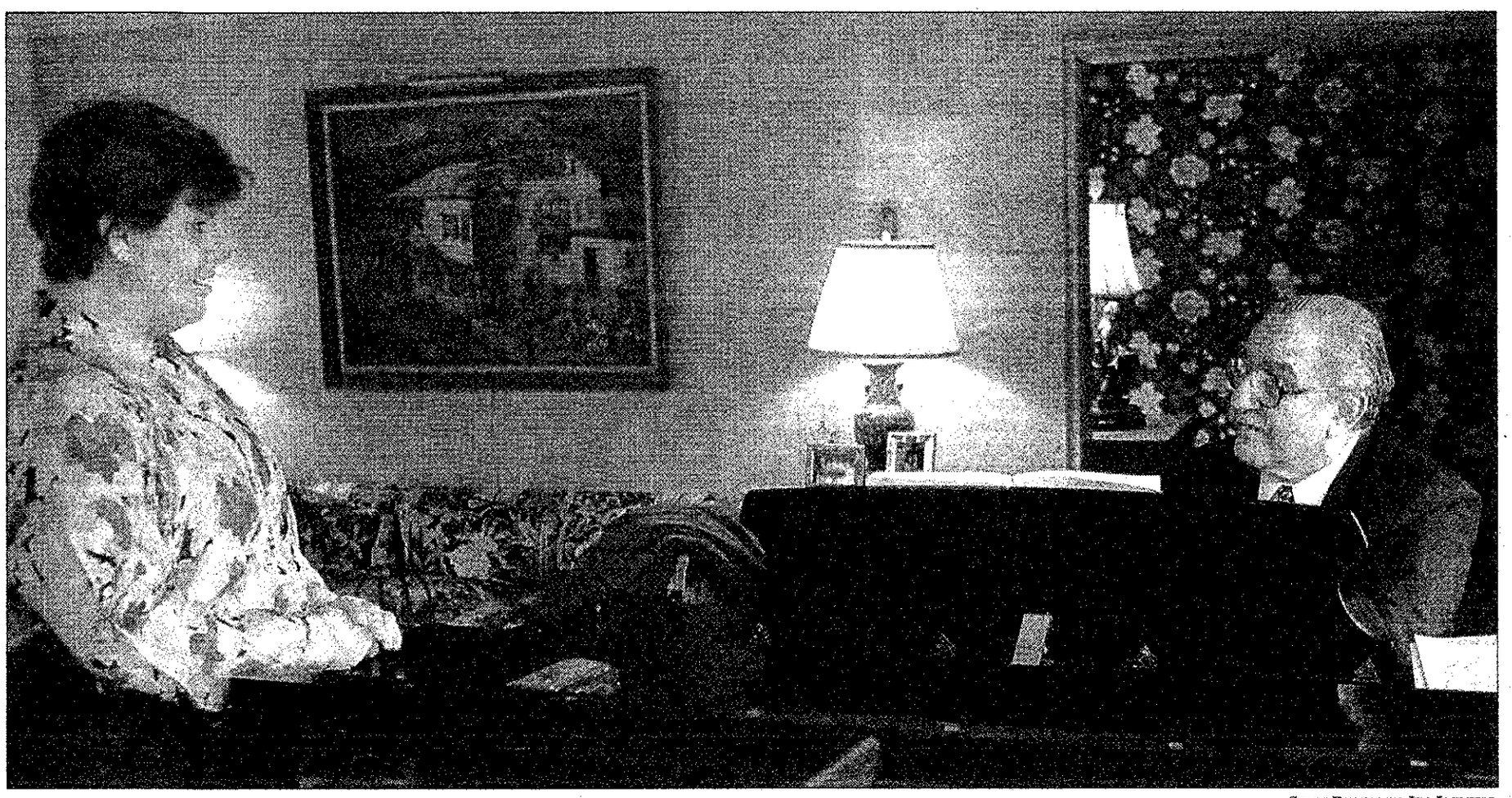
"I think the creation of the new department is great," said Barbara Kratchman, president of ArtServe Michigan. "It finally gives arts a place they deserve. Arts and cultural advocates have been doing a great job. A market study last year showed 58 percent of households participating in arts and cultural activities. I found it very interesting that we're ahead of the national average."

Kratchman stressed that the "arts are not just for the elite but showed they were getting into distressed areas and reaching younger people. The appeal of arts is cutting across all the boundaries."

The ability of the arts to bring people together is what makes music, dance, theater and media ranging from painting to sculpture so important. ArtServe recognizes that fact and has worked tirelessly to try to get more funding for the arts. The defeat of Proposal A, which would have levied a tax to fund regional and local arts and cultural organizations as well as sports, has only made supporters more adamant about promoting them.

"We're now working on a feasibility study," said Kratchman, a former director of the state arts council. "There's a need for organizations big and small to spend more resources in the area of marketing. We're looking at what kinds of things can these organizations do together.

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STAFF PHOTOS BY JIM JAGDFELD

Teaching technique: *Ara Berberian works with student Rosanne Thomas, a Farmington resident, on the finer points of singing.*

Seasoned operatic singer brings lessons home

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN
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A vintage poster that hung in the barn alongside Ara Berberian's Southfield home hints at the breadth of a singing career that spanned more than four decades.

Over the years, Berberian's shared billing with Luciano Pavarotti, Placido Domingo and Dame Joan Sutherland. Stories of his childhood and 20 years as a bass with the Metropolitan Opera in New York City would fascinate any listener with its animated detail.

But it's the students at Madonna University in Livonia who are now fortunate enough to benefit from his expertise since his return to Michigan. Berberian's demonstration of practicing the proper singing techniques reveals his extensive experience on stages around the world backed by a knowledge of the basics.

"We're all products of our teachers," said Berberian, who joined the Madonna University faculty as artist-in-residence in January. "I owe my teachers good and bad for everything I've been able to do. If you have a good teacher, you will learn. If you have a bad teacher, you learn from that.



Learning from experience: *Ara Berberian brings years of professional operatic singing experience, including 20 years with the Met, to his position as artist-in-residence at Madonna University.*

"What I know from performance is that you cannot sing opera without technique. I try to give students what I know has worked for me."

Early years

Berberian learned about opera early from his father, who played 78 rpm recordings of Verdi and Wagner day and night in their northwest Detroit home. By 17, the young Armenian lad had dropped violin studies for voice because his violin vibrato was bad, he said. A high soprano at age 13, Berberian would go on to tackle bass roles in *The Magic Flute, The Abduction from the Seraglio, Rigoletto* and *The Barber of Seville.* He has performed in more than 155 operas and 100 oratorios, and appeared on television in *Live from the Met* presentations. But it was at age 13 that a Philadelphia Grand Opera Company performance of *La Traviata* at Masonic Temple in Detroit would change his life.

"The doorman was a client of my father," said Berberian. "He got me a job as an usher so I could see all the operas for free. I never owned long pants, so I had to go out and buy a black suit."

For the next two years, Berberian took three buses to the Masonic Temple to watch Detroit Symphony Orchestra concerts, ballets and operas. He saw everyone from Vladimir Horowitz to Jascha Heifitz, Marian Anderson to Ezio Pinza and Broadway productions of *Showboat* and Cole Porter's *Anything Goes.* By the time he went off to study for an economics degree at the University of Michigan, Berberian knew music would play a role in his life. He joined the Men's Glee Club, the University Musical Society Choral Union and took classes in operatic languages.

"Ann Arbor was everything to me. I had the opportunity to sing in oratorios and the May Festival with 400 and some singers and world famous soloists. By the time I got to U of M, I'd seen 25 different operas and knew I wanted to sing. My aspiration was to be a lawyer but my dream was to be a singer.

"Opera of all the art forms is one of the constants in our civilization. It's always a feeling of tapping into the soul of the human being of its past, a reaching back."

Berberian eventually went on to practice law but also became a member of the Detroit Bar Association Glee Club. It was apparent his heart was elsewhere. After a two-year stint in the Army, Berberian went to New York in search of his dreams. Experiences such as singing with the U.S. Army Chorus for President Dwight Eisenhower at the National Presbyterian Church in Washington, D. C., made him certain he wanted to sing on stage. During his career Berberian would sing for seven living presidents and at the funeral of former President Herbert Hoover.

Long and winding road

In New York Berberian lived with four lawyers in Greenwich Village and worked as a cashier at a cafeteria one block from the Metropolitan Opera while auditioning for roles. Before long he was making $28 a week singing with the Turnau Opera Players in Woodstock, N.Y.

He would go on to perform with the New York City and San Francisco operas before singing with the Met, an experience he only imagined several years earlier when one of the stage hands let him watch produc-

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FILM

Creating less a mystery after seeing 'Pollock' and Picasso

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Pollock and Picasso created art in totally different styles but shared a desire for fame.

A self-destructive personality and bouts of drinking eventually led to Jackson Pollock's tragic death. Pablo Picasso died at age 91 after living as a recluse during the last few years of his life. Why did the Cubist painter live and go on creating for so many years and Pollock, who oddly enough was influenced by Picasso, self-destruct at 44? That's just one of the mysteries about these artists that may never have an answer. It's also one of the reasons film makers have always been fascinated with the subject of artists.

Two of the best films – *Pollock* and *The Mystery of Picasso* – dissect the artist and the process of creating. Henri-Georges Clouzot's *The Mystery of Picasso,* which won the Prix du Jury at the Cannes Film Festival in 1956, gives audiences a glimpse of the normally private process of painting by showing the Spanish artist working with ink markers that bleed through the surface so strokes are visible to viewers. *Pollock* delves into the life of the American artist for whom the term "action painting" was coined. Ed Harris, who starred in and directed *Pollock* has been nominated for an Oscar in the category of best actor.



Action painting: *Ed Harris gives a riveting portrayal of Jackson Pollock, the legendary American Abstract Expressionist who turned a drip method of painting into fine art.*

The two films will be shown back-to-back Feb. 23-26 at the Detroit Film Theatre of the Detroit Institute of Arts.

"The films are very different," said Detroit Film Theatre curator Elliot Wilhelm. "There's a whole history of the subject about people wanting to make films about artists. Bio-pics or biographical movies are one of the most difficult things for movie makers to do to capture the moment of inspiration and not to look silly. In *The Agony and the Ecstasy* about Michelangelo, Charlton Heston goes up to the mountain top then there's a bad special effect, a blast of music and that's the moment of inspiration for Michelangelo's portrayal of

Detroit Film Theatre
- *Pollock* 7 p.m. and 9:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Feb. 23-24, 4 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 24, and 1 p.m., 4 p.m. and 7 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 25
- *The Mystery of Picasso* 7:30 p.m. Monday, Feb. 26

Where: Detroit Institute of Arts, 5200 Woodward Ave.
Tickets: $6, $5 students/seniors, call, (313) 833-3237

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Adam touching the hand of God on the ceiling of the Sistine Chapel."

Harris avoids clichés and bad special effects in *Pollock*.

"I've always admired Ed Harris as an actor," said Wilhelm. "He was aware of *The Agony and the Ecstasy* and avoids the pitfalls. He makes Pollock accessible to audiences and tells us about a person, his insight. He researched and looked into films about artists before portraying the moment of inspiration, why an artist has the need to create. You can't do it with flashbacks to childhood, to explain genius isn't possible."

Harris spent nearly a decade thinking about ideas for *Pollock* before filming began and went so far as to have a studio built so he could explore painting techniques including Pollock's drip method.

"The impulse to create and the impulse to destroy can be similar," said Wilhelm. "Harris portrays Pollock as a furious, angry individual whose art grows out of a need to create. He's a loner until he meets Lee Krasner (who later became his wife). He had this need for approval and critical acclaim. Why did he need art critics to say he's great? That mystery is never explained in the movie."

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Detroit Film Theatre curator

Fortunately for Detroit audiences, Wilhelm's respect and awe of the creative process brings the two films together to help unravel at least some of the mystery about Pollock and Picasso. Clouzot uses the camera to actually capture Picasso at work.

"We see Picasso visually trying to create as Clouzot shows us nakedly the artist's process," said Wilhelm who fell in love with *The Mystery of Picasso* after seeing it when it was reissued in 1982. "A narrative mystery film, you root for certain things not to be thrown out. What Clouzot offers us is not a static record, but his interpretation of how this looks for those of us who couldn't walk over to Picasso's studio. To see that act of creation is thrilling.

"When I've seen great dancing, dancing has a purity and continuity. It's not a director's interpretation of dance. In the Fred Astaire and Ginger Rogers films there's not much editing. The camera stays on the dancers. Clouzot never tries to explain what's inside the genius. He films through a transparent screen. We become the canvas. You see Picasso developing ideas; you see thought processes."

Wilhelm isn't ready to declare either of the films a classic. That only time will tell. But *Pollock* will make audiences reflect on life.

"The *Pollock* film has so much integrity and Ed Harris's performance was so great. Pollock and Picasso both refused to compromise. Picasso liked to be in movies. Pollock loved being on the cover of Life Magazine but that hunger for fame didn't make them any less great as artists. The film makes us ask about compromising our principals. We have to ask ourselves what are we compromising or sacrificing to make us happy."

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"As far as Proposal A. It was defeated by a slim margin. We're going to go after it again. The advocates are in gear. We must remain vigilant."

Local support

Canton Township Supervisor Tom Yack, like Kracthman, is trying to promote the arts. He is pleased about Gov. Engler developing the Department of History, Arts and Culture. Yack has spent the last few years planning and working to build a performing arts center for Canton and the surrounding communities.

"I don't see an immediate impact but think it's a giant step the fact the governor recognized the need," said Yack. "He's putting greater emphasis on tourism and recognized historical and cultural treasures that bring attention, but also focus, to Michigan."

Yack thinks that while the department isn't providing any additional funding this year. It will in the future. He's hoping it will also create a Web site where all of the historical, arts and cultural institutions and attractions can be listed.

"The more we can do with technology the better," said Yack. "I'm taking a vacation so I'm looking forward to cultural activities in the evening and seeing other performing arts centers. I went on line to look up what's available. We need a central place where people can go for information on these activities and centers."

Robert Bennett couldn't agree more with Yack about the need for promoting culture by any means but he's unsure of the benefits, if any, the new department will bring arts organizations.

Bennett, a former Livonia mayor, is president of the Livonia Symphony Orchestra. He's watched the arts and environment flounder under the Engler administration over the years.

Change of attitude

"I'm not that familiar with Gov. Engler's plans but I'm pleased to hear what seems to be a change of attitude in the interest of arts and culture in the state. I'm eager to find out how the Livonia Symphony might benefit from promoting arts and cultural organizations as a whole. The last few years the Livonia Symphony hasn't submitted a request for grants because we weren't getting money after Gov. Engler slashed the budget for the arts. I just hope this helps the arts but it's beginning to sound like a facade."

Only time will tell if Bennett is right or if Gov. Engler has had a change of heart about supporting the arts.

Have an interesting idea for a story? Call arts reporter Linda Ann Chomin at (734) 953-2145 or send e-mail to lchomin@oe.homecomm.net

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tions from the crow's nest in the wings.

After retiring in 1998, Berberian moved back to the home his family has owned for the last 46 years. It is here in his private sanctuary of 22 acres that Berberian is taking time to reflect on a career which fills 38 scrap books. It's that performance experience Berberian brings to students at Madonna University.

Benefit

"It's a wonderful benefit for students to have contact with such a singer of outstanding stature in the artistic community, someone with an international reputation," said Linette Popoff-Parks, chairwoman of the music department at the university.

"His talent is something he can share. His suggestions to students are all gems to bring out the strength and power of the voice, to interpret the melodic line. It's an exciting time for Madonna University because we're growing. We want to continue to build a department that brings in excellent musicians committed to teaching."

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LAWRENCE STREET GALLERY
Accepting entries for fifth annual *Exposures: Photography Show.* Entries must be brought to the gallery Feb. 21-24 during gallery hours 12-6 p.m. Exhibition is Feb. 28-March 30. Accepting proposals for exhibitions in 2001. Mail proposals, slides, resumes to Lawrence Street Gallery, 6 N. Saginaw, Pontiac, 48232. Call Kris at (248) 360-2381 or the Gallery at (248) 334-6716.

LIBERTY FEST 2001
Canton Township 10th annual fine art and fine craft show is seeking artists for the event on June 23-24. Deadline for submission is April 16. For more information, call Sharon Dillenbeck of D&M studio at (734) 453-3710.

POETRY CONTEST
Deadline for the International Library of Poetry contest is April 30. Entry is free and open to everyone. To enter, send one original poem to The International Library of Poetry, Suite 19910, 1 Poetry Plaza, Owings Mills, Md. 21117. Send entries via the Internet at www.poetry.com.

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All levels of classes for recreational and professional students, including modern, ballet, pointe, tap and jazz for children ages 3 and older. 1541 W. Hamlin, between Crooks and Livernois, Rochester Hills. (248) 852-5850.

KAMMUELLER DANCE CLASSES
Adult daytime summer ballet classes Sundays through Fridays, ages 16-60 years. Call Chris at (248) 932-8699 or Mo at (248) 960-0778. Keego Harbor area.

METRO DANCE
Basic adult ballet and tap classes for adults, and classes for experienced dancers. 541 S. Mill, Plymouth. (734) 207-8970.

PLYMOUTH COMMUNITY ARTS COUNCIL
Winter classes and workshops for all ages are available at the Joanne Winkleman Hulce Center for the Arts, 774 N. Sheldon, Plymouth. For a brochure and list of events call (734) 416-4ART.

VISUAL ART ASSOCIATION OF LIVONIA
Classes in various arts forms at the Jefferson Center, Room 16, 9501 Henry Ruff, Livonia. (734) 455-9517

CONCERTS

ALL SAINTS CHURCH
The gala Mardi Gras dinner is at 7 p.m. Feb. 23 at the church at the corner of Williams and Pike Street, Pontiac. (248) 334-4571.

BELIAN ARTS MUSICALE
The Musicale along with Euphonia Music presents Concert Two of chamber music at 3 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 25. 5980 Rochester, Troy.

B'JAZZ VESPERS
Featuring Ashaki Mayimura with Dr. Teddy Harris, George Davidson and Don Mayberry, is at 6 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 18. First Baptist Church, Birmingham. (248) 644-0550.

CENTURY CLUB
Features live music, dancing and a late-night menu on Friday and Saturday evenings. A rotating roster of musicians, including vocalists Misty Love, Jennifer George-Consiglio and Johnnie Bassett. 333 Madison, Detroit. (313) 963-9800.

CHRIST CHURCH CONCERTS
A romantic recital of opera and art songs with Elizabeth Parcells and David Fischer is at 4:30 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 18. 61 Grosse Pointe Blvd., Grosse Pointe Farms. (313) 885-4841.

CRANBROOK MUSIC GUILD
Presents violinist Juliana Athayde at 8 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 20 at Christ Church Cranbrook, Bloomfield Hills. To reserve tickets, call (810) 751-2435.

DETROIT CHAMBER WINDS & STRINGS
Hungarian Fantasy is at 8:30 p.m. Friday, Feb. 23 at Hagopian World of Rugs, Birmingham. 850 S. Old Woodward, Birmingham. (248) 559-2095. A Brass Blast is at 3 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 25 at Christ Church Cranbrook, Bloomfield Hills. (248) 559-2095.

DETROIT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA
Classical Roots is Feb.18 at Orchestra Hall, Detroit. The Detroit Symphony Civic Sinfonia is at 7:30 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 18. Beethoven's Eroica is Feb. 22-24. The Paradise jazz series features The Vanguard Jazz Orchestra and Hank Jones is at 8 p.m. Friday, Feb. 23. (313) 576-5111.

EMERALD SINFONIETTA
Presents Corelli Clash! concert at 7 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 25 at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lake Shore Dr., Grosse Pointe Farms. (313) 438-0780.

MACOMB CENTER FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS
Cleo Laine and Duke Ellington Orchestra perform at 3 & 7 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 18. American Indian Dance Theatre is Feb. 19. The London City Opera presents Carmen, Wednesday, Feb. 21. Preservation Hall Jazz Band is Feb. 22. Bill Cosby performs Feb. 24. Cab Calloway's Legacy of Swing is Feb. 25. 44575 Garfield, Clinton Twp. (810) 286-2141.

MILES DAVIS TRIBUTE
Wayne State University's Africana Studies Department celebrates Black History Month with a musical tribute featuring Rayse Biggs Quintet at 4 p.m. Feb. 18 in the General Lectures Auditorium at Warren and Anthony Wayne Drive, Detroit. (313) 496-4742.

PONTIAC OAKLAND SYMPHONY
Features the concerto competition winners at 3 p.m. Feb. 18 at Varner Recital Hall, Oakland University, Rochester. (248) 334-6024.

SPHINX COMPETITION
The Final rounds of this event is 3 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 25 at Orchestra Hall. For tickets call the DSO box office at (313) 576-5111.

TAMBURITZANS
This Eastern European folklore ensemble will perform at 2 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 25, in the Warren Woods Community Theatre, 13400 12 Mile, Warren. (248) 887-4677.

UNIVERSITY MUSICAL SOCIETY
Presents guitarist Manuel Barreco at 4 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 18 at Rackham Auditorium, 915 E. Washington, Ann Arbor. Ballet Preljocaj is at 8 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 21 at the Power Center, 121 Fletcher, Ann Arbor. (800) 221-1229.

WARREN CONCERT BAND
Presents Sounds of Sousa at 3 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 18 at the Warren Woods Fine Arts Auditorium, Warren. (248) 676-1633.

WAYNE STATE UNIVERSITY
On Tuesday, Feb. 20 at 12:15 p.m., the WSU Women's Chorale will perform a special concert in honor of Black History Month at the Detroit Public Library, 3rd floor. (313) 577-1795. On Friday, Feb. 23 at 11:45 a.m., the WSU Jazz Faculty staff will present a sax concert in the Schaver Music Recital Hall in the Old Main Building.

DANCE

CECCHETTI COUNCIL OF AMERICA
Sponsors an annual ballet day at 9 a.m. Sunday, Feb. 25 at Oakland University, Varner Hall, Rochester. (734) 769-8506.

EVENTS

MANISCALCO GALLERY
A cocktail preview for MaskorAide for Cots is 7-10 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 24 at the gallery. 17329 Mack. Detroit. (313) 886-2993.

FOR KIDS

EVOLA MUSIC
Register for summer classes in Kindermusik (birth to 7 years old), piano (ages 6-12), percussion (ages 6-12), guitar (6-12) and violin (ages 7-14) at Evola Music, 7170 N. Haggerty, Canton. (734) 455-4677.

KINDERMUSIK
Enroll anytime for classes for newborns to age 7. Parents participate in classes for children under 3. Classes are held at the First Baptist Church of Plymouth, 45000 N. Territorial, Plymouth. Call Lori at (734) 354-9109.

TINDERBOX WORKSHOP
Begins its 6-week winter workshop on Saturday, Feb. 24 for students K-12. Rehearsals at Masonic Temple, Detroit. (313) 535-8962.

WEST BLOOMFIELD COMMUNITY EDUCATION
Rita's music classes for parents and children ages 2 months to 4 years. For location and registration call (248) 539-2290.

GALLERY EXHIBITS (OPENING)

CASS CAFE
Opens Saturday, Feb. 24 – An exhibition of linocuts and woodcuts by Carlos Cortez through April 28. Opening reception is 7-10 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 24. 4620 Cass, Detroit. (313) 831-1400.

BIDDLE GALLERY
Opens Monday, Feb. 19 – New paintings by Charles Aimone and Martine MacDonald through March 6. Opening reception 6-10 p.m. Feb. 19. 2840 Biddle, Wyandotte. (734) 281-4779.

CENTER GALLERIES
Opens Saturday, Feb. 24 – Exhibit A through March 24. Opening reception is 6-8 p.m. Friday, Feb. 23. 301 Frederick Douglass, Detroit. (313) 664-7800.

DANIELLE PELEG GALLERY
Opens Sunday, Feb. 25 – Works by David Gerstein through March 11. 4301 Orchard Lake, Crosswinds Mall, West Bloomfield. (248) 626-5810.

GALLERY EXHIBITS (ON-GOING)

AFFIRMATIONS PITTMANN-PUCKETT GALLERY
Through March 17 – *Exploring Creativity: Works in Progress*, a photographic exhibit by Pontiac artist Diane Holcomb. 195 W. Nine Mile, Ferndale. (248) 398-7105.

ANN ARBOR ART CENTER
Through March 11 – *Messengers and Messiahs*. Reception is 6-8 p.m. Friday, Feb. 23. 117 West Liberty, Ann Arbor. (734) 994-8004.

ART OF LIVING
Through Feb. 24 – Paintings, drawings, prints and jewelry by 14 artists. 11 S. Broadway, Lake Orion. (248) 693-3632.

BENTLEY LIBRARY
Through April 30 – *Shakespeare on Campus*, a photographic review of the performances of the Bard's works on the U-M campus. 1150 Beal, North campus, Ann Arbor. (734) 764-3482.

BIRMINGHAM COMMUNITY HOUSE
Through March 4 – the relief sculptures of Birmingham artist Ron Pavsner. 380 S. Bates, Birmingham. (248) 644-5832.

CARY GALLERY
Through March 10 – watercolors by Mary Aro. 226 Walnut Blvd., Rochester. (248) 651-3656.

COMMUNITY ARTS GALLERY
Through March 2 – MFA Thesis 1. 150 Community Arts Building, Wayne State University, Detroit. (313) 577-2423.

CPOP GALLERY
Through Feb. 25 – Neil Ollivierra, Ron Zakrin and the premier of the Detroit Electronic Music Festival Photographs. 4160 Woodward, Detroit. (313) 833-9901.

CREATIVE ARTS CENTER
Through March 31 – *Improvisation: A Journey into Jazz*. There will also be a jazz performance 2-4 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 25 featuring Wendell Harrison and John Lindberg. Shelia Landis, Rick Matle and Dennis Sheridan will perform 8-10 p.m. Saturday, March 31. 47 Williams Street, Pontiac. (248) 333-7849.

DETROIT ARTISTS MARKET
Through Feb. 28 – featured local artist is Jean Buescher. Through March 9 – *Colorforms*. 4719 Woodward, Detroit. (313) 832-8540.

JANICE CHARACH EPSTEIN GALLERY
Through March 22 – *The New Year of Trees*: Tu B'Shevat in the second level gallery and *Soft Walls*: More work by Colorado Fiber Artists in the first level gallery. 6600 West Maple, West Bloomfield. (248) 661-7641.

FARMINGTON CITY HALL
Through March 30 – Kegham Tazian art exhibit. 28600 W. Eleven Mile, Farmington Hills. (248) 473-1856.

FORD GALLERY
Through March 2 – *What a Hoot: Comic Art*. Eastern Michigan University, Ypsilanti. (734) 487-0465.

HABATAT GALLERIES
Through Feb. 23 – New work by Latchezar Boyadiev, and works by William Carlson. 7 North Saginaw, Pontiac. (248) 333-2060.

HILL GALLERY
Through March 24 – Richard Pousette-Dart: *Contemplating the Sublime*. 407 W. Brown St., Birmingham. (248) 540-9200.

HOPE GALLERY
Through Feb. 28 – *Two Visions: A Celebration of Black History Month*. 1400 Oakman, Detroit. (313) 494-5500.

INN SEASON CAFE
Through March 3 – Oils and pastels of Lisa Rigstad. Fourth Street, Royal Oak. (248) 547-7916.

ELAINE JACOB GALLERY
Through March 23 – *Figuratively Literal*. Wayne State University campus, 480 W. Hancock, Detroit. (313) 993-7813.

ROBERT KIDD GALLERY
Through March 3 – Group exhibition of paintings and sculpture featuring large-scale botanical prints by Judy Pffaf, among others. 107 Townsend, Birmingham. (248) 642-3909.

LAWRENCE STREET GALLERY
Through Feb. 24 – *Dogs and Conchs: The Surreal World of Margie Guyot*. Also featuring Laura Whitesides Host: *Patterns 6*. North Saginaw, Pontiac. (248) 334-6716.

LITTLE ITALY
Through March 5 – Darcel Deneau. Opening reception is 6-10 p.m. Monday, Feb. 19. Hutton, south of Eight Mile, Northville. (248) 348-5547.

LIVONIA ART COMMISSION
Through Feb. 27 – Stained Glass Creations by George Pozan at the Livonia Civic Center Library. Through Feb. 28 – watercolors by Johanna Bielicki in the Fine Arts Gallery, 32777 Five Mile Road. (734) 466-2490. Through Feb. 27 – Betty Ives and Pat Ingersoll quilts at the Livonia City Hall Lobby, 33000 Civic Center Drive. (734) 466-2540.

MICHIGAN HOT GLASS GALLERY
Through Feb. 28 – *Two Views, One Medium* featuring the works of Andrea Daoud and Jeff Mack. 1604 Clay, 2nd floor, Detroit. (313) 871-1798.

MEADOW BROOK GALLERY
Through Feb. 25 – *Punch's Progress: A Century of American Puppetry*. 208 Wilson Hall, Oakland University, Rochester. (248) 370-3005.

OAKLAND COUNTY GALLERIA
Through March 16 – Detroit Society of Women Painters and Sculptors. 1200 N. Telegraph, 2nd Floor, Pontiac. (248) 858-0415.

PEWABIC POTTERY
Through Feb. 24 – *Figure Figurine*. 10125 E. Jefferson, Detroit. (313) 822-0954.

PLYMOUTH COMMUNITY ARTS COUNCIL
Through March 8 – Illustrations of Kara Renee Marsee. 774 N. Sheldon, Plymouth. (734) 416-4ART.

PRINT GALLERY
Through March 15 – Rembrandt and the Masters of the Original Print. 29469 Northwestern, Southfield. (248) 354-2343.

REVOLUTION
Through March 17 – Peter Williams: *Life on a Black Planet*. 23257 Woodward, Ferndale. (248) 541-3444.

SCARAB CLUB
Through Feb. 28 – *Global Expressions*, an all-media exhibit and statements on the human condition. 217 Farnsworth, Detroit. (313) 831-1250.

SISSION GALLERY
Through Feb. 23 – *Into the Minds of Three Artists*. Henry Ford Community College, 5101 Evergreen, Dearborn. (313) 845-6485.

SOUTHFIELD CENTRE FOR THE ARTS
Through Feb. 28 – An exhibition of photography entitled *World Religions in Metropolitan Detroit*. 26000 Evergreen, Southfield. (248) 354-4224.

SWORDS INTO PLOWSHARES GALLERY
Through March 17 – Cutting Trees, painting, drawings and wood sculptures by Michael Slaski and Ruth Andrews. 33 East Adams, Detroit. (313) 963-7575.

SYBARIS GALLERY
Through Feb. 24 – *International Infusion III*, the ceramic teapot invitational. 202 E. Third St., Royal Oak. (248) 544-3388.

WARREN TRI-COUNTY FINE ARTS
Through Feb. 28 – featured artist is Bob Weinberg. 29500 Van Dyke, Warren. (810) 779-9226.

WASHINGTON STREET GALLERY
Through March 3 – Michigan Artists Competition. 215 East Washington, Ann Arbor. (734) 761-2287.

WEARLEY STUDIO GALLERY
Through March 15 – *Japanese Interiors*, solo exhibit of new works on paper by Stephanie Sarris. 1719 W. Fourteen Mile, Royal Oak. (248) 549-3016.

ZEITGEIST
Through Feb. 28 – Bledsoe/Puntigam. 2661 Michigan, Detroit. (313) 965-9192.

LECTURES

CLR JAMES LECTURE SERIES
On Sunday, Feb. 25 from 4:30-6:30 p.m. is CLR James, his prison testament by Dr. Aldon Nielsen at the Charles H. Wright Museum of African American History. (313) 871-4594.

MUSEUMS

CRANBROOK ART MUSEUM
Through April 8 – *Network Gallery: Gathering Time*. Through April 8 – *Forgers of Metal*: George Booth & His Patronage of Metalcraft at Cranbrook. 39221 Woodward Ave, Bloomfield Hills. 1-877-GO-CRANBrook.

CRANBROOK INSTITUTE OF SCIENCE
Through April 29 — *Electric Space: Bolts, Jolts and Volts from the Sun*. Through May 20 – Lasera presents Laser Festival with music of the Beatles, B-52s and Jackson 5. The Young Stargazer's Journey is through Sept. 3. Through Dec – An exhibit of Great Lakes fur trade with 18th and 19th century artifacts. 39221 Woodward, Bloomfield Hills. 1-877-GO-CRANBrook.

DETROIT INSTITUTE OF ARTS
Through April 30 – *A Cultural Heritage: Selected Works of African American Art From the DIA's Collection*. Through May 27 – *A Century of Collecting Drawings: 1900-2000*. Through March 11 – *Little Treasures:* Northern and Italian Paintings of the 16th and 17th Centuries. Through March 4 — *A Decade of Acquisitions 1900-2000: Photographs*.

EXHIBIT MUSEUM OF NATURAL HISTORY
The Planetarium show also runs on Saturdays and Sundays through Feb. *People and Their Sky: African and African-American Sky Tales* runs on weekends through February. *The Way People Live*. Year two of a five-year family reading/science collaboration with the Ann Arbor District Library is through March. It features a family reading program accompanied by free, fun and informative reading/science events. 1109 Geddes Ave., Ann Arbor. (734) 764-0478.

UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN MUSEUM OF ART
Through Feb. 25 – Mark Rothko and the *Lure of the Figure: Paintings 1933-1946*.

CHARLES H. WRIGHT MUSEUM OF AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORY
Through April 15 – *Hair in African Art and Culture*. Through March 30 — *Historical Themes, Tales and Legends*: The Art of Jerry Pinkney. 315 E. Warren, Detroit. (313) 494-5800.

THEATER

DETROIT REPERTORY THEATRE
Moms Mabley: The Naked Truth by Reuben Yabuku featuring Linda Boston as Moms through March 18. 13103 Woodrow Wilson, Detroit. (313) 868-1347.

JET THEATRE
Presents *Another Antigone* through March 7 at the Aaron DeRoy Theatre, JCC, 6600 West Maple, West Bloomfield. Tickets $16-$26. (248) 788-2900.A

GEM THEATRE
The Tropical Pickle opens Feb. 21 in the Gem. 333 Madison, Detroit. (313) 963-9800.

PLANET ANT
Buried Child by Sam Shepard is Thursdays through Saturdays at 8 p.m. Sundays at 2 and 7 p.m. 2357 Caniff, Hamtramck. (313) 365-4948.

WORK-SHOPS

ANN ARBOR ART CENTER
The topic of a free art appreciation workshop at 7 p.m.. Tuesday, Feb. 27 is on how public art can prevent crime and serve as a catalyst for positive social change. 117 West Liberty, Ann Arbor. (734) 994-8004.

EDSEL & ELEANOR FORD HOUSE
Floral arranging with Viviano Flower Shop is 9:30 a.m.-3 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 24. 1100 Lake Shore, Grosse Pointe Shores. (313) 884-4222.

Scholarly sounds



Cranbrook scholar: *Juliana Athayde, concertmaster of the Plymouth Symphony, is the Cranbrook Music Guild Betty Brewster Scholar. She's performing at 8 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 20, at Christ Church Cranbrook, Bloomfield Hills. Call (810) 751-2435.*

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VALENTINE (R)
DRACULA 2000 (R)

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LITTLE NICKY (PG13)
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DUDE, WHERE'S MY CAR (PG13)
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WHAT LIES BENEATH (PG13)
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BAIT (R)
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THE 6TH DAY (PG13)
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DUNGEONS AND DRAGONS (PG13)
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PROOF OF LIFE (R)
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REMEMBER THE TITANS (PG)
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ONE HUNDRED & 2 DALMATIONS (G)
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CHARLIE'S ANGELS (PG13)
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BOOKS

Author pieces together literary collage of 'Extraordinary People'

■ Usually, part of Susan Orlean's modus operandi involves 'hanging out' with a subject for weeks or even months. Sometimes, this means a kind of fly-on-the-wall approach; at other times, it can mean intense, one-on-one sessions with the subject.

The Bullfighter Checks Her Makeup: My Encounters With Extraordinary People
By Susan Orlean (Random House, $24.95)

Once upon a time — in the closing days of the 20th century, to be exact — there lived in the Bronx, New York, a king who drove a taxi for a living. His name was Kwabena Oppong and, as one sign of his royal status, a throne sat in his living room. Sometimes, when this leader of the African Ashanti living in America grew distracted by his many responsibilities, his 4-year-old son would climb up into the royal chair, settle down with a box of Cheerios and watch television.



VICTORIA DIAZ

Lively profiles

Oppong is only one of Orlean's "Extraordinary People" in this collection of lively profiles, most of which originally appeared in *The New Yorker*, where she is a staff writer.

Though the University of Michigan alum says she can't remember a time when she didn't want to be a writer, she stresses she was never interested in running down hard news stories. Neither did she have "polemics to air or sociological theories to spin out."

Instead, she wanted to focus on people and places, although not on "famous people simply because they were famous (or) charming little things that were self-consciously charming and little."

The matador of the title piece is Cristina Sanchez, the first woman to have taken her debut bows as a full matador in Spain.

Here, in a dozen pages or so, we not only meet the former beautician and typist who still lives with her parents in a dusty little town south of Madrid, but we get a behind-the-scenes look at the world of bullfighting. Sometimes, we find it gory and gritty; sometimes, we find it surprisingly mundane.

Here are the torero's pink stockings, lying in a heap of home laundry, alongside her white undershirt. Here is an assistant scrubbing blood from the fabulously expensive "suit of lights" — with some soap and a toothbrush.

Here is the now-wealthy Cristina, tooling around town in her car of choice, a red Ford Probe. Here she is one afternoon, suffering a stomach ache and not feeling much at all like slaughtering the bull she will have to face at the day's corrida.

In these profiles, we also meet Silly Billy, who, acting the clown, adds merriment to dozens of birthday parties each year in New York and environs; Robert Stuart, who "ran away from home when he was a teenager, used to be macrobiotic ... thinks Hugh Grant is good-looking but not amazing looking, is a Nietzschean, has been faithful to his wife since they met ... and planned to become a social worker but ended up as a hairdresser;" clothing designer, Bill Blass, accompanying a trunk show in 1993 to Nashville, where he rubs elbows with local yokels; and Iditarod champ Susan Butcher, not surprisingly a loner of the first rank.

Notable

Other notable pieces in this literary collage: "The American Man, Age Ten," a profile of 10-year-old Colin Duffy of Glen Ridge, N. J., who favors superheroes, baggy T-shirts, Wyoming ranches, pizza, and his University of Michigan baseball cap; "Show Dog," which illustrates that Orlean can not only capture people on paper, but fancy canines as well; and "Figures in a Mall," a look at ice skater Tonya Harding through the eyes of her folksy, hometown neighbors.

Usually, part of Orlean's modus operandi involves "hanging out" with a subject for weeks or even months. Sometimes, this means a kind of fly-on-the-wall approach; at other times, it can mean intense, one-on-one sessions with the subject.

What has resulted here are not sketchy profiles, but pieces that are more like sharply focused word-photographs, offering depth and true colors, punctuated by light, shadow and endlessly fascinating, revealing detail.

Victoria Diaz is a Livonia resident who writes about books, movies and theater for the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers.

Discover your family history

Stamp collecting is taking a licking as genealogy is fast becoming one of the most popular hobbies in the United States. More than 14 million users have gone online to research family genealogy within the past 30 days, according to plan, Inc., a Web site tracking service.

In traditional bookstores, and on the Internet, family history enthusiasts and professional genealogists alike are seeking resources to uncover those missing links in heritage, says Andre Brummer, general manager of Ancestry.com, an online source for tracing family history.

Time-tested methods

"Time-tested methods of family history research are invaluable. Ancestry.com wants to help each person uncover more family history, more accurately and in a shorter amount of time than has ever been possible before," says Brummer.

Brummer recommends these current book releases from the Ancestry catalog:

■ *Ellis Island: Tracing Your Family History Through America's Gateway*, by Loretto Dennis Szucs. Almost half of all Americans have at least one ancestor who entered the United States through Ellis Island. Learn how you can find out if your relatives were among the millions who were processed at this historic landmark.

■ *The Graveyard Shift: New York City Cemeteries*, by Carolee Inskeep. Trying to find some peace in the "City that Never Sleeps" has always been difficult — even for dead New Yorkers. Development, health concerns, and government regulation have moved the dead from one graveyard to the next. The names and locations of each new burial ground are provided.

■ *U.S. Military Records: A Guide to Federal & State Sources, Colonial America to the Present*, by James C. Neagles. The book details how genealogists look to military records to enhance their research, including enlistment records, muster rolls, pension applications and other records, and where these documents can be found.

■ *Hidden Sources: Family History in Unlikely Places*, by Laura Szucs Pfeiffer. Tips are given on such often-overlooked sources as bankruptcy records, special censuses, employment information, and coroner's records. Search methods on how to access these records are provided.

■ *A Preservation Guide: Saving the Past and the Present for the Future*, by Barbara Sagraves. Expert advice is offered on how to properly safeguard your keepsakes, including vulnerable documents, fading photographs, worn books, and more modern media such as videotapes and computer disks.

"These titles help round out an already-strong collection of genealogy how-to, record source, and historical background publications," adds Brummer.

Bridging worlds

Bridging both the virtual and real worlds through its vast array of offerings, Ancestry.com offers many choices. The Ancestry catalog sets the pace for published family history information with high-quality books that help novice and expert researchers learn where and how to look for lost ancestors. Its growing collection of titles features federal (U.S.), state, county, military, country and ethnic record sources and research methods discussed in detail by leading genealogical authors.

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BOOK HAPPENINGS

WRITER'S GROUP

WaldenBooks Writers Group meets 7-9 p.m. on the third Thursday of every month at the store, 30200 Plymouth Road, Livonia. All writers are welcome. The group includes accomplished writers, beginning writers, and those who have always dreamed of being a writer. Call (734) 261-7811 and ask for Wanda if you have any questions.

TREASURE TWINS

The Detroit Institute of Arts' Associates of the American Wing welcomes the "treasure twins," Leigh and Leslie Keno, stars of public TV's popular *Antique's Roadshow*, 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 21, for a special lecture and signing of their book *Hidden Treasures: Searching for Masterpieces of American Furniture*. The Kenos will trace numerous finds throughout their careers as antique dealers and share tips and anecdotes from their experiences with Detroit antique enthusiasts. Tickets are $10, call (313) 833-4005. The DIA is at 5200 Woodward Ave. in the University Cultural Center. The Keno brothers will also appear at the DIA Museum Shop Somerset Store in Troy for a book signing, 2 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 22.

BORDERS BOOKS

■ Farmington Hills store, 30995 Orchard Lake Road, (248) 737-0110 — Writer's Mix: Drop-In Workshop, 7 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 20. Informal workshop led by Iris Underwood. Share your writing samples, or current project. Metropolitan Single Professionals Book Group meets 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 21 to discus *Chocolat* by Joanne Harris. Bill Mansfield presents a financial planning seminar, 3 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 25.

ART BEAT

Art Beat features various happenings in the suburban art world. Send Wayne County arts news leads to Art Beat, Observer Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia MI 48150, or fax them to (734) 591-7279.

CONCERT TODAY

The Redford Civic Symphony Orchestra presents a family concert featuring selections from *Camelot,* along with dances, waltzes and marches, 3 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 18 at Thurston High School in Redford.

Guests artists are the Thurston High School Chorus, under the direction of Ray Schmidt, singing selections from Handel, Haydn and Andrew Lloyd Webber.

No charge. Call (313) 538-1652 or (248) 681-8623 for information.

The orchestra season continues 3 p.m. Sunday, March 25 with concerts at Hilbert Junior High School, 3 p.m. Sunday, May 20 at Thurston High School, and 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, June 19 in Capitol Park. All concerts are in Redford.

YOUTH CONCERT

The Detroit Symphony Civic Sinfonia, the Detroit Symphony Orchestra's youth ensemble, featuring junior and senior high school students under the direction of Canton resident Charles Burke, will perform works by Grieg, Strauss and Sibelius 7:30 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 18, at Orchestra Hall in Detroit. For more information, call (313) 576-5111.

TRI STATE HANDBELL CONCERT

The Tri State Bronze Invitational concert, an annual event featuring five advanced handbell choirs performing in mass, is 7 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 24 at Highland Park Baptist Church, 28600 Lahser, Southfield.

This is the invitational's first appearance in Michigan after nine years in Indiana and Ohio. This year's event is hosted by Classical Bells of Metropolitan Detroit, under the direction of Darlene Ebersole. Classical Bells in based in Livonia. The ensemble has participated in the concert since they were invited to audition four years ago.

Also on stage will be the Kalamazoo Ringers, Carillon Choir of Midland, and the Kettering Advent Ringers and Renaissance Ringers of Ohio. The audience will hear a variety of music from patriotic to spirituals and two compositions by Margaret Tucker of Houston, Texas who will be directing the invitational choir.

There is a $5 donation for admission. For more information, call (734) 425-7861.

STUDENT ART WORKSHOPS

D & M Studios will offer student paint workshops 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday, Feb. 19 and Thursday, Feb. 22 for children ages 6 and older. Monday's theme is the Southwest, Thursday's is Ancient Egypt. The cost is $24.

Ceramic workshops will be offered 11 a.m. to 12 p.m. and 1-2 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 20. The cost is $12.

Register now for the summer art camp, which focuses on the Australian outback. A 10 percent discount is offered for tuition paid by May 31.

For more information, call (734) 453-3710. D & M Studios is at 8691 N. Lilley, south of Joy, Canton.

FREE CONCERT

The Borsarello String Trio will perform a program of music ranging from Bach to Roussel noon Wednesday, Feb. 21 in the Forum Recital Hall at Schoolcraft College, 18600 Haggerty, between Six and Seven Mile roads, Livonia. For information, call (734) 462-4403.

Composed of three brothers, the trio was born in France and educated at the Paris Conservatoire. They tour extensively but are based in Paris. Their third CD, *Six Preludes and Fugues by Bach,* arranged for string trio by Mozart, has just been released.

MADONNA MUSIC RECITAL

Madonna University will hold a faculty music recital 3 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 25 in Kresge Hall on campus, 36600 Schoolcraft Road at Levan in Livonia.

Admission is $5 and benefits the music scholarship fund. For more information, call (734) 432-5709.

The recital includes solo and ensemble pieces for flute, clarinet, guitar and piano by Beethoven, Chopin and other composers, and vocal Broadway and operatic selections. Participating faculty are Donna Kallie, Helene Rottenberg, Will Horwath, Barbara Wiltsie, and Linette Popoff-Parks. Guest artists are Cathy and Irving Feldman.

CALL FOR DANCERS

Auditions for an intensive summer program, directed by Jillana, former principal dancer with the New York City Ballet, will be held 4-6 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 24 at Bunny Sanford's School of Dance on Newburgh Road between Ann Arbor Road and Ann Arbor Trail, Livonia.

Registration is 30 minutes before audition. $15 audition fee and photo in first arabesque required. Call (734) 464-7440.

The workshop, held in New Mexico, is designed for pre-professional dancers ages 11-17. Guest teachers include former prima ballerina, Maria Tallchief and New York City Ballet principal dancer Kyra Nichols.

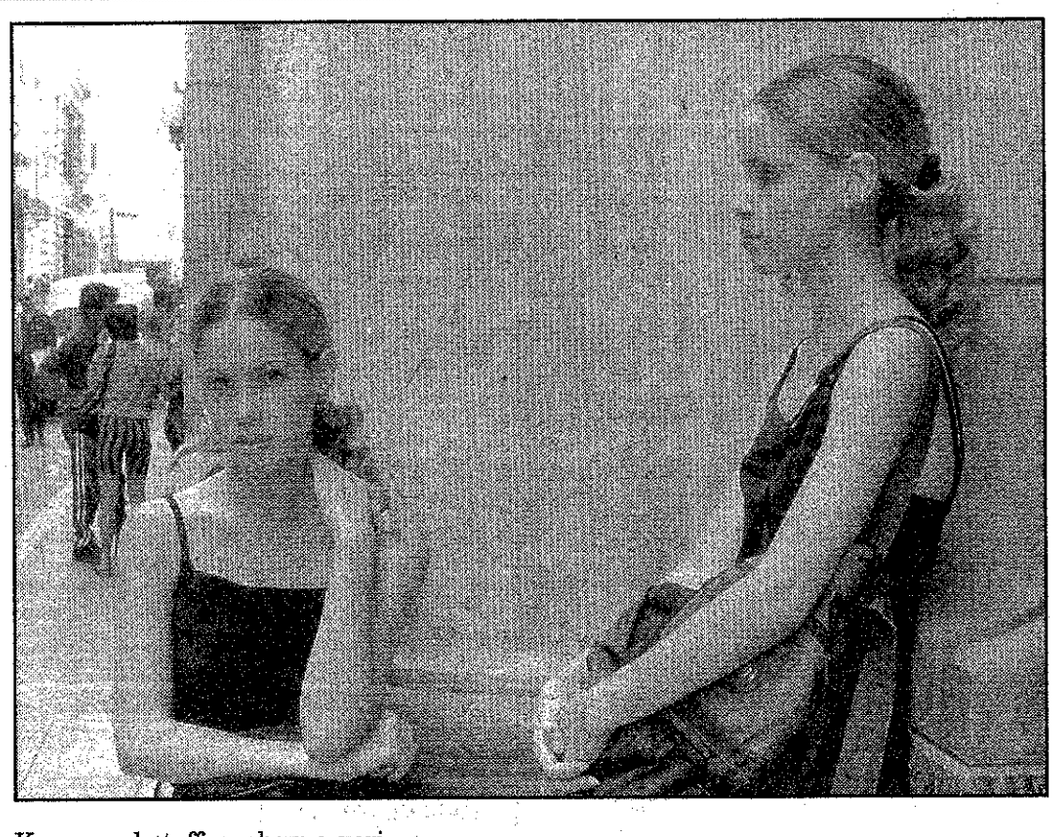
The Bunny Sanford school will also offer a six-week session of ballet classes with Iacob Lascu for intermediate and advanced dancers 9:30-11 a.m. Wednesday beginning March 7. Teachers are welcome.

ONGOING EXHIBIT

Quicksilver Gallery's debut exhibition of photography continues through March 15 inside Quicksilver Photo, 1150 W. Ann Arbor Road, on the north side between Main and Sheldon, Plymouth.

For information, call (734) 455-3686 or visit the Web site at www.QuicksilverPhoto.com.

Quicksilver Photo owner Jack Kenny and staffers show a variety of color and black and white images. Subjects range from Kenny's photographs of Cuba to Julie Wallace's deer and sunsets.



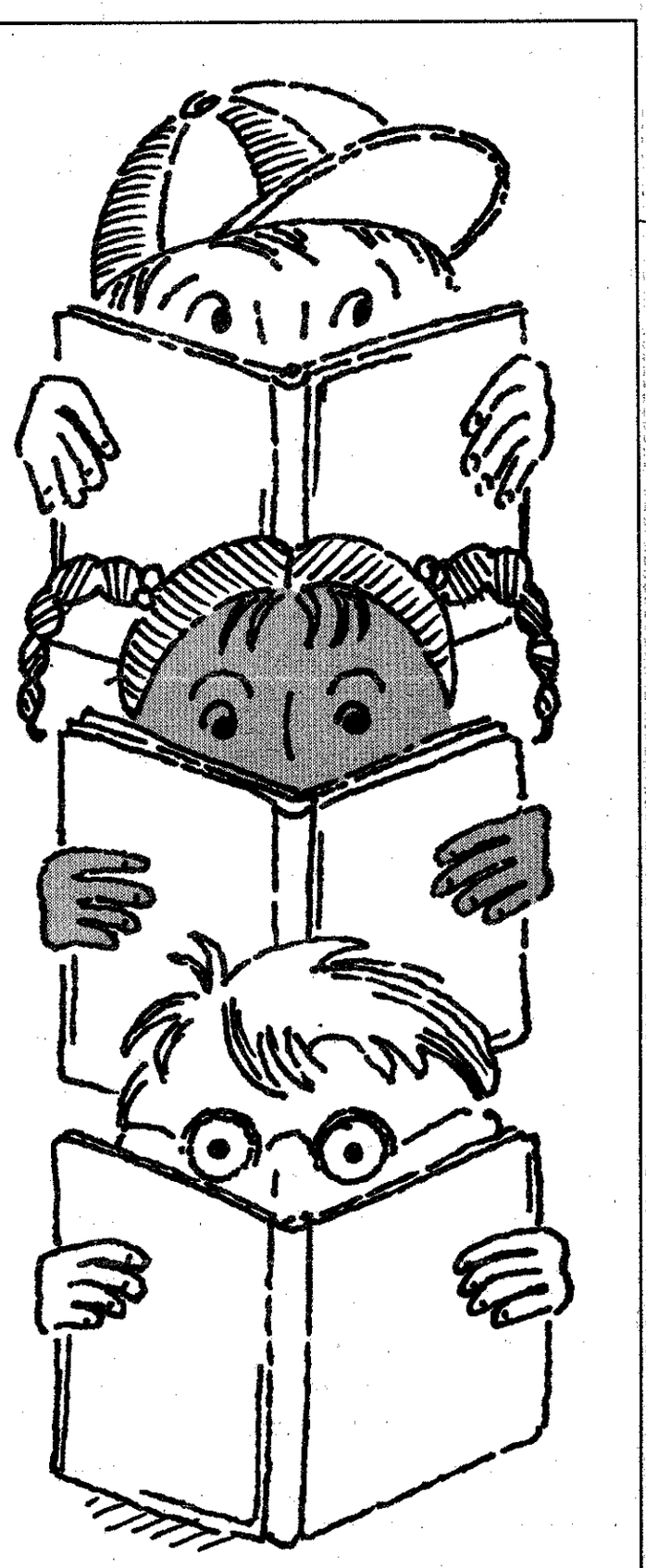
Ongoing exhibit: *Jack Kenny took this photograph in Cuba. It is one of the images on display at Quicksilver Gallery, inside Quicksilver Photo, in Plymouth, through Thursday, March 15.*

MASKORAIDE FOR COTS

The Maniscalco Gallery presents a reception, showcasing masks that will be auctioned off to benefit COTS, 7-10 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 24 at the gallery, 17329 Mack Ave., Detroit. For information or directions, call (313) 886-2993.

COTS third annual MASKoRAIDE auction will be 6 p.m. to midnight Saturday, March 10 at the Detroit Yacht Club. This is COTS' (Coalition on Temporary Shelter) major fund-raiser. For more information, call Beth McKeown at (313) 576-0219.

The masks have been painted by local artists and celebrities such as hockey player Wayne Gretsky.



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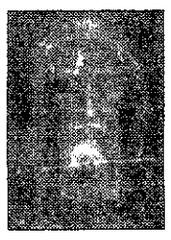
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MARY ANNE TOCCALINO

Promises. Promises.

Come February, I have a slew of clients and friends, both men and women, who tell me about their new diet and exercise programs.

I hear vows to give up alcohol, dairy products and smoking.

I suppose New Year's Eve is long gone and people are sincerely ready to address health and appearance issues.

That in mind, I thought it was time to consult with local experts to find out what we should be doing now to improve our skin's health.

Most dermatologists agree that the degree to which skin shows the effects of excess alcohol consumption and improper diet depends on skin type and age.

Alcohol and diet binges put pressure on the collagen and elastin of the dermis, the upper layer of skin, which supports the blood vessel walls.

Younger skin copes better with constant dilation of the facial blood vessels. Older skin suffers more from the abuse and more prone to small-dilated capillaries known as spider veins.

Since make-up is only "quick fix" disguise, reducing alcohol intake is the obvious solution.

However, if you want to permanently remove existing spider veins, doctors recommend one or two treatments with a pulse vascular laser.

Those with smokers skin, which has a dull yellowish appearance with crows feet around the eyes and wrinkles at the mouth, have several options.

If you still smoke, quit. Otherwise, use a retinal cream or have a professional acid peel or dermabrasion treatment to refine skin texture.

While facials restore the appearance of post-party skin, following a good regime at home will do wonders.

Between facials, you should cleanse and moisturize your face as usual. However, use a light moisturizing product. A top-notch moisturizer, such as Estee Lauder Time Released Moisturizer, will hydrate the skin all day.

When applying, warm the moisturizer in your hands first. Then press it on to your face with firm movements. The application method restricts the capillaries and relieves blotchiness, leaving skin luminous.

Another technique to incorporate into your regime, drinking plenty of water, counteracts the dehydrating effects of diet and exercise.

A good rule to follow is drink 34 ounces of water for every 50 pounds you weigh.

Add a slice of lemon to your water to reduce puffiness. After four days, the skin should show an improvement in tone and texture.

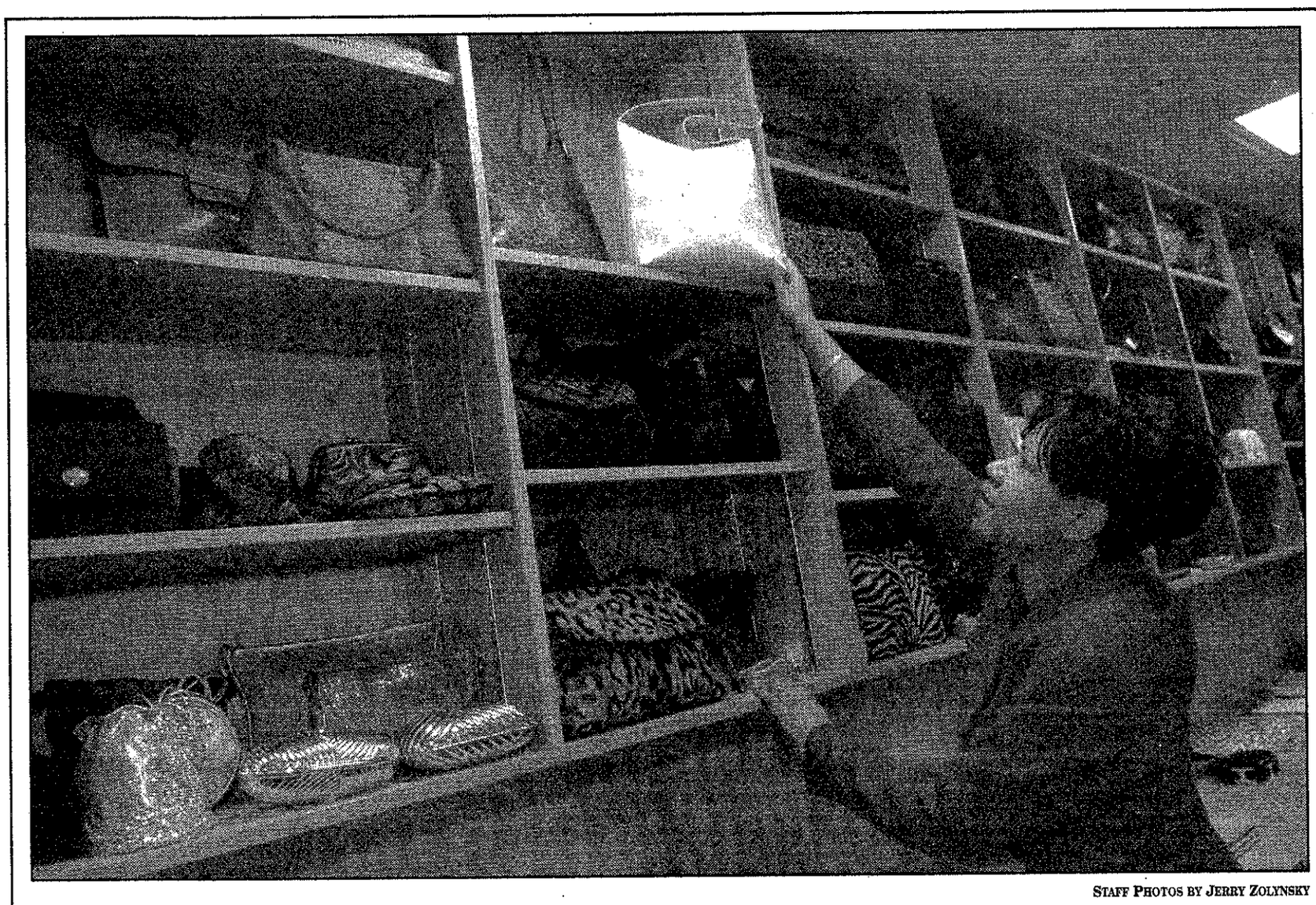
In the meantime, while your skin is adjusting to the regime, you can get immediate results by camouflaging skin imperfections with make-up.

Giorgio Armani's Second Skin line includes Fluid Sheer, which can be worn as a pre-base or on its own to illuminate the skin. Add a sheer blush and light lipstick, such as Sebastian's Pearl, a light color wash with the texture of balm.

For a pale skin, seek contrast with strong yet sheer colors on eyes, cheeks, and lips. Make sure to enhance the eyes with a soft powder shadow. Accent the cheeks with a sheer gel like Barely There by Mia Pelle. Then smudge the lips with Molton Brown Stunning Lush Lipstick.

These tips should carry you through to the end of winter. And, by all means, stick with your new regimes. Don't give up. Spring is just around the corner.

If you have a question for Mary Anne, call her at (248) 203-9477. Toccalino is a professional makeup artist and skin care consultant operating at RED the Salon, 470 Old North Woodward, Suite 200 in Birmingham. The founder and owner of Toccalino Cosmetics, she studied at Joe Blasco's School of Cosmetics in Hollywood where her training included work in special effects for film and print.



Boutique style: *Designer hand bags are displayed behind the counter at Bellocchio, an upscale resale store that opened last year in Royal Oak. Upscale is the trend in second-hand shops today, when it comes to merchandise, ambience, customer service and marketing.*

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Resale anew

Second-hand clothing shops have evolved, more popular than ever

BY NICOLE STAFFORD
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Today, marketing and spin matter everywhere, even in the resale clothing trade.

The days when shopping second-hand meant venturing into dark, crowded and musty, if not quirky, places have vanished.

Today, recycling is hip, and shopping at discount stores is a way of life. Consider the popularity of E-bay and other Internet sites where consumers can buy used merchandise, and it's clear why resale clothing stores have evolved into upscale purveyors of designer fashion and style counsel.

"We don't want this to be just a resale clothing store," said Carol Dowling, a former Hudson's vice president and co-owner of Royal Oak's Bellocchio, an upscale consignment shop packed with Chanel, Armani, St. John and other designer labels.

At Bellocchio, the staff helps shoppers locate merchandise on the store's 3,600-square-foot sales floor, and Dowling and her partner, Carolyn Joseph, encourage sales associates to develop relationships with their customers. The staff even makes personal phone calls when something from a customer's "wish list" comes in. "Our expectation is that we turn customers into clients," said Joseph.

Opened last August, the store proffers designer and designer bridge clothing separated on the sales floor by size, category and color with a wide selection of suits and sought-after designer hand bags. There's a cozy, cushioned bench where customers can try on shoes and impatient husbands can hang out. The dressing rooms are spacious, finished with wood doors and contemporary metal hooks. Wardrobe seminars, complete with hors d' oeuvres and wine by the glass, occur six times a year at Bellocchio.

"If you go to Bellocchio, you won't feel like you're in a resale shop," said Nicole Christ, owner of Nicole's Revival, a designer resale clothier that opened eight years ago in Westland. "If you're in my store, you won't feel like you're in a resale shop."

Though Christ describes her store as less upscale than Bellocchio – there's also a large selection of designer men's clothing – she takes a similar approach. Fashion shows featuring current merchandise go up once a month. The store's web site has current listings of available high-end designer pieces complete with photos and prices.

And customer service is just as important. In fact, Christ has a male customer in California who she e-mails when Brioni clothing arrives in the shop.

Christ also sponsors resale shopping tours across the country. Last year, she took her first group of 30 women on a second-hand shopping spree through Europe.

While resale shopping has been hip and trendy for several years, consumers are far more comfortable with the concept today. Christ believes that's "because of the way stores present themselves."

However, Adele Meyer, director of National Association of Resale & Thrift Shops, which is located in St. Clair Shores, attributes the attitude shift to changes in the retail market and the end of the days of conspicuous consumption.

"Consumers have all these things on their plate that they didn't have before. Consumers are very geared to retirement and investments, to children's education, and there are other things that they want to do with their money," she said. "So, now it's wonderful to save and recycle. Now they want to tell people. They're very boastful about what they saved."

The proliferation of discount stores only contributes to consumers' belief that they ought to purchase merchandise at a savings. And in such a climate, resale shops prosper.

The upscale trend, she said, "has to do with the word 'upscale.'"

Resale stores have to compete, too.



Tendering bargains: *Last year, Carol Dowling (left) and Carolyn Joseph opened Bellocchio, an upscale designer clothing resale shop in Royal Oak.*

***Retail, style and special store events** are listed in this calendar. Please send information to: Malls & Mainstreets, c/o Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 805 E. Maple, Birmingham, MI 48009. By fax, (248) 644-1314. E-mail, nstafford@oe.homecomm.net. Deadline for publication is two weeks in advance.*

ADDED ATTRACTIONS

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 18

MAGIC SHOW
Doug Sheer's "All American Magic Show" comes to Livonia Mall at 7 Mile and Middlebelt roads in celebration of President's Day, 2 p.m. For details, call (248) 476-1160.

SWIM WEAR PARTY
Jacobson's hosts a swim wear party at area stores including their Birmingham, Livonia, Rochester and Ann Arbor locations, 10 a.m.-9 p.m. For information, call the Birmingham store at (248) 644-6900, the Livonia store at (734) 591-7696, the Rochester store at (248) 651-6000 or the Ann Arbor store at (734) 769-7600.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 19

CARLA WESTCOTT COLLECTION
View Carla Scott's Spring 2001 Special Order Collection at Saks Fifth Avenue, the Somerset Collection in Troy, through Feb. 21, 10 a.m.-6 p.m., Designer Salon, second floor. Call (248) 614-3393.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 22

BEAUTY DAYS
Saks Fifth Avenue's Cosmetics & Fragrances department at the Somerset Collection in Troy, celebrates beauty by offering gift-with-purchases, deluxe samples and special offers through March 1. For details, call (248) 643-9000 ext. 261.

MICHAEL KORS DAY
Saks Fifth Avenue, the Somerset Collection in Troy, hosts Michael Kors Focus Days through Feb. 23, Designer Bridge Sportswear, second floor. For additional details, call (248) 643-9000 ext. 485.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 24

KIDS COLORING EVENT
Lakeside mall's Kids' Club invites kids to join in their Coloring Extravaganza event featuring a visit from club mascot Jasper Jester. Children under age 10 are welcome to join, and new members may register at the event, 11 a.m., children's play area. Lakeside is located on M-59 in Sterling Heights. For additional information, call (810) 247-1744.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 25

CHILDREN'S SHOW
Livonia Mall at 7 Mile and Middlebelt roads hosts "It's a Small World" with Phil Kaput and music for children, 2 p.m. For more information, call (248) 476-1160.

BEAUTIFUL BABY CONTEST
Start primping now. New Star Discovery hosts a Baby Beautiful Contest at Livonia Mall at 7 Mile and Middlebelt roads. Contest includes categories for boys and girls in different age categories. Information pamphlets are available at Livonia Mall. For details, call (248) 476-1160.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 28

FINANCE FOR WOMEN
Borders Books & Music in Birmingham hosts David Bach, author of *Smart Women Finish Rich* and a discussion about how women and finances, 7 p.m. For more information, call (248) 203-0005.

WHERE CAN I FIND?

This interactive feature is dedicated to helping readers locate retail merchandise that's difficult to find through reader feedback.

If you have a request or information about where a product is sold or service is available, call (248) 901-2555 and leave a message with your name and phone number. Please be patient about your requests and feedback; we receive an overwhelming number of phone calls. If you don't see information about your request, we couldn't find it. Requests are published twice.

WHAT WE FOUND:

– The **card game Five Crowns** can be purchased **Wizards of the Coast at Twelve Oaks Mall**, call (248) 347-9605.

– **The Lamp Shack** in West Bloomfield **repairs lamp shades.**

– **Calico Corners sews and repairs bed comforters.**

– For **sewing machine repairs**, try **Hi-Tech Sewing** on 16 Mile and Dequindre roads in Sterling Heights (ask for Mark).

– **For the T-shirt that bears the phrase "So many books, so little time," try the Wireless Signal catalog from PBS**, call (800) 669-9696.

– A **kiosk store located in Westland Mall** (near Hudson's) **sells Avon Products and carries Avon's Skin So Soft Talc** .

– A **tapestry wall hanging with white lights** is available to purchase at **O'Neill's Home Furnishings** in Dexter, call (734) 426-4553.

– **Opaque tights by Hue** are sold at **Nordstrom** at the Somerset Collection in Troy and at **Greg Shoes** on 15 Mile and Orchard Lake roads in West Bloomfield.

– **Old drive-in speakers may be available from a company called Fifty=Seven.com**, call (877) 597-1957 or visit the Internet at www.Rosalie@fiftyseven.com

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– Need an address, telephone number or e-mail address for the Revlon Company.

– Need the correct telephone number for the Coty Company's direct warehouse in North Carolina.

WHERE CAN I FIND?:

– A **store that sells the game Mahjong** for Marie.

– A **store that sells sheet music for the 1940 song *Once In a While*** for Bea.

– A **store that carries the out-of-print book *The Alphabetic Principal to Learn Spelling* or the book *The Simplified Way to Learn Spelling*** for Frances.

– A **store that sells small broiler pans** for Barbara.

– A **store or business that sells Mary Kay cosmetics including original rectangular compacts for face powder** for Lynne of Redford.

– A **store that sells Gee Your Hair Smells Terrific shampoo** for Susan, who lives in Wixom.

– A **store that sells cream puff shells in the Westland area** for Pat.

– A **store where a Bethany Butterfly doll by Geppeto can be purchased** for Pamela.

– A **store that sells Carver Tipp's 100-percent latex, low-luster enamel paint in black.**

– A **store that sells potato salad like the type made at Ben & George's deli, which was located in Livonia**, for Judith.

– A **store that sells metal ice cube trays** for Sue.

– A **store that sells rolling pasta presses** for Debbie, a resident of Livonia.

– A **store that sells men's cotton pajamas with knit cuffs and legs** for Betty, who resides in Lake Orion.

– A **store that sells Anne Klein perfume** (red box) for Diane of Livonia.

– A **store that sells John Michael Richardson earrings** for Gloria.

– A **store that sells Robert & James vanilla wafers** for Mary, who resides in Southfield.

– A **store that sells Betty Crocker's lemon chiffon cake mix** for Sheila.

– A **store that sells the Fisher Price action-building system Construx** for Pat.

– A **store that sells a motion-activated pig that "oinks" for outdoor use** for Marti, who lives in West Bloomfield.

– A **store or business that repairs holes in hollow wood interior doors** for Ron.

– A **store that sells terry cloth dish towels** for Janet.

– A **store where an Ernest & Jennings young adult/child wheel chair may be bought** (for the parts) for Pat, who lives in Farmington Hills.

– A **store that sells men's lightweight long underwear** for Leona.

– A **store where a Princess House Deluxe cake plate can be bought** for Pat, a resident of Canton.

– A **store that sells an older style pencil sharpener with a wooden base** for Lee of Orchard Lake.

– A **store that has replacement handles for Club Aluminum sauce pans** (about 50 years old) for Irene.

– A **store that sells a three-tier lazy Susan for kitchen utensils** (plastic) for Gail, a resident of Plymouth.

– A **store that sells compacts for loose powder** for Helen.

– Compiled by Sandi Jarackas

Neiman Marcus spring runway show in Troy benefits Orchards Children's Services

Neiman Marcus is known for showcasing high-quality designer apparel.

On March 8, the national retailer will showcase Orchards Children's Services, the state's largest private foster care and adoption agency, as the beneficiary of a fashion event.

The fashion event is the unveiling of Dana Buchman's Spring 2001 collection at Neiman Marcus' Somerset Collection store in Troy.

The runway show and lunch begin at noon and is preceded by beverages and hors d' oeuvres at 11:30 a.m.

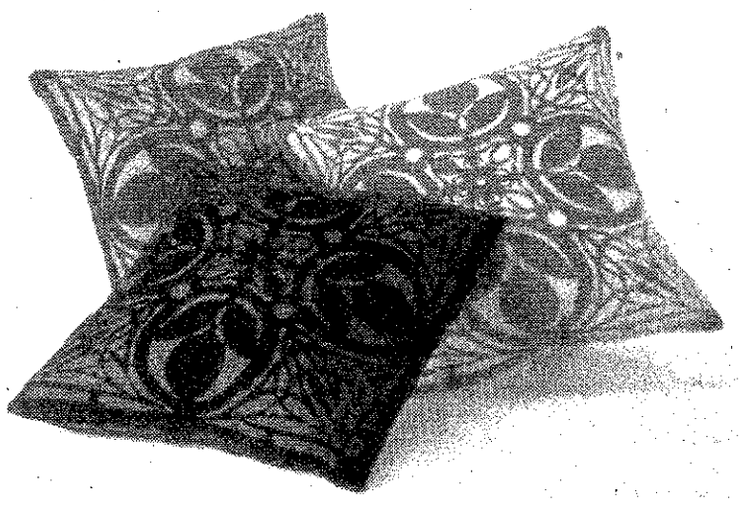
All proceeds from the event benefit Orchards Children's Services programs designed to help children and families in need.

Tickets for the event are $50 and can be purchased through Orchards, a private non-profit, non-sectarian child welfare agency dedicated to providing the highest quality professional help to children and families in Michigan. From its beginnings as a single, residential treatment center for troubled boys, Orchards has grown to become Michigan's largest private foster care and adoption agency. More than 1,000 children are placed in loving foster homes each year.

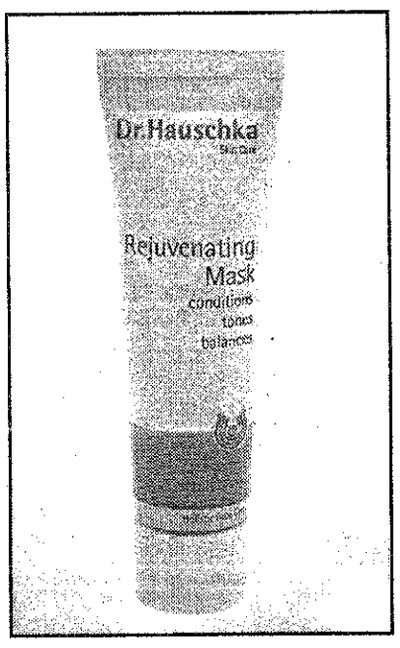
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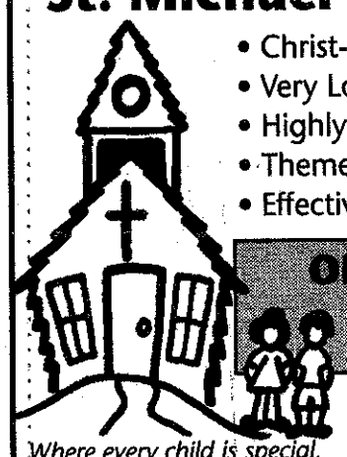


Design in comfort: *A rayon silk pillow bears a stylized floral motif designed by Frank Lloyd Wright. The pattern, which Wright designed for a doorway in the Nathan G. Moore House in Oak Park, Ill., is etched into velvet on both sides of the pillow. The 16-inch square pillow is available in black, amber or dust, $29 at Hudson's.*



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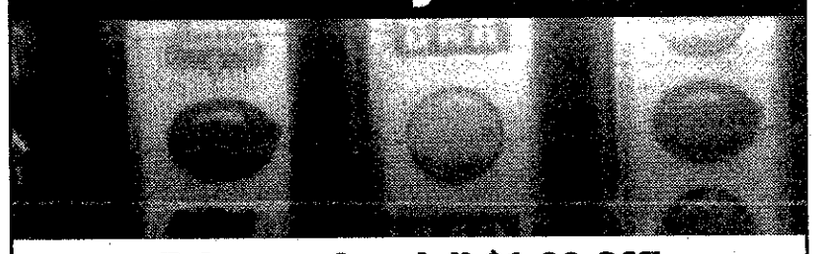
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TRAVEL

Do your homework to enjoy a cruise vacation

BY SANDIE PARROTT
SPECIAL WRITER

Are you thinking of getting away from the cold for a while and sailing the seas, but choices of destinations and ships have got you confused?

Then perhaps you need to sort through all of this information and to plan the cruise trip of your dreams.

The key word here is "plan." If you don't do your work up front, no matter how much you pay for the trip, you may still be disappointed.

Budget

Nobody wants to talk about it, but money comes first. The first decision has to be how much are you willing to spend *in total* for this trip. "In total" is italicized as a reminder that the total cost of the vacation must be considered. The brochure may state cruises from $499 per person, but what does that mean?

That means the rate for the lowest deck level and smallest inside cabin.

Will you stay in the smallest room with no window? Does it include airfare or port taxes? There are cruises for almost every budget. Spending more does not guarantee a better trip.

A typical $499 trip for two that includes airfare could cost you $1,500 to $2,000. The extra costs include tips to the staff, shore excursions, beverages, gifts and souvenirs and any transportation or meals while ashore.

Destination

What do you want to spend your time doing? Look at this carefully, because the four largest factors in the price of your trip are destination, number of days, type of ship and cabin size.

Do you like to bask in the sun, explore historic cities of Europe, visit several countries at one time, party all night, observe animals in their habitat, learn about exotic places and customs? There are cruises geared to each of these activities. It is hard, but it must be narrowed down.

This is the most important decision if you want to see something specific. For example, if you want to see certain areas of Alaska, it doesn't matter what ship you choose or what cabin you will stay in — the main point is seeing the ports of call and experiencing the tremendous shore excursions available to you.

Number of days

This is another main factor in the price of your vacation. How long are you able to withstand the rigors of travel? This is important, not only because of the cost, but because a strange environment with different foods and away from the kids can become stressful instead of relaxing.

A maximum of a seven-day cruise is recommended for first time cruisers. Especially if it is a specific area of the world. The experiences actually can start to run together. A couple we know visited many of the Grecian Islands on one trip. They said they were sick of seeing ruins. It can happen. Don't plan too much of one type of activity or locality.

The ship

The large ships (700 or more passengers) that stop at popular destinations, like the Caribbean, are less expensive and have more amenities. If you want a more personal experience, with fewer passengers and special guides there are smaller ships, barges and yachts available. The smaller and more personalized tours are usually more expensive and have less of the frills of larger ships.

Very large ships cannot dock in some small ports. If using a tender to get into port is objectionable to you, make sure you ask if the ship actually docks. Also, some areas may be too narrow for larger boats to navigate. If you have your heart set on cruising down the Amazon, the large mega-ships just won't fit. Some large ships, however, can navigate the tight passages and fjords of Alaska.

Cabins

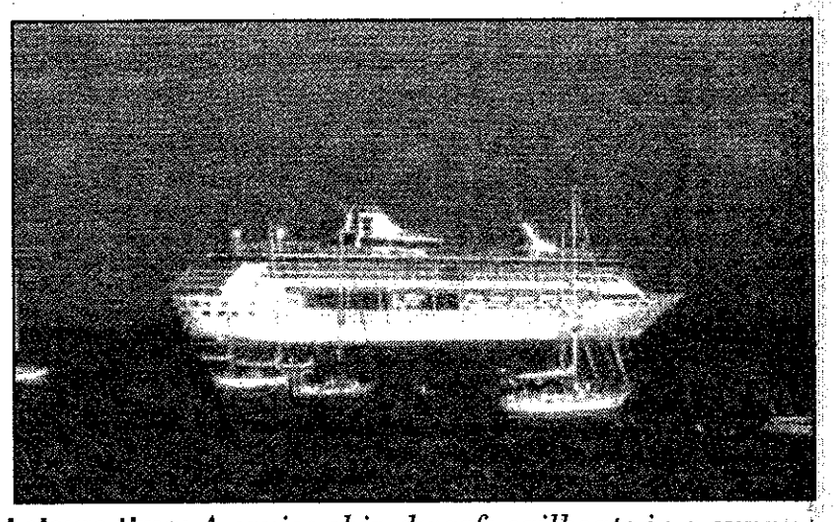
The last big choice is the cabin. This is a significant part of the price of your cruise. Do you need a window? Some of the rooms are very small and seem even smaller without a window. It depends on your needs.

Do you need a balcony? Some cruises are too cold for the balcony to be practical. Many cruise brochures and on-line websites provide actual square footage for the rooms. Look at this carefully, you will not spend very much time in your cabin.

One recommendation is to choose a cabin away from stairs, elevators, equipment, crew quarters and kitchens if you want a quiet trip.

Deck level

This is another smaller factor that can affect price. Generally, the higher level cabins are more expensive. Many people feel they need to be close to the recreation areas. This can actually be a negative. Higher level cabins can feel the sea movement more and there can be noise from the public areas.



Leisure time: *A cruise ship dwarfs sailboats in a sunny port.*

Brochures and Web sites

Read between the lines. These are written by marketing experts to sound enticing and perfect. Nothing is perfect. Do your homework, look at many brochures and Web sites. Talk to travel agents, and read some of the recommended books.

Shore excursions

The last piece to consider is shore excursions. Plan on taking as many as you can afford. Some of the excursions are expensive, but they are well worth the once-in-a-lifetime memories. These can range from city and museum tours to dogsledding in the Yukon, walking on a glacier, seeing a bald eagle or a blue whale up close, coasting 33 miles down Haleakala Mountain on Maui, or swimming with sting rays in Grand Caymen. These experiences are worth every dollar.

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Thinking of going on a cruise? Thinking: "What's the right cruise line for me?" Or maybe it's your first time on a cruise ship? Not to worry, says AAA Travel — armed with a few travel tips from the pros, it should be nothing but smooth sailing.

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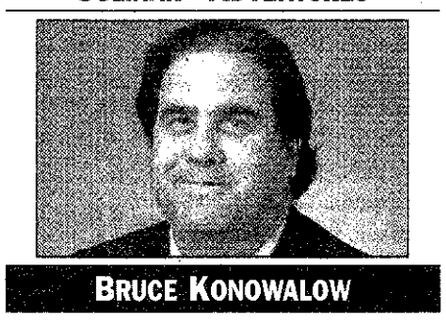
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BRUCE KONOWALOW

Creole, Cajun cuisine sizzles in New Orleans

All the way to the airport, I couldn't get that old Hank Williams song out of my head. "Good-bye Joe, me gotta go, me oh my-o. Tonight I'm gonna see my ma cher amio, jambalaya, crawfish pie..."

I'm really excited because I'm on my way to New Orleans for the first time.

Since I attended culinary school in the mid-1970s, the "Crescent City," so named because it sits on a big crescent-shaped bend of the Mississippi River, was a culinary destination that eluded me.

Popularity grew

For years I heard and knew about the famous restaurants like Brennans, Arnaud's, Galatoire's and of course K-Paul's, Paul Prudhomme's restaurant that first spurred national attention to Cajun cuisine.

"Chef Paul," with his down-home sense of humor and his innate sense of good cooking, inspired me to learn more about American regional cuisine.

Once a year Chef de Chefs, and an affiliated group, the Food Educators Network, meet at back-to-back conferences, attracting culinary educators, chefs and industry professionals from all over the country. I attended five days of seminars and demonstrations from the leading culinary educators, chefs and top industry leaders.

■ Creole ... refers to the cuisine of the city, a more refined, sophisticated cuisine than the country cuisine called "Cajun."

Prudhomme, Allan Susser, Stephen Pyles and John Folse were just a few of the nationally renowned chefs who appeared at educational seminars and demonstrations. Topics ranged from "The Tastes of Texas" to "Hot, Sour, Salty, and Sweet: The Cuisine's of the Mekong River."

I asked a few of the speakers about their views of the cuisine In New Orleans.

Creole is more refined

Jessica Harris, a food historian and professor at New York University, spoke about Creole cooking of yesterday and today. Creole has various definitions, but the term refers to American-born descendants of the French and Spanish. Creole also refers to the cuisine of the city, a more refined, sophisticated cuisine than the country cuisine called "Cajun."

Creole cooking was influenced by the French, Spanish, Native Americans, Italians and African American slaves, while Cajuns were the descendants of French Canadians who were forced to move from their colony of Acadia in Nova Scotia.

New Orleans is a "Mecca of food, on par with other great restaurant cities like San Francisco and New York, but with its own distinct culinary traditions," Harris said. One of her favorite restaurants was the UpperLine, a modern Creole restaurant. UpperLine's updated versions of classic Creole fare were greatly praised.

Ren Smith, the chef of the UpperLine, cooked us a delicious duck and andouille sausage etouffee. Etouffee, a term that means "smothered," can be found in different versions all over New Orleans.

Chef Smith, a soft-spoken gentleman and a man of simple tastes, said that when he went out to eat he often dined at the Piccadilly Cafeteria where there was "something there for everyone to eat."

Trip was legendary

When the seminars were done for the day, I tried some of those legendary places like Brennans and venerable old restaurants like Mothers, a favorite of locals and tourists alike. I ate the famous New Orleans poor boy

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Grind it out!

Sausage makers link different tastes, cultures

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The final cut: *Mike Smith, a meat cutter at Holiday Market in Canton, cuts up pork to make bratwurst. Smith creates more than 25 pounds that day to sell to customers for the following Sunday's Super Bowl parties.*

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About 12 years ago I talked with a state lawmaker about a heated battle over a legislative bill.

"Well, you know, legislation is like watching sausage being made," he said.

I was stunned, and sat silently for a moment. "Wait a minute...I love sausage," I said. "Why is making it so bad?"

"Well, haven't you ever seen sausage being made? It's gross and it isn't pretty," he replied.

I think he was wrong. I'd like to turn his question on its ear: Did you ever watch lawmakers study legislation? It rolls through the grinder in committee after committee, hearing after hearing, roll call after roll call....

Now *that's* ugly. Politicians really should quit bad-mouthing sausage by juxtaposing it with politics.

Sausage tastes pretty darn good if it's made right. (Besides, you'll never see a butcher receive a 36 percent pay raise. The meat markets would be out of business in no time.)

Crossing the lines

Anyway you slice it, smoke it, fry it or grill it, sausage is a wonderful mixture of pork, garlic and various spice blends including marjoram or cayenne pepper or fennel or cumin or Hungarian paprika or coriander — and on and on and on.

John Pardington, owner of Holiday Market in Canton, calls sausage "comfort food." He loves its versatility and tradition.

"You can use it with spaghetti sauce, or take it to tailgate parties with green pepper and onion," Pardington said.

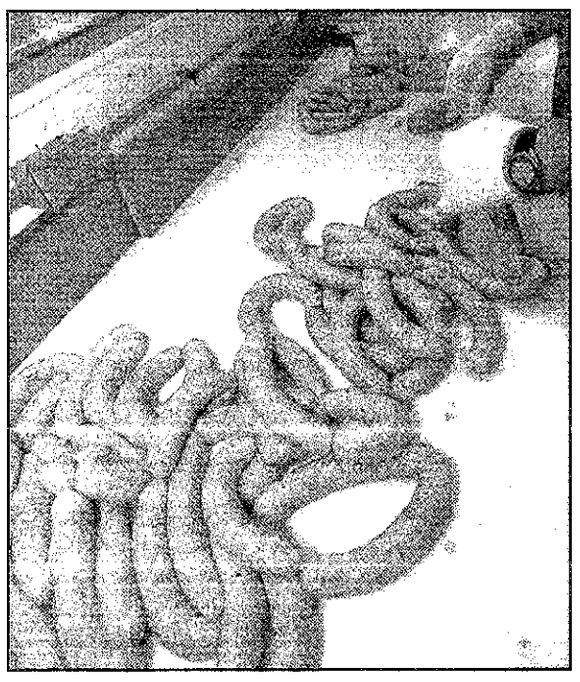
Meat cutter Mike Smith has made sausage for 25 years. "You can make a lot of different varieties," Smith said. "Almost every ethnic group has a sausage."

It may be the *only* food that truly transcends ethnic groups. The Poles grind pork and garlic for kielbasa, Italians create their fennel and pepper mix, the Spanish link chorizo, French-influenced Louisianians hit andouille with pepper, Germans love their brats.

My trip to Holiday Market, and the smell of the sausage inspired me. As luck would have it, a new cookbook on sausage arrived at about the same time in the mail. So I spent a recent Saturday afternoon chilling with sausage, just me and the grinder.

Homemade is healthier

Bruce Aidells and Denis Kelly outline craft of sausage-making in the *Bruce Aidells' Complete Sausage Book*, (Ten Speed Press, 2000, $21.95) with easy-to-follow recipes. (See related story.)





Linking spices: *Kevin Peterson feeds a sausage grinder to create the links.*

I read the first chapter on sausage preparation and made two of the selections — the fresh kielbasa and Italian sweet fennel sausage. This wasn't my first sausage making venture, it was probably my fourth.

Sausage made by big meat companies, while delicious, contain far too much fat and sodium for my taste. When I look at how "white" those links are, I cringe at the fat content. I limit myself to one sausage, and almost always feel cheated.

Homemade sausage, and sausage sold and made, at many local markets, contains significantly less fat. Homemade sausage is wonderful, and economical to make. The pork butt roast used to make it is inexpensive, and you can create several links to freeze and enjoy later.

I chopped two 5-pound Boston butt roasts into large long strips, and removed a good portion of the fat for a good mix of about 85 percent meat to 15 percent fat. It might have even contained less fat than that. I coarsely ground the pork, then worked the spices in by hand.

As the first scents of pork, garlic and marjoram in one bowl, and fennel and pepper spices in the other, began to fill the air, I knew I was on to something special.

This truly is the Lord's bounty. Amen.

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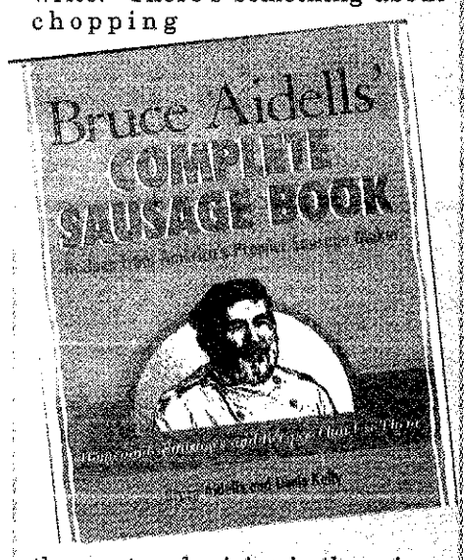
Cookbook rolls out favorites

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Bruce Aidells' Complete Sausage Book by Bruce Aidells and Denis Kelly highlights some of the best ethnic and American fare that crosses nationalities and neighborhoods.

The authors touch a chord of Americana. Who doesn't remember Sunday mornings with sausages pan-fried, coffee brewing and eggs scrambled with toast?

"Making sausage at home is not difficult or overly complicated, and it can be a lot of fun," the authors write. "There's something about chopping



the meat and mixing in the spices, stuffing the sausage into casings, and tying off the plump links that is, in a word, satisfying.

"When you pan-fry your own linguica or andouille, chorizo or boudin, and the rich aromas drift through the house, the effort seems like nothing. You join uncounted generations of sausage makers who have made the world, and its food, a bit more lively and interesting."

Interesting, indeed, as is the book. Simple recipes with easy-to-find ingredients make this book a cornerstone for any lover of links or ethnic foods, or folks who enjoy escaping to the kitchen to work with their hands a little bit.

The book offers tips and tech-

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Create a low-fat version of fisherman's stew

MAIN DISH MIRACLE

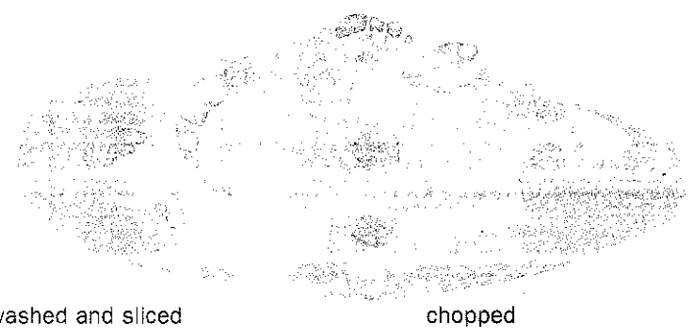


MURIEL WAGNER

Bouillabaisse literally means a "fisherman's stew." My version features shellfish because of its low-fat, low saturated fat and low calorie profile. They're also a good source of Omega-3 fatty acids that lower triglycerides.

Use firm fish like halibut or monkfish or shellfish. I've added lots of veggies for flavor and – of course – nutrition.

EATING YOUNGER BOUILLABAISSE (FISHERMAN'S STEW)



- 1 1/2 tablespoons olive oil
- 1 (46 ounce) can fat-free, sodium-reduced chicken or vegetable broth
- 1 (28 ounce) can tomatoes and juice
- 1 leek, washed and sliced
- 6 small onions, peeled and halved
- 1 tablespoon chopped garlic
- 1 cup dry white wine
- 3 ribs celery, washed and sliced
- 1 (12 ounce) package baby carrots, washed
- 1 parsnip, washed, peeled and sliced
- 1 fennel bulb, washed and sliced
- 6 medium redskin potatoes, washed, but not peeled
- 1/4 cup fennel fronds (from a fennel bulb), washed and chopped
- 1/4 cup fresh dill, washed and chopped
- 12 ounces shrimp, shelled and deveined
- 12 ounces bay scallops
- 1 pound king crab, divided into 6 portions
- Fresh ground pepper to taste

Heat oil in large (6 quart) pot. Add onions, leek and garlic. Cook until slightly brown. Add broth and tomatoes with juice. Stir to break up tomatoes and blend.

Add remaining vegetables and wine. Simmer until vegetables are tender. Add seafood. Simmer until shellfish are cooked (about 2 to 3 minutes). Do not overcook.

Place one potato in each deep bowl and divide vegetables and shellfish between six bowls. Divide the broth between the bowls. Garnish with the reserved fennel fronds and dill. The broth improves after standing overnight in the refrigerator. Serves 6.

Nutritional information: Calories, 285; fat, 3.2 g.; saturated fat, .8 g.; cholesterol, 160 mg.; sodium, 475 mg.

Food Exchanges: 3 lean meat, 3 vegetables

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Me oh my oh, taste New Orleans with callas and shrimp etoufee

Here are a few traditional recipes from Bruce Konowalow you may like to try. See his related column on Taste front.

Before the beignet took over as the favorite breakfast treat, the callas or rice cake reigned supreme.

Traditionalists prefer the callas to the beignet. This recipe is the real thing, provided by Poppy Tooker of the "Slow Food" movement, a group that is trying to preserve traditional recipes and agricultural methods.

CALLAS

- 2 cups cold cooked rice
- 6 tablespoons flour
- 1 teaspoon baking powder
- 1/2 teaspoon grated nutmeg
- 1/2 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 3 tablespoons sugar
- 2 whole eggs

Beat eggs and mix all ingredients into a thick batter. Heat vegetable oil to 350° F in a heavy sauté pan or pot. Drop mix by the tablespoon into the hot oil. Fry on both sides to a golden brown. Drain and dust with powdered sugar. Serve with coffee or *café au lait*, made with half coffee and half steamed milk.

SHRIMP ETOUFFEE

- 2 teaspoons salt
- 1 teaspoon cayenne pepper
- 1 tablespoon Cajun spice blend (Can be purchased in grocery store. If blend has salt in it, eliminate salt in recipe. Look for Chef Paul's Louisiana Cajun Magic.)
- 7 tablespoons vegetable oil
- 3/4 cup flour
- 1/4 cup small diced onions
- 1/4 cup small diced celery
- 1/4 cup small diced bell pepper
- 7 tablespoons vegetable oil
- 3/4 cup flour
- 3 cups fish stock or unsalted clam broth (The dish will taste better if you use fresh fish stock)
- 1 stick (4 ounces) sweet butter
- 2 pounds, peeled and deveined shrimp
- 1 cup of fine chopped scallions

Combine salt, pepper and Cajun spice and set in small bowl. In a large heavy-bottomed skillet heat the oil until it begins to smoke. Add the flour slowly and incorporate with a wooden spoon. Cook for 3-4 minutes until it turns reddish brown. Remove from the heat and add the celery, onions and bell pepper (these three vegetables are known as the "holy trinity" in Cajun cooking). Add 1 tablespoon of the seasoning mix and stir mixture until cooled.

In a separate saucepot bring 3 cups of the stock to boil over high heat. Add hot stock to skillet with flour and oil mixture over moderate heat and whisk in until the mixture is blended in. The mixture must come just up to the boiling point to thicken properly.

Simmer (a very low boil) the thickened liquid for 5 minutes. Be careful not to scorch the bottom. Stir the liquid constantly with a wooden spoon.

In a separate sauté pan melt the stick of butter over moderate heat. Sauté the shrimp in the butter. Sprinkle shrimp with the remaining seasoning mix. Sauté shrimp for 3 minutes.

Add cooked shrimp with butter to the thickened stock. Mix vigorously with a wooden spoon to incorporate butter into the sauce. If butter does not blend well or if the sauce is too thick, add a little more stock. Mix well and adjust the seasoning if necessary. The consistency of the sauce should be such that it can evenly coat the back of a spoon.

Serve over white rice. Garnish with chopped scallions. Serves 6-8.

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(called PoBoy) sandwiches and the New Orleans version of the Italian hero called the muffaletta.

There were fresh hot beignets (a fried pillow of sweet dough dusted with powdered sugar) and café au lait for breakfast. Dinners included gumbos, shrimp dishes and the ubiquitous etouffees. There was even (heaven forbid) a vegetarian lunch at a quaint cafe in the French Quarter.

Of honorable mention was a new restaurant owned by the Brennan clan called the Palace Cafe. They served modern, original Creole cuisine in an inviting atmosphere that included an open kitchen and excellent service. Their andouille-crusted fish and molasses-coated ducking were both excellent. White chocolate bread pudding was simple and satisfying.

New Orleans is one of those cities that you could eat in a different restaurant every night for a year and not have to repeat. I can't wait until next year and pick up where I left off.

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If you have a cooking question for Konowalow, please drop him a line, courtesy of Ken Abramczyk, Taste Editor, Observer Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI 48150 or kabramczyk@oe.homecomm.net

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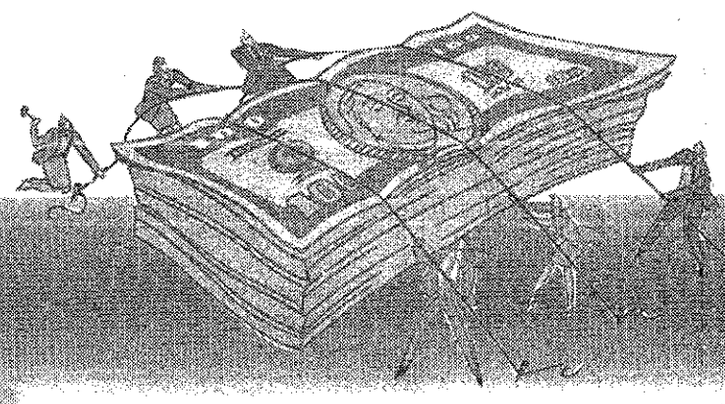
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Taste testing

Before stuffing the casings, I cook and taste a small batch of the filling. I added a bit more garlic to the kielbasa mix and another sprinkle of marjoram. Why go through the trouble of making sausage if it doesn't taste right?

After rinsing salt from the hog casings in cold water, I wrapped one on the end of the sausage stuffing tube or the horn. Activating the machine begins the actual creative process of stuffing the sausage. (OK, this activity may look a little gross to the novice, but that aroma of spices and garlic dance tease your senses and soon it's all forgotten.)

Keeping the meat coarse is another key to good sausage making. This helps retain the strength and texture. If the meat is ground too fine and overprocessed, the sausage will dry out when cooked. I run the meat through only once to make it coarse, add the spices, then mix it thoroughly with my hands.

When I finish making about 5 pounds of each, I roll the kielbasa and Italian sausage links to separate them well. I "air dry" the kielbasa at about 40°F, and set the Italian sausage in the garage in sub-freezing temperatures until the links set.

The next day, I froze the links in double bags. I could still smell the garlic in the freezer. (My wife politely reminded me of that, too.)

An army of brats

Just a few days earlier, meat cutters Mike Smith and Kevin Peterson worked on a larger output of their own sausage at Holiday Market in Canton.

They pull pork butts out of a refrigerator, then chop off gristle or other connective tissue from the meat. Smith chops the meat into chunks.

Today is the Wednesday before the Super Bowl. Today's batch is about 25 pounds of beer brats, at least 30 feet long, on display along with kielbasa, bratwurst, andouille, chicken and turkey versions, and even a jalapeno variety.

"What is critical to making sausage is using fresh ingredients, and use a lean meat," Smith said. The meat is nearly ready for a "daily grind."

He uses a meat/fat mix of 85/15 percent. Smith said that mix "gives it a nice flavor and texture" when cooked.

You can see the difference — this sausage has far less of the white, marbled look of fat than popular commercial brands that would make a cardiologist imagining fat arterial blockages cringe. Holiday's sausage looks far leaner.

Smith runs the pork butt pieces through a grinder twice, but cuts it coarsely for the sausage.

Once it is ground, seasonings are added, a mix of salt, pepper, garlic, malt, barley malt and commercial spice. Smith adds water to the seasoning blend.

"We use a custom-blended seasoning, which is blended in big batches, so you don't have to adjust it," Smith said.

Hog casings have been soaked overnight in water, to remove the salt in which they are stored. The machine, a stuffer powered with a motor, feeds the sausage meat mix, through a tube and into a casing.

■ Keeping the meat coarse is another key to good sausage making. This helps retain the strength and texture.

Peterson scoops the sausage into the stuffer, then Smith rolls the long meat filled casing, to create each individual sausage.

It's a relatively quick process. The brats keep 14 days refrigerated, 6 months frozen.

"Refrigeration helps set 'em up," said Smith. "Once they set, they'll be all right."

Smith's advice for the beer brats is serve them with, of course, beer. "Cook 'em in beer, and serve 'em up with a little kraut and mustard. Grill 'em."

While scores of folks dined on brats for the Super Bowl, a few miles away another home enjoyed homemade kielbasa and Italian sausage.

Once we tasted each kind, I wished I cooked the remaining 4 pounds of this mild version of kielbasa to eat it through the fourth quarter of the game. Of course, the Italian version also tasted like a World Champion on its own, with its sweetness and spiciness.

Once again, I limited my intake, but it wasn't that painful self-denial over the fat content. I stopped for another reason: I was full.

See related recipes on D3.

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niques in the first chapter so that even a novice will feel at home.

Aidells states some of the obvious (use fresh spices, meat and ingredients), reminds readers about food safety with pork (wash hands frequently with plenty of soap and hot water during sausage making) and relates the not-so-obvious (make sausage during the cooler times of the day or below 70°F, but it's not like you worry about that in February.)

While the book focuses on the basics for making fresh sausage, it also explains curing and smoking if you prefer sausage with a stronger texture and taste. For example, the smoked kielbasa recipe calls for Hungarian paprika, coriander, nutmeg and curing salts. Air dry it overnight, then smoke it and you've got smoked kielbasa.

This book isn't just European or American in focus. There's Thai Turkey and Chicken Sausage, flavored with cilantro, basil and mint; or Chinese Pork and Shrimp Sausage.

The hunters will have a field day with venison sausage, buffalo sausage and duck sausage. How can we forget spicy country sausage? That's here, too, and Minnesota Potato Sausage and Chicago-style hot dogs.

Other recipes include sausage in main courses, such as the Pasta with Italian Sweet Fennel Sausage and Porcini, mixed with dry red wine, garlic, tomatoes and basil or Chicken and Andouille Gumbo.

If you prefer to use commercial brands or the homemade versions, the second half of the book features recipes in which you can use both.

The book contains a vast array of flavors and taste, a melting pot of ethnicity and Americana. Readers can follow the trails of sausage making through these easy recipes to prepare their own healthier homemade versions.

Aidells and Kelly strongly encourage readers to innovate and adjust recipes to fit their own tastes.

They also summarize the joy of creating your own sausage. "Cooking is fun, and cooking with spicy and flavorful sausages can be even more so. Let your taste buds be your guide, try new ingredients when the spirit moves, and enjoy yourself."

Spice up dinner with sausage

Recipes courtesy of *"Bruce Aidells' Complete Sausage Book,"* by Bruce Aidells and Denis Kelly, (Ten Speed Press, 2000, $21.95). See related story on Taste front.

(Note: Taste Editor Ken Abramczyk tried the first two recipes without adding the back fat, and instead used a little from the pork butt itself, for about an 85/15 percent ratio of meat to fat. While it isn't as "juicy" (fatty) as a commercial brand, it certainly is a lot healthier.

Meat grinders are equipped with at least two different width sizes of 1/4-inch or 3/8-inch to vary the meat texture between coarse and fine. Read those instructions to accompany these recipes before making sausage. When kneading the mixture, be careful not to overmix or the meat may take on a white, fatty appearance.

Be sure to wash hands and kitchen counters and door handles thoroughly when handling raw pork or chicken.)

KIELBASA

- 2 1/4 pounds pork butt
- 3/4 pound pork back fat
- 1/2 cup water
- 2 tablespoons finely chopped garlic
- 1 tablespoon kosher salt
- 2 teaspoons dried marjoram
- 2 teaspoons coarsely ground black pepper
- 1 teaspoon dry mustard
- 1/2 teaspoon ground coriander
- Medium hog casings (ask your butcher or inquire at local market)

Grind the meat and fat together through a 1/4-inch plate. In a large bowl, mix the ground meat with the water, garlic, salt, marjoram, pepper, mustard and coriander. Knead the mixture until everything is well blended.

Stuff into medium hog casings, and tie into 6-inch links.

The sausage will keep in the refrigerator for 3 days, or in the freezer for up to 2 months.

ITALIAN SWEET FENNEL SAUSAGE

- 3 pounds pork butt
- 3/4 pound pork back fat
- 1/2 cup dry red wine
- 4 garlic cloves, minced
- 2 tablespoons fennel seeds
- 1 tablespoon freshly ground black pepper
- 4 teaspoons kosher salt
- 1 teaspoon dried oregano
- 1/8 teaspoon ground allspice
- Medium hog casings (optional)

Grind the pork and fat together through a 3/8-inch plate. In a large bowl, combine the pork and fat with the wine, garlic, fennel, black pepper, salt, oregano, and allspice. Mix well with your hands.

Shape into patties, or stuff into casings and tie into 5-inch links.

The sausage will keep for 3 days in the refrigerator, or for 2 months in the freezer.

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- Making the Cut – Learning Cuts of Meat, 6-10 p.m., Monday, March 12;
- Herb-a-mania, 6-9 p.m., Thursday, March 22;
- n The Incredible Edible Mushroom, 6-9 p.m., Tuesday, April 3;
- European Bread Making (two weeks), 5-10 p.m., Thursday, April 5 and 12;
- Outdoor Grilling & Entertaining, 5-10 p.m., Thursday and Friday, April 26 and 27;
- Four Course Meals to Go (one day only but offered three different dates), 6-10 p.m., Monday, Feb. 19, March 19 and March 26.

An Italian wine class is scheduled for 5-7 p.m. for five weeks beginning Monday, April 2.

Anyone interested in more information regarding these classes can call Schoolcraft College Continuing Education at (734) 462-4448.

M-FIT CLASSES

Don't let the cold, harsh days of winter drag you down. The M-Fit Culinary team of the M-Fit Community Health Promotion Division offers cooking classes, such as It's Soy Good, 6-7:30 p.m., Feb. 21, at the East Ann Arbor Health Center Demonstration Kitchen, 4260 Plymouth Road, Ann Arbor.Register online at www. mfitnutrition. com. Call Nicole Goyarts at (734) 975-4387, Ext. 236 to register by phone.

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Women's Health Day

Waltonwood of Twelve Oaks, a senior retirement community, and the Novi Oaks Charter Chapter of the American Business Women's Association will present "Total Woman 2001, A Day To Celebrate Womanhood" 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday, April 3. The event will be held at Waltonwood, 27475 Huron Circle (south of 12 Mile, just east of the shopping mall and behind the Detroit Medical Center), Novi. Proceeds will benefit the Barbara Ann Karmanos Cancer Institute.

Guest speakers will provide 45-minute talks on a variety of women's issues, with four breakout sessions. Lisa Neuman of the Karmanos Institute is the keynote speaker. Featured presenter Dr. David Brownstein, author of *The Miracle of Natural Hormones*, will be available for book signing.

Space is limited, and advance registration is required. Registration is $35 until March 1; afterwards, the cost is $45, with a registration deadline of March 30. Donated gifts for the participant raffle and check or cash donations to Karmanos are being accepted.

For further details, call Denise Aleardi or Paula Martin at Waltonwood at (248) 735-1500.

Hospice volunteers

Hospice of Washtenaw needs volunteers who are available to stay with patients during the daytime hours to give family members a much-need break. It especially needs volunteers who might be willing to occasionally travel just outside of the Washtenaw County area to help patients who live in neighboring communities.

Training will begin Monday, March 5, at the hospice office, 806 Airport Blvd. in Ann Arbor. Eighteen hours of training is required. Advance registration is also required. For more information, please call Gail Marie at (734) 327-3413.

Hospice of Washtenaw is affiliated with Saint Joseph Mercy Health System.

Nursing workshops

The College of Nursing and Health, in conjunction with the College of Continuing and Professional Studies, will offer two continuing education nursing workshops at Madonna University in Livonia.

Designed for staff nurses, nurse and clinical educators, social workers, faculty and pastoral ministers, "Replenishing the Healing Power Within" will be 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday, Feb. 23, in Kresge Hall. Co-sponsored by the Madonna University Council of Catholic and Christian Nurses, the conference will examine the healing power of faith, hope, the humanities and holistic healing practices to restore the human spirit.

Keynote speakers are the Rev. Tim Dombrowski, director of medical ethics, St. Joseph Mercy Hospital, and nurse Edith Raleigh, dean of graduate studies and research, Madonna University.

Advanced registration is $65 per person or $75 on the day of the conference. Attendees may earn 6.6 nursing contact hours. For more information, call (734) 432-5466.

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HENRY FORD HEALTH SYSTEM

Consulting: *Doctor Marla Rowe Gorosh, a family physician at Henry Ford Medical Center – Troy, (right) discusses the importance of communicating with patients with Dr. Subburaman Sivakumar (left) and Dr. Deidre Claiborue.*

Great office visits

How to make the most of your time with the doctor

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You've waited weeks for your appointment, only to spend a half hour with your doctor, get home and say, "Darn, why didn't I ask her that?"

A recent study published in the *New England Journal of Medicine* says visits to the doctor last about two minutes longer today than 10 years ago. However, doctors are busier than ever during appointments, often focused on more treatment options and distracted by paperwork.



Dr. Bharati Srivastava

What's a patient to do?

"Take Control," says Dr. Marla Rowe Gorosh, a family physician at Henry Ford Medical Center - Troy. "And remember, it's not the amount of time spent at the doctor's office, it's the quality of that time.

Alice Humphrey, 55, of Plymouth Township agrees. "I always make a list of questions, and I always have a list of medications. I try not to waste his time but to pace the visit. I make sure I start asking questions while he's hitting my knee with something. I don't wait to the end of the visit."

Also, Humphrey is never late for an appointment; in turn, she expects to be seen on time. "We best both respect each other's time," she says.

Doctor-patient relationship

In addition to her active family medicine practice, Gorosh leads Henry Ford Health System's professional interpersonal communications program, which teaches doctors how to develop a strong relationship with their patients.

"The doctor has to get to the core reason the patient is there," Gorosh says. "It's not always the reason they called. What they tell the nurse may be very different from what they are really concerned about. Sometimes it's a desire to know whether their symptom is a sign of something more ominous. Knowing that question at the beginning can help the doctor focus his or her information to the patient."

According to Debra Longo, a social worker with Saint Joseph Mercy Health System's Senior Health Services and Center for Diabetes Education and Management, seniors often have difficulty asserting themselves during a doctor's visit.

"A lot of people were raised in the generation that doctors know everything. My own mother believes the doctor should just know what's wrong with her," she said.

Some people also like to play doctor, she adds. "They try to figure out what's important and what's not."

Don't hold any information back from the doctor, says Dr. Bharati Srivastava, a gerontologist with Saint Joseph Mercy Health System who works closely with Longo. "Anything that's going on is important, and it's up to the doctor to sort those things out."

Srivastava, who has an office in Canton, and Longo recently presented a class at Summit on the Park in Canton on getting the most out of your doctor's visit.

Other factors

Complicating a doctor's initial analysis is the fact that stress plays a large role in many of the symptoms presented by a patient – headache, muscle spasms, poor control of blood pressure.

"It's not enough for the doctor to just prescribe a pain reliever and leave," Gorosh said. "Making a list of stressors can often lead to answers to the physical problem."

Humphrey is fortunate. She and her doctor discuss a variety of health concerns, including her preference for alternatives to hormone replacement therapy. Her doctor also routinely asks about her stress level. "It's just his round about way of seeing what things in my life have been changing," she said.

Sometimes Humphrey's doctor phrases a question in just the right way. "A few years ago he asked me when was the last time I felt really good. I said 10 years ago. He suggested a new dosage for my thyroid. I've felt fine ever since."

Communication

Unfortunately, doctors and patients are not mind readers. They must rely on communication.

"Better communication skills mean fewer mistakes," said Gorosh. "It's so hard for doctors to know what peoples' lives are really like. What may seem very simple and obvious because you live it every day is very complex to someone just learning about you."

To get the most out of a doctor's visit, Longo suggests patients, especially seniors with complicated histories or chronic conditions, keep a journal of symptoms. If they keep track of their sugar count and blood pressure, they should record that data. They should also keep track of pain patterns.

"One day you might have this ache and then it's gone. And then it comes back and it's really bad," said Longo.

When it comes to addressing pain, keep in mind the doctor may have his or her own priorities, says Longo. "While the pain issue is important in the scheme of things, it may be the heart issue the doctor wants to focus on."

However, pain is never to be discounted. "If pain is the most serious issue to the patient, it is the most important thing," she says.

A major way to sabotage a productive doctor's visit is to save your most worrisome concern for last, warns Longo. "When the doctors says he'll see you in three months, you say, 'By the way....' The doctor then didn't understand what a real concern your problem was."

Time

Srivastava, who sees only patients age 55 and older, allows two hours for an initial visit with a new patient with a complicated history. It's a team visit involving a nurse and Longo. Routine initial visits last an hour.



Dr. Marla Rowe Gorosh

Longo says doctors, like the general public, must guard against "ageism" when listening to seniors complaints.

"Getting forgetful is not necessarily a normal part of aging. Forgetting you just asked a question is not normal. Neither is depression. A doctor might say, 'Of course she's depressed. Her friends have died. She's in a nursing home.' Depression is not part of aging," she says.

However, the doctor-patient relationship is changing as consumer-savvy baby boomers start to age. They have more education and greater access to information than the previous generation,

"Today's philosophy is no longer 'doctor is the expert, but this is a partnership,'" says Longo. baby boomers come in and know what questions to ask."

Dr. Bharati Srivastava can be reached at (734) 398-7522. Dr. Gorosh can be reached at 1-800-HENRY FORD.

Office visit check list

Because good communication is a two-way street, Dr. Marla Rowe Gorosh offers the following tips for patients:

■ Develop a relationship with one doctor (i.e., a primary care physician). This gives you a consistent approach to ongoing medical care.

■ Ask questions. "Sometimes people think their questions aren't worth asking," says Gorosh. "You should always ask."

■ Have an agenda. "You have to take control in the doctor's office. Don't assume the doctor has a plan and it's the best thing," says Gorosh. In addition to questions, a good agenda includes summing up your philosophy about how you intend to monitor your health – a commitment to taking daily vitamin supplements or finding ways to prevent illness, such as diabetes, from radically changing your daily life.

Gorosh makes a point of asking her patients about their philosophies to gauge what will and won't work as part of a treatment plan.

■ Bring medications and supplements (or list them, along with exactly how they are taken). "It's absolutely important. It's simple. Put them in a bag and take them," says Gorosh. "Include vitamins and herbs, aspirin, dietary supplements, everything. They may not seem important, but they could potentially interact with a prescription medicine."

■ Negotiate access. "Ask how to use the office. What's the best time to make an appointment with the shortest wait time? What's the back up if your doctor is ill or on vacation? Is there a special way to contact the doctor for non-emergency issues?" says Gorosh. She gives her patients a phone number for messages and questions.

■ Develop an ongoing plan of care. "Work with your doctor to prioritize what needs to be addressed," she says. "Some issues may need a separate appointment. You may have a list that you go through over the course of three or four visits."

Gorosh admits that some physicians may be taken aback by such a forward approach. She advises patients to be realistic about the time constraints of each appointment while pursuing those issues that are priorities to you.

"React to the physician and be clear about what's important. Ask, 'What part of this can we realistically work with?'" she says. "You're the head of your health care team. Use the time with your physician for your education so you can make the best choices for your health over the long-term."

MEDICAL DATEBOOK

Items for Medical Datebook *are welcome from all hospitals, physicians, companies and residents active in the Observer-area medical community. Items should be sent to: Medical Datebook, c/o The Observer Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150, e-mail rskoglund@oe. homecomm.net or faxed to (734) 591-7279.*

ONGOING

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS
Alcoholics Anonymous meets 8:30-9:30 p.m. Wednesday and Sunday, Garden City Hospital (north entrance), 5254 Inkster Road. Alanon meeting Sunday only. Call (248) 541-6565 or (734) 776-3415. Noon Tuesday and Thursday, Providence Medical Office Center, 39500 W. 10 Mile (at Haggerty), Novi. Call (248) 348-9362. Noon Wednesday, Livonia Mission Health Medical Center, 37595 Seven Mile Road, Livonia. Call (734) 953-1188.

IMPOTENCE
The Impotent Anonymous Support Group meets 8 p.m. the last Wednesday of each month at St. Mary Mercy Hospital, Marian Professional Building, 14555 Levan, Livonia (Pavilion Conference Room A). For information, call (734) 462-5858.

CAREGIVERS
The Caregivers Support Group meets 7-8 p.m. the last Wednesday of the month at St. Mary Mercy Hospital, Auditorium 14555 Levan, Livonia. Call (734) 655-8940.

FREE PROSTATE SCREENINGS
Saint Joseph Mercy Hospital will offer free prostate screenings on the fourth Thursday of each month in the radiology oncology department at the McAuley Cancer Care Center in Ypsilanti. Call the Saint Joseph Mercy HealthLine at (800) 231-2211.

MANIC DEPRESSIVE
The Manic Depressive-Depressive Association (MDDA) of Metro Detroit meets 7:30 p.m. the first and third Wednesday of every month, Novi/Providence Medical Office Center, 39500 W. Ten Mile Road (at Haggerty), Novi, MI 48375. Call (248) 960-1288. They also meet 2-3:30 p.m. Wednesday, Providence Medical Office Building, 33133 W. 12 Mile Road, Farmington Hills. Call (248) 542-0430.

ANXIETY DISORDER
Ward Presbyterian Church, corner of Six Mile Road and Haggerty, Northville, sponsors a Panic Attack & Anxiety Disorder Support Group meeting 7 p.m. the first Tuesday of each month. Call (734) 420-8175.

DIABETES
St. Joseph Mercy Hospital in Ann Arbor will offer a Diabetes Support group 2-3:30 p.m. the first Friday and 7-8:30 p.m. the third Tuesday of each month in the Exhibition Room of the hospital Education Center. Call (734) 712-2804.

NOW THRU MARCH

HEALTH SEMINAR
New Life Health Seminars will present "A Quest for a Healthier You," a free seven-session health seminar presented by local medical professionals 7:30-8:45 p.m. Tuesdays at the Summit on the Park, Arts II Room, Canton. Topics include: Diet & Nutrition, Stress Management, Heart Disease, Exercise & Weight Control, Cancer Prevention, and Diabetes. To register, call (734) 844-8660.

MON, FEB. 19

BIPOLAR DISORDER
St. Mary Mercy Hospital, Livonia is offering a class, "The Complications and Treatment of Bipolar Disorder," 6-7:30 p.m. in the West Addition Conference Room B. Pre-registration is requested; please call (734) 655-2944. St. Mary Mercy Hospital is located at the corner of Five Mile and Levan roads in Livonia. Participants should use the South Entrance off Levan Road.

WED, FEB. 21

ALZHEIMER ACTIVITIES WORKSHOP
The author of "Healing the Wounds of Alzheimer's Disease" will offer a three-hour workshop designed to show how therapeutic activities help people with Alzheimer's – and their caregivers – regain self-confidence, improve attitude, reduce fear and repair damaged relationships. Credits for professional certification. Workshop held 6-9 p.m. at William Costic Activities Center, 28600 Eleven Mile Road, Farmington Hills (between Middlebelt and Inkster). Call (248) 360-7904.

ACCUPRESSURE
Botsford Hospital presents an workshop on the healing benefits of accupressure/accupuncture 7 p.m. at Botsford center for Health Improvement, 39750 Grand River Avenue, Novi. Instructor will discuss pressure points for common problems and demonstrate simple, practical applications. Cost is $45. Call (248) 477-6100.

TUES, FEB. 27

BREATHING PROBLEMS
Oakwood Annapolis Hospital will start "Annapolis Air+Force," a support group for people with breathing problems such as asthma, emphysema, pneumonia, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease, heart attack, congestive heart failure and stroke. The group will meet in the Physicians Dining Room at 3 p.m. the last Tuesday of every month. The hospital is located at 33155 Annapolis (at Venoy, one-half mile south of Michigan Avenue), Wayne. Call (734) 467-2324.

MARCH 1 & 8

CHRONIC PAIN WORKSHOP
S.O.S. Workshops will present a two-session symposium on healing and coping strategies for health-care professionals and those living with chronic pain 7-9 p.m. in the Birmingham Community House, 380 S. Bates, Birmingham. Four health care professionals will discuss complimentary perspectives on how to "get a grip" on chronic pain, including anger management, integrative medicine, acupuncture, Reike and more. The cost is $59. To register, call (248) 644-5832.

TUES, MARCH 6

HEART DISEASE
Henry Ford Medical Center - Fairlane will sponsor "Love Your Heart," a free lecture on what women should know about heart disease 11 a.m. to noon at the medical center, 19401 Hubbard Drive, at Evergreen in Dearborn. To register, call (313) 982-8384.

WED, MARCH 7

MENOPAUSE SUPPORT
The Menopause Support Group will meet 7-9 p.m. at St. Mary Mercy Hospital in Livonia in the West Addition Conference Room B. Physical therapist Mary Ann Erickson will discuss "Pain, Identifying Causes of Pain and Discussing Alternative Treatments to Pain." Call (734) 655-1100.

SUN, MARCH 11

DEMENTIA AND DEPRESSION
Judy C. Wheeler, a clinic nurse specialist and nurse practitioner-gerontology, will present "Dementia and Depression with Aging" a free workshop 2 p.m. at the Newburg United Methodist Church, 36500 Ann Arbor Trail, Livonia. Pre-register by calling (734) 422-0149.

MARCH 11-14

MEDICINE AND MORALITY
Calvary Baptist Church will present Veritas Christian Research Ministries and "A Christian World View: Medicine and Morality" at the church, located at 43065 Joy Road, Canton (between Lilley and Morton Taylor/Main Street). Dr. Robert Evans, founder of Veritas Ministries, will present the following topics: "The Image of God and the Moral Status of Life" – 11 a.m. and 6 p.m. Sunday, March 11; "East Meets West: The Christian Stake in Alternative Medicine" – 7 p.m. Monday, March 12; "Playing God: The Christian Stake in Genetic Engineering" – 7 p.m. Tuesday, March 13; and "A Christian Manifesto in a Culture of Death" – 7 p.m. Wednesday, March. 14. Call (734) 455-0022.

WED, MARCH 14

SENIOR HEALTH
St. Mary Mercy Hospital in Livonia will present "Herbal Therapy and Supplements" 1-3 p.m. in the hospital's Auditorium. Registered dietitian Linda De Vore will teach attendees about possible health risks of some popular herbal supplements and how to locate reliable resources for herbal supplement information. To register, call (734) 655-8940. The hospital is located at 36475 Five Mile. Use Five Mile Road entrance.

BLOOD DRIVE
Celebrate Valentine's Day by giving blood. The Livonia Post Office, 11800 Merriman Road off Plymouth, will sponsor a blood drive noon to 6 p.m. Please contact Marge Walter at (734) 425-8050. There is a blood shortage, so give a pint at the post office.

DIABETES
St. Mary Mercy Hospital will host a free support group focusing on information important to those who live with diabetes and its related issues 7-8:30 p.m. in the hospital's Auditorium. John Pedit will present "Medicare & Supplemental Insurance Update." To register, call (734) 655-8940.

MON, MARCH 19

GAMBLING ADDICTION
Avoid the serious – and sometimes fatal – consequences of gambling. St. Mary Mercy Hospital will offer a gambling addiction class 6-7:30 p.m. in West Addition B. Pre-registration is requested. Please call (734) 655-2944. St. Mary Mercy Hospital is located on Five Mile and Levan in Livonia. Participants should use the South Entrance off Levan Road.

WED, MARCH 21

DYSLEXIA
The Dyslexia Support Group will meet 7-9 p.m. at the Michigan Dyslexia Institute-Detroit Metro Center, 30230 Orchard Lake Road, Suite 130, Farmington Hills. Mary Rodriguez, a member of the Plymouth-Canton Special Education Advisory Committee, will discuss special education law and the IEP as related to students with dyslexia. Call (248) 737-0044.

SAT, MARCH 24

NERVOUS SYSTEM WORKSHOP
The Tree House for Earth's Children in Farmington will sponsor a workshop on the "Sympathetic Nervous System and Receptor Based Therapeutics" presented by Dr. Richard Bray, D.C. 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. All-organic lunch provided. Workshop cost is $50. Seating is limited. To register, call (248) 473-0624. The Tree House is located at 22906 Mooney Street, one block west of Orchard Lake off Grand River in Farmington.

SAT, MARCH 24

PITUITARY DISORDERS
The Pituitary Disorders Education & Support groups meets 9-11:30 a.m. at the Zeiger Center community rood next to Botsford Hospital, 28050 Grand River Ave., Farmington. Dr. George Leach from Endocrinology & Nuclear Medicine will be the guest speaker. Continental breakfast provided. RSVP by calling 1 (810) 227-5615 or e-mail: pituitary@mediaone.net

THUR, MARCH 29

CHIROPRACTIC CLASS
Dr. Patrick Jary will offer "Health Through Chiropractic," a free lecture/discussion on the benefits of chiropractic care 7:30-9 p.m. at Jary Chiropractic, 27527 Joy Road (1/2 mile west of Inkster), Westland. He will discuss basic human anatomy, differences between traditional medicine and chiropractic medicine, and how to improve and preserve your health. Seating is limited. Reservations required. Call (734) 522-5501.

SAT, APRIL 28

WOMEN'S HEALTH DAY
St. Mary Mercy Hospital will sponsor "2001 Women's Health Day" 8 a.m. to noon at the Holiday Inn-Livonia West. Events includes keynote speaker Sandra Beckwith, breakfast buffet, exhibits, workshops and raffle drawings. Program cost is $25 in advance and $30 at the door. For information, call the Marian Women's Center at (734) 655-1100 or (800) 494-1617 for out-of-area callers. Registration is requested by April 16.

BUSINESS CALENDAR

FEB. 21 & 28

SMALL BUSINESS ADMIN.
The U. S. Business Administration will offer two workshops: "Tax Issues for Business Owners" 6-8:30 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 21 and "Bookkeeping Basics" 6-8:30 p.m. at Lawrence Technological University, 21000 West Ten Mile Road, Southfield. Each workshop is $50 per person. Call (248) 204-4053 for information.

WED, FEB. 21

SCORE
The Service Corps of Retired Executives will offer a workshop on Exporting 8:45 a.m. to noon at One Stop Capital Shop, 2051 Rosa Parks Blvd., Detroit. Cost is $40. Call SCORE at (313) 226-7947 weekdays 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

ISO 9000 REVISIONS WORKSHOP
Arch Associates will offer a half-day workshop of new ISO 9001:2000 quality system requirements 8:30 a.m. at Laurel Park Holiday Inn (doors open at 8 a.m.). Copy of the new standard and course manual provided for $220. Advance registration requested by calling (248) 449-5433.

SE MICHIGAN STUDY GROUP
New measurement requirements for quality system performance, customer satisfaction, methods, and system linkages are this month's study group topics 1 p.m. at Laurel Park Holiday Inn. Cost is $120. Revisions Workshop attendance required. Contact Arch Associates at (248) 449-5433 for details and registration.

BUSINESS NETWORK INT'L
Laurel Park Chapter regular meeting 7-8:30 a.m. at Archie's Family Restaurant, Plymouth Road, east of Merriman, Livonia. Call the BNI regional office at (810) 323-3800.

THUR, FEB. 22

ESTATE PLANNING
Dayna Carlson and Jonathan Stanely, financial advisors with Morgan Stanley Dean Witter, will present "Planning Your Estate," a free seminar starting at 6 p.m. at Alterra Clare Bridge, 32500 Seven Mile Road. Call (800) 745-4550, ext. 8009.

FRI, FEB. 23

BUSINESS NETWORK INT'L
Livonia Chapter regular meeting 7-8:30 a.m. at the Senate Coney Island, Plymouth Road at Stark, Livonia. Call the BNI regional office at (810) 323-3800.

TUES, FEB. 27

LONG-TERM CARE
The Westland Democratic Club has invited Michael Connors, a long-term care advocate, to speak about the recently released second edition of the nursing home industry's "Consumer Guide" 7:30 p.m. at the Dorsey Community Center, 32715 Dorsey Road. If you have someone who will soon rside in a nursing home, you will not want to miss this meeting. Call (734) 422-5863.

WED, FEB. 28

RISK PROTECTION
Have market fluctuations kept you up at night? Henry Ford Medical Center - Fairlane will hold a free lecture on financial risk 6-7 p.m. at the medical center, 19401 Hubbard Drive at Evergreen, Dearborn. Financial consultant Sue Cantley of Merrill Lynch will be the presenter. Call (313) 982-8384.

SAT, MARCH 3

RETIREMENT PLAN
Morgan Stanley Dean Witter financial advisors will offer a free seminar, "Retirement Plan Distribution," 10 a.m. at the company's Livonia/Laurel Park office, 17420 Laurel Park Drive North. No charge. Call Kristi McCombs at (734) 779-8001.

FRI, MARCH 23

CAREER PROFESSIONALS
Career development professionals are invited to attend the Michigan Career Development Association Spring Conference, "Making Connections, Developing Awareness," 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Oakland Community College, Orchard Ridge Campus, 27055 Orchard Lake Road, Farmington Hills. Topics: using technology, working with diverse populations, and developing a career and industry. Call Helene Koenig at (248) 522-3450 or ekbriggs@occ.cc.mi.us

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MORE ON SEEING THE DOCTOR

In last week's column, I discussed information you should bring with you when seeing doctor for the first time concerning an arthritis problem.

The column mentioned that you should describe the pain, where it is and where it goes, what makes it better or worse, and the results of your own efforts or of doctors to diagnose and treat the problem.

Of equal importance is to make clear to the doctor what are your concerns. You may have friends or relatives who have rheumatoid arthritis, or suffered badly from Systemic Lupus, and you are worried you may have the same condition. You may have read about a marvelous cure or been told that a new drug would resolve just the pain you have.

Anything that comes to your attention about your illness is a matter you should also bring to the attention of your doctor. He wants to know that from your reading or web browsing, you think you have rheumatoid arthritis, fibromyalgia or a pinched nerve.

The doctor wants to know not only what medicine you tried, what drugs you react to, but also what medications you are reluctant to use. Many individuals are fearful of steroids; the doctor should know this immediately so he can relieve your mind, and particularly so if using cortisone is not appropriate for the condition you have.

Anything about your illness that concerns you is important to your doctor. Only when he knows what is on your mind, can be speak freely about what he thinks about your condition and its treatment.

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Should you be thinking about estate planning? Yes!

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GUY P. DOBBS

How do you get organized? Basically, you have two choices: a will or a trust.

A will is a document, often as few as one or two pages, that tells your heirs (those who are to receive your property in the event of your death) who gets what and who is in charge of making sure proper distribution takes place. If you have a will, your property will be distributed under the supervision of a judge in a judicial proceeding upon your death. This is what lawyers call probating an estate.

A trust accomplishes the same purpose without the involvement of a probate court by transferring all of your property to a new entity that will outlive you – namely, the trust.

There are a number of factors involved in planning to allocate your property and possessions upon your demise.

■ Most importantly, determine how much you have. If your estate is substantial (more than $675,000 for 2000/2001), your estate may be subject to steep taxes, ranging from 37-55 percent.

■ Consider whether or not your beneficiaries will need assistance in managing assets (for example, if they are minors).

■ Be sure that the ownership of your assets is clear.

■ Finally, consider your family dynamics and the good and bad relationships between your potential heirs.

Death and taxes

Our generous federal government imposes estate tax upon your death only if your property is worth more than a certain amount:

Year of death and Exempt Estate Amount:
2000-2001: $ 675,000
2002-2003: $ 700,000
2004: $ 850,000
2005: $ 950,000
2006 and after: $1,000,000

There is also a special $1.3 million exclusion for certain family owned businesses and farms. If your estate, including the value of your home, your investments, and all of your other assets, exceeds the exempt amount, you should set up a trust.

Keep in mind that, in many cases, the value of an estate grows as the value of one's investments, including your house and your 401(k), increases. There are a number of different kinds of trusts depending on your specific needs and goals.

Wills

If your estate is less than the exempt amount – and you reasonably don't expect it to increase beyond the exempt amount – you should prepare a will to govern disposition of your estate, unless there are other considerations (i.e. special needs beneficiaries) that would mandate the ongoing control mechanisms possible with a trust.

A properly drafted will is a revocable transfer of your property effective at death. A will can be a simple document that you can prepare yourself– if you are willing to put a little effort into the project and carefully review the legal requirements. Or you can have an attorney prepare one relatively cheaply (usually about $150).

A living will tells doctors and hospitals whether you wish life support in the event you are terminally ill or, as a result of accident or illness, cannot be restored to consciousness.

There is a law in Michigan that provides for creation of a durable power of attorney regarding medical decisions and appointment of a patient advocate, who can implement your instructions on your behalf in the event you are incapacitated. This power of attorney serves the same purpose as a living will and is preferred in Michigan because of the specific legal mandate.

Most of us procrastinate about estate planning issues. We're too busy leading busy lives, getting our children off to school and planning our next vacation. Death seems far away. I often deal with clients who drag their feet in dealing with their estate planning.

I firmly believe that one should hope for the best – and plan for the worst. When it comes to estate planning, the time to act is now.

Guy P. Dobbs is a partner with Dobbs & Neidle, PC, 17290 Farmington Road, Livonia, (734) 762-9261.

Nursing home alternative comes to Detroit area

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The tri-county area has a new alternative to nursing homes: a home health care agency that brings the nursing home to you.

Millions of baby boomers are finding themselves facing the dilemma of trying to care for an ailing parent at home or choosing a nursing home. Granny Nannies is the answer.

Granny Nannies is comprised of specialists in long-term health care and assisted living. The company recently opened an office in Southfield, where members serve clients in Wayne, Oakland and Macomb counties. Granny Nannies staff provides a continuum of care, from simple companionship to round-the-clock care for patients with terminal cancer or Alzheimer's.

"We provide basic, certified care, whatever is needed to keep someone at home and independent," said Rob Hodgson, Granny Nannies president. "Since we focus on this and only this, we do it well."

The Southfield office is Granny Nannies' first office outside of Florida, where the company was founded 10 years ago. It is located is located in the Onyx Plaza, 29777 Telegraph Road, (248) 353-3769 or (248) 357-9224.

BUSINESS NEWSMAKERS

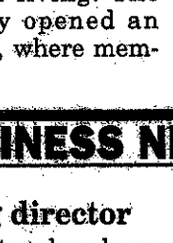
New marketing director

Martin G. Heator has been named director of marketing at Schoolcraft College. He is the former director of promotional services at Washtenaw Community College in Ann Arbor.

As director of marketing at Schoolcraft, a newly created position, Heator will oversee all marketing efforts, publications, advertising and media relations, and will be involved in some special events.

Heator was at WCC for 15 years, beginning as a writer, after working in the public relations office at Eastern Michigan University. A graduate of EMU, he holds a bachelor's in journalism and public relations, with a minor in marketing, and a master's in educational leadership. He is a resident of Ypsilanti.

Koos appointed


Koos

Willis, an international insurance broker and risk management consultant, appointed **Linda Koos** of Farmington Hills as vice president of marketing for the company's Detroit office. She is a member of the Women's Economic Club and the Insurance Women of Metro Detroit.

Engineering Fellow

Dr. Brij B. Seth of Canton, a corporate technical specialist at Ford Motor Co., has been named a Fellow of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers International. He earned his doctorate from the Illinois Institute of Technology in Chicago. He is also a member of the Society of Manufacturing Engineers.

National City Bank

Mark Peterson of Livonia has joined National City Bank of Michigan/Illinois as vice president and business services group corporate banking lender for the metro Detroit area. He previously held the position of vice president of commercial lending with First Federal of Michigan. His current office is in Birmingham.


Peterson

Plante & Moran

Susan Shoemaker, CPA, of Livonia, was promoted to financial consultant by Plant & Moran, LLP of Southfield. She joined the company in 1999. She has a master's degree in finance from Wayne State University and is a board member of the Livonia Chamber of Commerce. Shoemaker specializes in investment consulting and 401(k) plans. picture


Shoemaker

TolTest

TolTest, Inc. announced the addition of **Gregory Terri** as an engineer in the company's Geotechnical Division, Plymouth office. Terri attended Northwestern University and the McCormick School of Engineering, graduating with a bachelor's in civil engineering. He is an associate member of the American Society of Civil Engineers.


Terri

Little Caesars

Lisa Cosnowski of Livonia has been promoted to director of corporate communications for Little Caesar Enterprises, Inc. She has been with pizza chain since 1986 and was previously corporate communications manager. She serves on the board of trustees for the Southeast Michigan Corporate Volunteer Council.

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Medicaid benefits more plentiful for seniors who live with their children

For older Americans who live with an adult child, there may be some unexpected advantages says a new University of Michigan study shows.

The study, published in the current (February 2001) issue of Medical Care, finds that unmarried people age 70 and older who lived with their adult children received about 40 hours a week of paid home care compared with 26 hours received by unmarried elders who were equally disabled and lived alone.

"Having an adult child on hand to 'navigate' the Medicare system seems to have a major impact on the amount of home care the elderly receive," says Kenneth M. Langa, an assistant professor of internal medicine at the U-M Medical School and first author of the study.

The study findings, showing that the bulk of the skyrocketing increase in paid home care during the mid-90s did not go to older Americans with lower levels of social support, provide new insights for the public policy debate on how to meet the needs of an aging population while also limiting steep cost increases.

Study

For the study, Langa and colleagues analyzed data on more than 3,000 Americans aged 70 and over from the Health & Retirement Study, funded by the National Institute on Aging and conducted at the U-M Institute for Social Research, the world's largest academic survey and research organization. All of those studied were at least 70 years old, lived in the community rather than a nursing home or assisted living facility, and needed help with one or more daily activities, such as eating, dressing, bathing, walking across a room, preparing meals, taking medications, or managing money.

Comparison

For the analysis, Langa and U-M researchers Michael E. Chernew, Mohammed U. Kabeto, and Steven J. Katz compared the amount of paid home care received in 1993 and 1995 by three groups of older men and women: the married, the unmarried who lived alone, and the unmarried who lived with others, in most cases, their adult children.

They controlled for a number of variables that might affect the amount of paid home services needed and received, including age, gender, race, chronic medical conditions, number of daily activity limitations, recent hospitalizations and nursing home stays, economic status, and the amount of unpaid care received from family members.

Inflation

During the period studied, public expenditures for home health care services exploded, the authors note, growing about 20 percent a year, from $5 billion to $18 billion between 1990 and 1997. In comparison, private spending on home health care grew by only about 9 percent per year.

"Whether you think that this distribution of services is good or bad depends on your view of the goals of home care," says Langa.

"If the purpose of paid home care is to help adult children care for their parents, then getting paid help may allow them to do this while staying in the work force. If you believe that the purpose is to target the vulnerable elderly who are socially isolated, in the hope that providing paid home care will reduce the likelihood thcy'll need to move into nursing homes, then the result of the study is not as reassuring."

Langa and his colleagues plan to analyze the 2000 wave of data from the U-M Health & Retirement Study to see how the use of paid and unpaid home health care was affected by 1997 changes in the Medicare payment system designed to control skyrocketing home care spending.

During the time this work was completed, Langa was a Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Clinical Scholar and Katz was a Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Generalist Faculty Scholar.

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ISR researchers also collaborate with social scientists in more than 60 nations on the World Values Surveys and other projects, and the Institute has established formal ties with universities in Poland, China, and South Africa. Visit the ISR Web site at www.isr.umich.edu for more information.

Programs help independent-living seniors around house

If you are an older adult who needs assistance around the house but can't hire full-time help, you can find a helping hand through William Beaumont Hospital in Royal Oak.

"Helping Hands," a non-profit program managed by Beaumont's Department of Older Adult Services, provides companionship and personal assistance to independent-living and homebound senior citizens in the community.

Services provided by Helping Hands include assistance with bathing, shopping, meal preparation, light housekeeping and transportation. While Helping Hands workers can provide many types of basic assistance, they *do not* provide medical care or replace maid service.

"The goal of this program is to help seniors continue to live independently in their own homes as long as possible," said Dorothy Walsh, Beaumont's Helping Hands coordinator. "It is ideal for older adults who need an affordable alternative to a full-time caregiver in their home."

Services

Helping Hands services are provided 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Minimum service provided is six hours per week for at least four weeks' duration, and clients are billed on an hourly basis.

For more information about Helping Hands or to order the service, call Beaumont's Senior Resource Line toll-free at 1-800-328-2241.

Beaumont Hospital is looking for additional workers for their Helping Hands program. No prior experience is necessary, but applicants must be 18 or older. Access to reliable transportation is needed. Day-time work hours are available seven days a week. The hourly wage is $8.50, plus mileage paid for transportation while on duty.

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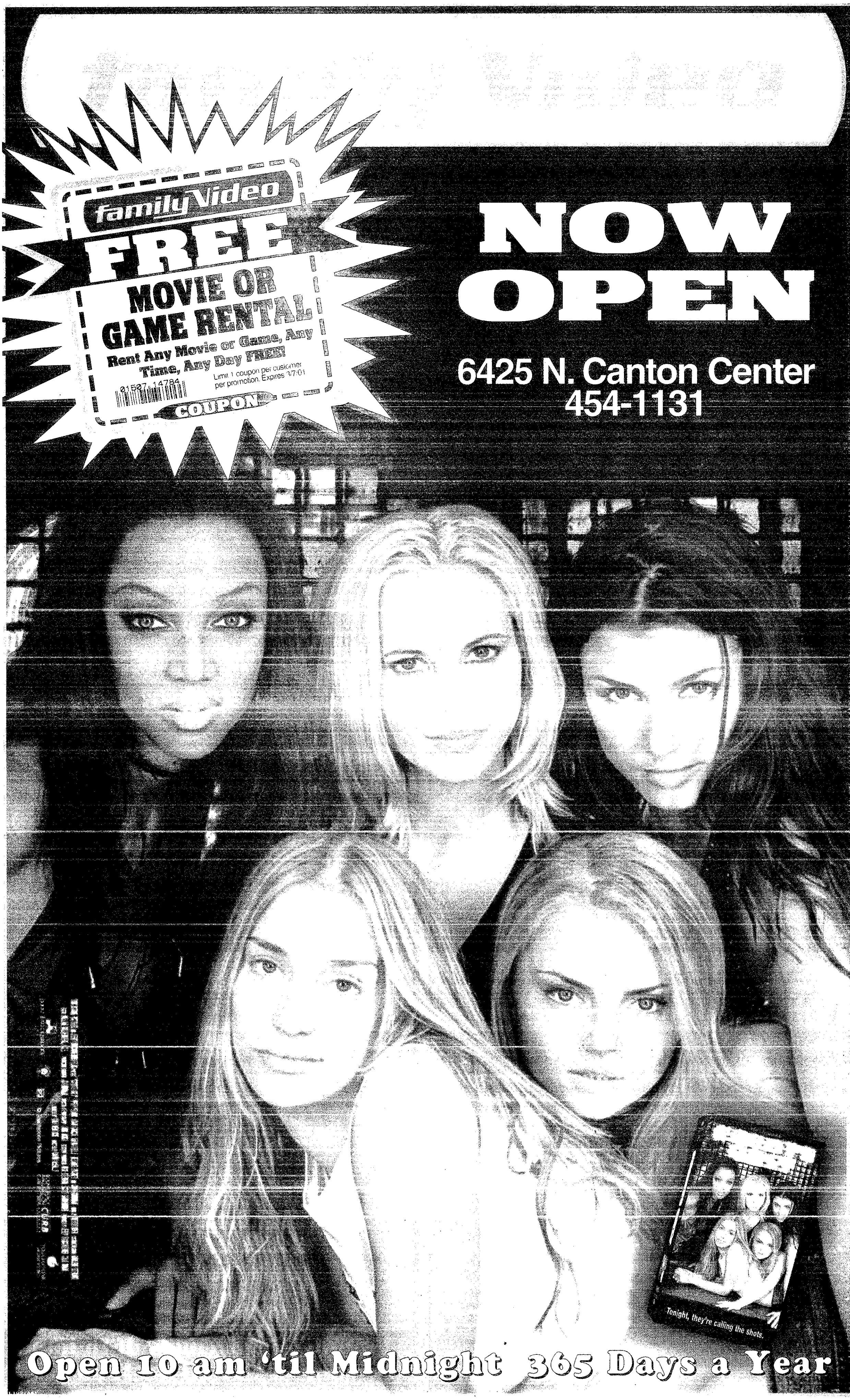


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Subdivision gives you a choice of styles

Several styles – ranches, colonials and first-floor masters – with a good assortment of standard features define Green Hill Pines, a detached condominium community in Farmington Hills.

Twenty-six homes are slated for a 13-acre site on Nine Mile between Halstead and Drake.

"I think there's a market for people looking for smaller, maintenance-free and luxury – things you normally don't see as standard in other communities," said Ron Benivegna, president of Benivegna Building.

"We use a lot of brick, nicer windows, still vinyl but with low-E glass and argon gas-filled," he said. "This is supposed to keep noise down, give you an insulative quality.

"We're using energy-efficient furnaces and water heaters. We're using dimensional shingles. We have little courtyard settings. The other thing we're doing here is Kohler plumbing fixtures," Benivegna said.

Small when referring to size really is a relative term at Green Hill Pines.

The smallest home, a ranch of nearly 1,800 square feet with three bedrooms and two full baths, carries a base price of $329,900.

The largest, a colonial of 3,100 square feet with four bedrooms and 2-1/2 baths, has a base price of $389,900.

All of the homes include at base price two-car garage, first-floor laundry, basement, fireplace and separate tub and shower in the master.

Other standards include ceramic or hardwood flooring in the foyer, kitchen/nook and powder room; range, microwave and dishwasher in the kitchen; carpeting throughout; and an alarm system with one year of paid monitoring.

All the homes will be landscaped and, as part of the maintenance/ association fees, lawns will be cut, snow shoveled.

Brick and vinyl siding are primary exterior materials.

"It's all maintained," Benivegna said. "There's quite a bit of wetlands here reserved. The name came from a great strand of pine trees here. We actually turned a house to save them."



White Pine: *This story-and-a-half of 2,150 square feet with three bedrooms and 2-1/2 baths is one of several options for buyers at Green Hill Pines.*

Visitors generally are impressed, whether or not they buy.

"They like the feel," said Pam McCord, sales manager. "It's elegant, comfortable. They like the openness. It feels livable. They don't feel it's imposing. There's good use of space.

"They like the geographical area of Farmington Hills," McCord added. "It's a country feeling with all the amenities. They're less than five minutes away from the expressway, 275, (M)-5, which gets you everywhere.

"Schools are superb," she said.

The model, a story-and-a-half, features a two-story foyer, den with cathedral ceiling, angled, open dining room, great room with sloped ceiling and kitchen/ nook with snack bar counter.

The first-floor master, with cathedral ceiling and bay window, also contains a walk-in closet and two-sink vanity.

Two bedrooms and a full bath are upstairs.

Base price is $349,900. The model, as is with extras, is $414,300.

A couple of spec colonials also have been completed.

The smaller, 2,600 square feet, includes a den, family room and dining area downstairs.

A step-up master with cathedral ceiling, compartmentalized commode, two-sink vanity and walk-in closet, three secondary bedrooms and a second full bath are up.

Base price is $356,900, the model, as is, $399,349.

The larger, 3,100 square feet, contains a dining room, living room and a two-way fireplace between the den and family room.

Again, four bedrooms, including the master, and a second full bath are up. Base price is $389,900, the model $419,199.

Green Hill Pines is serviced by city water and sewers and is within the Farmington school boundaries. There are no sidewalks.

The property tax rate currently is $39.10 per $1,000 of state taxable value, half of sales price for new construction. That means the owners of a $375,000 home there would pay about $7,350 the first year.

All of the remaining lots carry a premium ranging from $2,000-$35,000.

The monthly association/maintenance fee is $70.

Benivegna is building a home for Eileen Hand.

"They had a detached condo, what I had been looking for. I wanted a ranch. I wanted to stay in the area. I'm used to it and I like it," she said.

"I found the builder, superintendent and office personnel knowledgeable and accommodating," Hand added. "They were very good about my own personal preferences."



JACQUELINE SULLIVAN/ STAFF ARTIST

The sales model/ office at Green Hill Pines, (248) 427-9322, is open 1-5:30 p.m. weekdays, noon to 5 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays, closed Thursdays.

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CLARIFICATION

Daventry Woods in West Bloomfield was misspelled in the locator map in Feb. 11 editions.

OPEN HOUSES OF THE WEEK



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"A commitment to creating distinctive homes, and a long-standing promise of providing the finest communities in which to live." That is the mission statement that drives each and every home built by Triangle Development.

Heritage Meadows of Hartland is one of the latest communities being developed and built by Triangle Development. Conveniently located in Hartland Township, it is just seconds away from M-59 and US-23. Although close to major thoroughfares, the feeling of tranquility and beauty is unmatched by any other development. The sense of community is further perfected by the neighborhood's sidewalks, street lights, and protected open spaces. Heritage Meadows is located within the highly acclaimed Hartland school system, which offers many newly built facilities. Not only does the area create a sense of peacefulness, but it is also easily accessible to major freeways, shopping areas and restaurants.

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Golf, Lakes and Wildlife Discover Willow Creek in Commerce

Imagine enjoying a cup of coffee, the rising sun over Union Lake glistens off the early morning dew on the 16th fairway as the deer make their way back to the sanctuary of the state forest adjacent to your home, a relaxing start to the new day.

Lenwal Building Company proudly invites you to discover life at Willow Creek. An intimate community of homes located on the eastern edge of Commerce Township bordering West Bloomfield. Willow Creek is located off Union Lake Road one-half mile north of Commerce Road just minutes away from I-696, I-275, M-5 and the M-59 freeways in the heart of Oakland County's lakes region.

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We invite you to discover Willow Creek, our models are open 12:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. daily (Closed on Thursday) or call for further information (248) 366-9533 or (248) 553-2200.

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Brentwood offers several 1st floor master bedroom plans a range of traditional colonial floor plans ready to be customized to fit many budgets & lifestyles.

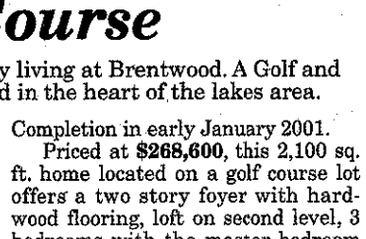
Minimum ½ acre sites, 2-story great rooms, vaulted ceilings & gourmet kitchen are available in this exclusive environment. Brentwood has the following three Builder special homes available for winter and early spring occupancy.

Priced at **$284,915**, located on a golf course lot, this 2,300 square foot home offers a two story foyer with hardwood flooring, loft on second level, great room with two sided fireplace, hardwood flooring in kitchen & nook, 3 bedrooms with 1st floor master suite, 2½ baths, 1st floor laundry, basement and 3 car garage. Completion in early January 2001.

Priced at **$268,600**, this 2,100 sq. ft. home located on a golf course lot offers a two story foyer with hardwood flooring, loft on second level, 3 bedrooms with the master bedroom on the first floor, hardwood flooring in kitchen & nook, 2½ baths, fireplace, 1st floor laundry, basement, two car side entry garage. Completion in December 2000.

Priced at **$266,200**, this 2,142 sq. ft. home features a two story foyer with hardwood floors, 3 bedrooms, 2½ baths, great room with a fireplace, dining room, library, two car side entry garage, and day-light basement. Completion in Spring 2001.

Contact Beverly Climie or Cathy Bray at (248) 685-1990 Sales Office Model Open Daily 12 p.m. to 6 p.m. (Closed Thursday) or by appointment. Brokers & agents Welcome.

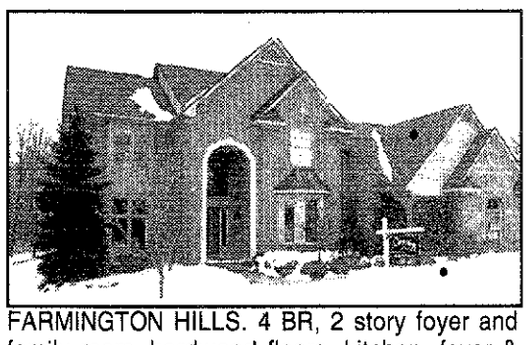


From M-59 take Bogey Lake Rd. to Cedar Island Drive west into Brentwood. From 696 take Novi Rd. to Decker to South Commerce to Commerce Rd., turn onto Carey Rd.

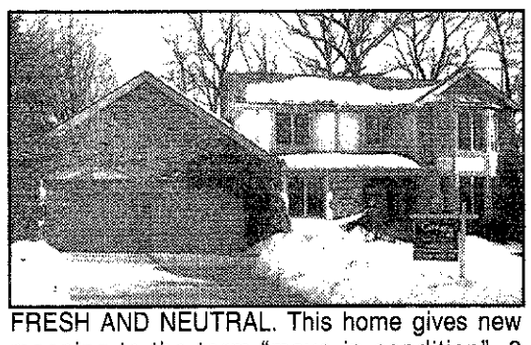
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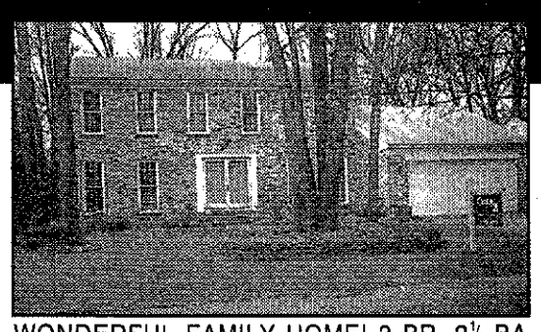
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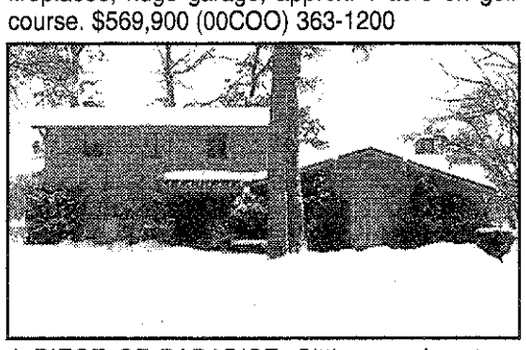
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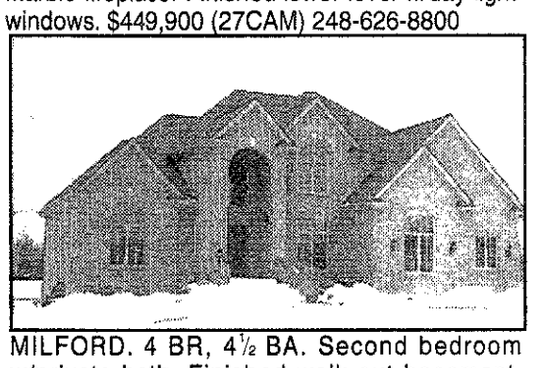
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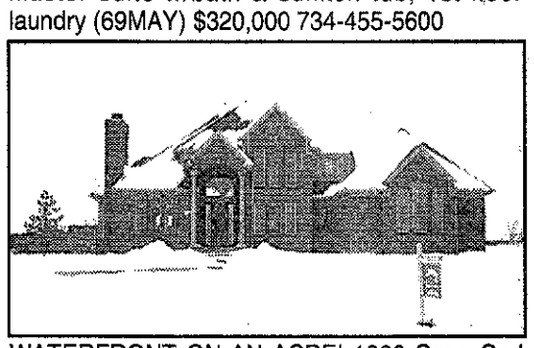
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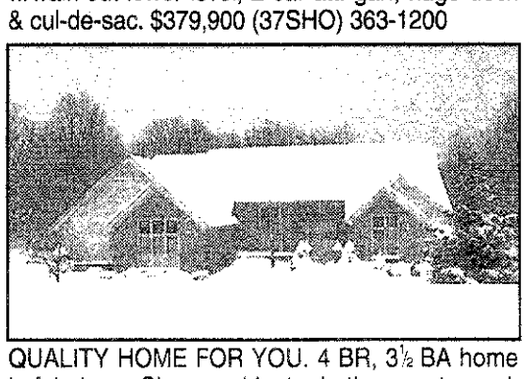
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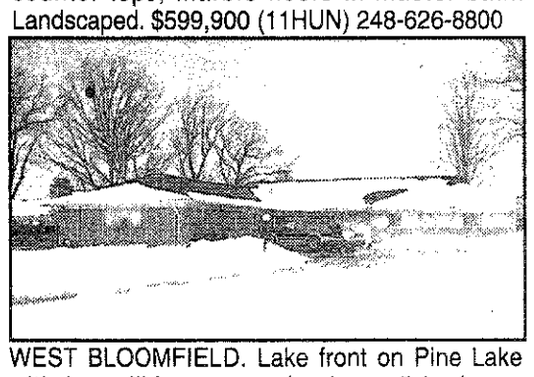
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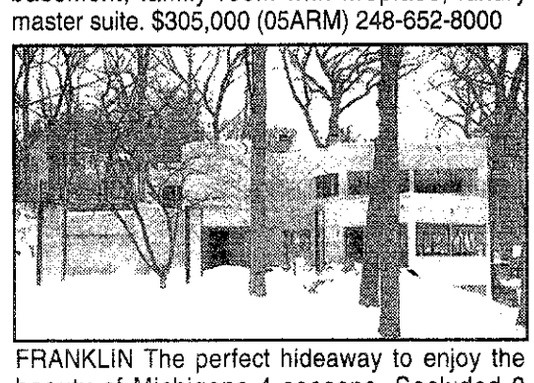
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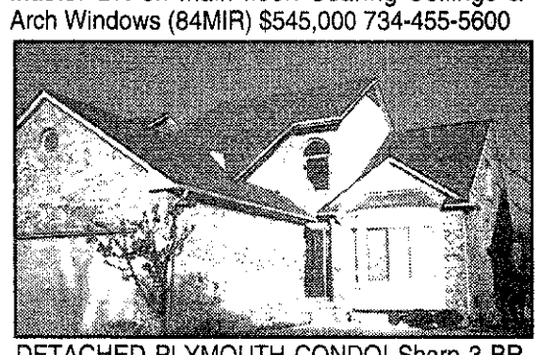
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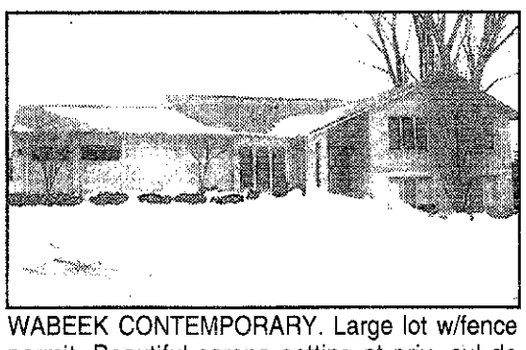
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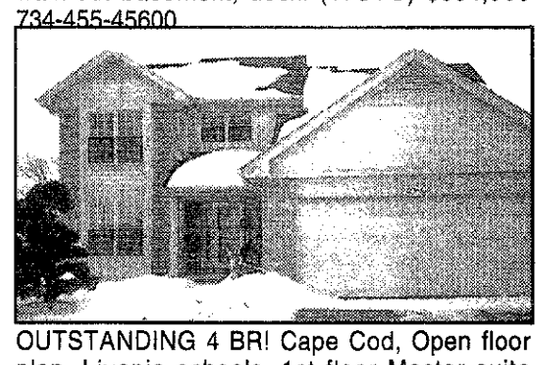
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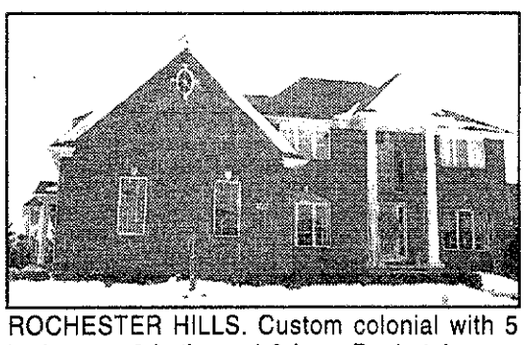


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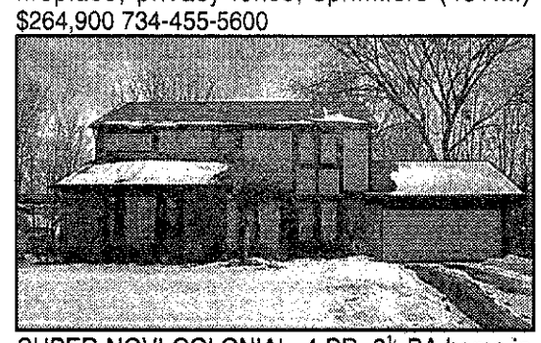


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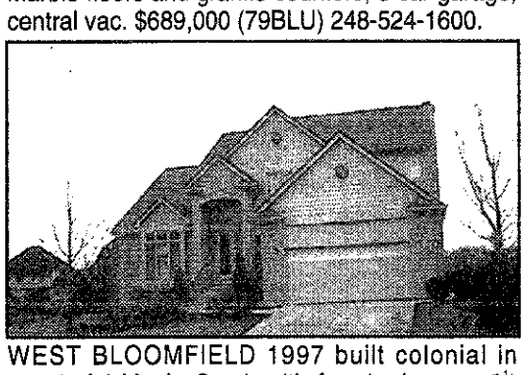


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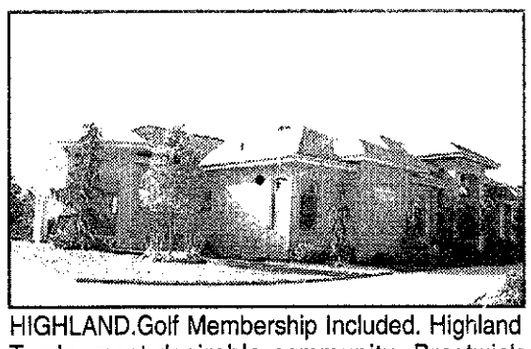


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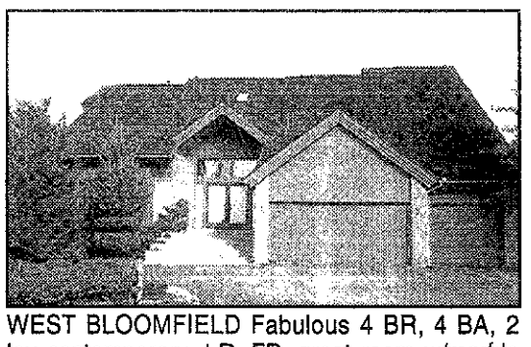
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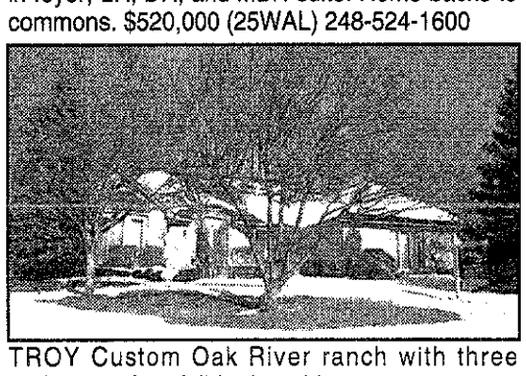
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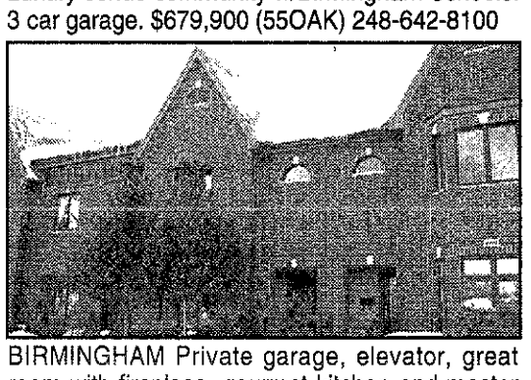
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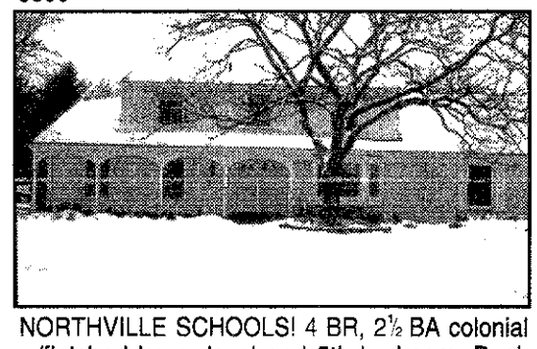
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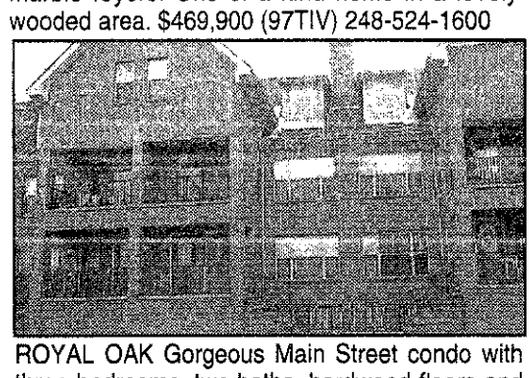
THIS ONE IS BEAUTIFUL. Over 3,500 sq. ft. C/A, garden fireplace, wet bar, his and hers walk in closets, plus 3 car side entry garage, huge kitchen with granite counters and appliances. $444,444 (63POR) 248-652-8000



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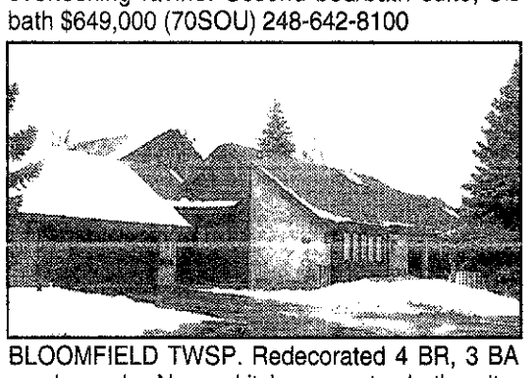
NORTHVILLE SCHOOLS! 4 BR, 2½ BA colonial w/finished lower level and 5th bedroom. Deck overlooks hot tub & landscaped rear yard. Kitchen, roof, windows, eaves and many more updates. $359,900 (89CLE) 248-349-5600



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LARRY KAUFMAN

Like everyone, I have seen the cost of energy skyrocket. Increasing energy costs have caused gas-heating bills to escalate while electric costs have decreased for residential customers.

Energy-saving projects scheduled now and completed by next heating season will save you dollars.

In my experience, two projects – sealing the basement and putting more insulation in the attic – are easy for homeowners to complete and provide real results.

The standard 12-inch basement concrete wall is very inefficient and only equal to about one inch of insulation.

An inexpensive energy saver is to cut two-inch foam insulation board to fit between the floor joists where they set on the basement wall. Insulation board is available at any home center.

The foam board can be easily cut with a knife or scissors. Push the foam board into the spaces and caulk around the edges closing the remaining cracks. A fire retardant material should cover the foam board.

Another project is to cover the basement walls with 4-by-8 foot sheets of 2-inch foam board. If the walls are fairly smooth, the board can be glued to the concrete. When the board is securely in place, it should be covered with paneling or drywall.

Another approach is to secure 2-by-4 inch studs to the basement wall on 16-inch centers and insulate between them. Cover the insulation with paneling or drywall attached to the studs.

In a 2,000-square-foot house, the project will provide significant savings.

The energy costs for an unfinished basement would be approximately $322 per heating season. By increasing the basement insulation to R-10, the annual cost would be about $52, a savings of $270.

During the next year, energy prices are expected to double. Next heating season, the basement project would save approximately $540. If your cost to seal the basement is $2,000, it would pay for itself in four or five years.

The attics of many homes are sources of air leaks and lost heat, which results in increased energy use.

Measure the insulation in your attic and if you have less than 12 inches of fiberglass, consider adding three to six inches of blown cellulose insulation. A contractor can complete this project in a few hours.

Detroit Edison has a free brochure, "How to Choose a Quality Insulation Contractor," available by calling the utility's Energy Answer line, (800) 833-2786. The Internet address is www. energyanswer. com

If you have questions or comments regarding this column, or would like us to discuss a particular energy subject, give me a call at my toll-free number, (877) 349-4130.

Larry Kaufman of Detroit Edison's Residential & Small Business Marketing group has conducted more than 50 energy savings workshops for the utility and is an expert adviser on home energy efficiency.

Vanquish squeaks on floors

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Real Estate One

BRIGHTON OPEN SUN 1-5
4059 Link Rd. (Spencer to Old US-23 North). 3 bedroom, 2.5 bath colonial, larger master suite, fireplace in living room, walk-out basement, upper deck overlooking backyard. Home is 3 yrs. old. A steal at $184,900! Bradley Wood, Keller Williams Realty 248-380-8800; cell 313-682-8649.

CANTON CONDO
BY OWNER - Open Sun 1-4. 41142 Southwind, Winds Condos, Haggerty, S. of Cherry Hill. 2 bedroom, 1½ baths, fireplace, central air, full basement, $124,900. 734-397-2761.

CANTON - Open Sat. & Sun. 12-5. Carriage Hill Sub. 6949 Bunker Hill. S. of Warren, W. of Lilley. 4 bedrooms, 2½ bath, attached garage, air, fireplace, family room, dining room, finished basement, updated. By owner. (734) 981-4082.

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Paul Klebba, Keller Williams Realty, 734-718-1611 or pager 313-601-1139

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41576 Pine Ridge Ct.
N/Cherry Hill, W/off Haggerty
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Canton
OPEN SUN. 1-4
47500 Putney Ct., W./Beck, S./ Cherry Hill. New construction. 3200+ sq. ft., 4 bedroom colonial. $404,900. Call Ling Chen,
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Open Sun. 12-3. 3 bedroom, 1½ bath ranch. 2 car attached garage, full basement, central air, vaulted ceilings in great room. Built 1986. $169,900. Call Chantell Monette, Remerica Country Place, (734) 860-1458.

CHELSEA SCHOOLS by owner open house 12-5 Sunday. Immaculate, 3 bedroom, 2 bath, 4.6 acres, horsebarn. $245,000. N. of M-52 left Sibley, Bush Rd to 6690 Lingane.
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Dearborn Heights
OPEN SUNDAY 12-4
26721 Rouge River Dr. Golf View Manor 2 bedroom, 2 bath brick ranch features open floor plan with updated kitchen, large family w/beautiful stone gas fireplace. Enjoy the extra living space in the fully-finished basement. Doorwall leading to patio & lovely private yard. Much sought-after sub. Crestwood schools.
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(734) 459-9898 ext. 264

DEARBORN HGTS. - Open Sun, 1-4. 8387 Colonial Lane, 3-4 bedroom brick ranch, N. Ann Arbor Trail, W. Telegraph. $137,500. 734-737-9332

FARMINGTON HILLS Immaculate 3 bedroom, 2 bath, 1377 sq. ft., finished basement, 1.5 car garage. $139,900. Open Sun (18th) 1-5. 21033 Ontaga W. of Inkster, N. of 8 Mile.
(248) 478-4625

FARMINGTON HILLS
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37792 Bradley, 4 bedroom 2½ bath colonial, w/fireplace
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Deborah Louzecky
(248) 866-6989
Larry Cojocari
(810) 529-0179

GARDEN CITY charmer 1713 Gilman, too many updates to list, large lot with huge 24x26 garage with 220 electric. By appointment only. $139,900. (734) 422-5422

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GARDEN CITY RANCH
Open Sun. 2-5. 31555 Windsor, S. of Warren, S. of Merriman. 3 bedroom, 2 full baths. $133,900.
DENNIS SMITH
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HAZEL PARK-BY owner. 3 bedroom Ranch, like new, wood floors, ceramic bath & kitchen, $89,900. Open Sat. & Sun. 1-4. 1625 Muir. (248)398-2765

HIGHLAND
OPEN SUN. FEB. 14, 1-4pm. ALL THE COMFORTS OF HOME! - You will love this appealing 2 bedroom, 1 bath ranch with its newer kitchen with Merillat cabinets, pergo floor and tile countertop! Freshly painted and newer floor coverings throughout. This very nice home also includes a spacious living room, master bedroom with walk in closet and large 12x18 deck. Huron Valley Schools. $119,900. Take Milford Road North of M-59 to Meribah follow open signs to 168 Meribah.

ENGLAND REAL ESTATE
(248) 474-4530.

LIVONIA (N.W.) OPEN SUNDAY 1-5 17218 Ellen N. of 6 Mile E. of Wayne Rd. By owner 1990 built 4 bedroom colonial approximately 2,800 sq. ft. lot 90x150, 2½ baths, basement finished as playroom, 16x20 family room, 14x20 master, many built-ins and extras-Must see! $399,900.
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20350 Deering, Enter onto Angling - N. of 7 Mile. 3 bedroom ranch, family room, 2 car garage. Many updates. $119,500. Call Martin Dedivanaj, Century 21 Row, (734) 464-7111.

LIVONIA - Open Sun., 12-4, 20336 Hugh, W. Middlebelt, S. 8 Mile. 3 bedroom, 2 bath brick ranch, 2 car garage on beautifully landscaped corner lot. $169,900. (248) 471-6474

Livonia
OPEN SUN. 1-4
30679 Bretton
1333 sq. ft. updated ranch, fireplace, 4' crawl, 2 car attached garage. $165,900. Call Connie
REMERICA
HOMETOWN
(734) 354-8419

Livonia
OPEN SUN. 1-4
1450 sq. ft. contemporary! 3 bedroom, 1.5 bath open floor plan. Studio ceiling, new Pergo floor in kitchen/dining. All brick hearthstone sub. 19836 Maplewood. $159,900.
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Absolutely Gorgeous! Newly listed, 3 bedroom brick home offers, 1800 sq. ft., 1.5 baths, 2 car attached garage, many updates. $179,900. 14164 Bainbridge, S/5, E/Merriman. For more information please call:
MARY ANN MININNI
ERA Alliance Realty
248-426-6600; 248-426-8003.

Livonia $136,000
9111 Hugh St.
N. off Joy Rd., E. of Merriman
Livonia schools, 1200 sq. ft., 3 bedrooms. Lots of updates. 1 yr. home warranty. Open 1-4pm. Call Anne Ward for details, 810-403-5352.
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LIVONIA - 6/Newburgh; 3 bedroom colonial, 2½ baths, family room & fireplace, dining room, master bath, newer c/a & furnace, 2 car attached garage, patio w/deck & hot tub, sprinklers. $249,900. Open Sun.12-3. 37781 Myrna. 734-591-1802

PLYMOUTH 3 bedroom brick ranch open house Sunday February 18th 2-6. 9208 Hackberry. $197,777. Call Pat for details (734) 451-6200.
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Northville
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42130 Sutter Lane
Four bedroom family home backs to acres of groomed commons with paths to schools & play areas. $339,000.
LIZ WHITE
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Real Estate One

NORTHVILLE Open Sun. 1-4 15551 Maxwell. N. of 5 Mile, W. of Haggerty. Built in 1995, 3 bedroom ranch, finished basement, pantry, 2½ bath, large fenced lot, 2 car garage, immediate occupancy. Asking $239,900.
Joann Chelenyak
Century 21 Hartford North
734-367-8137, 734-420-0152.

PLYMOUTH - Open Sun. 1-4. Detached ranch condo, Woods Of Northville. Winchester & 5 Mile. 3 bedrooms, 2.5 baths, C/A, gas log fireplace, main floor laundry, attached garage, complete finished basement, appliances included. $345,000. Must see to appreciate. 734-420-2078

REDFORD OPEN SUN. 12-4 26221 Elba. S. of 5, W. of Beech. 3 large bedrooms 3 full baths, new kitchen w/built-ins & island breakfast counter, Pergo floor, 1st floor den, living room w/gas fireplace, CA, finished basement w/4th bedroom, work shop & summer kitchen. $205,900. (313) 538-7548.

Redford
OPEN SUN. 1-4
23458 Riverpark, N. of W. Chicago, E. of Telegraph. Charming 3 bedroom brick ranch, dining room, 1½ baths, new windows, furnace and C/A, finished basement and garage. $125,000.
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(313)937-2300/(734)455-8430

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Attractive, 4 bedroom colonial, 2½ bath, 2220 sq.ft., Andersen Windows, oak floors, screen porch, custom shutters, fenced yard, masonry fireplace, many updates$275,000.734-455-1449

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Spacious 2,300+ Pulte built 4 bedroom, 2.5 bath colonial with a woman's dream master bath suite. Formal living and dining rooms, family room with fireplace, 2nd floor laundry, full basement, gorgeous deck and 2 car attached garage. $279,900. (518WE)
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303 Open Houses

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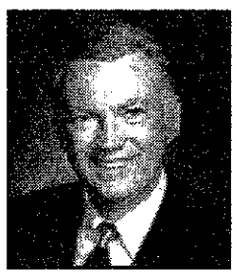
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SIZE

How does the lot size compare with surrounding homesites? If smaller than others in the neighborhood, is it large enough to accommodate the size of the house? Is it too large, requiring too much work and expense to maintain it properly?

LOCATION OF BUILDINGS

Is the house situated on the lot properly or is it too far to the front, back or either side? Is the home or garage next door too close to the lot line dividing both properties?

TYPE OF ADJOINING PROPERTIES

If you are looking at a single family detached home, are the adjacent properties on all four sides also single family homes or does it back up to a school, store, factory or some other non-single family property?

VALUE OF ADJOINING PROPERTIES

Are the homes on all four sides of equal or greater value than the subject homesite? You don't want to have more money invested in your home than your neighbors do. If you pay more than your neighbors, surrounding homes will hold you value down.

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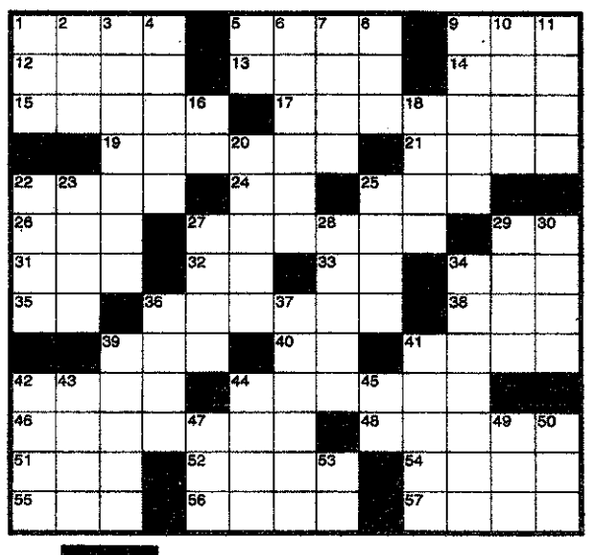
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14 Lamprey
15 Las — (city of 1 Down)
17 Hot cereal
19 Open declaration
21 Actor Garcia
22 French pronoun
24 Altitude (abbr.)
25 By way of
26 Buddy
27 Tilted to one side
29 Champagne Music man (inits.)
31 Switch positions
32 Roman 49
33 NBC series
34 Neighbor of Fr.
35 Symbol for selenium
36 Coated with frozen rain
38 Individual
39 Ms. Wray
40 Letter of the alphabet
41 River in England
42 — out (smooth)
44 River in South Africa
46 Rower
48 Fragrant root in perfume
51 Involuntary muscle spasm
52 Word used to get attention
54 Biblical name
55 Saloon suds
56 Unclothed
57 Actual being

DOWN

1 Sagebrush
2 Enzyme suffix
3 Author Laura — Wilder
4 — me alone
5 Equally
6 "Hope —"
7 Tehran
8 Baseball great
9 Actress Davis
10 — over heels
11 Badly
16 Therefore
18 Ending for bar or house
20 Worth one's — (profitable)
22 Series of epic events
23 Designated path
25 Absolute
27 Sego —
28 Tropical fish
29 Letterman rival
30 Singing bird
34 Rules
36 Without
37 Acquired by labor
39 Physical strength
41 Concur
42 Greek letter
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53 Myself

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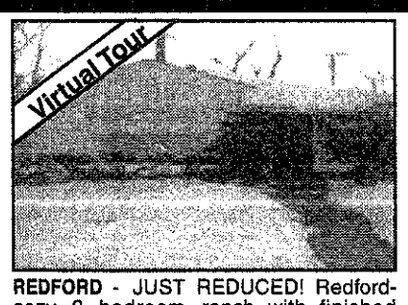
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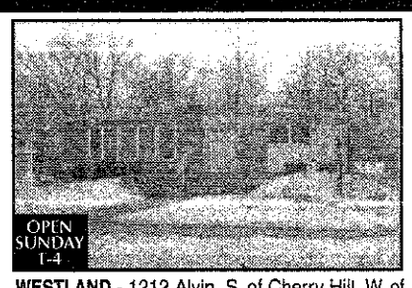
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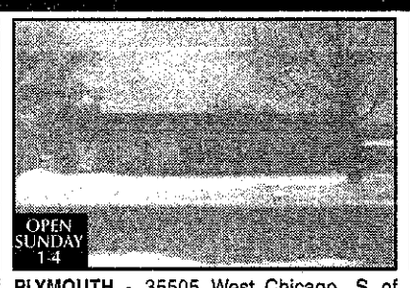
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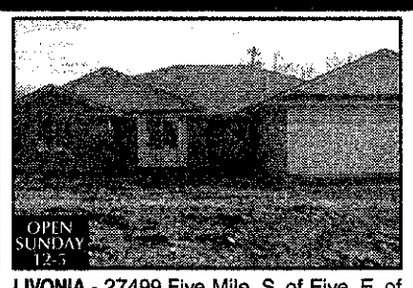
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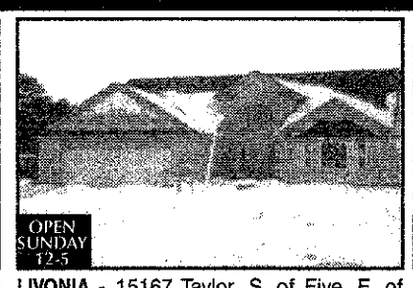
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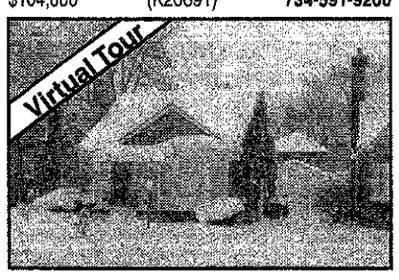
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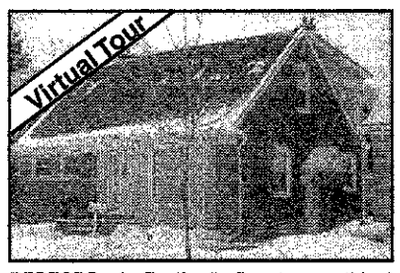
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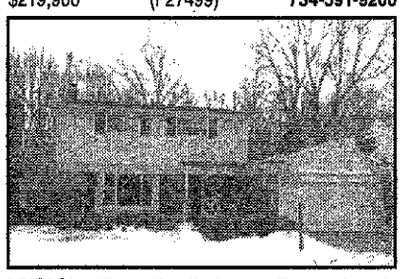
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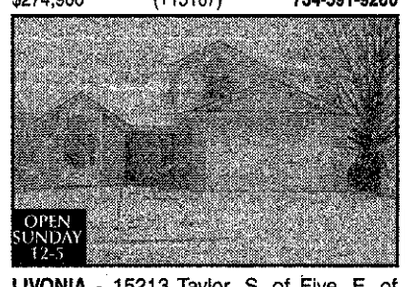
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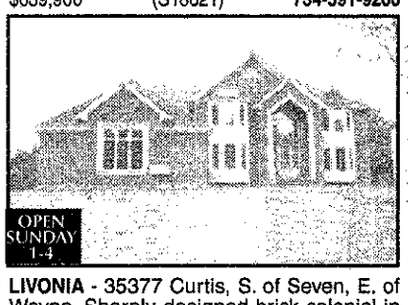
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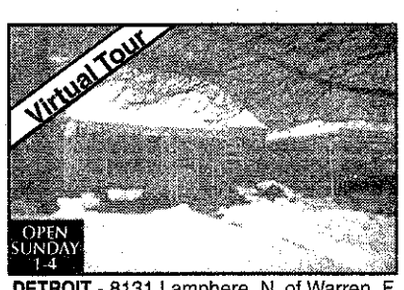
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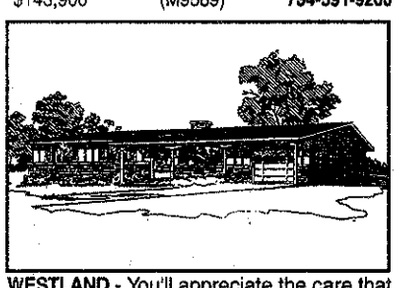
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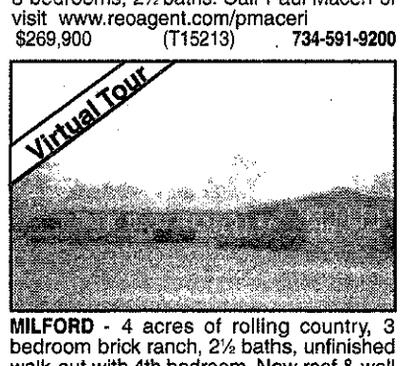
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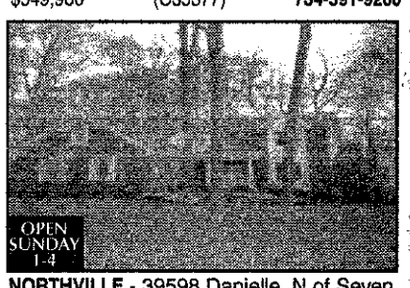
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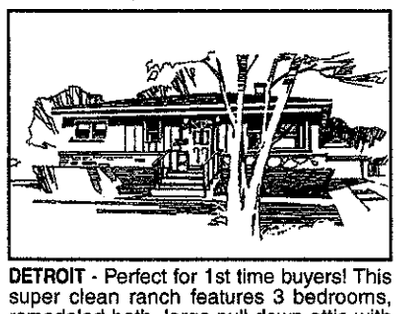
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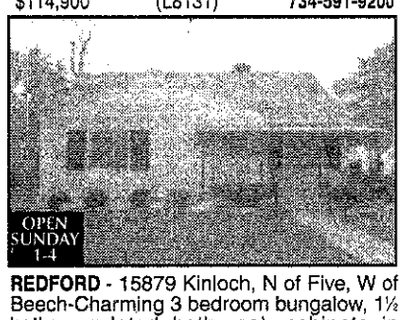
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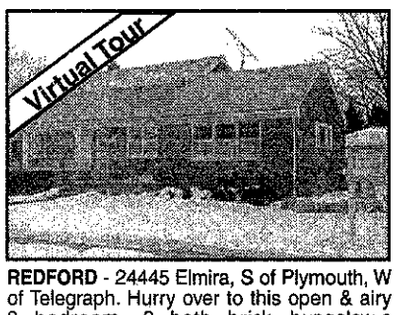
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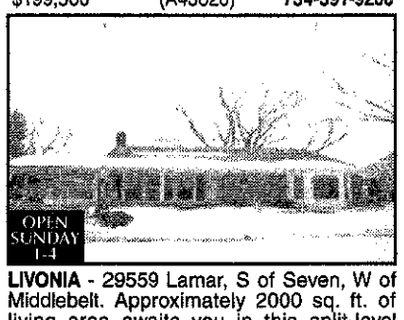
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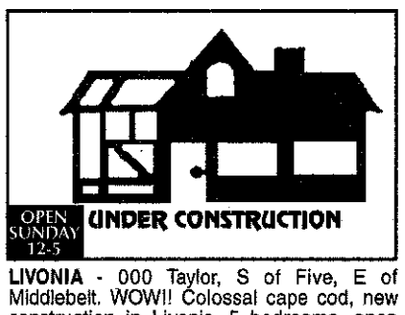
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Reliable water heater needed unless you're on Survivor show

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Generally, a water heater is one of the most reliable appliances in a home. With regular maintenance it can provide years of service.

Besides keeping you in hot water (something we know a lot about), a good maintenance program can quiet a noisy water heater, lower your utility bill and extend the life of the water heater.

And who can't stand to save the cost and aggravation of yanking out a water heater and installing a new one that will do essentially the same thing that the old one did?

It's not like buying a fancy new appliance with lots of buttons and gadgets that will please and entertain you. A water heater is a water heater. It's essentially a large thermos bottle that consists of an outer housing, a tank and a burner assembly.

How it works

Have you ever wondered how your water heater does its job?

Cold water enters at the top of the tank and flows through a plastic pipe called a dip tube, which delivers the cold water to the bottom of the tank where the burners are located. The heated water rises to the top of the tank where it flows out when needed. As hot water is drawn from the tank, more cold water enters the tank to be heated.

The water is kept hot with a layer of insulation that is sandwiched between the tank and the outer housing.

Corrosion presents the biggest threat to a water heater. The water's chemistry combined with the high temperature creates a corrosive environment that can attack the tank, requiring its replacement.

To prevent the tank from deteriorating, water heaters come equipped with an anode rod. The rod, also known as a sacrificial anode, is made of aluminum, zinc or magnesium. It attracts corrosive elements to keep the tank from deteriorating. The anode eventually will deteriorate completely – instead of the tank.

To maintain this protection, the anode rod should be inspected at least once annually – more often where water is more corrosive.

How to check

The anode rod can be inspected by removing a hex-head nut located at the top of the water heater. Once removed, the anode might consist of little more than a stub of wire – evidence that a new one is needed.

Replacement anodes aren't a standard stock item at many hardware stores or home centers, but can usually be found at a plumbing supply store. An anode will need to be replaced every five years or so.

After the anode, sediment at the bottom of the tank is the next biggest threat to your water heater.

Sediment reduces the efficiency of the burner, which raises your utility bill. Sediment also is a breeding ground for bacteria that can cause your hot water to smell like rotten eggs. And, as if that isn't enough, sediment is usually the cause of the rumbling sound that makes a water heater sound like a locomotive.

Flush regularly

The most effective means of dealing with sediment is to get rid of it by regularly flushing the tank. This is done by connecting a garden hose to the drain valve located at the bottom of the tank, opening the valve and allowing water to flow for several minutes.

Here's a problem that might hit home. If during the first few minutes of a hot shower the water suddenly turns cold, you likely have a broken dip tube. That's the plastic pipe that delivers cold water from the top of the tank to the bottom near the burners.

A cracked or broken dip tube will cause cold water to mix with hot water at the top of the tank and, consequently, result in cold water at your shower or faucet.

Ironically, your water heater is still flush with hot water. This can easily be solved by turning off the cold water supply to the heater, removing the water supply and nipple and broken dip tube and replacing it with a new one.

Although generally reliable, a controller-thermostat will fail from time to time, causing the water temperature to vary erratically.

The controller can be replaced without replacing the entire water heater – at a fraction of the cost. While the controller can be replaced by a do-it-yourselfer, this is something that you might want done by a pro.

Best temp setting

The safest and most energy-efficient setting for a thermostat is between 120 F and 130 F. A temperature setting less than 120 F could allow potentially fatal bacteria to propagate within the tank. A higher temperature setting can deliver scalding water.

All water heaters have a temperature- and pressure-relief valve that is designed to prevent the water heater from exploding. Some manufacturers suggest testing the valve every six months or so by raising and lowering the test lever on the valve.

This should produce a sudden burst of hot water from the drain line connected to the valve. More frequent testing can reduce the chance of a leak caused by mineral and corrosion buildup.

However, if a leak results immediately after a test, simply operate the test lever several times to free lodged debris that might be preventing the valve from seating properly.

Toxic gases produced by the burner should be safely vented through a flue pipe that attaches to the top of the water heater.

Frequent inspections should be made to ensure that the flue pipe is aligned with the water heater exhaust port. Be sure that the flue is drawing properly by holding a match under the vent pipe.

If the flame is drawn toward the vent pipe, it is drawing properly. If the flame blows away from the vent pipe, the flue is backdrafting, which could cause carbon monoxide poisoning. Check for an obstruction or damage to the vent pipe. If none exists, call in a pro to solve the problem.

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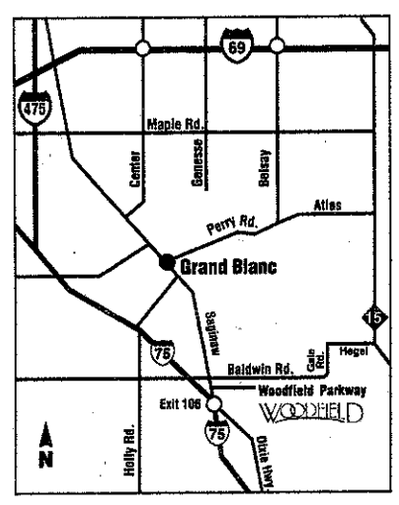
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NAHB members worked on more than 40 Habitat Home Builders Care projects in 2000.

Other ways the housing industry contributes to communities include:

■ providing advocacy, mentoring, counseling, education and financial assistance for children. This includes buying winter coats and funding trips to camp for underprivileged children.

■ supporting in-school programs for high school students, and continuing education for adults.

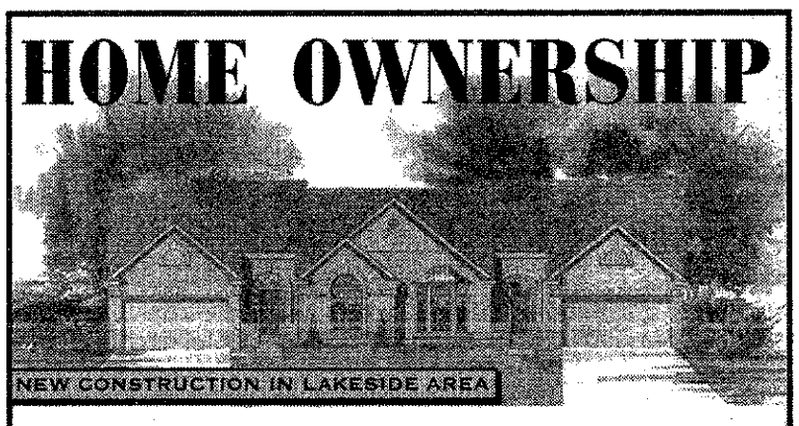
■ providing training and mentoring for high-risk students, such as offering career-specific construction classes for students who prefer a hands-on learning experience.

■ serving dinners at homeless shelters, hosting blood drives and helping victims of domestic abuse.

■ retrofitting or fixing up homes for disabled, elderly or low-income people.

■ helping to protect the environment by teaching builders and developers how to prevent dirt on job sites from flowing into rivers and streams; distributing trees and adopting hiking trails and parks.

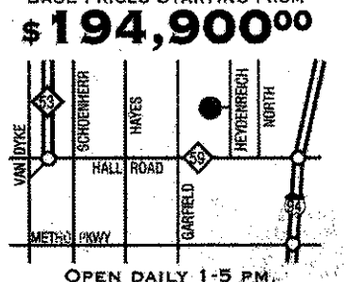
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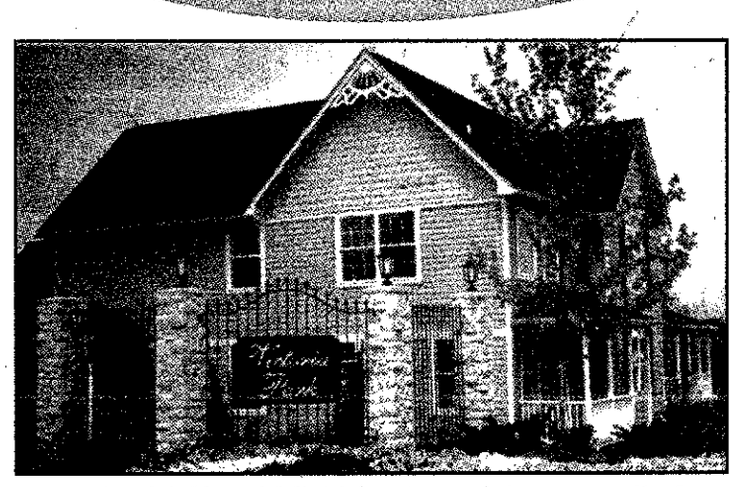


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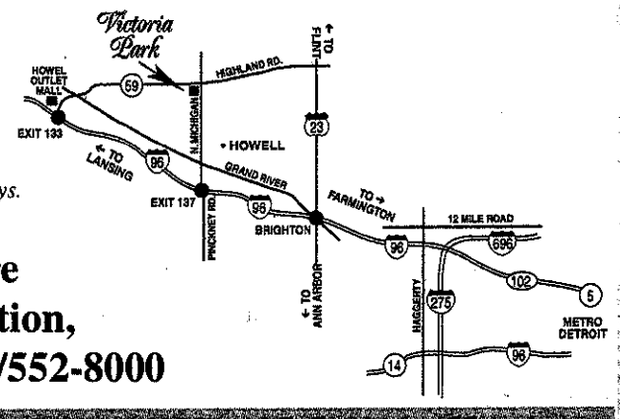
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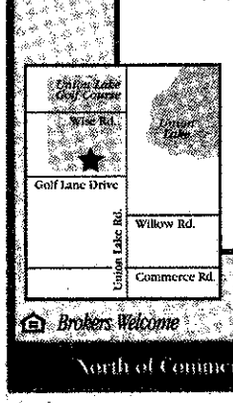
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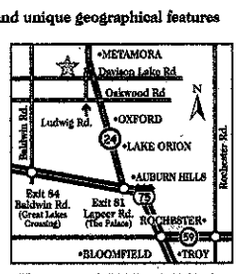
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There is a revival dormer with a quatrefoil (four converging arcs) window to accent the rooflines.

Matching the style, the lines of the revival dormer has been carried out in the courtyard and on the corners of the Tempe.

Entry into the Tempe brings a long living room and the dining room into full view.

The dining area has a coffered tall ceiling, making it stand out without the use of walls.

The living room also has 12-foot ceilings and French doors that open onto a covered courtyard. At the end of the covered courtyard is a fireplace. This could be enclosed at some point in the future if more room were needed.

The right side of the home has the three-car, side-entry garage in the front, with the kitchen and utility in the rear. The utility and a half bath are between the garage and the kitchen.

For more intimate family gatherings, the family room and the kitchen are fairly isolated from the balance of the home. There is a fireplace on the right side of the family room, but easily enjoyed by anyone in the kitchen or nook area.

The kitchen has a unique shape with the main counter running down one wall, and the eating bar, sink and dishwasher situated in an island.

The nook sets in an angular set of windows with two skylights overhead. A door to the back yard opens adjacent to the nook.

The entire left side of the Tempe is dedicated to bedrooms.

The master suite is in the rear through French doors with a huge coffered vault in the main suite area.

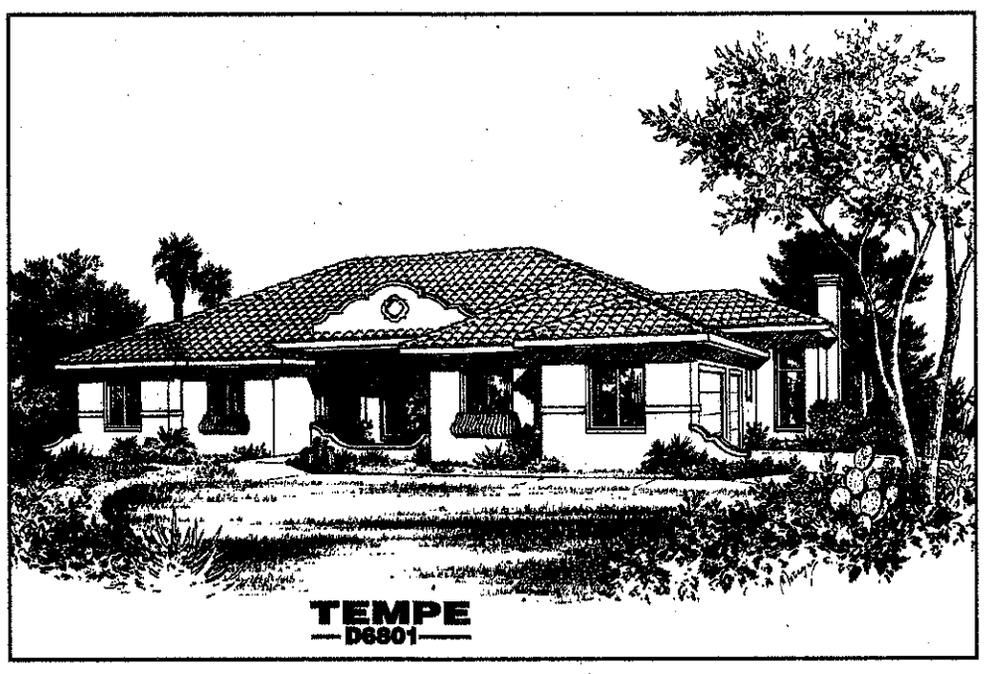
The master bath has an oversized shower, an enormous spa tub with his-and-her sinks and door leading to private covered terrace containing a spa. The walk-in closet is a room to get lost in with its spacious size.

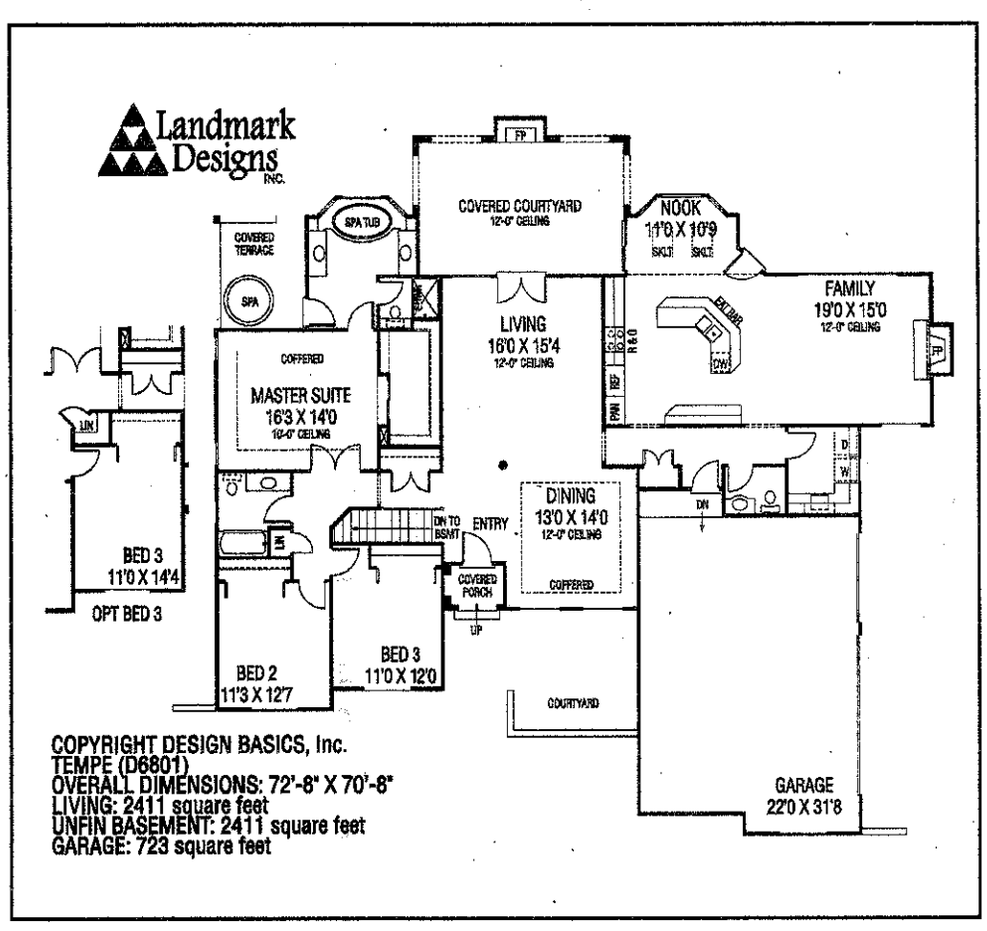
A full bath is located close to the other two bedrooms.

The stairs to the basement are just inside the entry to the left. However, if a basement were not needed, the area would be converted into a corner linen closet and would elongate the third bedroom, making it larger.

For a study plan, including scaled floor plans, elevations, sections and an artist rendering, send $24.95 to Landmark Designs, 33127 Saginaw Road E., Cottage Grove, OR 97424. Please specify plan name (Tempe) and the number (D6801).

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Use good judgment when hiring painter

Certa ProPainters, a full-time residential painting franchise, has some tips to offer homeowners who may be looking for a painting crew.

Charles Chase, president of the Oaks, Pa.-based company says that in the $100 billion painting industry, the average homeowner spends at least $2,000 on home repainting over five years.

"More important than the money," says Chase, "is the home itself. You want to be sure that your upkeep, both inside and out, is of excellent quality."

After all, that new home won't always be new.

The painting company recommends looking for the following five things before hiring a painting contractor.

1) References: and make sure you really call them. Find out about the quality, service and overall performance. Ask if they would hire that crew again.

2) Detailed list of preparation to be done. If someone has to uproot your begonias to paint the exterior of the house, you want to know that beforehand.

3) Detailed list of items to be painted. Without this that beautiful white trim might be painted mint green along with the wall.

4) Match what you're promised to the back of the paint can. On the back of paint cans are complete instruction on how to "prep," such as washing walls first. If your contractor hasn't included this in his/her prep list, he's cutting corners.

5) Get at least one other bid.

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Three is usually good, but get at least two bids. After all, you need to compare to something.

Aspects to review once the job is done.

1) Review contract. Was everything you agreed upon done?

2) Walk around the property or rooms. Was everything done the way you wanted? You need to address it then and there.

3) Errors. Check for drips, paint where it doesn't belong, missed spots and loose and lifting edges.

4) Neatness Counts How did he or she leave things? How is the area where he stored his equipment? If outside, how is your garden and shrubbery?

5) Make sure everything works. Check your windows to make sure they weren't painted shut. Open and close them before the crew leaves. If inside, check electric sockets.

Chase adds, "It's in a painting contractor's best interest to see that all is perfect. After all, when customers are satisfied with the service, they will call the contractor back again and again and refer him or her to their friends and neighbors."

For further information, contact Certa ProPainters at (800) 462-3782. For information about a franchise, call Tom Wood at (800) 452-3782 or visit the company's Web site at www. gocerta. com

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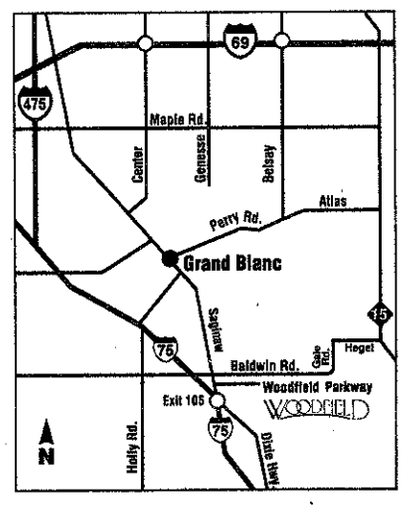
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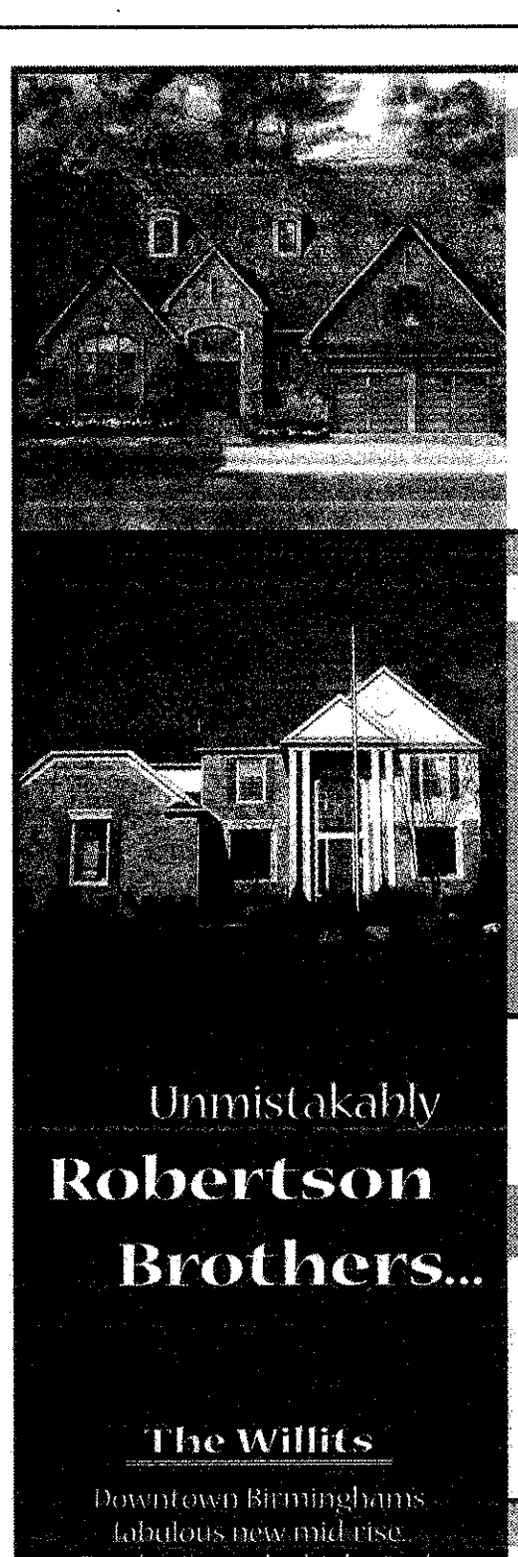
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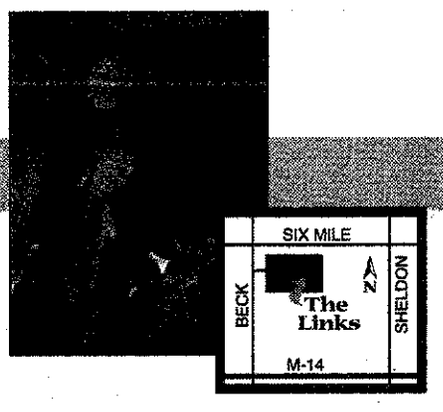
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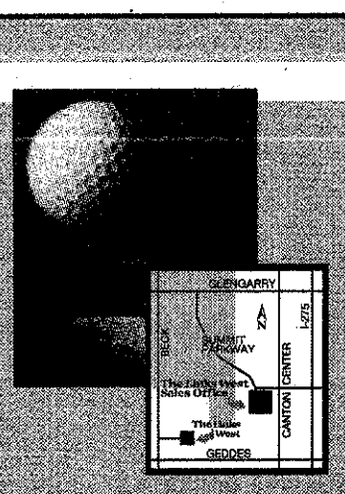


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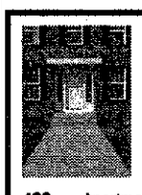
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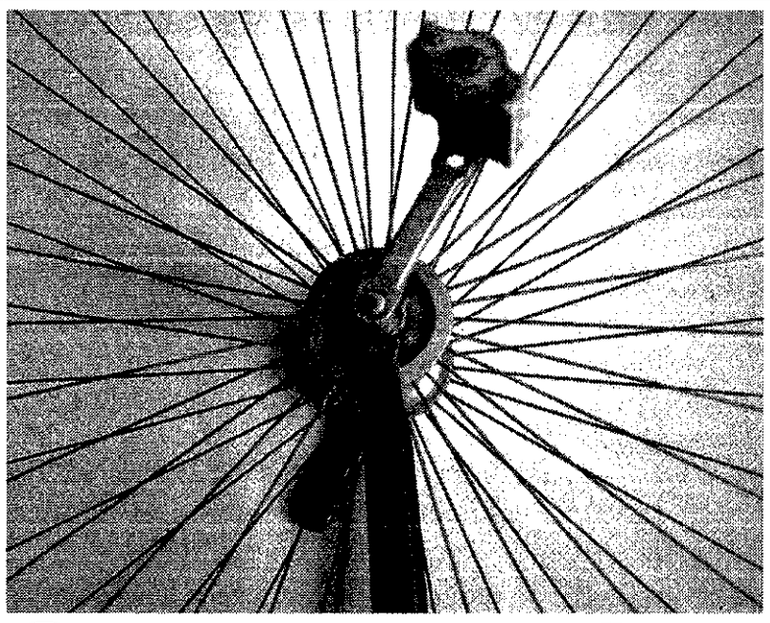
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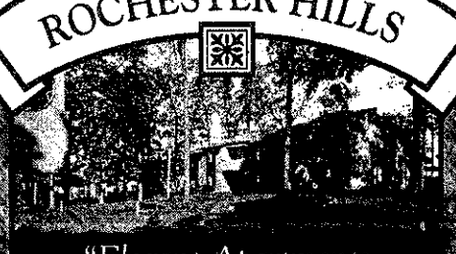
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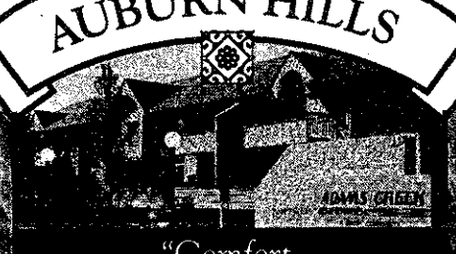
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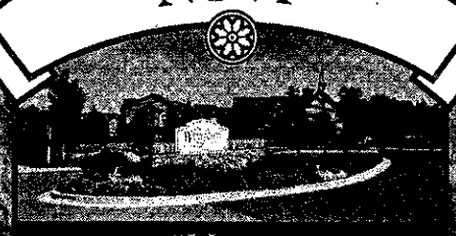
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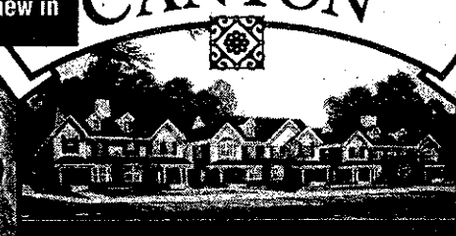
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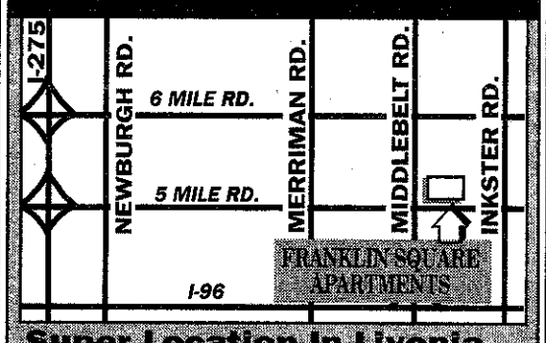
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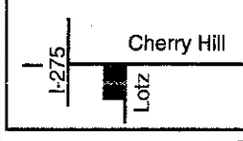
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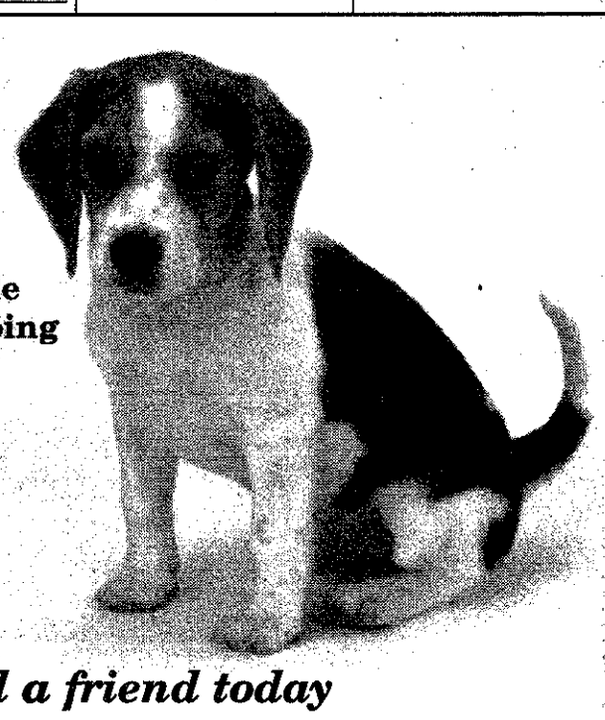
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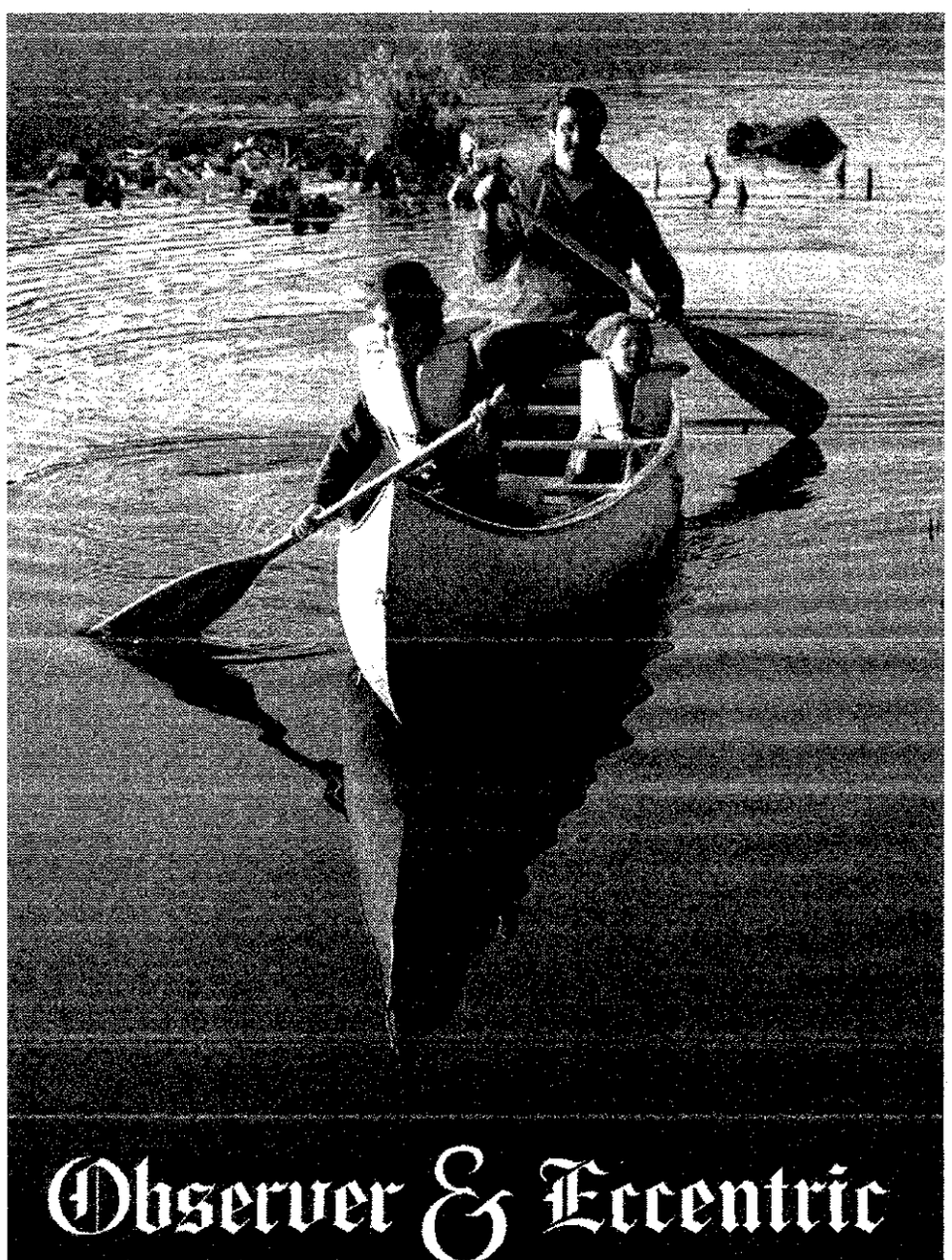
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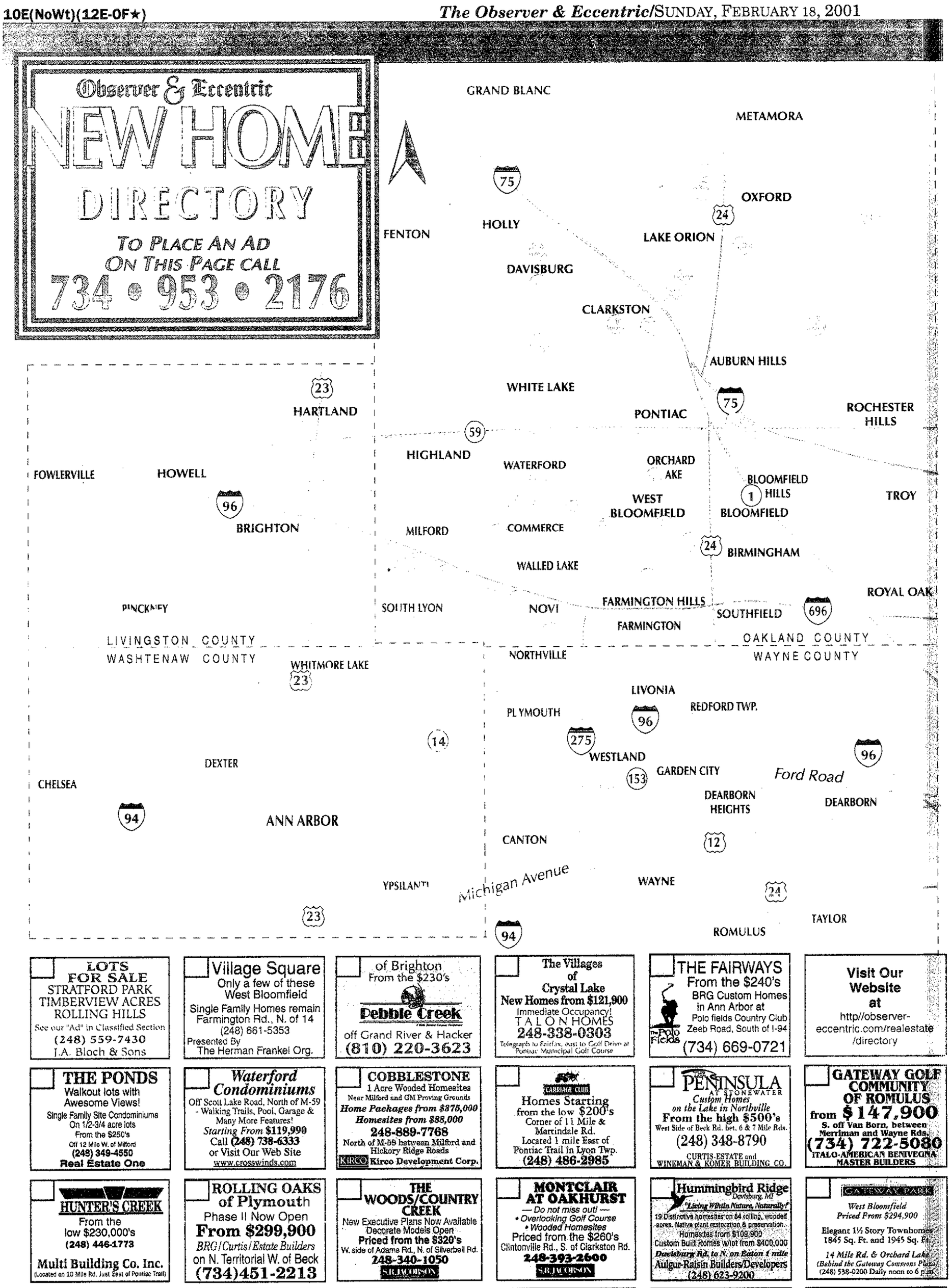
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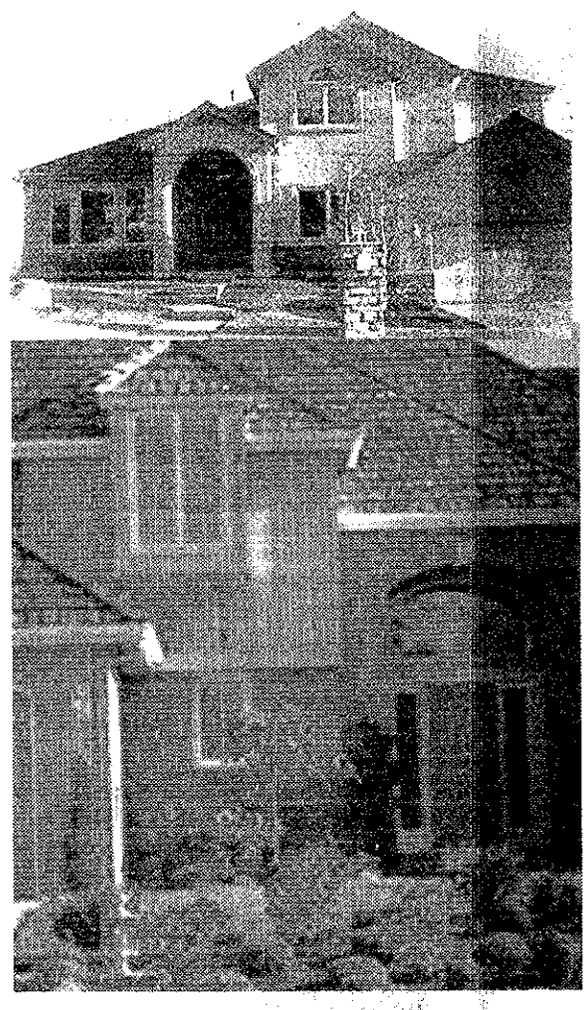
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Put interviews into perspective to avoid panic attacks



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Good advice: *Toby and Lewis Cantor, left to right, offer advice for job seekers. Lewis says the most important thing is to be prepared.*

BY PAM FLEMING
SPECIAL WRITER

Job interviews can be stressful, needless to say. But unless you are actually suffering from an anxiety disorder, you shouldn't be having panic attacks.

Lew Cantor, owner/president of Career Search of Farmington Hills, said the best way to ward off job-interview anxiety is to be prepared. "We all feel better and more capable when we're prepared, so try not to find yourself in a situation where you're not prepared for a job interview," he said.

"Think about it, try to anticipate ahead of time what the interviewer might ask you rather than when you're in the interview."

He also suggested conducing "practice" interviews. "Role play with your friends, family members, people you can trust to maintain objectivity and confidentiality. The other thing is to get some practice interviews by going out on interviews. If you find a near match or something that's applicable to what you're looking for and your background, go on the interview, because the more interviews you go on, the less nervous you'll be."

Cantor added that most interviewers are empathetic with applicants and the fact that they may be somewhat nervous. "The important thing to do is to somehow open up or begin a one-on-one relationship with the interviewer, try to find some common ground or interests," he said.

Richard Kneip, director of Clinical Services at Oakland Psychological Clinic, which has eight offices in the Detroit area, suggested, "Make a little social conversation before the actual interviewing begins. This will make the interviewer feel more at ease as well as yourself."

Kneip also suggested that if we understand the mechanisms underlying anxiety that we can deal with the problem more effectively. "We can resolve a situation when we understand it," he quipped. "A lot of stress is self-induced. If you go into an interview thinking, 'I have to get this job,' you're setting yourself up for failure.

"A better attitude to have is 'If I don't get this job, it's not the end of the world. I'll just have to keep looking, and eventually, I'll find something for me.' By adopting a rational, balanced perspective, a realistic look at the situation, you can prevent feeling anxious," Kneip said.

The problem is that people often think in terms of extremes. "Take a new mother, for example, whose baby

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Experience does count in job search

JOB SEARCH



GEORGE HAYES

Q. I respond to virtually every job that is advertised if it sounds interesting. Of course, I've only been out of school for a few years and have limited experience. Am I wasting my time when the jobs require a lot more experience?

A. Many people are too conservative in sending out resumes. They take the specifications outlined in ads very literally and are quick to screen themselves out. I usually encourage people to go after jobs when they meet half or more of the listed requirements. Why? Employers usually begin recruiting for the ideal candidate and scale down expectations as time passes.

Then there are job seekers like you – and formerly me. When I first got out of college, I would comb national business publications that listed senior level jobs. I had an undergraduate degree and great summer experience such as sweeping tennis courts and operating a degreasing machine at a factory. Every Tuesday I would type out resumes and cover letters, one by one, and shoot them off to companies looking for a National Marketing Manager, VP of Administration or Director of International Trade. The thinking, if that's what you'd call it, was that somebody would "see" something in my resume – some talent, skill, potential or even, yes, greatness of which I was unaware. There was no one in my life to tell me that this was naive, a waste and even, yes, dumb.

Every employment ad I run nets a few of these resumes. A person who has just completed a certificate program in bookkeeping wants to be a CFO.

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is crying. She may think to herself, 'I'm not being a good mother, nothing I do is right.' She has a difficult time coping, because that's not a rational way to look at having a new baby. There's no way to escape stress, but certain styles of thinking can greatly influence how we relate to daily stressors," he added.

If you start to feel overheated, your heart is beating faster, or you begin to perspire, these are autonomic (uncontrollable) symptoms that arise from what psychologists call the "fight or flight" mechanism.

"This is based on our need to react to dangerous situations very quickly," Kneip explained. "It's a very rapid response. The body dumps glucose into the bloodstream to mobilize muscles for activity. The heart rate increases, and you may appear flushed. Breathing becomes rapid and shallow."

So, to avoid the "fight or flight" mechanism from occurring during a job interview, try to keep the situation in perspective and focus on what you've done. "Don't try to overpresent yourself," Kneip suggested. "And, the better prepared you are, the less you'll be focusing on how nervous you are."

Other suggestions he offered were to exercise the morning of the interview because you'll tend to be more relaxed. "You can't be relaxed and anxious at the same time," Kneip noted. Avoid caffeine or other stimulants before the big interview.

He also suggested trying to connect with the interviewer in some way. "Comment on something in their office or compliment them. Take some of the intimidation out of the scenario," he said.

Gloria Soluk, a licensed professional counselor in Canton, said that stress relating to job interviews is "situational anxiety" as opposed to someone with an actual anxiety disorder. She recommends, "The Relaxation Response," a book that describes how to relax using breathing techniques. "Calm energy therapy also involves breathing techniques and visualization," she said. "The other thing I recommend to people is yoga. That really helps-it's great."

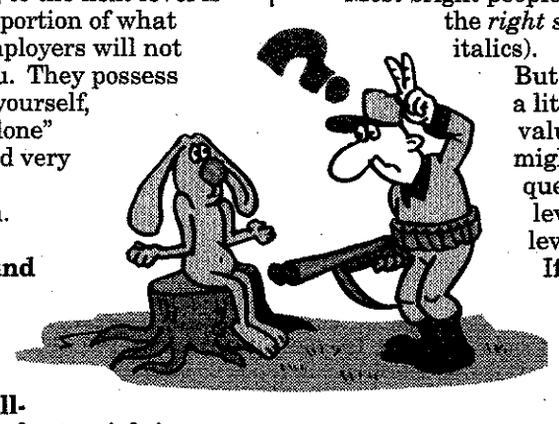
She also suggested role playing with a friend, being prepared and knowing what you're going to say. "I would also recommend a good night's rest and a good breakfast," she said. She noted that a physician can prescribe something to relax you, similar to medication given to people prior to flying.

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think that you are remotely qualified for this position?" And then I remember.

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Attn: Human Resource Manager

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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.
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Farmington Hills, MI 48334
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Supervisor EOE M/F

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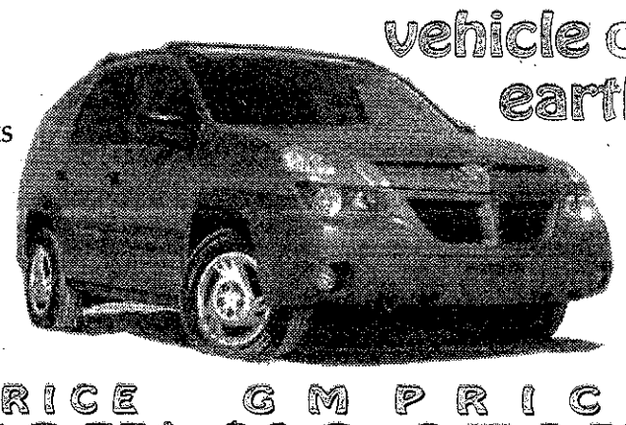
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LEASE FOR $203.89** 36 mos.
$1832.82 due at signing

GM's PRICE $14,224.01*
GM's LEASE $185.94** 36 mos.
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2001 JIMMY

0.9% to 48 mo.
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in lieu of $2000 rebate

WAS $31,903



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LEASE FOR $387.19**
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GM's LEASE $350.43**
$160.03 due at signing

2001 SAFARI PASSENGER VAN

WAS $26,497



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LEASE FOR $369.83**
$2501.72 due at signing

3.9% to 36 mo.
4.9% to 48 mo.
5.9% to 72 mo.
in lieu of rebate

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GM's LEASE $338.62**
$2443.64 due at signing

2001 SIERRA EXT. CAB PICKUP



WAS $32,788

4 door, deep tint glass, high back bucket seats, locking differential, V-8, automatic, aluminum wheels, power seats, active transfer case, stereo W/CD off road chassis equipment, heavy duty trailer package, SLE decor. Stock # 1-6252

SALE PRICE $28,095*
LEASE FOR $374.16**
$2193.70 due at signing

4.9% to 36 mo.
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6.9% to 60 mo.
1/2 ton Ext. Cab Only

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GM's LEASE $333.49**
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WAS $24,034

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4.9% to 48 mo.
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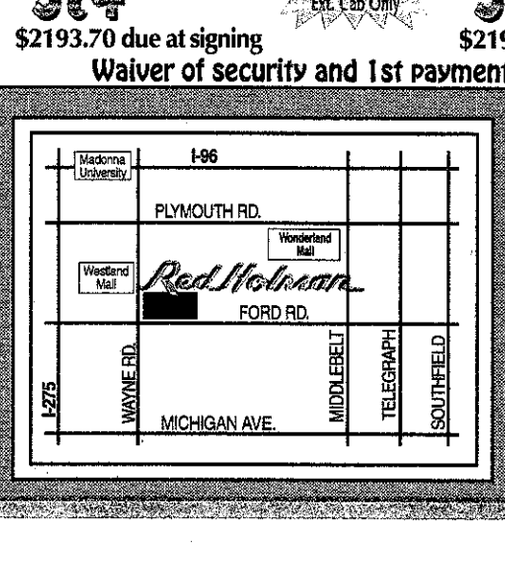
WAS $42,224



1/2 ton, 4 wheel drive, power sunroof, locking differential V8, automatic, rear panel doors, heavy duty trailer group, SLT decor, leather trim, stereo cassette/CD. Stock # 1-6299.

SALE PRICE $37,326*
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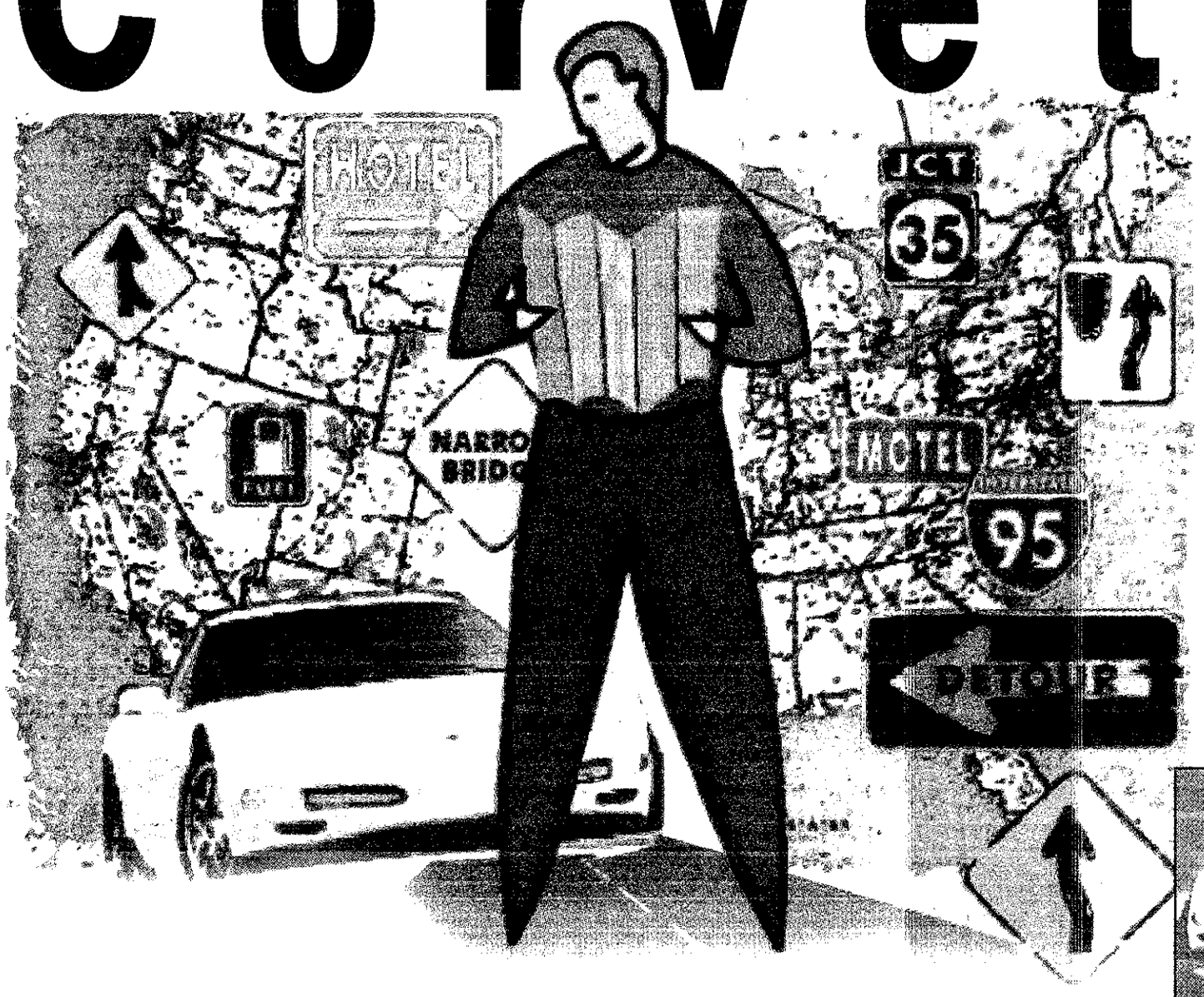
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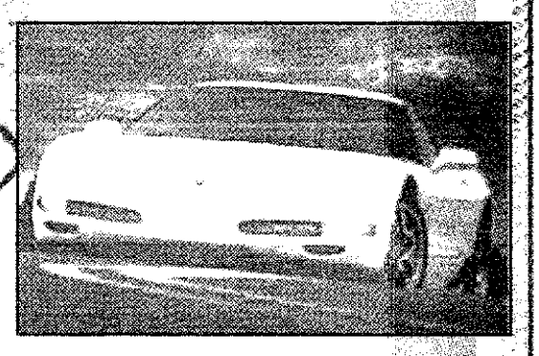
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Corvette still America's favorite sports car





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What else can you say about the Chevrolet Corvette? Dollar for dollar, it's probably the best sports car in the world.

I mean, it's no Ferrari 550 Maranello, but it's only a second or so slower than this Italian speed demon. The Corvette is no Acura NSX in the slalom, but it handles almost as well as the best-handling production car in the world. It's no Porsche Carrera, but it can brake almost as well as this German wundercar.

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Ford Employee or Eligible Family Member

WAS $15,690 **NOW** $13,670**

A-PLAN 36 MO. LEASE RENEWAL	ZERO DOWN	$900 DOWN
	$263.43† per mo.	$235.85† per mo.

2001 TAURUS SE

102 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**

A-PLAN 36 MO. TAURUS TO TAURUS LEASE WITH RENEWAL	ZERO DOWN	$1500 DOWN
	$246.34** per mo.	$201.10** per mo.

2001 RANGER XLT

Stk. #12571



1.9% APR financing available

252 RANGERS 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 15", 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** $356.35*

Ranger Series Off-Lease Buy

A-PLAN 24 MO. LEASE WITH RENEWAL	ZERO DOWN	$1500 DOWN
	$203.97** per mo.	$139.82** per mo.

2001 EXPLORER SPORT

Stk. #12510



0.9% APR financing available

269 EXPLORERS Available

2 DOOR 4x2

Oxford white clearcoat, drk. grapht 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** $[illegible]80*

A-PLAN 24 MO. LEASE RENEWAL	ZERO DOWN	$1500 DOWN
	$262.82** per mo.	$199.97** per mo.

2001 WINDSTAR LX

180 WINDSTARS Available

Stk. #11783



0.9% APR financing available

WAGON

Light Sapphire Blue medium graphite cloth, 3.8L DHV 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** $24,495*

A-PLAN 36 MO. LEASE RENEWAL	ZERO DOWN	$1500 DOWN
	$298.59** per mo.	$256.31** per mo.

2001 F-150 STYLESIDE XLT

Stk. #12035



2.9% APR financing available

254 F-SERIES 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** $23,845**

F-Series Off-Lease Buy

A-PLAN 24 MO. LEASE RENEWAL	ZERO DOWN	$1500 DOWN
	$338.54** per mo.	$273.16** per mo.

2001 EXCURSION

Stk. #10566



0.9% APR financing available

25 EXCURSIONS 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** $33.05*

A-PLAN 24 MO. LEASE RENEWAL	ZERO DOWN	$1500 DOWN
	$441.38** per mo.	$375.54** per mo.

2001 EXPEDITION

Stk. #11431



0.9% APR financing available

45 EXPEDITIONS 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** [illegible]45*

A-PLAN 24 MO. SUV TO SUV LEASE WITH RENEWAL	ZERO DOWN	$1500 DOWN
	$460.69** per mo.	$395.92** per mo.

MODEL	Down Payment	Total Due At Inception
2001 EXPLORER 4X2 SPORT	0 Down $1500	$418 $1941
2001 RANGER XLT 4X2 SUPERCAB	0 Down $1500	$350 $1872
2001 WINDSTAR LX WAGON	0 Down $1500	$456 $2000
2001 EXCURSION LMTD 4X2	0 Down $1500	$607 $2127
2001 TAURUS SE 4 DOOR SEDAN	0 Down $1500	$430 $1972
2001 FOCUS SE 4 DOOR	0 Down $1500	$358 $1282
2001 EXPEDITION XLT 4x4	0 Down $1500	$627 $2149
2001 F150 4X4 SUPERCAB	0 Down $1500	$438 $1959

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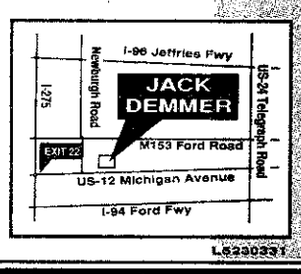
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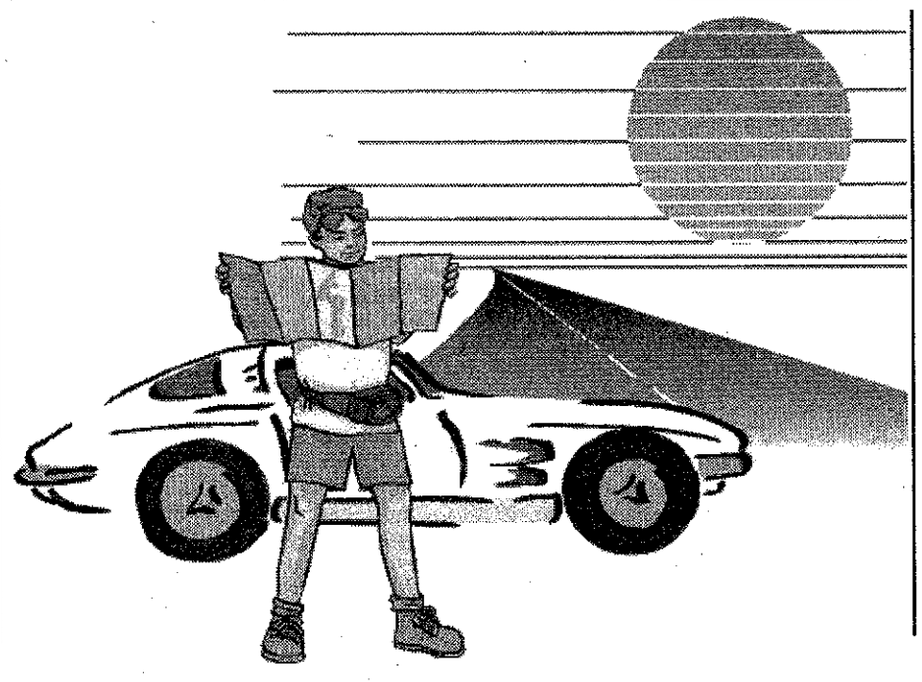
driver might not even tell the difference in everyday driving. But then, you look at the price tag. Acura NSX: $84,000; Porsche Carrera: $90,000; Ferrari Maranello: $225,000; Corvette: $52,000 for the loaded test convertible version I drove last week. And the hardtop model starts at only $40 grand!

An inexperienced driver can surely see the differences there. I have to admit that going into this test drive, I was a little biased. This was a convertible. You know, a ragtop version of the 2000 Corvette. But I think I put my positive predispositions for convertibles aside and just looked at the Corvette.

First and foremost, this is a performance car. The 5.7-liter LS1 345-horsepower V8 can power the Vette from 0-60 mph in less than 5 seconds. And believe me, that is very fast! And it's always part of the "best sports car in the world" tests, and it always scores high on the list. Every time. That's why I say, dollar for dollar, it has to be the best, because the Corvette is always competing against cars that are much more expensive.

How many of us would take a Dodge Viper on a cross-country trip? I know I wouldn't. But I would not think twice about driving a Corvette from Wilmington to Los Angeles — especially if it was a ragtop version.

The top goes up and down fairly easily. There is an additional step not found on most manual top convertibles though. After you release the two catches above the windshield, you lift the back of the top, and open the rear cover in front of the trunk. The top then hides away underneath the hard cover that locks back into place. Plus, this only affects trunk space by a couple of cubic feet, and even with the top down, you still have more than 11 cubic feet of cargo capacity.



But the performance is really what most people want to know about when they read Corvette reviews. Chevy has a pretty advanced stability control system with its optional active handling suspension found on the Vette. It works in conjunction with the standard anti-lock brakes and traction control systems to apply any of the four brakes in an effort to help keep the driver out of any bad control situations.

You also can select a variety of rides with optional real-time damping suspension – either performance, touring or sport modes allow you to select how you want your ride to feel on any given trip. So, when you add it all up, the performance, the power, the comfort and the technology, the Corvette has to be the best sports car in the world anywhere for its price.

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534 Jobs Wanted-Female/Male

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536 Childcare Services-Licensed

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622 Legal Notices Accepting Bids

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Dated: February 11, 2001
PARKSIDE CREDIT UNION
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636 Lost & Found

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FOUND; GOLD collie mix, reddish tint. 50-70 lbs. found in Farmington area. (734) 525-9745

FOUND: medium size dog, white w/gold patches. found Feb 11 at 696/Greenfield area. 734-782-5768

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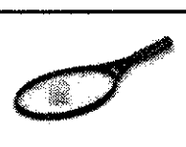
LOST - Morris type cat, Henry, Old Village Plymouth area. Reward. (248) 437-1276.

LOST: SMALL purse with a sum of money no id all of the money I have for February. If found PLEASE call (248) 353-3196

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1P3XA7638LF706074

1990 Oldsmobile
2G3AQL54N7L2374767

1991 Ford
1FACP41M7MF128231

At 10:00 a.m. at B & B Towing, 934 Ann Arbor Rd., Plymouth, MI:

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SECTIONAL SOFA $500, wooden twin sized box frame with 3 drawers $200. Dining table $300. All best offer. Call (248) 888-0478

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716 Household Goods

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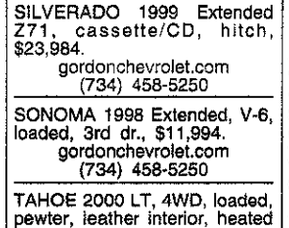
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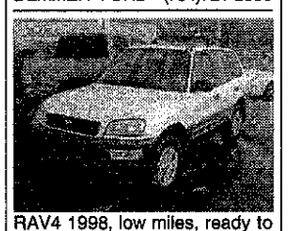
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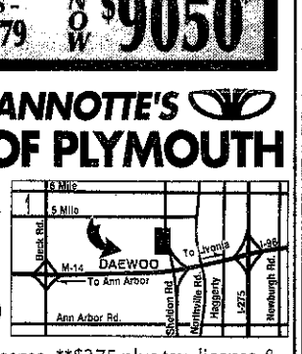
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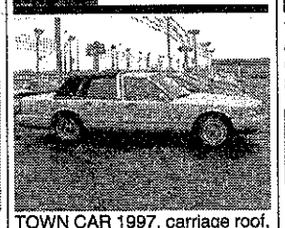
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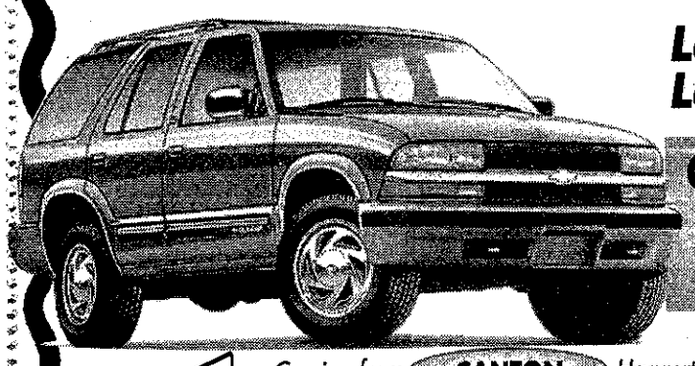
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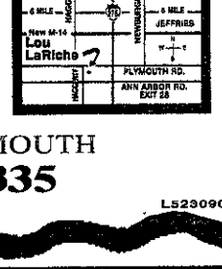
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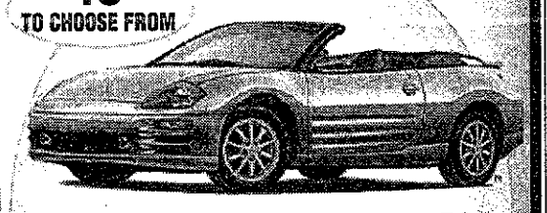
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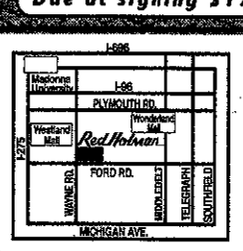
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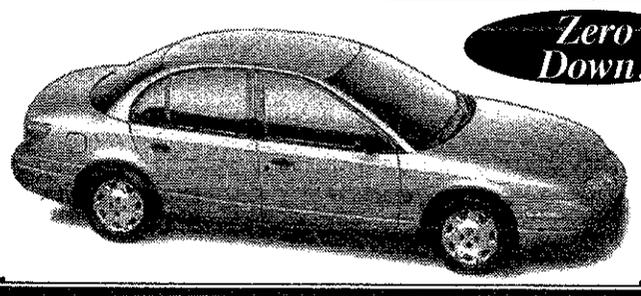
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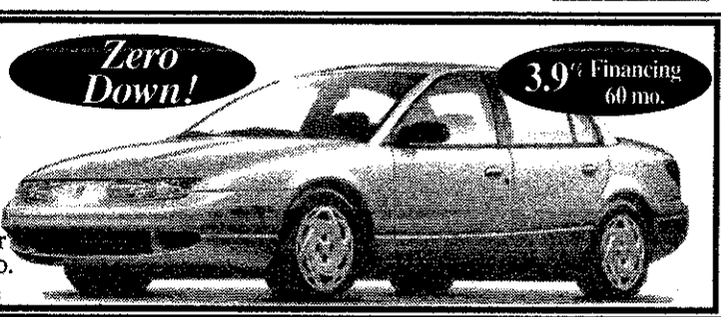
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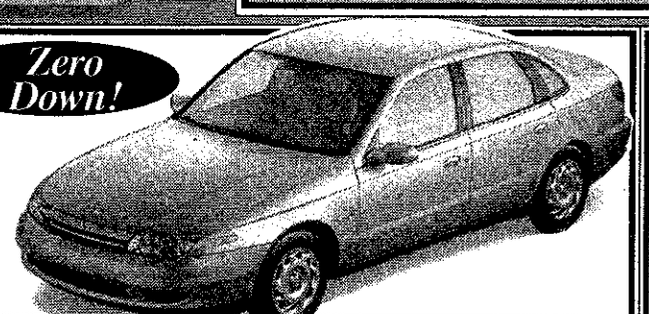
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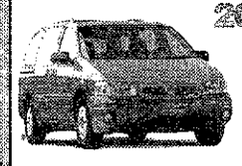


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6658	Sonoma Ext. Cab	$18,729	$14,383*
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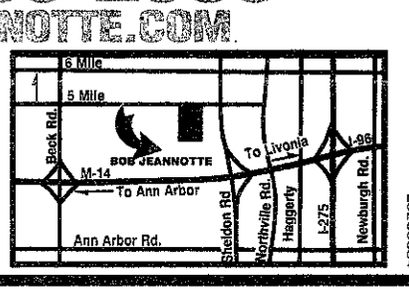
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	Zero Down	$256** Per Month		$235** Per Month

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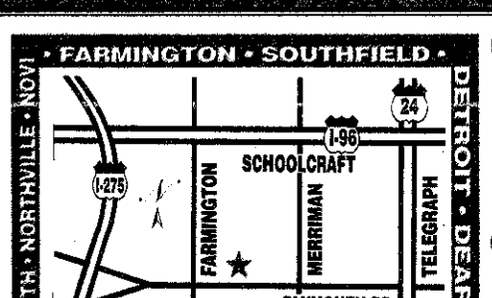
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	0 Down	$275	$675
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	0 Down	$325	$750
2001 F-150	10% Down	$200	$2200
	0 Down	$275	$600
2001 WINDSTAR	10% Down	$250	$2975
	0 Down	$325	$750
2001 RANGER	10% Down	$225	$2850
	0 Down	$325	$750
2001 FOCUS	10% Down	$225	$1875
	0 Down	$275	$550

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