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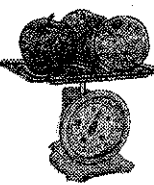


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MEMO

Counting down

Last Friday's snow day (Feb. 6) for Plymouth-Canton schools was the district's second this year.

In case you are wondering the district gets about five

days before a state aid penalty kicks in.

The state requires a total of 1,098 instruction hours over the course of a school year but allows 30 hours, or five days, to be taken off for circumstances out of a district's control.

Hours in

If you still need community service hours, there's plenty for you to do. All volunteers must pre-register to work an event. The following opportunities are available:

Week of Feb. 23-27 at The Super Sports Camp, (mid-winter break) for kids in grades 1-5. Volunteers will be needed to work 8-4:30 p.m. and must be 16 or older. It's a sports camp that includes daily sports activities, swimming and some field trips. The volunteer would work with a group of six to eight kids. You may work one or more days during the week. Your help is also needed at the Waltonwood at Cherry Hill Senior Complex Saturdays to teach one-on-one computer skills to senior citizens.

Contact Pat VanDusen, Canton volunteer events coordinator, to pre-register for upcoming events, at Patricia.VanDusen@canton-mi.org

Limited service

Canton residents should be aware that on Thursday, Feb. 19, and Friday, Feb. 20, portions of the Canton administration building offices will be moving to new locations.

The areas affected include the Supervisor's office, the Finance and Budget Department, Water Billing, Human Resources, the Clerk's office and the Treasurer's office. As a result, these municipal offices will only be able to provide limited service on both days. Phone service will also be in transition, so if a call is not answered, please leave a detailed message and your call will be returned promptly.

Residents are strongly encouraged to attempt to transact business by either Wednesday, Feb. 18, or wait until Monday, Feb. 23. The administration building will be open, but service efficiency may be compromised.



Duane Bordine appropriately named this pygmy goat when his birth was indeed a miracle.

Canton farmer playing nurse to newborn pygmy goat

Grandfather to a goat? "I'm damned near a father," Duane Bordine said while nursing Miracle in his lap, feeding him Enfamil in a baby bottle.

Bordine's wife, Sharon, interjected something. "My wife says I'm the mother to the goat," he added. "He's learning to chew, but he's not learning to talk."

Meanwhile Charlie, the couple's black Lab, just looked on.

"They have their differences," Bordine said. "Charlie just barks a little bit when the goat gets near his food and Miracle backs off. But I saw them sleeping the other day, nuzzled against each other."

So how did a crusty old farmer like Bordine come to have a baby goat as a house pet? It happened when he came home from a service at his church three weeks ago.

"It was 7 below zero and I heard the goats milling around," he recalled. "I said something's the matter."

Bordine, still dressed for church, got a flashlight and looked around. On the ground he saw two newborn goats. One was dead, the other was shivering.

"I picked him up, put him inside my coat and took him inside," he said. "The tips of his ears were frozen and he was still wet."

Inside, Bordine rubbed him down, put him in a warm blanket, laid him on

a heating pad turned on low and gave him one of his cat's fuzzy toys.

"He woke up four times during the night," he said. "I got up every two hours to feed him."

The day after he was born, the goat got the sniffles.

"We took him to the vet. He had pneumonia. We pulled him out of that," Bordine said. "After that we named him Miracle. It was a miracle he survived."

Miracle's a pygmy goat, which Bordine has raised for several years. So how long will he stay a housegoat?

"When the weather breaks, I'll put him outside," he said. "But it's too cold now."

Canton's Mina Jaura believes in communicating about diversity

For Mina Jaura, communication is all-important.

"Communication is the key for bringing two people together," said the Canton resident, whose work with cultural diversity programs in the community is all about bringing people together.

Jaura, a native of India, is chairwoman of the Canton Human Relations Commission and is the driving force behind the Festival of Culture at Bentley Elementary School and Canton Celebrates its People, a multi-cultural display and performance at the township's annual Liberty Fest.

Her next goal is to establish an International Day for Canton, similar

to the Bentley festival, but on a larger scale.

"If you look at the cultural diversity around us in Canton, I think it's equally important for the native people here to understand where the foreigners are coming from now that they are assimilating into this culture," she said.

And with that in mind, she started conducting cultural awareness training programs for local groups and organizations, such as the Canton Police and Fire departments.

She's not always greeted with open arms at first.

"I do get questions like, 'Why do we



Communication is the key for Mina Jaura, chair of the Canton Human Relations Commission.

Gordon guilty on all counts

Leslie Gordon sat quietly with her head bowed in her hands Friday as a Wayne County Circuit Court jury returned a 12-count guilty verdict against her for a massacre last Sept. 11 that left four men dead and two wounded at Neil's Party Store in Westland.

Gordon, 24, of Detroit will spend the rest of her life in prison, barring a successful appeal. Authorities led her from the courtroom where, one day earlier, she testified that she helped triggerman Michael Lamont Schofield during a botched robbery because she feared he would kill her.

Outside the courtroom, family members of the victims embraced a verdict that came when a nine-woman, three-man jury of seven blacks and five whites announced its decision, after deliberating for part of two days.

"It's a very emotional day, but I think justice was served," said Linda Cantrell, mother

PLEASE SEE GORDON, A6

Reactions are smokin' over sin tax

Gov. Jennifer Granholm's "sin tax" proposals — to raise taxes on cigarettes by 75 cents a pack and to raise liquor taxes from 65 percent of the wholesale price to 74 percent — drew a roll-of-the-eyes reaction from some Canton merchants.

"I get used to it," said Raji, owner of C Smoker Tobacco shop on Canton Center Road. "It's going to hurt sales a lot. It's going to move some people out of business."

Raji, like some other merchants, said he thought the increased tax on cigarettes would simply cause some smokers to go out of state — or online — to make their purchases.

"You can get them a lot cheaper online," he said. "Or people can go to Indiana, Ohio, even Kentucky." Domenic Tassielli, owner of the Crow's Nest on Canton Center, said sin taxes are not the answer to the budget problem. "To me every time they do something like that they're just looking for a quick fix," he said. "They need to cut spending. We'll just have to raise our prices. Who's going to oppose taxes on liquor and cigarettes?"

State Rep. Phil LaJoy (R-Canton) said it was too early in the budget process to rule anything out. "The idea of putting a tax out first is one I don't necessarily agree with. But at this point in the budget you can't really discount anything."

John Lee, owner of Mirage Beverage and Video at Sheldon Road and Sheldon Center, said many of his customers were unhappy about the proposal.

"Many customers were angry and upset," he said. And Noreen Collet, manager of Discount Beverage on Lilley Road, was not happy with the idea.

"All it's going to do is get people going out of state," she said. "The liquor in Michigan is all tax anyway."

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Theater lover brings children's productions to community

BY JOANNE MALISZEWSKI
STAFF WRITER

When *Peter Pan* flew into Emily Sherman's life, she was hooked on theater. "It was wow! It was an awesome experience," said Sherman, who opened Ever After Productions for children's theater in Canton late last year. An actress she does not wish to be. She prefers the production side. In high school, she worked the technical crew for productions. "Now I prefer the management aspect," said the 23-year-old Canton resident who graduated from Plymouth Salem High School. "I did a lot of theater in high school. I wanted to do a lot in sound," Sherman said. When she got to Eastern Michigan University, though, the school didn't have an appropriate major for what she wanted to do. "Arts management was the only major that had all the

classes I liked," she said. And so arts management is her degree. She got her professional start at the Plymouth Community Council for the Arts under the tutelage of then-executive director Jennifer Tobin, who at the time was running the Whistle Stop Players. "Because of her wonderful skills and maturity for her age, she was the perfect choice," said Tobin, now Canton performing arts coordinator. "She has a wonderful creative flair for the arts." When Sherman worked at the Plymouth arts council, she was introduced to working with kids. "I got an enormous amount of satisfaction working with the kids," she said. Ever After Productions is only one facet of her life. The other is a full-time job in Northville, where she is the special events and arts programming supervisor. The job fits nicely with her interests in

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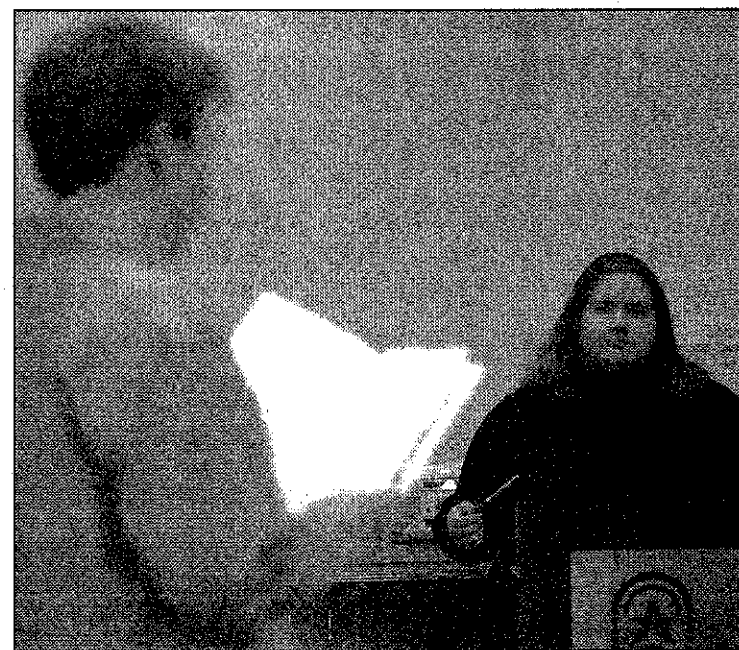
developing and managing programs. When Tobin approached her last year about doing children's theater in Canton, there was little doubt what her future would bring. Ever After's first production, *Annie Jr.*, brought more than 1,100 to watch over four performances. Approximately 120 children auditioned with about 50 roles to fill. "That says a lot about what the community wants," Sherman said. Tobin was in awe: "Those are awesome numbers for the first time out." Tobin and Sherman conducted a survey, asking attendees to rate the event. "Almost everyone ranked it with five stars," Tobin said. In May, Ever After's second production, *Music Man Jr.*, will open at Discovery Middle School. By fall, Sherman expects to be in the new Village Theater at Cherry Hill. "I so badly want to do *Peter Pan* when we get into the new theater," she said. Sherman chose the name for the production company based on one of her favorite books, *When I Get to Five*, written by



@ Work

Business: Ever After Productions
Phone: (734) 751-4887
Owners: Emily Sherman (esherman@comcast.net)
Established: 2003
Principal products: Community children's theater company
Number of employees: One plus contract employees

"Arts management was the only major that had all the classes I liked."
— Emily Sherman



Emily Sherman, who started Ever After Productions last year, listens carefully as Kyle Kaufmann sings a part from *The Music Man Jr.*

That Sherman has become impressed with children is an understatement. "Kids have inner strength," she said. "They want to be here. They are committed. They are passionate." Tobin isn't surprised by Sherman's reactions. "She is great with the kids," Tobin said. "She is gentle and kind. It takes a special set of skills to work with kids." The arts experience Sherman is helping to give youths ages 6-18 are ones she is certain they will carry throughout their lives. So certain is she that, in hindsight, Sherman wishes she had something similar in her growing up years.

"They will always remember this," she said. "They will be good public speakers. I try to help them get a sense of professionalism. It is a big boost to their confidence." Tying into the educational notion that children need improved self-esteem, Sherman is there to help. When a child is auditioning, but says he or she cannot sing publicly, she prods them until they do it. From her experience, once they open that door, there is no stopping them.

So how does she organize some 50 kids — as with *Annie Jr.* — into a successful show? Sherman uses the help of a company called Music Theater International, which provides show kits for a Broadway Jr. series. "The shows are shorter and rescored for kids' voices," Sherman said. "It's exactly the same story. It's what you would see on Broadway. They include a CD with the music (so an orchestra isn't necessary). They've made it simple."

Sherman has big plans for Ever After. First, she will ensure its success. With some 90 kids auditioning for *Music Man Jr.*, she also has few doubts about community interest. She is ready for the future. "I like to make judgment calls on how much money we spend and the artistic stuff," she said, adding she will offer two theater summer camps for kids. "We teach them the basic theater skills."

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Return to boot camp finds dedicated group of recruits

Last week, the mental clock was turned back 28 years as I paid a visit to the U.S. Marine Corps Recruit Depot at Parris Island, S.C. I had spent three years in the army, dropping out of the 11th grade just two weeks after my 17th birthday.

It was March 2, 1976, when I stepped off the rickety old bus and stood on the asphalt outside of some old World War II barracks at Fort Knox, Ky., late that evening, listening to a drill sergeant in a Smokey the Bear hat barking at a group of us new army recruits.

The experience was quite a bit different the second time around. Instead of sitting around with the anxious feelings of a group of young men entering into the unknown, I sat with a group of mostly middle-aged local educators on a visit to Boot Camp. And, where as eager young recruits we were hurried everywhere we

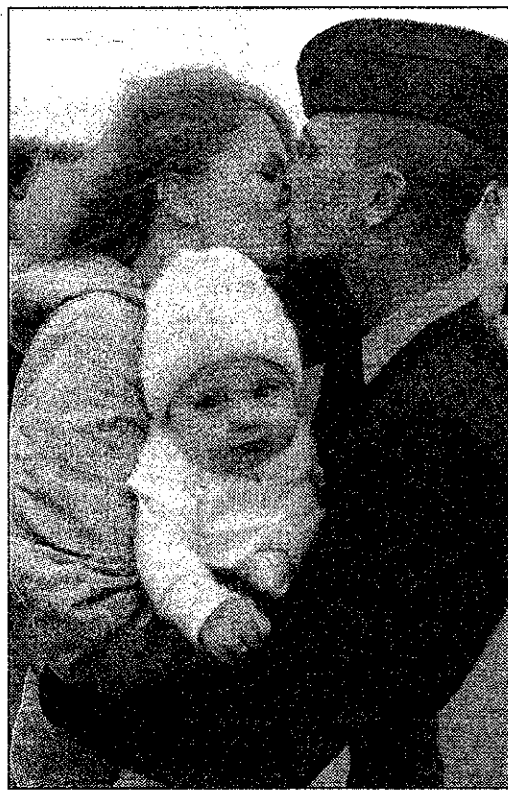
went, this group moved at a much more leisurely pace.

One thing certainly hadn't changed, though. The military is notorious for one thing that is certain. They invented the concept of "hurry up and wait."

And another notable difference struck me over and over again. The Marines are a lot tougher. The physical training alone was much more ambitious than what I had gone through in the army. There was also a distinct sense of pride. Of honor. Of belonging.

The educators workshop is a public relations ploy to bring counselors and the like to see that today's Marine Corps is a smart career choice. That they are building not only strong bodies, but strong character as well. What we saw over the course of last week showed that they are indeed succeeding in their mission.

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Marine Recruit Nathan Edwards of Lexington, S.C., 18, gets a kiss from his girlfriend Allison Whitehack who is holding their daughter Natalie, 18 months, following his Emblem Ceremony. The recruits receive the emblem of the U.S. Marine Corps on the eve of their graduation, upon successful completion of the 13-week Boot Camp at Parris Island, S.C.



Drill Instructor Sgt. Richard Vidinha screams in the face of a young recruit during physical training on the confidence course.



Recruits from Platoon 3012 of the 3rd Battalion line up in front of their bunks in the squad bay following their final drill preparations for their graduation the next day from U.S. Marine Corps Boot Camp at Parris Island, S.C.



Two female recruits drag a third through a simulated battlefield during 'The Crucible,' a 54-hour exercise in team building and sensory deprivation. All marines must undergo the basic infantry rifleman training.

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DEATHS

- A**
Charles R. Ammerman, 61, died Feb. 11.
- B**
Helen Carolyn Bedell, age 91 of Auburn Hills, died Feb. 11.
- D**
Catherine Jean Dooley, 74, of Birmingham, died Feb. 12.
- E**
Edward Winston Ely, 62, died Feb. 6.
- G**
Maxwell Goldman, 78, died Feb. 12.
Marjorie L. Gaut, 96; of Southfield, died Feb. 10.
- H**
Edith H. Hansz, 89, died Feb. 8.
Burton B. Heist, 84, died Feb. 6.
- J**
Alex Jacco, of Redford Township, died Feb. 11.
- L**
Joan M. Letobar, of Livonia, died Feb. 10.
- M**
Delphine Dorothy McAllen, 83, died Feb. 9.
Wixson W. (Bud) Munson, died Feb. 2.
- O**
Phyllis Constance O'Grady, 74, of Rochester Hills, died Jan. 26.
- P**
Dorian R. Perlongo, 87, died Feb. 8.
- R**
Joseph A. Ryszczak, 75, of Westland, died Feb. 12.
- S**
Michael Schroeder, of Dearborn Heights, died Feb. 11.
Hubert Hanson Steward, 77, of Howell, died Feb. 7.
- T**
Thelma A. Tolbert, 79, of Farmington, died Feb. 12.
Nell I. Tibble (Smith), 77, formerly of Bloomfield Hills, died Feb. 11.
- W**
Marianne K. Wallace, 83, died Feb. 7.

35TH DISTRICT COURT

Judge Ronald Lowe:
 ■ Robert Downey, pretrial hearing,

- operating while intoxicated.
- Mahmoud Ismail, pretrial hearing, operating while intoxicated, driving with a suspended license and obstructing a police officer.
- Kevin Looney, pretrial hearing, operating while intoxicated.
- Rachel Mohr, pretrial hearing, operating under the influence, interfering with a police officer, open intoxicants.
- Donald Trotter, pretrial hearing, larceny from a building and possession of marijuana.
- Ben Vaughn, pretrial hearing, operating while intoxicated.
- Jediah Allen, violation of probation, larceny from a building.
- Stewart Baringer, sentencing, operating while intoxicated.
- Computer Van Lines, pre-formal hearing, motor car citation, expired plates.
- Theresa Dilucia, sentencing, retail fraud.
- Regeneia Elion, pretrial hearing, larceny from a building.
- Aaron Ford, pretrial hearing, larceny from a building.
- Eric Frevik, sentencing, operating while intoxicated.
- Spencer Frye, probation interview, retail fraud.
- Matthew Gibbings, arraignment, operating under the influence.
- Scott Haeger, violation of probation, operating while intoxicated.
- Frank Hopkins, violation of probation, operating while intoxicated.
- Lisa Jbara, violation of probation, possession of marijuana.
- Christopher Lightfoot, pre-formal, improper passing.
- Anisha Longmire, pretrial hearing, larceny from a building.
- Jeremy Magrum, violation of probation, controlled substance.
- Joseph McCann, pretrial hearing, larceny from a building.
- Mija McMann, violation of probation, retail fraud.
- Peter Mellos, pre-formal, speeding.
- Christopher Perkins, sentencing, operating while intoxicated.
- Steven Pryce, pretrial hearing, assault and battery.
- Janice Skrobot, pretrial hearing, driving with a suspended license.
- Craig Steinman, violation of probation, possession of marijuana.
- Donald Sztaba, pre-formal hearing, zoning civil.
- James Tidwell, pretrial hearing, larceny from a building.
- Kathleen Treanor, pretrial hearing, operating while intoxicated.

- Ryan Vojtkofsky, sentencing, larceny 200-1,000.
- Georgia Whitney, pretrial hearing, driving with a suspended license.
- David Winekoff, violation of probation, operating while intoxicated and possession of marijuana.
- Judge John MacDonald:**
 ■ Monica Marnon, arraignment, assault and battery.
- Beverly McGrady, arraignment, operating while intoxicated and open intoxicants.
- Jimmy Taylor, arraignment, driving with suspended license, plate violation and violating "no turn on red."
- David Weaver, arraignment, driving with suspended license.
- Jeremy Cole, video arraignment, operating while intoxicated.
- Norman Wypycha, video arraignment, defective equipment, and driving with a suspended license.
- Rodney Bonner, examination, retail fraud.
- Catherine Buerkle, examination, retail fraud.
- Deanna Johnson, examination, uttering and publishing.
- Mary Morgan, examination, operating while intoxicated (third offense), operating under the influence.
- Tammy Rao, examination, uttering and publishing, home invasion.
- Richard Wojtunicki, examination, uttering and publishing.

POLICE

- Van stolen**
 An employee of a Plymouth company told Canton police his 2003 Ford van was stolen while it was parked in the parking lot of Baymont Motel on Ford Road. He said the van was locked at the time. The van was filled with miscellaneous work items.
- Camera thief**
 A shoplifter was arrested on Thursday after he was stopped with four digital cameras and three memory disks concealed in his clothing.
- Wine taken**
 An employee of Chuckie Cheese on Ford Road reported that a five-liter box of wine and keys to the building were stolen on Feb. 11.
- Wallet stolen**
 A Canton resident reported the theft of a wallet and its contents from a motel on Haggerty Road on Feb. 12.

Film will show Islamic way of life for teens

If you want to learn more about the Islamic religion, be prepared to become enlightened when "Arabs, Muslims and Islam" is presented at 7 p.m. at the Canton Public Library. The program is sponsored by the library's Friends organization and the Multicultural Initiative and will be in the community room. The evening will include a film created by Teachers Discovery of Auburn Hills that follows five Arabic students, one from the United States, South Africa, Malaysia, Lebanon and Iran. "It really proves teenagers are teenagers are teenagers," said Marcia Barker, library program

coordinator. "The film shows they have to make moral choices along the way. You get to know why they cover their heads, why they eat what they do and no matter where they are, stop and pray." Three people associated with the film will also speak during the program. They include Judy Almerati with Teachers Discovery who will explain how and why the film was made. Canton resident Haaris Ahmad, a consultant who worked on the film and Livonia resident Aliyah Rab, who is associated with Crescent Academy, also will speak. Contact Barker at (734) 397-0999.

Grants, volunteers, are among session topics

The following meetings are scheduled in Canton this week:

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

The Canton Board of Trustees will meet in a study session at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 17, at Summit on the Park. Agenda items are:
 1. Canton Waste Recycling
 2. Volunteer Program
 3. Historic District Commission
 4. Canton Cable Television
 5. Grant Programs
 6. Facilities Maintenance
 7. Transportation Program

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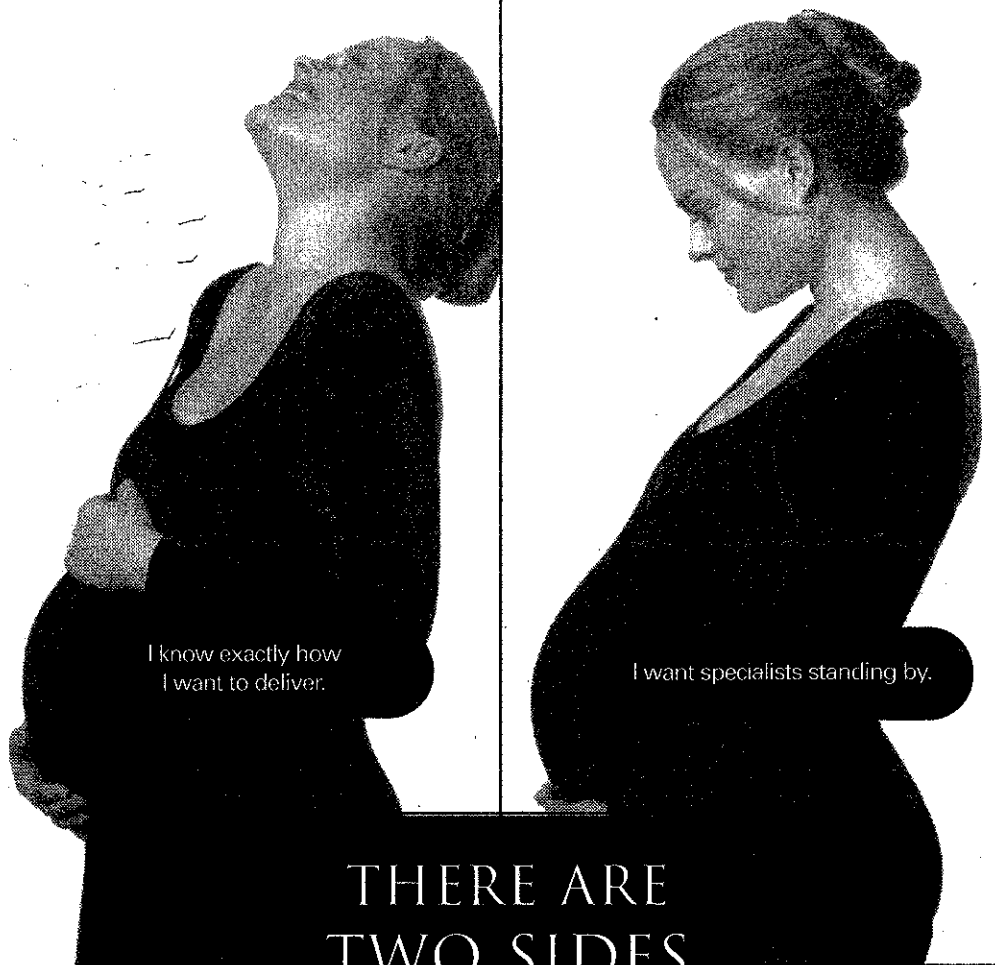
The Canton Planning Commission will meet in regular session at 7 p.m. Monday, Feb. 16, at Summit on the Park. Agenda items include:
 Old business site plans
 1. The Abbeys of Canton Condominiums.
 Study session - zoning ordinance amendments
 1. Religious institutions
 2. Industrial districts
 3. Central Business District Overlay District
 4. Corporate Overlay District

Apprenticeship bill becomes law

Legislation introduced by state Rep. Phil LaJoy (R-Canton), designed to give high school students easier access to skilled trade apprenticeship programs is now law after Gov. Jennifer Granholm signed the measure. House Bill 5247 requires Michigan schools to allow the same access to representatives of skilled trade associations to provide information to students about apprenticeship programs as they do to representatives of higher education. "This is a win-win situation

for everyone," said LaJoy. "The manufacturing industry can tap a quality recruitment base and the students get a chance at beginning a good-paying and satisfying career." HB 5247 is part of an overall legislative package to protect and create manufacturing jobs in Michigan and spur new business investment. "Because the job market has become so competitive for young people, we should give them every opportunity to learn about ways to secure gainful employment," LaJoy said.

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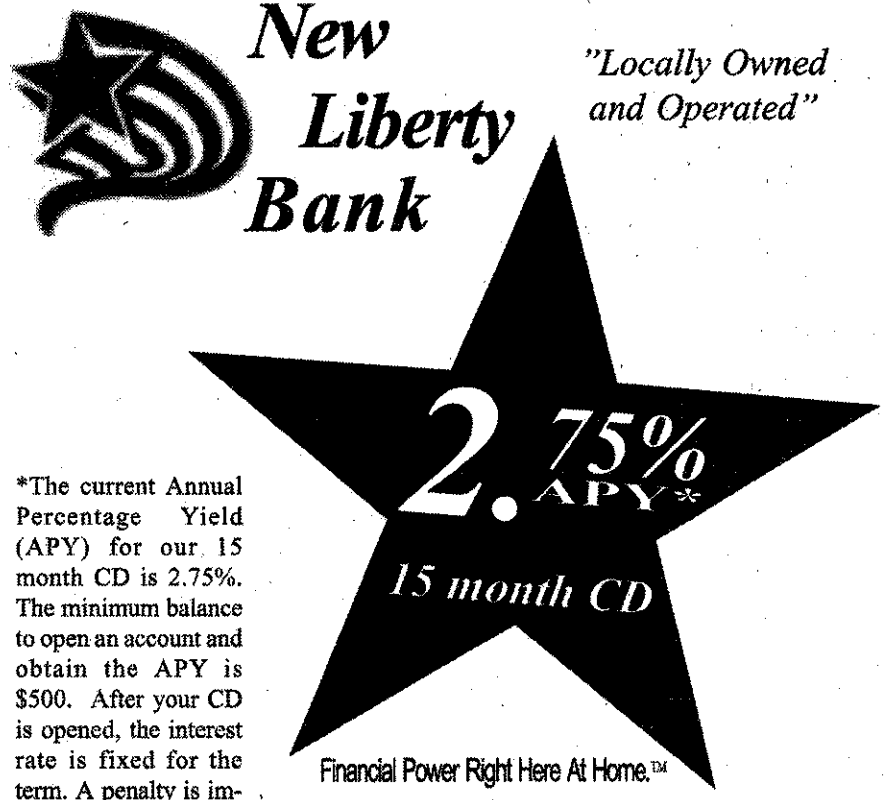
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State cuts could damage Plymouth-Canton schools

BY TONY BRUSCATO
STAFF WRITER

Gov. Jennifer Granholm's state budget proposal presented Thursday could cost Plymouth-Canton Schools \$1.2 million.

While Granholm isn't proposing to cut the state foundation grant for Plymouth-Canton, two other changes could add to an already announced budget deficit of \$8.1 million for the 2004-05 school year.

According to Patricia Brand, the school district's executive director of business services, a

higher-than-anticipated increase in the state retirement rate for employees will mean \$800,000 more than budgeted. And a change in the formula for increased student enrollment would cost the district another \$400,000.

The \$1.2 million — if it becomes part of the final state budget for fiscal 2005 — means Plymouth-Canton Schools is looking at a \$9.3 million deficit in the 2004-05 fiscal year.

"Even if we use four or five million from the fund balance, we're still going to have to cut

three or four million," said Supt. Jim Ryan, "and I just don't know where to go next. Any cut is going to be a big cut, and it will open a few eyes."

This current fiscal year, the district is using \$3.3 million of fund balance to help wipe out a projected \$3.3 million operating deficit. It's still a projection because the state has yet to clearly define how much of the state foundation grant money it will take back.

State Rep. John Stewart (R-Plymouth Township), who sits on the House Appropriations

Committee, said he'll fight any proposed education cuts that affect Plymouth-Canton.

"The governor has laid out some bargaining chips," said Stewart. "The K-12 budget looks relatively stable. The budget doesn't go into effect until October, and it's going to be a long summer."

Ryan said future cutbacks will result in some tough decisions.

"We're taking a look at every-other-day cleaning in our buildings, which is already being done in some districts," said Ryan. "Areas like kitchens and

bathrooms would be cleaned every day, but other areas wouldn't be."

That could save the district \$750,000. A change in sports could save another \$100,000.

"We may have to look at consolidation of teams for sports that have low numbers of participation," he said.

"Our survey said people don't want us to increase the pay to participate, so we may have to restructure how we deliver sports."

Brand said the district's budget is 90 percent people, which

could lead to layoffs.

"You're always going to have to look at that," said Ryan. "We'll try to protect against it because we've already taken away a lot of support service around here already. And, you hate to mess with class size."

Ryan said he's staying away from cuts in transportation.

"I think parents really rely on school buses to get kids to class," he said. "Most kids live pretty far away from their schools."

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Theatrical workshops target kids

Kids are the focus of three programs hosted by the Spotlight Players in March.

For starters, the former Plymouth Theatre Guild will host a Middle School Drama Day for students in grades 6-8 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Canton High School Little Theater. Kids can pick three skills including improvisation, basics and essentials of acting and introduction to stage make-up, mask-making and performing, basic stage combat. The cost is \$30 which includes lunch and all materials.

A youth theater improvisation workshop is also planned for students in grades 3-5 from 5-6:30 p.m. Sunday, March 28 and April 4 at the Plymouth Masonic Temple, 730 Penniman. Cost is \$30 for both sessions.

A two-session workshop is scheduled for students in grades 6-8 for scene study from 6:30-8 p.m. Sunday, March 28 and April 4 at the Plymouth Masonic Temple, 730 Penniman. The cost is \$30 for both sessions.

For information on the workshops, call the Spotlight Players at (734) 455-2466 or log on to the Website at www.spotlight-players.net

JUARA

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have to learn your culture? You're the people who came here so you should learn ours," Jaura said. "I always tell them that if you have a neighbor from a different culture, wouldn't it be nice for you to know about the person you're dealing with?"

Jaura herself specializes in southeast Asian cultures.

"I've done extensive research and reading," she said. "And I have good Arabic friends, so I feel confident to talk about the Arabic culture."

But she stresses the similarities as well as the differences.

"There are a lot of similarities in all these cultures," she said. "There's a high regard for older people. How you are born and brought up is what matters."

And she has assembled a data base of people from other countries whom she can call on when needed.

In her native India, where she earned a bachelor's degree in English literature, Jaura hosted two television shows for a few years — one dedicated to women's issues and one aimed at children.

She and her husband, Arun, came to Montreal in 1992 where he had received a fellowship to complete his Ph.D. degree.

While in Canada they had two children, Roshni, 10, and Akhil, 8. They moved to the Detroit area when her husband, an engineer, took a job with Ford Motor Co. Their third child, Rohan, 6, was born here.

While at the moment she focuses her diversity sessions on teaching Americans about the cultures of various immigrants, she hopes to add some additional sessions.

"In a year or two, when I'm ready," she said, "I want to do this for the immigrants who come here to show them how to assimilate into this American culture so they adapt to it quicker."

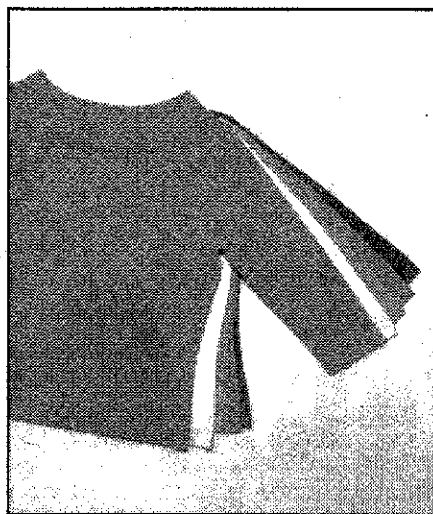
Meanwhile she's pursuing a master's degree at Wayne State University in communications and public relations.

"I love being around people," she said. "And communication is the key."

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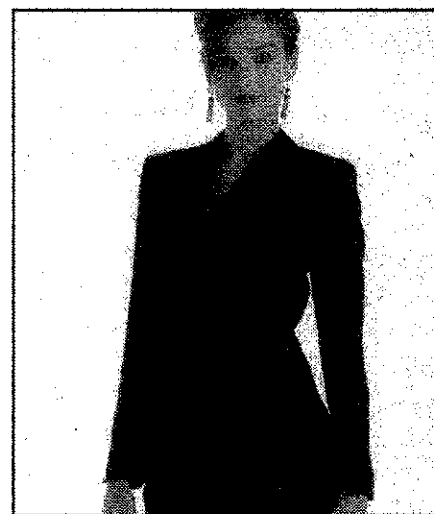
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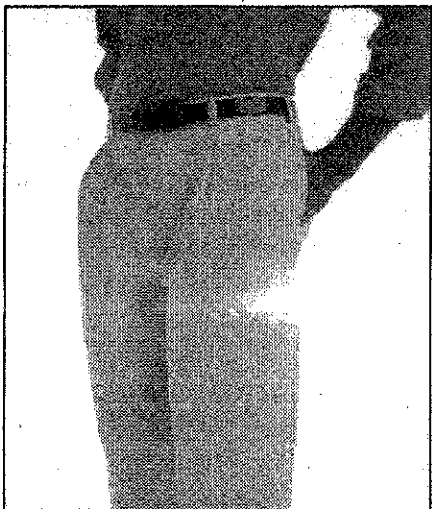
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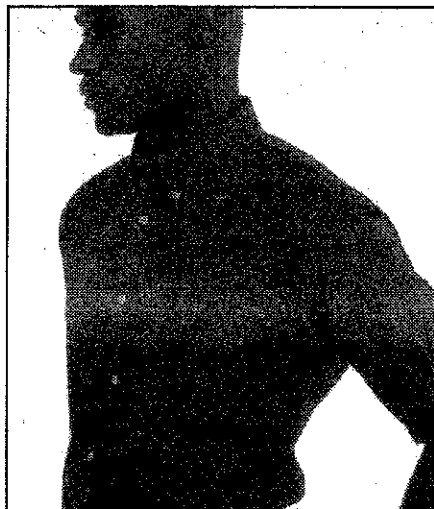
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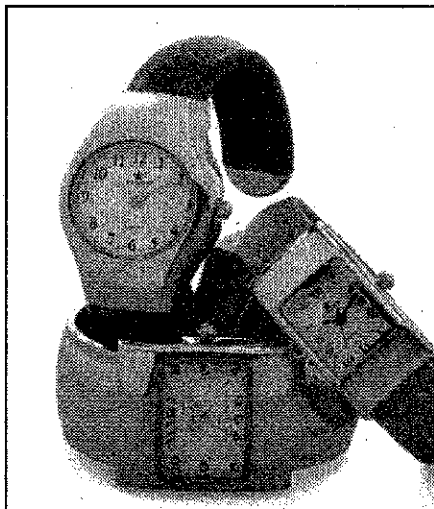
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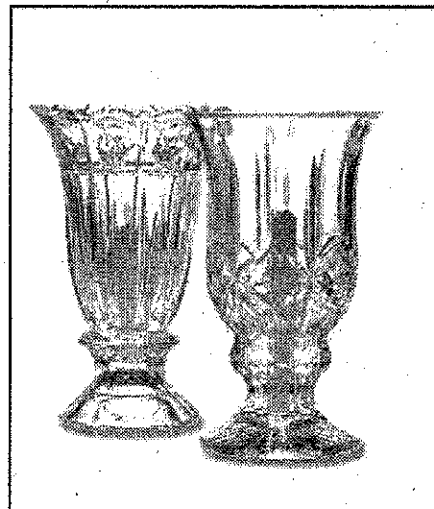
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GORDON

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er of slain party store customer James Kuebler, 35. "Our lives will never be the same, but maybe my Jimmy can rest in peace now."

Defense attorney Marvin Barnett called the verdict "devastating" and said Gordon still maintains her innocence, but he said he will not handle her appeal.

"I feel sorry for my client," he said, "but I trust the decision of the jury. It's a sad situation."

Wiping away tears, Cantrell described how she felt sitting in court as a jury announced, one by one, 12 separate guilty verdicts.

"They had the strength and courage to come to the right decision," she said. "My mind was racing. As I heard each verdict, my heart lifted just a little more."

Cantrell also praised Westland police and Wayne County Assistant Prosecutor Christine Kowal for their efforts in a highly emotional, two-week trial that brought race and religion into the fold. Barnett accused investigators of presuming Gordon as guilty partly because she is black, and he warned jurors in his closing statement that, upon death, they will have to answer to a higher authority for their decision.

'MYSTERIOUS WAYS'

Kowal also brought religion into her closing arguments when she mentioned a party store videotape - viewed by jurors - that captured much of Westland's worst massacre.

"The video exists as the Lord works in mysterious ways," she said.

The jury found Gordon guilty of three counts of first-

degree murder and three counts of felony murder for the deaths of Kuebler and two Canton men, 63-year-old Kenneth Sherman Littlefield and his 44-year-old nephew, Keith Gaddis. Gordon stood watch at the party store door and warned Schofield as the men arrived. Kuebler was killed inside the store; Littlefield and Gaddis were shot in a pickup truck after they drove up.

Gordon was convicted of second-degree murder and felony murder for the death of 29-year-old Feras Yousif of Oak Park, a store clerk who was gunned down by Schofield as he pleaded for his life.

"I'm happy but will never be satisfied," said Rock Hana, Yousif's uncle. "I feel a lot of emotion, but I think that justice was served for all the victims."

The jury found Gordon guilty of two counts of assault with intent to murder for the

shootings of two men who survived the massacre, 24-year-old store employee Conrad Hasper and 29-year-old customer Fuad Abuali, both of Westland. Hasper and Abuali were gunned down inside the store.

Finally, jurors convicted Gordon of two counts of assault with intent to rob, after she admitted during her testimony that she and Schofield went to Neil's Party Store for a holdup. Gordon didn't pull the trigger, but Kowal said she was guilty partly because she served as a lookout to warn Schofield of approaching customers.

Gordon stood trial alone because Schofield, 30, of Detroit shot himself dead after leading police on a 25-mile, 100-plus-mph chase that ended when he crashed a getaway Corvette at Southfield and McNichols in Detroit.

Gordon showed little emotion Thursday as she quietly testified that she went along with Schofield because she feared he would kill her. Not long before she took the witness stand, she held hands and prayed with Barnett and his

team of attorneys.

"I did what he (Schofield) told me to do," she said, adding later, "What I was thinking was that he was going to kill me. ... I had a choice whether to live or die."

But Kowal noted that Gordon was twice in control of the 9mm handgun, once when it was in a purse she carried and once when it dropped on the floor of the getaway car. Gordon admitted picking up the gun and following Schofield's orders to hand it to him.

'NOT IN CONTROL'

"I was not in control of the gun," Gordon said. "I was not in control of him in the car. I was not in control of anything."

Gordon also testified that she didn't try to escape from Schofield because she feared for her family's safety.

"He had a gun, and he knows where my family lives," she said.

"If he couldn't find me, he could find them."

Gordon's mother and other supporters watched the trial and left quietly in tears after

the verdict was returned Friday. Gordon had been in trouble before the party store massacre. She testified that, as a 12-year-old child, she ran away from home and refused to go to school, prompting her mother to petition a juvenile court to make her a ward of the state.

Gordon also conceded that she ran away from juvenile facilities and that, at age 20, she was convicted of cashing bad checks.

Kowal, in her closing statements, called Gordon "a willing participant in this tragic, horrific event," rather than a victim. Referring to the party store video, Kowal told jurors, "The two animals that you saw in this video killed for pleasure."

Barnett took offense and told jurors, "She calls this human an animal, and she's not. How dare she do that."

Gordon will face sentencing March 17 in front of Judge Annette Jurkiewicz Berry, who presided over the trial. That will be a formality, however, because first-degree murder carries a mandatory life term in prison.

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Is Senate majority leader gubernatorial material?

Senate majority Leader Ken Sikkema and Gov. Jennifer Granholm lead different parties, but have one thing in common: They were poor kids who, thanks to brains and hard work, each earned a degree from Harvard University.

They also get along remarkably well, especially when you consider past years when Democrats held the governorship and Republicans the Legislature. In the 1950s, an impasse between Gov. G. Mennen "Soapy" Williams and a GOP Legislature led to payless paydays for state workers. In the 1980s, there were constant nasty battles between then-Senate leader John Engler and Gov. James Blanchard.

Yet for the past year, in the teeth of a perpetual fiscal crisis, Sikkema, his counterpart Rick Johnson (R-Leroy) and the governor have hammered out balanced budgets and reached agreements and painful compromises with a minimum of backbiting.

How has this been possible? Somehow, I don't think the governor will greatly appreciate the Senate majority leader's answer: "My complaint against Governor Granholm is that there really isn't much of a policy agenda. In a sense, she lets us (the Republicans) drive it, which is good. But a governor needs to have a spirited and aggressive agenda. Does she have a good attitude about governing? Yes. Is she good at articulating in front of the public? Yes. But we have an agenda, and she doesn't," he says, with a broad, pleasant smile.

"There isn't much there," he said, a gently devastating comment — which has been echoed in private by more than one disgruntled Democrat.

Sikkema was a strong supporter of Lt. Gov. Dick Posthumus, a fellow native of the Grand Rapids area (and a man who looks enough like him to be his brother) in his losing race against Granholm in 2002. Ironically, that defeat pushed Sikkema into prominence; at 53, he is now the ranking Republican in elected state government.

These days, he sees himself as the voice of fiscal sanity. "I am a strong conservative, but both parties are to blame for this situation," he said. "Just as we have tax-and-spend Democrats, we have tax-cut-and-spend Republicans."

Twenty years ago, a Democratic governor dealt with a similar state crisis by temporarily raising the state income tax. That's not even on the table these days.

"We don't have a revenue problem; we have a jobs problem," Sikkema says. "We can grow into a level of spending maybe people would like," but first, he argues the economy has to grow. "Our spending habits are inconsistent with the

reality of this economy."

In any event, every fiscal year the state finds itself looking at a structural deficit of \$1 billion or more, and programs like higher education, revenue sharing and what remains of Michigan's welfare programs have taken major hits.

Some have expressed deep concerns that the state's major universities are going to be so crippled that it will injure Michigan's long-term ability to compete. To that, Sikkema says that the universities ought to be more prudent, watch how they spend their money and not embark on ambitious building programs that really aren't strictly needed.

What is needed is more jobs. What he and his fellow Republicans have done is push a nine-point package designed to lure new business to the state. One of the bills would exempt small start-up businesses from most taxes during their first two years of operation; another would create special tax relief for the state's once-mighty tool and die industry, much of which has been fleeing Michigan, often to other countries.

Most or all the bills are likely to pass the Legislature and be approved by the governor. Whether they will actually work is another thing; the state has seen many a ballyhooed job creation scheme or "enterprise zone" come and go with little success.

What also isn't clear is Sikkema's future. The Senate majority leader, who still drives 75 miles home every night from Lansing, has been steadily more visible in the Detroit area and elsewhere around the state.

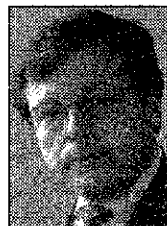
Although no one doubts his conservative credentials, he also has some environmentalist leanings. He has shown concern about clean water, and is now pushing a Clean Michigan Initiative designed to clean up brownfields.

Does all this mean that Ken Sikkema, a man with an agenda, is getting ready to run for governor, presumably against Jennifer Granholm, in 2006? That would appear to be a logical move. Term-limits mean he will have to leave the state Legislature then. Though he has an MBA from the University of Michigan, he has, unlike his colleagues, been a full-time legislator. A run for governor would be a logical next step.

But he says no. "Oh, I doubt it very much. I haven't begun to do anything in terms of the fund-raising that would be needed, and I haven't even given it any thought, except to think that I probably wouldn't do it," he said.

He will not, however, rule out the idea completely. Which means I wouldn't be surprised if — especially should polls show the still widely popular governor beginning to slip — the Senate majority leader has some second thoughts about giving up the game.

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Jack Lessenberry

Workshops like these help Marines erase Hollywood's negative image

They stood there, straight-backed and stoic, so young and full of promise. Could I have been that young? Could I have withstood the pressure? Yes, I was that young once; we all were. And yes, I stood up to the pressure, surviving Air Force basic training on the way to a relatively successful 15-year Air Force career.

Many of the memories of that time came flooding back this week with a trip to Parris Island, S.C., home of the U.S. Marine Corps Recruit Training Depot, which I would affectionately call "hell," but which some 16,000 recruits a year call home, at least for 13 weeks.



Brad Kadrich

It's a chance to see beyond *Full Metal Jacket*, an opportunity for educators to be better informed about the possibilities when students come to them wondering what to do with their lives.

The media is invited along, obviously, to chronicle the workshop, for if no one knows the Marines are opening their gates, it doesn't do them much good. One would think this would be one big, happy carnival show put on in dress blues, but it wasn't.

Well, it was, but it wasn't just that. We weren't subjected to an endless stream of command officers and public relations spinners with rainbows shooting from their fingernails about how great the Marine Corps is.

Sure, that was the resounding theme of the week: The Marines are the best, the brightest, the bravest.

But we heard it not from commanding officers, but from the mouths of the young recruits themselves. We interrupted recruits doing water survival. We caught them in the middle of a grueling, 54-hour exercise they call *The Crucible*, a team-building event designed to have recruits put together in two days the things they'd learned the previous 11 weeks.

And out of the mouths of these babes we heard sound reasoning. We heard from Recruit Joseph Pauley of Farmington, who decided his life needed direction and the Marines were the best ones to provide it. We heard from Recruit Matthew Bixler of Plymouth, who's living a dream he shared with

a high school friend.

They brought to mind a young Air Force recruit getting about six bucks an hour from J.C. Penney when he decided perhaps the military was the way to go. They served as a reminder of six weeks of going where I was told, when I was told to go there, of making a bed where the blanket was taut enough to bounce a quarter (they really do that) and of barely understanding what I'd gotten myself into.

It was, at the time, the hardest thing I've ever done, an 18-year-old kid who thought he was in good shape, thought he was all grown up, and learned how wrong he was.

I have a lot of pride in my Air Force career, in the Air Force itself, in my country. But I didn't have to go 13 weeks, never had to do 54 hours of anything, much less a sleep-deprived, strength-sapping, hunger-stricken exercise like *The Crucible*.

And I didn't have to do it with strangers watching. The recruits put up with us for several days, going about the business of becoming Marines — something they all want badly — as if we weren't there, which is as it should be.

But they also stopped to talk to us, let us into their world, if only for the briefest of moments, if only because they were told to do so by their drill instructors. Sure, their answers had the strident "Yes, sir!" responses one could have expected.

But they also, despite their best intentions and perhaps without even realizing, let moments drift by when their feelings showed through, when their fear showed through, when — most of all — their pride showed through.

The Marines have made their recruiting goals for 102 straight months, with patriotism running high among the reasons in this post-9/11 world.

The terrorist attacks — designed to destroy American resolve — seem to have had just the opposite effect.

The Marines have worked hard at erasing the image of the foul-mouthed, physically abusive instructors berating and abusing lower-class, nowhere-left-to-go recruits created by movies such as *Full Metal Jacket*.

Now more than ever, they're relying on educators, who frequently have more contact with young people than their own parents, to help obliterate that image, once and for all.

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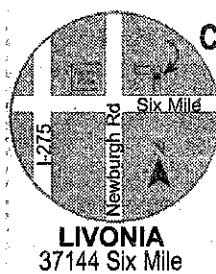
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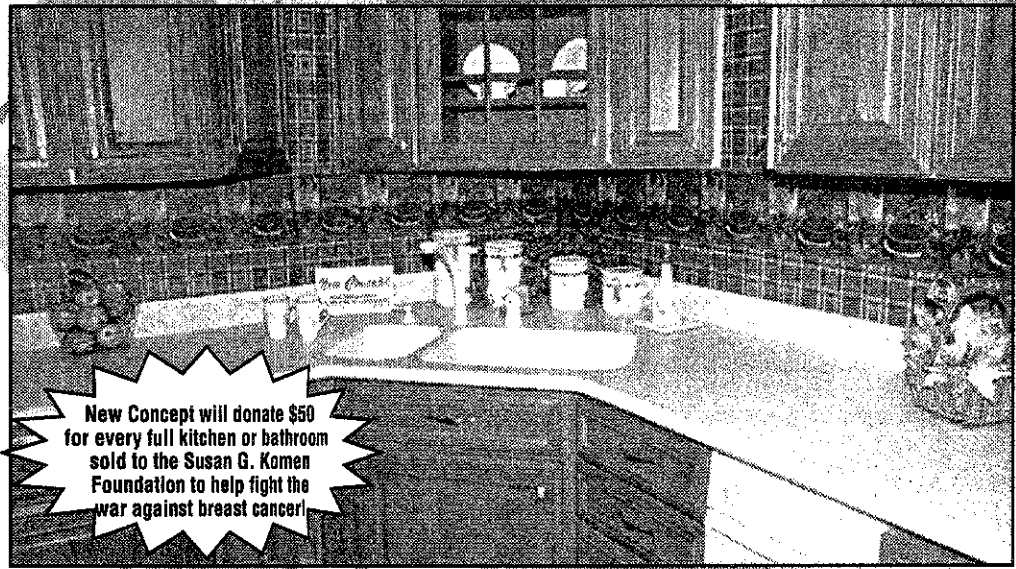
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New prosecutor builds relations with suburban police chiefs

BY HUGH GALLAGHER
STAFF WRITER

As Kym Worthy says, it was one case out of 800 she tried as an assistant Wayne County prosecutor.

But as the county's new interim chief prosecutor tries to build relations with suburban police chiefs, she knows how that one case has defined her in their minds and in the minds of suburban voters.

In 1992, Worthy won a guilty verdict against Detroit police officers Walter Budzyn and Larry Nevers in the beating death of Malice Green.

When she meets with suburban police chiefs, she confronts the issue head on.

"I seem to be defined by just one case," she said in an interview at her office. "And I tell them I'm not going to apologize for doing a good job on the case. I won't apologize for being an effective prosecutor on that case. I prosecuted that case the same as I'm going to



Worthy

prosecute yours and that's with aggression, fairness and using anything we can as a prosecutor within the law."

Worthy was appointed by the Circuit Court bench in early January to replace Mike Duggan as county prosecutor when Duggan left to become chief executive of the Detroit Medical Center. Duggan had

completed three years of his four-year term.

Worthy had served as a Recorder's Court judge and was a Circuit Court judge from 1997 to early 2003. She won the support of 34 of 62 voting judges despite strong political support for assistant prosecutor Virgil Smith by Gov. Jennifer Granholm and Attorney General Mike Cox.

Worthy, who was an assistant prosecutor from 1984 to 1995, said she had become unhappy with the way Duggan ran the department.

"Frankly, I couldn't stand seeing what was coming out of this office for the last three years, run by someone who had never tried a criminal case," she said. "Plea bargaining policies were absurd. People were being charged who should never have been charged, some weren't being charged at all."

In her first week on the job, Worthy made a few major staff changes that she calls "picking up

the dirty laundry on the floor."

In addition to concerns about management of the department, Worthy is also critical of Duggan's approach to the media.

"We will not, I will not, be using this office as a bully pulpit and get my face on the news everyday and in the newspaper everyday," she said. "We have good relations with the media, but we are here to do justice and everything else is secondary."

She said she will keep some of Duggan's outreach programs, but will make changes. "For instance, the community prosecution program is one we want to expand to out-county areas," she said.

She said she wants seasoned prosecutors helping out-county police to build solid cases.

"We are not going to crime scenes, we're not the police," she said.

Worthy said she has instituted a training program for everyone hired in the last three

years because, she said, training has been neglected.

"We have a very intensive four-month training program taking place. We have talked about all different issues affecting the prosecutor's office," she said.

In addition to reaching out to suburban police chiefs, Worthy said she wants to make the prosecutor's office more accessible.

"We need to be accessible to them, the victims," she said. "I think they want to know that we take them as seriously as anyone else in the county."

Worthy has won approval for her transition budget from County Executive Robert Ficano, which has allowed her to fill some key positions.

"His staff has been wonderful in the sense we're all interested in the same thing, we're interested in delivering quality justice to this county, we're interested in working cooperatively," she said. "We know we're not always going to agree. We

know we have some tough decisions that need to be made, but he's been very willing to work, very open to make this a good working relationship."

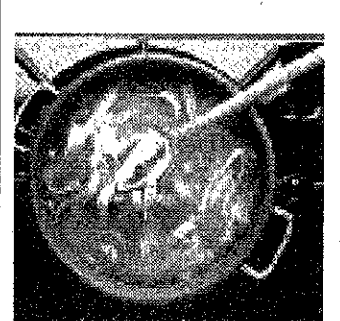
She said the prosecutor's office, like other government departments, is feeling the economic pinch. She said she is short at least 10 trial lawyers and needs a "minimum" 20 more lawyers "to be functional."

When asked about her interests outside of being a prosecutor, she seemed a little surprised by the question. The single mother of a 6-year-old daughter mentioned ice skating with her daughter, sports and the arts.

But she talked first about her volunteer work, speaking engagements, television commentaries and training new judges.

She'll be carrying that focus on the law into this year's campaign to hold on to the prosecutor's seat, a position she has wanted for a long time and is determined to keep.

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In addition, a grand prize winner, selected at random from the pool of correct responses, will win an Abu Garcia 6-foot, one piece, medium light action spinning rod & reel combo and a Luhr Jensen Little Chief electric smoker. For details on the contest check out Bill Parker's Outdoor Insights column in the sports section of the Feb. 19 edition of your Observer & Eccentric Newspaper.

For more information, call Marty Budner at (248) 901-2564.

Hockey boosters

The annual meeting and election of officers of the Plymouth Canton Community Schools Hockey Booster Club will be at 7 p.m. Tuesday, March 9 at the Plymouth Cultural Center, located at 525 Farmer.

Current members and parents with Canton, Salem and Plymouth hockey players are encouraged to attend. Nominations for the Executive Board will be taken and committee selections will be available. Anyone interested in the present and future of the high school hockey programs at Canton, Salem and Plymouth should plan on attending. For further information, call Mary Maurer at (734) 254-9234.

Youth basketball

Michigan Youth Basketball of America is accepting teams for their state championship tournaments. The following age divisions have openings, at a cost of \$250 per team plus players and coaches' fees: For girls: 10-13 years, May 8-9 at Aim High in Lansing; and 14-18 years, April 24-25 at Aim High in Lansing. For boys: 10-12 years, May 1-2 and May 8-9, in Flint; 13-14 years, March 26-28 at Aim High in Lansing; and 15-17 years, May 14-16 at Aim High in Lansing.

Interested coaches and teams should call the Michigan YBOA state office at (517) 484-0333.

Softball sign-up

The Kensington Valley Baseball Softball Association (KVBSA) will hold a travel softball meeting at 7 p.m. Tuesday in the cafeteria at Brighton High School. This meeting is for the 2004 season and is for any new and returning U12-U18 teams.

Future KVBSA meetings will be: March 16 at Brighton HS; April 20 at Brighton HS; April 27 at Brighton HS; and May 23 at Brighton HS.

For further information contact Jeff David at (810) 227-2332 or visit the website at KVBSA.com.

Salem still too much for Canton

A little more than three weeks ago, Canton skated into Salem's arena — the Plymouth Cultural Center — and was humbled by a 9-0 margin.

On Friday, it was the Chiefs' turn to host the Rocks at Arctic Edge. The results were a bit better for Canton, but not enough to turn a loss into a win.

Four power-play goals were the difference as Salem powered to a 5-1 win.

The Rocks improved to 10-8-2 overall. Canton is 5-12-2.

'Their power play clicked and ours didn't. We have to try and get something going, finish the season strong.'

Jim Wheaton
Canton head coach

"We played better," said Canton coach Jim Wheaton. "The situation was the refs assessed us a lot of penalties."

Actually, one penalty hurt the Chiefs most. A five-minute major given to Garrett Hyman gave Salem a five-minute power play, during which the Rocks scored twice to

go from a two-goal lead to four.

Kyle Emmons and Aaron Cheesman did most of the damage for Salem, Emmons scoring two goals and assisting on another and Cheesman getting one goal and two assists.

First-period goals by Matt Van Hoet (assisted by Ryan Jones) and Emmons (assisted by Cheesman), both on the power play, gave the Rocks the lead for good.

Canton trimmed it to 2-1 on a score by Mike Stewart (Reece McCabe assisting) before the period was over.

The Rocks' second-period outburst ruined the Chiefs. Emmons got the first goal (from Cheesman and Andy Thackaberry), then Cheesman and Craigen Bauldry scored on the power play to give Salem a four-goal cushion.



Salem's Ryan Sharrow (25) and Canton's Pat Davison (8) collide in a scrape for the puck in Friday's game, won by the Rocks by a 5-1 score.

Emmons and John Maurer assisted on the first; Thackaberry assisted on the second.

The remainder of the game belonged to the goalies. Salem's Brandon DeMars started in the net, then was replaced in the third period by Ray Kraft; between them, they stopped 27 of 28 shots.

Tony Hylko was in goal for Canton. He had 16 saves.

"Their power play clicked and

ours didn't," said Wheaton. "We have to try and get something going, finish the season strong."

Not that Wheaton isn't happy with the Chiefs' play of late, although it has been a bit inconsistent.

"Right now, our big concern would be to generate some offense," he said. "It's tough to win a game scoring just one goal."

"But our kids aren't giving up

either. They're hard workers."

Which, Wheaton hopes, will result in a couple more victories before the end of the regular season and the start of the state playoffs the first week in March. Canton hosts Gibraltar Carlson Wednesday at Arctic Edge, then plays at Walled Lake Western Friday.

Salem has home games against Troy Tuesday and Livonia Stevenson Friday.

Chiefs roll to win over Northern

If there was something positive for Walled Lake Northern to single out of Friday's basketball game at Canton, it would be that the Chiefs' leading scorer D.J. Bridges was limited to just six points.

Unfortunately for Northern, Bridges got all six in the first quarter, then pretty much retired for the evening. And why not? By the end of one, Canton led 24-5; by halftime, it was 40-17.

And by game's end it was 71-36. With the win, the Chiefs improved to 9-6 overall.

Three players reached double figures in scoring for Canton, led by Brad Waidmann with 12 points; he

BASKETBALL

also had six rebounds. Julian Smith and David Calille each scored 10 points, and Maurice Griffin finished with seven assists and five boards.

Northern got 13 points from Joel Darin.

The Chiefs host cross-campus rival Salem at 7 p.m. Tuesday.

Plymouth 64, Henry Ford Academy 49: Plymouth HS improved its record against varsity teams to 5-1 with this victory against Dearborn Henry Ford Academy Thursday at Plymouth.

The Wildcats are 10-2 overall. Henry Ford is 7-7.

Plymouth led 14-6 after one quarter and 35-16 by halftime. "That was probably the best half of basketball we've played all season," said Wildcats' coach Dave Van Wagoner. "We played real good defense and executed on offense."

D.J. Coleman led Plymouth with 20 points. Jim Wilbur and Kuraj Sandhu netted 12 points apiece, with A.J. Davey totaling eight points and 11 rebounds and Brent Jones getting three points and 10 assists.

PLEASE SEE BASKETBALL, B6

Rocks wreck Spartans, lead division

Don't look now. You wouldn't believe it anyway.

On Friday, Salem took command early against visiting Livonia Stevenson and clamped down defensively, riding it to a 53-31 victory Friday.

The win isn't all that difficult to believe. After all, Stevenson is just 4-9 overall (1-4 in the Western Lakes Activities Association's Lakes Division). Salem improved to 7-8 overall.

Here's the surprise: After starting 1-5 this season, the Rocks have gone 6-3. Better yet, they are 4-1 in the Lakes

— which means they're in first place, something their coach, Bob Brodie, would just as soon keep in the low profile folder.

Against the Spartans, a team that six days earlier upset highly touted Westland John Glenn, Salem kept their top scorer, Keith Hearn, under control, limiting him to 14 points.

Even better, no one picked up the slack; next best for Stevenson was Jim Marcicki with six.

"This was a little different than the last two games," said Brodie. "They played well

tonight, especially at the defensive end.

"The kids played as a team, they shared the ball well, better than I've seen them in a while."

Proof of that was in the scoring. Everyone had a hand in it for the Rocks, with Brian Bradley leading the team with nine points.

Brad Clark and Dominique Washington each netted eight points and six rebounds, and Samad Mohammed contributed three points, six boards and four steals.

Salem led 12-4 after one quarter and 29-13 by halftime.

Stevenson never closed the gap to single digits in the second half.

So which Rocks are the real deal? Brodie admits he's never quite sure what to expect from them, or whether they can string games like Friday's together.

"Some days I do (believe they can), some days I don't," he said.

"They have the ability to play good, and at times they do."

Tuesday would be a good time to begin to extend that winning streak: Salem plays at Canton.

Madonna coach out for rest of season

Madonna University's men's basketball team will have to finish its season without coach Bernie Holowicki.

The longtime Livonia resident and former Redford Catholic Central coach, now in his ninth season coaching at Madonna, suffered a stroke last Sunday during a practice session at Madonna.

He was rushed to Providence Hospital in Novi for treatment, then apparently before being transferred to the Providence Hospital in Southfield, Holowicki suffered a second stroke.

Neither were considered major, according to Madonna athletic director Bryan Rizzo. Holowicki was expected to be released from the hospital last

Friday. Rizzo did say Holowicki was able to walk with him and talk to him while at the hospital.

Holowicki retired from teaching after taking the coaching position at Madonna. In 1996, a day after his first season had ended, he had to undergo emergency heart bypass surgery.

The Madonna program has struggled as Holowicki tried to build it from scratch. The Crusaders had never won 10 games in a season until last year, when they used upset victories over Siena Heights and Cornerstone to post a 14-15 record.

Hoping to ride that crest to even better things this season, Madonna has fallen short;



Madonna University men's basketball coach Bernie Holowicki (center) will not return to the bench this season.

through last Wednesday, the Crusaders were 9-17 overall, 2-8 in the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference. Since Holowicki took over the program, they were 70-199.

Last Monday's non-conference game against Rochester College was canceled due to Holowicki's illness. On Wednesday at Cornerstone, the Crusaders were guided by assistant coaches Matt LaVaute, Rich Lannon and Mike Maryanski.

According to Rizzo, "The assistants will finish the year (coaching). Then we'll take a

look at everything."

Asked if he thought Holowicki, now in his 70s, would return next season, Rizzo replied, "I haven't even thought about it or asked him. I can tell you this: When we were walking earlier this week, he kept talking basketball."

Madonna has one regular-season WHAC game remaining (the Crusaders hosted Concordia Saturday) at home against Indiana Tech Wednesday, plus the

PLEASE SEE COACH, B6

Suspended SC coach does color analysis Late Cornerstone basket stops Madonna

When coaches college or NBA coaches get terminated, some head for the broadcast booth.

Schoolcraft College coach Carlos Briggs did a mini-stint Wednesday as he watched his Ocelots beat visiting Macomb Community College, 86-53.

Briggs, forced to serve a one-game suspension before the end of the regular season after being ejected early in the first half on Jan. 28 at Kirtland CC, decided to sit out the Macomb game where he did first-half color commentary for Livonia's Community Access cable channel.

For Briggs, who is 192-28 overall in seven seasons, it was quite an eye opener.

He did not paint a rosey picture even though his team improved to 21-3 overall and remains tied for first place in the Eastern Conference with Flint Mott at 12-1 in the Michigan Community College

MEN'S COLLEGE HOOPS

Athletic Association.

"Seeing it from a different perspective gave me an opportunity to see things I wouldn't normally see," Briggs said.

Assistant coach Fred Cofield ran the team as five players scored in double figures, led by Marcus Johnson and Ryan Baumgartner with 15 points apiece.

Ricky Morgan added 11, while Anton Palmer and Lamont Arrington finished with 10 each.

The 7-foot Arrington and the 6-7 Johnson each grabbed 10 rebounds.

Point-guard Ray Metcalf added 11 steals and six assists to go along with his eight points.

Gerald Dozie scored 15 to lead Macomb, which slipped to 7-16 overall and 5-8 in the

conference. Schoolcraft led 46-34 at halftime before pulling away in the second half.

The Ocelots shot 14-of-23 from the foul line (60.8 percent).

With a Mike in hand, Briggs did a Bill Walton, not holding back on doing a critique of his team.

"To finish this year, we need to get the best team on the floor, not necessarily the best players," Briggs said. "Right now we're selfish with the basketball."

"What I see from guys, from a recruiting standpoint, is that some of them don't have the right attitude on the court."

"And if a scholarship is available, I'd be thinking again. We need to get back to where we were when we won 14 games in a row. And that's being unselfish basketball team."

Looking at the numbers, it seems there were few options for Cornerstone University in the final seconds of Wednesday's game at Madonna University.

No one could shoot straight, not in this game anyway. The Golden Eagles had converted just 20-of-65 previous shots, or 30.8 percent. Which is one good reason why the second-place women's basketball team in the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference (ranked 16th in the NAIA) was tied with Madonna University at 51-all with three seconds left.

The decision: Get the ball in the post to Kerry Chomic, who had made 3-of-5 from the field.

Which is what they did, and Chomic converted her turn-around jumper with 1.7 seconds left to give Cornerstone a 53-51 triumph.

The win raised the Golden Eagles' record to 22-5 overall, 8-1 in the WHAC. Madonna slipped to 9-17 overall, 5-5 in the conference.

The Crusaders let a 'Golden' chance slip away in those final seconds. Madonna had trailed 26-16 in the first half, then outscored Cornerstone 12-3 to close to within 29-28 at the

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half. It remained close throughout the second half, the Crusaders managing to open up a 51-48 lead with 1:30 to play. Cornerstone's Maureen O'Malley erased that with 1:17 left, nailing a three-pointer to tie the score.

That's the way it stayed until just :03 remained. Madonna's Courtney Rehbine was at the free-throw line for a one-and-one, but she missed the front end and the Eagles rebounded, calling timeout to set up the final play — which Chomic converted.

Sarah Thomson led the Crusaders with 13 points and 10 rebounds.

Stephanie Childs added 10 points and four assists and Hayley Myers had nine points and five boards. Madonna out-shot Cornerstone, converting 21-of-56 floor shots (37.5 percent), and had a 47-40 rebounding advantage, but had 17 turnovers to 10 for the Eagles.

O'Malley topped Cornerstone with 12 points. Cathi Velzen added 10 points, six rebounds, five assists and three steals.

Chomic scored eight points in just 11 minutes.

Schoolcraft 72, Macomb CC 58: Nine players scored for Schoolcraft College, four of them reaching double figures, as the Ocelots stopped Macomb CC Wednesday at Schoolcraft.

The Ocelots improved to 17-6 overall, 11-2 in the MCCA's Eastern Conference. Macomb is 9-13 overall, 5-8 in the conference.

SC was clinging to a 31-29 lead at halftime, then outscored the Monarchs 41-29 in the second half to pull away. Another key factor in the victory: Macomb had 27 turnovers to 18 for the Ocelots.

India Monteiro had another strong game for SC, collecting 17 points and 12 rebounds (seven of them offensive). Tiffani Pattillo added 14 points and four steals, Ashley Gibson had 13 points and five boards, and Tara Charles (from Redford Bishop Borgess) totaled 12 points, five assists and five steals.

For the Monarchs, Ashley Wagner collected 25 points, 10 rebounds, six steals and three assists. Andrea Cowhy got 14 points and Danielle Matzka scored nine.

SWIM RESULTS

SALEM 117.5
WALLED LAKE CENTRAL 63.5
Feb. 12 at Central

200-yard medley relay: 1. Central (Jack Oliver, Ryan Booms, Phil Watkins, Dan Lynam), 1:45.02; 2. Salem (Nick Dixon, Case Johnson, Penn Chou, Matt Jurcak), 1:47.30.

200 freestyle: 1. Jeff O'Donnell (WLC), 2:00.52; 2. Bill Horgan (S), 2:01.12.

200 individual medley: 1. Dixon (S), 2:03.26; 50 freestyle: 1. Mike Higgs (S), 23.81; 2. Nick White (S), 24.79.

Diving: 1. Andrew Murawski (S), 228.3 points; 2. John Lundy (S), 171.90.

100 butterfly: 1. Dixon (S), 55.29.
100 freestyle: 1. Jurcak (S), 51.57.

500 freestyle: 1. Horgan (S), 5:43.19; 2. Chris Ross (S), 5:49.60.

200 freestyle relay: 1. Salem (Chou, Higgs,

White, Jurcak), 1:34.32.
100 backstroke: 1. Oliver (WLC), 58.25; 2. (tie) John Kline (S), Brian Gurta (WLC), 1:06.44.

100 breaststroke: 1. Johnson (S), 1:08.87.
400 freestyle relay: 1. Salem (Chou, Higgs, Jurcak, Dixon), 3:27.40.

Salem's dual-meet record: 6-4 overall, 4-2 in the Western Lakes Activities Association; Next meet: Salem at Northville, 7 p.m. Tuesday.

CANTON 102
SALINE 63
Feb. 10 at Canton

200-yard medley relay: 1. Saline (Warner, Bachman, Christie, Begley), 1:46.14; 2. Canton (Nathan Phillips, Steve Reasor, Shogo Uno, Neal Brunner), 1:50.36.

200 freestyle: 1. Warner (S), 1:51.52; 2. James Sattler (C), 1:57.09.

200 individual medley: 1. Christie (S), 2:09.03.
50 freestyle: 1. Joe Le (C), 23.09.

Diving: 1. Kevin Cafarella (C), 199.05 points.
100 butterfly: 1. Warner (S), 54.32; 2. John Faraoni (C), 56.82.

100 freestyle: 1. Le (C), 49.84; 2. Sam Manees (C), 54.27.
500 freestyle: 1. Sattler (C), 5:21.78; 2. Aaron Van Proyen (C), 5:25.20.

200 freestyle relay: 1. Canton (Le, Uno, Faraoni, Sattler), 1:35.60; 2. Canton (Brunner, Jon Templeton, Jordan Champine, Manees), 1:39.16.

100 backstroke: 1. Begley (S), 58.35; 2. Phillips (C), 1:02.33.

100 breaststroke: 1. Bachman (S), 1:06.12.
400 freestyle relay: 1. Canton (Faraoni, Manees, Sattler, Le), 3:29.83.

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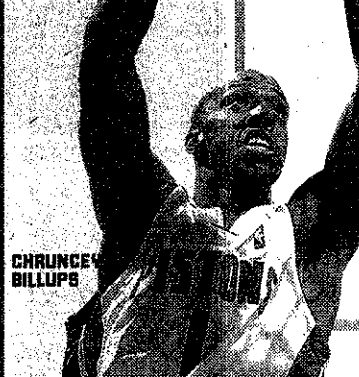
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Watkins' goaltending lifts Penguins

Lisa Ealy scored with just :30 left in the first period and Amanda Watkins made that goal stand up as the Plymouth-Canton-Salem Penguins girls hockey team stopped Northville 1-0 Tuesday at the Arctic Edge Arena.

The victory ended a five-game winless streak for the Penguins, during which they had been outscored 30-9. Sarah Skonieczny and Olivia Pennebaker earned assists on Ealy's goal.

Watkins was superb in goal, stopping 29 Northville shots. P-C-S had 16 shots on the Mustangs' goal.

On Feb. 5, the Penguins tied Grosse Pointe University-Liggett 3-3 at McCann Arena in Grosse Pointe. Jessica Rzetelny scored all three goals for P-C-S, the last coming in

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the final seconds after the Penguins had pulled their goalie for the extra attacker. Pennebaker and Ealy assisted on the game-tying goal; Erika Perkovich and Stephanie Murray had assists on the first two goals.

Dearborn Unified 5, Salem 2: Lance Wojewuczki scored two goals for Dearborn in a non-league boys hockey game played Wednesday in Dearborn.

Salem struck first with a goal by Kyle Emmons (assists to Aaron Cheesman and Craigen Bauldry), putting the Rocks ahead 1-0 after one period. Dearborn scored the next four goals, however, three of them

coming in the second period. The Rocks' John Maurer narrowed the gap to 4-2 with a goal at 2:17 of the third period (assisted by Cheesman), but Wojewuczki put the game away with a goal with :46 to play.

CC 6, P.H. Northern 1: Redford Catholic Central stayed hot on Thursday night as they took an easy win at Port Huron Northern.

"We played a strong game," said CC coach Todd Johnson as his team improved to 11-6-3 overall and 5-2 in the Michigan Interscholastic Hockey League.

"They're starting to buy into what we want from them and they moved the puck well. It's a tough place to play and they are a good team. I'm happy we played that well."

After Northern's Antwan Hall opened the scoring, the rest of the game belonged to CC. Travis Hamway tied it up midway through the first period on a power-play goal from Jason Lewarne and Dave McGrorty, then Billy Makela gave CC the lead with two minutes to play in the period with Pete Pfeffer assisting.

Mike Monterey made it 3-1 in the second period from Drew Kahle and Tim Buttery, while Pfeffer made it 4-1 (from Jimmy Burns and Wade LaFever). McGrorty upped the lead to 5-1 from Hamway to close out the second and Kahle ended the scoring in the third from Adam McGee.

John Garza stopped 17 of 18 shots in goal for CC, while Steve Gerstenberger had 30 saves for the Huskies.

Plymouth Whalers snap skid, win 6-2

Enough is enough. John Vigilante scored a hat trick for the Plymouth Whalers and John Mitchell added a goal and four assists, enabling the Whalers to end a three-game losing streak with a 6-2 victory at Guelph Friday.

Plymouth improved to 24-21-9-3 overall (60 points) and remained second in the Ontario Hockey League's West Division. Guelph fell to 39-10-5-0 (83 points) — the second-best record in both the OHL and the OHL's Midwest Division.

Three goals were scored in a

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51-second span of the first period, with Dan Collins and Vigilante getting them for the Whalers and Mark Versteeg-Lytwyn scoring for Guelph.

Vigilante made it 3-1 with the only goal of the second period. Jonas Fiedler, Vigilante and Mitchell got third-period goals, while Daniel Paille scored for the Storm. Vigilante's outburst gave him 26 goals for the season.

Paul Drew had 25 saves in

goal for the Whalers; Adam Dennis stopped 22 shots for Guelph.

Windsor 5, Plymouth 4: On Thursday at Windsor, the Whalers surrendered three second-period goals and that was enough to carry the Spitfires to the win.

The game-winning goal came from Windsor's Rob Hennigar with 2:33 expired in the third period. That boosted the Spitfires' lead to 5-2.

Plymouth closed the gap to one goal on scores by Tim Sestito (from Mike Letizia) at 12:39 of the third and from

Jordan Grant (from Ryan Ramsay) at 16:24 of the third, but could not get the equalizer.

Ramsay (from Vigilante and Mitchell) and Nick Vernelli (from Mitchell and Vaclav Meidl) scored in the first period to offset a goal by Windsor's Steve Downie.

The Spitfires overcame that 2-1 deficit with second-period goals by Cal O'Reilly, Craig Kennedy and Darryl Lloyd, which made it 4-2 in favor of the Spitfires.

Drew had 11 saves in goal for Plymouth. Matt Anthony had 26 stops for Windsor.

WRESTLING RESULTS

SALEM 49
WL WESTERN 25
Feb. 12 at Salem

103 pounds: Jeremy Stankiewicz (S) pinned Andrew Rudzki, 1:08; 112: Nick Zilan (WLW) def. Nick Stelger, 4:3; 119: Michael Marsitt (WLW) def. Ryan Stump, 13:3; 125: Jeff Clare (WLW) pinned Josh Anson, 5:24; 130: Dave Burr (S) def. Chris Tezelec, 4:2; 135: Zack Vaughn (S) won on void; 140: Brian Plater (S) pinned Andy Goodman, 2:40; 145: Aaron Lawson (WLW) pinned Ryan Tooley, 3:03; 152: William Schultz (S) pinned Jeff Goodman, 2:43; 160: Brian Danville (S) pinned Justin Zoma, 5:53; 171: Jordan Schafer (S) major decision over Aaron Saderstrom, 13:2; 189: Jeremy Henderson (S) pinned Chris Alexopoulos, 1:41; 215: Lance Shuala (WLW) pinned Alex Smith, 1:51; **heavyweight:** Jeremy Walker (S) pinned Tyler Schorsch, 1:4.

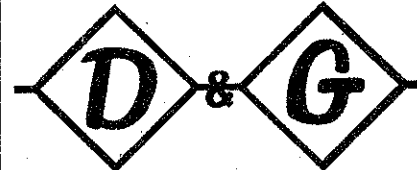
CLARKSTON 34
REDFORD CATHOLIC CENTRAL 32
Feb. 11 at Redford CC

103: Tyler Schrider (C) pinned Nelko Ianni, 2:59; 112: Andrew Nahir (CC) decisioned Matt Herron, 16:10; 119: Robert Price (CC) p. Jeremy Hendrix, 3:57; 125: Elliot May (C) dec. Dade DiMaggio, 8:4; 130: Tony LaJole (C) p. Mike McHenry, 1:30; 135: Ryan Webb (C) p. Shane O'Connor, 1:22; 140: Braden L'Amereaux (C) p. John Kenny, 0:59; 145: Josh McAllister (C) won by major dec. over Kyle Smart, 16:7; 152: Sean Turner (C) dec. Brad Bartram, 7:5; 160: Trevor Stewart (CC) won by technical fall over Tommy Ellsworth, 23:8; 171: Scott Schwarzkose (CC) p. Steve Smiley, 4:35; 189: John Kirville (CC) dec. Bryan Klein, 7:5; 215: Eric Vojtkofsky (CC) de. Jake Williams, 7:7; 275: John Morasso (CC) p. Steve Herron, 1:2. **Dual meet records:** Clarkston, 26-6 overall; CC, 9-1 overall.

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P-3503

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SPORTS ROUNDUP

BASEBALL CLINIC

The annual Salem Baseball Clinic will be in two sessions, the first on Saturday, March 27 and the second on Saturday, April 3, both in the Salem HS gym.

Three hours of baseball instruction from the Salem varsity players and coaches, for players ages 7-15, is included. Lunch is provided as well; registration fee is \$20.

To reserve a spot or for more information, call Ron Myers at (734) 459-4026.

LACROSSE SIGN-UP

The Canton Leisure Services is sponsoring a Youth Lacrosse League, with the league running from March through June.

New and experienced players may join either the fifth-sixth grade team or the seventh-eighth grade team. Indoor practices are available in February.

Players must supply their own equipment, including helmet, stick, mouth guard, protective equipment and shoulder pads. Teams must have a minimum of 10 players and no more than 25. Included in the \$100 per player fee is a uniform, indoor practice time, a

12-week league schedule and an end-of-the-year jamboree tournament.

Players may register right now at the Summit on the Park, located at 46000 Summit Parkway. For more information, call the Canton Softball Center at (734) 483-5600.

ROAD RALLY

The Canton Thunderbirds girls fast-pitch softball organization is hosting its second-annual Road Rally on March 13. Space is limited; early registration is suggested.

Cost is \$25 per person, which includes meal, prizes and music. For further information contact Mike Roberts at (734) 397-1355 or on the Web at thunderbirdsoftball.tripod.com.

SOCCER CLINICS

The Michigan Wolves and Hawks Soccer Club is hosting a free clinic open to the public at Total Soccer's Wixom facility.

The boys clinic will feature University of Michigan men's soccer coach Steve Burns and will be Feb. 19. Clinic times are: U13, U14 — 5:30-7 p.m.; U15, U16 — 7-8:30 p.m.; U17, U18 — 8:30-10 p.m.

Again, the clinics are free. The Wixom Total Soccer Facility is located at 30990 Wixom Road, 1 1/2 miles north of I-96.

For more information, call Amy Richters are (248) 478-6692.

SOCCER REGISTRATION

The Canton Soccer Club is currently accepting registrations for the spring season. Registration forms may be obtained either on-line at www.cantonsoccerclub.com or at the club office, located at High Velocity Sports, 46245 Michigan in Canton. Office hours are 10 a.m.-3 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Registration fees for under-five division players is \$50; for under-six through under-eight division players, the fee is \$65 for Canton residents and \$90 for non-residents; for under-nine through under-19 divisions, the fee is \$100 for residents and \$125 for non-residents.

Registration closes March 1. Registration form, copy of birth certificate and payment may be mailed to: Canton Soccer Club, P.O. Box 87244, Canton, MI, 48187. For more information, call (734) 480-7046.

Challenge tourney produces lots of winners

The ninth annual Senior/Youth Challenge went off very well last Saturday at Mayflower Lanes in Redford.

There were lots of winners, no losers as everyone had a good time.

The youth turnout was somewhat smaller this year, but the top scoring youths walked away with some substantial scholarship money for their efforts.

Prizes were paid out in both singles and doubles (which ran concurrently) with the following recipients:

In singles Sean Foreman, 16, and grandson of senior bowler Dick Arsenault took first with a 166-220-227 and a 613 actual plus-96 handicap for a total of 709, good enough to take home \$750 in scholarship money.

Second went to Dan Hulst, 16, of Redford, with scores of 201-199-172 for a 572 actual with 132 handicap totaling 704 and a \$500 scholarship.

Redford's Hanna Marlee finished third with a 110 average and a 270-pin handicap per shot an actual 421 giving her a 691 total and \$250 scholarship.

In doubles competition, 15-year-old Jimmy Kitzman Redford teamed up with 78-year-old Mel Wooten of Dearborn for a total of 1,364 with handicap, bringing a \$750 scholarship prize to Kitzman.

The second-place prize of \$500 went to the pair of Jordan Stoll of Redford with help from 86-year-old Bill Fisher.

The pair combined a 975

score with a 369 pin handicap for a 1,344 total.

Matt DeLong and Cass Wegzyn, both of Redford, combined for 1,148 added to 192 handicap and a score of 1,340 as Matt earning a \$250 scholarship.

High youth score was rolled by 12-year-old Travis Mewton with an actual 235 game and 614 actual series.

Because youth entries were low, both Mayflower and Beech Lanes in Redford will take some positive action next year to get more youth bowlers involved in league play.

If you live in Redford or Livonia, you will be able to watch the taped replay of the Old Timers Tournament, which occurred Thanksgiving weekend at Thunderbowl Lanes in Allen Park.

Bright House subscribers will be able to receive it on the local access cable station beginning at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 17 and 4:30 p.m. Monday Feb. 23.

One of the highlights on tape was the last three strikes by Tony Loiacano on his way to a perfect game.

Tim Wiczorek has opened a new pro shop at Premier Lanes located at Union Lake in Commerce.

Tim is the proponent of the Freestyle grip which has been very successful, in helping many bowlers of all skill levels improve their scores.

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Some readers of last week's Ten Pin Alley on Feb. 8 may have mis-interpreted the intent of what was written.

I had said that the Detroit area had little chance of bringing the 2008 Women's International Bowling Congress.

This was based on the fact that in previous efforts a few years ago when the Motor City lost in the bidding war to Tulsa, Okla.

I was born in Detroit, raised in Detroit and spent my whole life here. I love this area, and would like as much as anyone to see this event take place here.

Detroit still has a negative image in other areas of the country, and some work will have to be done to show the many positive sides of Detroit.

It will take a good selling job to make it happen, and it can be done.

The 2008 locale will be decided at the WIBC Annual convention in Wichita, Kan. This year and Detroit Women's Bowling Association and representatives of the Greater Detroit Bowling Association will take an active part in extolling the virtues of our fair city.

There will be a display booth set up for this purpose and a group of directors will be on hand to help promote our area.

The likely merger of the American Bowling Congress this year will make no difference in upcoming major events as the newly formed organization will have to honor all contracts and commitments already established and signed by the preceding organizations.

This issue is one part of why the merger would benefit all parties.

And it will gain more clout from one larger and stronger organization, the U.S. Bowling Congress, as it would be so named and chartered.

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Rocks reign over John Glenn

An all-around solid effort was more than enough to carry Salem's volleyball team to an easy 15-3, 15-3 triumph over visiting Westland John Glenn Wednesday.

The win boosted the Rocks' record to 33-7-5 overall, 5-1 in the Western Lakes Activities Association and 3-0 in the Lakes Division.

Theresa Coppiellie had a strong all-around game for

VOLLEYBALL

Salem, collecting seven kills, three blocks and two service aces.

Jordan Falcusan also played well, collecting 21 set assists and four kills.

Others with good performances were Lauren Price with eight kills, Courtney Edwards with six kills and Lauren Marsonok with three blocks.

Salem plays at Wayne Memorial Monday, then hosts Walled Lake Western Wednesday.

Canton clubs Franklin

Defense was the key as Canton stopped Livonia Franklin in two games, 15-7, 15-6, Wednesday at Franklin.

The Chiefs improved to 17-12-6 overall, 4-2 in the WLAA and 2-0 in the Western Division. Franklin is 1-5 in the division.

"We played a game we felt confident with," said Canton coach Steve Anderson. "We just played no-frills volleyball. Our defense is staying continually strong."

"We're getting better as the season progresses, we're not going backwards."

The Chiefs were tied with the Patriots at 6-all when Kara Jones stepped in to serve in the second game. Jones seized command, serving the next nine points to close out the match.

Defensive specialist Heather Richardson had a strong match with 10 digs and four service aces. Katie Mills contributed 10 digs and two aces. Katie Esper had five kills with a .714 kill percentage, and Kelly Baker finished with three kills (.375) and six digs.

Canton hosts sixth-ranked Livonia Churchill in a key Western Division match at 7 p.m. Monday, then travels to Northville Wednesday.

PCA routs Roper

Plymouth Christian Academy stayed in contention for the Michigan Independent Athletic Conference championship with a 15-7, 15-4 victory over Bloomfield Hills Roper Thursday at PCA.

The Eagles improved to 12-9-1 overall, 6-2 in the MIAC.

Julie Bahbah, a sophomore, led the attack for PCA with six kills; she also had 12 digs.

Melanie Dunlap, a senior, had five kills and 10 digs and senior setter Melanie Dunlap had 18 set assists, three kills and 10 digs.

PCA plays at Auburn Hills Oakland Christian Tuesday, then hosts Oakland Christian in a make-up match Thursday.

Agape stops Eagles

A strong hitting attack against a good Southfield Christian defensive team carried Canton Agape Christian to a 15-5, 15-13 win Thursday at Discovery Middle School, Agape's home court.

The Wolverines improved to 7-9 overall, 3-5 in the MIAC.

"All of our girls hit well," said Agape coach Gretchen Sexton.

"They had a good defensive team, but they were small and they couldn't hit with us."

Also missing from the Eagles' lineup was one of their setters, which hurt their chances.

Agape got nine kills from A.J. Creps, five kills (with a .833 kill percentage) from Tarah Armbruster and 17 set assists from Emily Tong.

The Wolverines play at Bloomfield Hills Roper Tuesday, then host Allen Park Inter-City Baptist Thursday at Discovery.



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BASKETBALL

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The Navigators were led by William Murrell with 21 points.

Agape 45, S'field. Christian 44: Charlie Henry scored on a layup with :30 remaining and Canton Agape Christian made that basket stand up for the game-winning points Friday at Southfield Christian.

The Wolverines improved to 12-3 overall, 5-2 in the Michigan Independent Athletic Conference. With the loss, the Eagles are 4-10 overall, 2-7 in the MIAC.

The game was close throughout, with Southfield Christian holding a five-point lead after one quarter (15-10) and at the half (23-18), then expanding it to 11 with an 8-2 run to start the third quarter. Agape, playing without leading scorer Jordan Napier — sidelined indefinitely with a sprained ankle — battled back to tie it after three periods at 33-all, thanks in great part to Henry, who got 16 of his game-high 18 points in the second half.

Henry's late basket gave the Wolverines a 45-43 lead; Alex Martin hit 1-of-2 free throws to make it a one-point game, but the Eagles' could not get another point, although they had a couple of opportunities in the closing seconds.

Gabe Molnar added 10 points for Agape and Matt Molnar scored six. Southfield Christian was led by John Frith with 14 points and 10 rebounds; Martin finished with 10 points.

Ply. Christian 63, Business Tech 48: By halftime, this game was over.

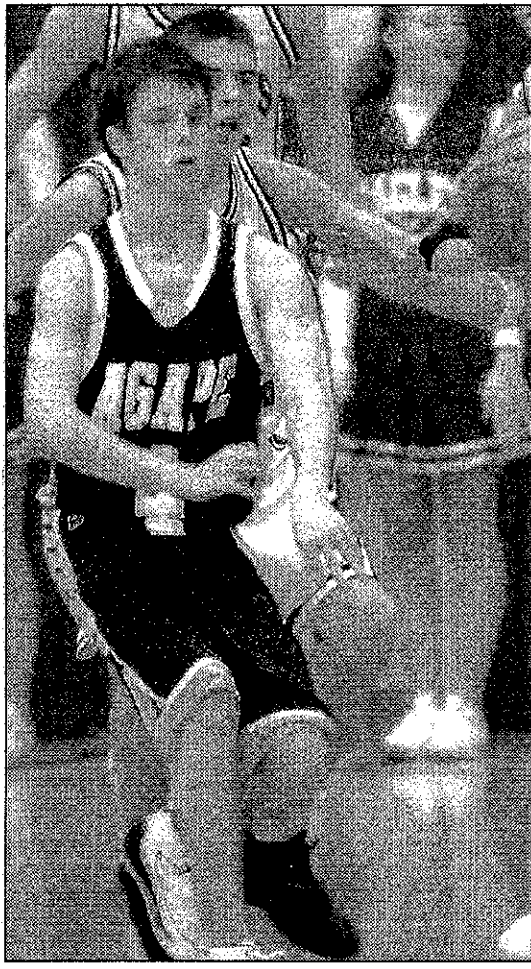
After two quarters, Plymouth Christian Academy had built a 41-15 lead and coasted from there, improving its overall record to 9-6 with this non-league victory over Dearborn Heights Academy of Business and Technology Friday at PCA.

Business Tech is 1-12.

Ben Baloga paced the Eagles with 13 points, including three three-pointers. All of Baloga's points came in the first half and nine of them came in the first quarter, when PCA jumped out to a 23-7 lead.

Steve Sumner added 11 points (seven in the first quarter), and Dan Carty and Aaron Ciborowski scored 10 points apiece. Carty also had six assists.

Business Tech was led by Jeremy Westbrook with 16 points (four three-pointers) and Aaron Spencer netted nine.



Agape's Charlie Henry scored 18 points, 16 in the second half — including the game-winning basket — to lead the Wolverines to victory.

CC 70, Brother Rice 36: Redford Catholic Central clinched the Central Division title going away on Friday night with a resounding win at Birmingham Brother Rice.

"We came out and played well in the first quarter (with a 21-4 lead)," said CC coach Rick Coratti after his team's first Central title since 2001. "We got a lot of turnovers, kept it up in the second and played tough the first three minutes of the second half."

With a 68-30 lead after three quarters, the fourth was played with a running clock.

Dan Waterstradt led CC with 21 points and six rebounds, while Jim Cash had 17 points, Rob Fragoso and Derek Brooks had 11 and Kyle Smith had eight points with six rebounds.

The win moved CC to 13-3 overall and 7-1 in the Central. It also gave them the noon game in the Catholic League Central-AA quarterfinals at University of Detroit-Mercy's Calihan Hall on Feb. 22 against Pontiac Notre Dame Prep.

THE WEEK AHEAD

BOYS BASKETBALL
Monday, Feb. 16
 Huron Valley at Academy Bus. Tech, 5:30 p.m.
Tuesday, Feb. 17
 Salem at Canton, 7 p.m.
 B.H. Roeper at Ply. Christian, 7 p.m.
 John Glenn at Churchill, 7 p.m.
 W.L. Central at Franklin, 7 p.m.
 Stevenson at W.L. Western, 7 p.m.
 Wayne at Northville, 7 p.m.
Friday, Feb. 20
 Canton at W.L. Western, 7 p.m.
 Ply. Christian at Oak. Christian, 7:30 p.m.
 Franklin at Churchill, 7 p.m.
 Stevenson at W.L. Central, 7 p.m.
 John Glenn at Wayne, 7 p.m.
 Huron Valley vs. Taylor Baptist Park at Westland Bailey Rec. Center, 7:30 p.m.
GIRLS VOLLEYBALL
Monday, Feb. 16
 Churchill at Canton, 6:30 p.m.
 Franklin at Stevenson, 6:30 p.m.
 W.L. Central at John Glenn, 6:30 p.m.
 Salem at Wayne, 6:30 p.m.
Tuesday, Feb. 17
 Clarenceville at B.H. Kingswood, 6:30 p.m.
 Ply. Christian at Oak. Christian, 7 p.m.
 Canton Agape at B.H. Roeper, 7 p.m.
Wednesday, Feb. 18
 Franklin at Churchill, 6:30 p.m.
 John Glenn at Stevenson, 6:30 p.m.
 Wayne at W.L. Central, 6:30 p.m.
 Canton at Northville, 7 p.m.
 W.L. Western at Salem, 7 p.m.
Thursday, Feb. 19

Liggett at Clarenceville, 6:30 p.m.
 Luth. Westland at Lutheran N.west, 6:30 p.m.
 Oak. Christian at Ply. Christian, 7 p.m.
 A.P. Inter-City vs. Canton Agape, 7 p.m. at Discovery Middle School
Catholic League Finals at Madonna
 C-D Division championship, 5:30 p.m.
 A-B Division championship, 7 p.m.
Saturday, Feb. 21
 Ladywood Tournament, 9 a.m.
PREP HOCKEY
Tuesday, Feb. 17
 G.P. Univ.-Liggett vs. P-C-S Penguins, 6:30 p.m. at Arctic Edge Arena
 Troy vs. Salem, 7 p.m. at Plymouth Cultural Center
Wednesday, Feb. 18
 Churchill vs. W.L. Western (Edgar), 6 p.m.
 Gb. Carlson vs. Canton, 8 p.m. at Arctic Edge Arena
 Ladywood vs. Kingswood (Arctic Pond), 8 p.m.
Friday, Feb. 20
 Franklin vs. Northville (Edgar), 6 p.m.
 Stevenson vs. Salem at Plymouth Cultural Ctr., 8 p.m.
 Canton vs. W.L. Western, 8:20 p.m. at Lakeland Arena
Saturday, Feb. 21
 Churchill at U-D Jesuit (City), 5:30 p.m.
 P-C-S Penguins vs. Mercy, 6 p.m. at Farmington Suburban Training Ctr.
 Franklin at Chelsea, 7 p.m.
 Redford CC vs. Cranbrook at Compaware (Olympic Rink), 7 p.m.
PREP WRESTLING

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Wednesday, Feb. 18
DIVISION IV
at LUTHERAN WESTLAND
First round: (A) Lutheran Westland vs. (B) Inkster, 6 p.m.
Championship final: Romulus Summit Academy vs. A-B winner, 7:15 p.m. (Winner advances to the regional semifinals)
Wednesday, Feb. 25 at Blissfield vs. New Haven district champion.)
Thursday, Feb. 19
DIVISION I
at REDFORD CATHOLIC CENTRAL
First round: Redford Union vs. Southfield, 5 p.m.; Redford Catholic Central vs. Livonia Franklin, 5 p.m.
Championship final: 6:30 p.m. (Winner advances to the regional semifinals)
Wednesday, Feb. 25 at Royal Oak-Kimball vs. Kimball district champion.)
at WAYNE MEMORIAL
First round: Salem vs. Wayne, 5:30 p.m.; Westland John Glenn vs. Canton, 5:30 p.m.
Championship final: 7 p.m. (Winner advances to the regionals semifinals)
Wednesday, Feb. 25 at Temperance Bedford vs. Bedford district champion.)
at NOVI
First round: Northville vs. Novi, 5:30 p.m.; Livonia Stevenson vs. Livonia Churchill, 5:30 p.m.
Championship final: 7 p.m. (Winner advances to the regional semifinals)
Wednesday, Feb. 25 at Temperance Bedford vs. Romulus district champion.)

COACH

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conference tournament. Whether or not the Rochester College game would be rescheduled was undetermined.

Last Wednesday against nationally-ranked Cornerstone, the Crusaders fell behind early and never caught up in losing, 87-69, at Mol

Arena in Grand Rapids. The Golden Eagles improved to 23-5 overall, 7-2 in the WHAC with the win.

Poor shooting in the first half doomed Madonna. The Crusaders were 9-of-29 from the floor (31 percent) compared to Cornerstone's 17-of-35 (48.6 percent). Rebounding was also a factor in the outcome: The Eagles had a 53-30 advantage on the boards. Noel Emehiser led

Madonna with 15 points. Dan Kurtinaitis had 13, Joe Kofahl scored 10 and Chad Nadolni totaled nine points and 11 rebounds.

For Cornerstone, John Freund led with 18 points. Keith Wurm scored 16 and had eight assists, Andy Bronkema netted 14 points (on 5-of-6 shooting from the floor) and 10 boards, John Jonker scored 13 points and Derek Douglas finished with 10.



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"Master and Commander: The Far Side of the World"
"Mystic River"
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Ben Kingsley, "House of Sand and Fog"
Jude Law, "Cold Mountain"
Bill Murray, "Lost in Translation"
Sean Penn, "Mystic River" | BEST SUPPORTING ACTOR
Alec Baldwin, "The Cooler"
Benicio Del Toro, "21 Grams"
Djimon Hounsou, "In America"
Tim Robbins, "Mystic River"
Ken Watanabe, "The Last Samurai" |
| BEST ACTRESS
Keisha Castle-Hughes, "Whale Rider"
Diane Keaton, "Something's Gotta Give"
Samantha Morton, "In America"
Charlize Theron, "Monster"
Naomi Watts, "21 Grams" | BEST SUPPORTING ACTRESS
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Patricia Clarkson, "Pieces of April"
Marcia Gay Harden, "Mystic River"
Holly Hunter, "Thirteen"
Renee Zellweger, "Cold Mountain" | BEST ORIGINAL SONG
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Our year of hearts, flowers

When I first got married I was like any other young woman. I believed our days would be spent in hearts and flowers, that young love was bliss.

I pictured a happy singing couple, enraptured by the sanctity of our union and for a while, all of this was so. For awhile my husband and I enjoyed romantic, candlelit dinners, took strolls in the evening and held hands at the movies. Slowly, we settled into life.

A baby came, life became more hectic. The happy singing couple sometimes lost their tune, and there were days we weren't so enraptured with each other. Dinners meant eating quickly before the baby stirred, walks in the evening included a stroller and we never had time for the movies.

Before we knew it we were married. We divided responsibilities, argued over the checkbook and had long figured out which holiday would be spent where.

Our baby was now a toddler, and another was on the way. We moved out of our cozy apartment and into our first house when my husband's job transfer moved us across the state. As a journalist, his working hours were erratic. We really didn't know anyone in the area, my college friends were scattered everywhere. I was reluctant to leave my children with "just anyone," so when Grandma came to town and offered to baby-sit, we took the opportunity to steal away, have a little dinner, just sit and talk.

My life was babies, and diapers, and talking long distance to friends and relatives "back home." My husband's life was the newsroom, automobiles and our family. The first baby grew out of diapers, and went off to school. The household was growing, we found a cat, and then we decided to get a dog. Family time became precious, we found ourselves so busy with school, work and activities.

Slowly, life settled into us. Our two little boys welcomed a sister into their world and, shortly after her arrival, a new job for my husband brought another change into our lives. We realized as we grew into our new family that we were growing out of our first little house. As we settled into our new home, we talked about taking strolls in the evening.

But work, school, baseball, soccer, gymnastics and dance would have to come first. We had reached the wonder years and we hadn't even realized it. Our family moments were now becoming fleeting, where once we yearned to dine alone, where once we yearned for that fleeting moment without the kids, we now yearned for the occasional family dinner and fleeting moment with kids.

Through the years my husband has become a little grayer and I am a little softer. We have settled into life.

I still love moments spent talking with him. My husband still makes me laugh, is still my best friend. The kids swirl around us. Our boys are teens, our daughter nearly 12. As the years of hearts and flowers have passed, our young love has become an old love. A funny Valentine.

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A day of peace

World Sabbath service marks different faiths, common bonds

People of different faiths mingled their traditions at a Saturday night service at Christ Church Cranbrook recently.

The service at the Bloomfield Hills Episcopal church opened with the sounding of the ram's horn used in Jewish synagogues, called the Shofar.

Later a Methodist choir inspired hand clapping to gospel hymns. And there was a call to prayer from an Islamic Imam.

The event was the 5th annual World Sabbath of Religious Reconciliation, attended by some 400 people. The main theme was a call for peace among religions and people.

The Rev. Carlyle F. Stewart III, pastor of Hope United Methodist Church in Southfield, noted that for hundreds of years, the world has seen very few times of peace. "What the world needs today is not more war and hatred and strife. What the world needs today is more compassion, understanding, empathy and caring," he said.

Stewart urged faith that acknowledges that "in the final analysis, there is no 'they,' only 'us.'" His comments were met with clapping from the pews.

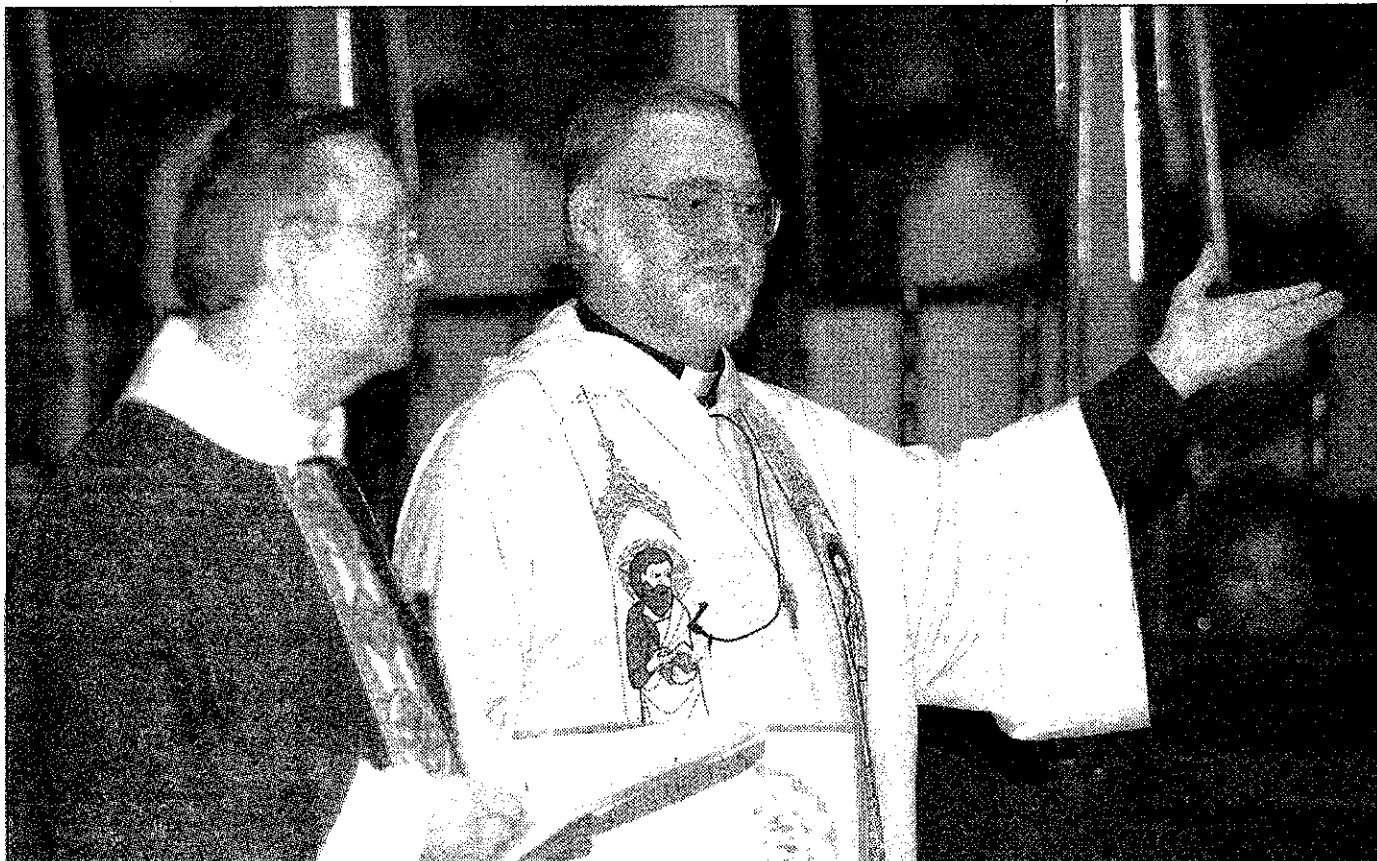
At the end of the service, a peace document was signed on a "peace table," created by Alan Haber of Ann Arbor.

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At a reception afterwards, Mike Borg of Milford said he was glad he attended.

"I just happened to see it in the paper," said Borg, a Catholic. "I really enjoyed seeing all these religions together."

"It was a great gathering," said Faisal Qureshi, of Beverly Hills, originally from Pakistan, and a member of the



The Rev. Rodney Reinhart (right), founder of the World Sabbath of Religious Reconciliation, speaks during the Sabbath service, while the Rev. Edward Mullins, rector of event host Christ Church Cranbrook, listens.

'The fact that we get so many people attending, shows we have hit on an issue that people care about. They want to raise their voices for justice and peace.'

Rev. Rodney Reinhart
Plymouth resident

Islamic Association of Greater Detroit in Rochester Hills. "We are here in America, this is the melting pot, and this is the place to start for peace."

Dr. Ramsay Dass of Bloomfield Hills, president of American Middle East Christians Congress, said that "I think interreligious and interfaith work is



The Rev. John West, pastor of Our Lady of Sorrows Roman Catholic Church in Farmington Hills, prays during the service.

becoming more respected. Really I see it's the only solution for the world."

The Rev. Rodney Reinhart, of the interim ministry for the Episcopal Diocese of Michigan, founded the day in 1999. The Rev. Edward Mullins, rector of Christ Church Cranbrook, jointly established it with him at Christ Church Cranbrook, which has been the host ever since.

A CHURCH MODEL

"The fact that we get so many people attending, shows we have hit on an issue that people care about," said Reinhart, of Plymouth. "They want to raise their voices for justice and peace."

Reinhart said that other communities are starting to celebrate the day, held the last Saturday in January. In 2003, the General Convention of the Episcopal Church officially recognized and recommended it as a model for the church's work for peace.

Arnold Michlin of Waterford, and a member of Cong. Shaarey Zedek in West Bloomfield, helped organize the first program. "They are getting better all the time," he said of the World Sabbath services.

Other participants included Cong.

Shir Tikvah in Troy, Our Lady of Sorrows Roman Catholic Church in Farmington Hills, John Wesley United Methodist Church in River Rouge, the Muslim Center of Detroit, IAGD in Rochester Hills, the Baha'i Spiritual Council, Birmingham Temple in Birmingham, Temple Beth-el in Bloomfield Hills, the Bharatiya Temple in Troy, St. Andrew's Episcopal Church in Clawson, and the Sikh community.



Brenda Rosenberg of Bloomfield Hills and Temple Beth El walks in the procession to the service. Her 'Wings 4 Peace' jewelry was presented to some participants.



Roberta Cottman, Presbyterian and peace activist (from left), Dr. Paula Drewek, a Baha'i, Imam Achmat Salie of IAGD, and Rabbi Arnold Sleutelberg of Cong. Shir Tikvah listen during the service.

Young orphan inspires adults with her devotion to cause

Cindy Champnella says you're never too old to learn from a child. The devotion and tenacity of one special 4-year-old orphan inspired her to write a book.

As executive director of human resources at Schoolcraft College, Champnella had no experience as an author, only love for the little girl abandoned in a Chinese forest by her mother at age 2.

The Waiting Child: How the Faith and Love of One Orphan Saved the Life of Another is the story of Jaclyn, the daughter Champnella and her husband, Rick, adopted and brought back to their Farmington Hills home four years ago.

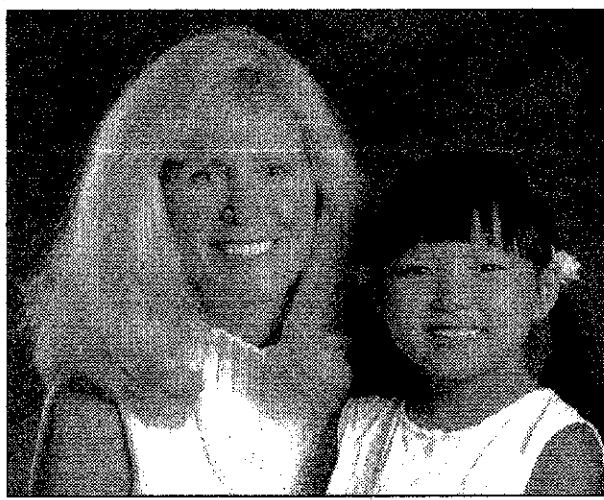
Once here, Jaclyn could not forget a little boy she cared for in the orphanage. She became an advocate for "Her Baby" as she called him. She was determined that he would not be abandoned the way she had been. On her third day in the United States she began pleading for his rescue.

Champnella talks about the long journey to bring him to America during a luncheon lecture series sponsored by the Women's Resource Center 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Friday, Feb. 20, in the VisTaTech Center at Schoolcraft College, 18600 Haggerty, between Six Mile and Seven Mile, Livonia.

Tickets are \$14, and available by calling (734) 462-4443.

Released by St. Martin's press in March 2003, the book will be re-released in May as an inspirational memoir.

"It was a life-changing event," said Cindy Champnella. "Jaclyn couldn't read, write or speak



Cindy Champnella was impressed by the persistence of her adopted daughter, Jaclyn, to rescue a young boy from an orphanage in China. Champnella will speak Friday, Feb. 20, during a Women's Resource Center luncheon at Schoolcraft College.

English, didn't have any money but the persistence, faith and hope that's available to all of us. These have been great lessons to me as an adult. I thought how can we use that to change others' lives."

Champnella's own life first took a turn in 1998 when she and Rick travel to China to adopt an infant after seeing television footage on orphanages in a Third World country. What they found on their

visit makes such a powerful impact, they later return to adopt Jaclyn.

"She was not leaving her baby behind," said Champnella. "She considered herself to be his mom."

"She had been asking all the adults she knew to help us get him here. He wasn't even registered for adoption. There were restrictions by governments."

Champnella says that through the miracle of modern technology Jaclyn's efforts took on a life of their own as Champnella began to send e-mails to friends and families.

"The story got to be told to influential people who intervened, pulled strings and cut red tape," said Champnella. "A lady from Minnesota provided funds to bring him here. Fifteen months after she was adopted they were reunited at the Chinese orphanage. 'Her Baby' was adopted by my sister and lives 20 minutes away in Royal Oak."

Since that time Jaclyn, now 8, won the Congressional Coalition Angel in Adoption Award. She's the only child to ever receive it along with Bruce Willis, Muhammad Ali and others.

"She's an advocate for orphans and all proceeds from the book are going to Half the Sky foundation to assist children in China," said Champnella. "It's a nonprofit similar to Habitat for Humanity. The organization builds and improves facilities for orphans."

To find out more about Champnella and her book, visit the Web site at www.cindychampnella.com.

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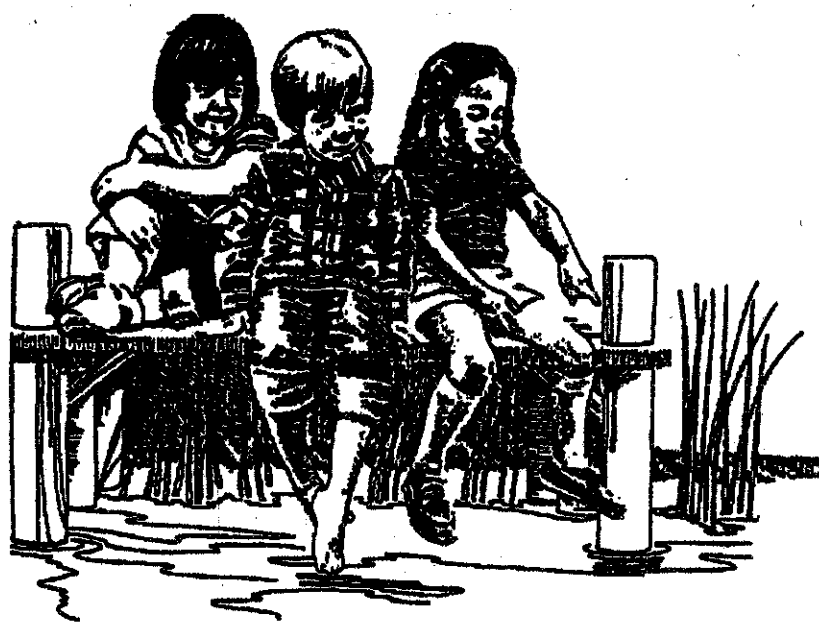
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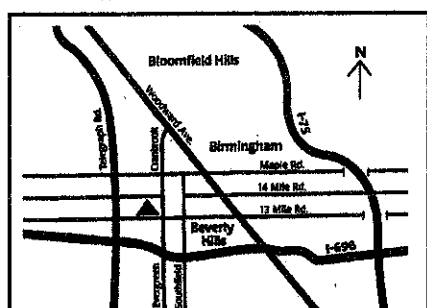
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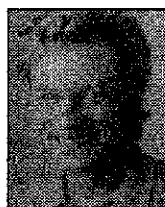
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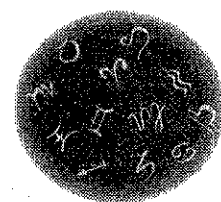


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Star Struck

(Feb. 15-Feb. 18)
By Dennis Fairchild



ARIES (March 21-April 20)

The moment has come to accept the fact that things will only go from weird to worse if you continue to defy the winds of change. No matter how disillusioned you feel right now, the best solution to all current problems is to live and let live—and enjoy the dance!

TAURUS (April 21-May 21)

Handing over responsibility, control and letting go of people, places, or situations does not come easy to the ever-faithful and constant Bull. However, Mars now in your sign is about to give you the courage to cut loose and bring a long drawn-out personal saga to a close.

GEMINI (May 22-June 21)

The keyword for the next few weeks is creativity, and you will be offered every opportunity to show what you can do. Above all, walk away from people or situations that upset you. Don't be miserly expressing your feelings now. You'll be amazed at how far you can travel solo.

CANCER (June 22-July 23)

Although you may not think of yourself as a typical MoonChild, this week's aspects say that you will soon be on the emotional mend and on the move. Don't waste time trying to justify your actions—just do what has to be done, even if it means cutting old ties.

LEO (July 24-Aug 23)

The correct interpretation of planetary activity over the next few weeks is that any changes taking place at home are for the best. Emotions are too close to the surface at the moment, but you are about to find your way ahead clearly signposted and experience relief.

VIRGO (Aug 24-Sept 23)

Due to circumstances beyond your control, your life now seems to be undergoing a series of enforced changes. But they are all to the good. For far too long you have been hampered by a need for emotional security. It's time to prove that you are prepared for your close-up and go out on a limb.

LIBRA (Sept 24-Oct 23)

It is not in your nature to harbor grudges or make others feel awkward or embarrassed. If you continue to believe that certain individuals are more misguided than deceitful, you will emerge from this particular stormy patch wiser, stronger and better off financially.

SCORPIO (Oct 24-Nov 22)

Cooperation or confrontation? Only you can decide. But current aspects indicate that the time has come to be less forgiving and more protective of your own interests. Money re-grooving takes up a great deal of your time now, and you cannot afford to leave anything to chance.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov 23-Dec 21)

You may be rather frenzied over the next few days, almost as if you realize this is your last chance to get things done. But an intuitive part of you knows that when the Sun changes signs into laid-back Pisces next week, you'll have to slow down whether you want to or not.

CAPRICORN (Dec 22-Jan 21)

You'll push ahead with great enthusiasm over the next few days, both in your personal life and at work. You'll also be aware that there's money to be made if you focus your energy in a single direction and don't allow yourself to be sidetracked. Decide where your priorities lie—now!


AQUARIUS (Jan 22-Feb 19)

This may be a rather cranky or unsettling week as the Sun leaves your sign, as events over which you have no control force you to confront an issue that you've been evading. Deep down, you knew that it would come to this sooner or later. Bark, and only do your best.

PISCES (Feb 20-March 20)

You've come so far and endured so much—don't give up now! It won't take you long to understand why life has been so tough recently, or to make the most of your change in fortune. Duties and responsibilities begin to relax now. And you should too, Fish!

Dennis Fairchild is a Birmingham-based astrologer and author of several books on divination. For information about personal consultations, phone 1 (248) 646-3555 or e-mail DenFairchild@aol.com.



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Conflict is normal; should be outweighed by positives

Q. My wife and I fight all the time. We fight about money and who does what around the house. Does this mean our marriage is in trouble?

In general, people fear conflict and the effect it has on their relationships, but the best relationships are ones that have a healthy dose of disagreements. It might sound impressive to say "we never fight," but the reality of the situation is that if you don't disagree, you probably don't talk about important issues or concerns either. Conflict with your spouse is perfectly normal,



Love Doctor
Terri L. Orbuch, Ph.D.

and it doesn't mean that your relationship is doomed. Conflict occurs at different rates for different couples. Most studies show that it is not the amount of conflict that is important, but the ratio of positive to negative

experiences that is the key to happiness and marital success. The rewards of your relationship or the positive times need to outweigh the negative experiences. Check to see if that is true in your relationship.

Couples also argue about many different things, from sex, money and who does what around the house to who wakes up with the kids for school and whether the heat in the house should be turned up or down. The three most common topics that couples argue about are money, the division of labor at home and sex. But remember that research consistently shows that it is not the topic itself that is important but the way you handle or resolve your differences. As a couple, it is essential that you feel as if you can resolve your disagreements, even if you agree to disagree on certain topics.

Try using the following Love Doctor strategies for handling conflict more constructively in your relationship.

1. Try to avoid conflict when you are tired or hungry.
2. Fight fair, with no name calling. Remember that there are always multiple ways of conveying your message.
3. Address specific behaviors that annoy you, rather than attacking the other person or their personality traits.
4. Be sure to calm down when you talk. Take a few deep breaths and pause for a few minutes if necessary. The ensuing discussion is sure to unfold more easily and with less chance of escalating into a major disagreement or fight.
5. Always be prepared to compromise.
6. Validate your partner's point of view. You don't have to agree with them, just validate their feelings.
7. Deal with a specific issue, one at a time. You don't want to "kitchen sink" where you bring all accumulated problems or issues into the conversation at one time.
8. Try to stay away from using statements like "always" or "never."

To submit a question, e-mail The LOVE Doctor on her Web site at www.detroit-lovedr.com.
Terri L. Orbuch, Ph.D., is a psychologist, sociologist, author, Oakland University professor, and research scientist at the University of Michigan. Listen to the Love Doctor on 100.3 WNIC FM every Thursday morning between 7 and 7:30 a.m.

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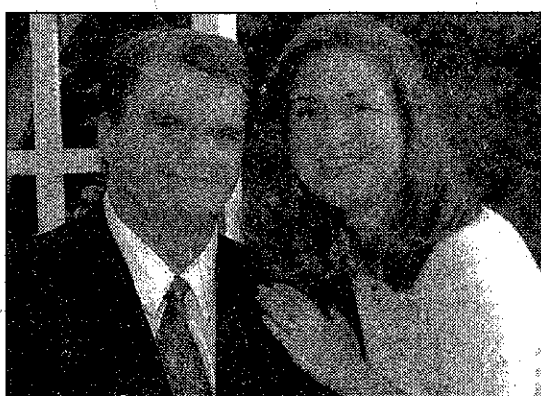
ENGAGEMENTS

Kutt-Kleinsmith

Dr. and Mrs. J. Daniel Kutt of Dearborn are proud to announce the engagement of their daughter, Emily Anne Kutt, to Jeffrey E. Kleinsmith, the son of Carolyn Kleinsmith (formerly of Plymouth) and the late Edgar Kleinsmith.

Emily is a 1990 graduate of Dearborn High School, graduated in 1994 with a degree in psychology from Albion College, and is a 1997 graduate of Michigan State University with an educational specialist degree in school psychology. She is currently employed by Taylor Schools.

Jeffrey is a 1982 graduate of Plymouth Salem High School, earned a degree in criminal justice from Eastern Michigan University in 1986, and served with the U.S. Army's 101st Airborne Division from 1986-1990.



He is employed with the U.S. Secret Service uniformed division. The couple plans a July 2004 wedding at 1st Presbyterian Church of Dearborn.

Carr-Parker

Mr. and Mrs. Timothy Carr of Canton announce the engagement of their daughter, Colleen Marie, to Matthew Parker of Concord, N.H.

Colleen is a 1999 graduate of Plymouth Salem High School and a 2003 graduate of Bob Jones University in Greenville, S.C., with a bachelor's degree in organizational communication.

Matthew is a 1999 graduate of Trinity Christian School in Concord, N.H., and a graduate of Bob Jones University with a bachelor's degree in Bible. He is currently pursuing a Master's of Theology degree from Bob Jones University in Greenville, S.C.

The couple will marry May 15, 2004.



Sunderman-Dzieciolowski

Dan and Jeanne Sunderman of Plymouth announce the engagement of their daughter, Laura Lyn Sunderman, to Alan William Dzieciolowski of Howell, the son of the late Harry and the late Ella Dzieciolowski.

Laura graduated in 1995 from Plymouth Salem High School, and graduate from the University of Michigan in 2001. She currently works for Stu Evans Lincoln-Mercury in Garden City.

Alan graduated from Cody High School in 1992.

He works at Hines Park Ford in Milford.

The couple plans a Nov. 27, 2004 wedding at First United Methodist Church in Birmingham.



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CAMPUS NEWS

TAYLOR UNIVERSITY

Jillian Peace, the daughter of Jim and Jodi Peace of Canton, has been accepted to the Fort Wayne, Ind., campus for the Fall 2004 term.

UNIVERSITY OF IOWA

Denise G. Dooley of Plymouth, a student in the College of Liberal Arts, is

among 3,712 undergraduate students at the University of Iowa named to the dean's list for the 2003 fall semester. All students named to the list carried at least 12 graded semester hours and hit a minimum 3.5 grade-point average.

HOWE MILITARY SCHOOL

Cadet Richard Clark, an eighth-grade student and the

son of Susan Clark of Plymouth, was named to the Superintendent's List for the third grading period. Howe Military School is located in northeastern Indiana. Clark achieved the honor by attaining at least a 3.5 grade-point average.

Cadet Mark Lewallen, a 10th-grader and the son of Anita and Steven Lewallen of Plymouth, made the Headmaster's List for the third grading period. He earned the award by attaining at least a 3.0 average in his studies in a college prep curriculum.

U.S. MARINES

Marine Corps Pfc. Brent W. Dreaver, son of Wanda Shaver of Canton and Robert Dreaver of Westland, recently completed basic training at Marine Corps Recruit Depot, Parris Island, S.C., and was promoted to his current rank.

Dreaver successfully completed 12 weeks of training designed to challenge new Marine recruits both physically and mentally. Dreaver is a 2003 graduate of Salem High School.

MILITARY NEWS

U.S. NAVY

Navy Seaman Apprentice Stephanie A. Beighley, daughter of Elizabeth A. and Robert D. Beighley of Canton, recently completed recruit training with honors.

Beighley was recognized for outstanding performance in all phases of training, which included instruction in seamanship, military regulations, close-order drill, first aid and naval history.

Beighley is a 1994 graduate of Flat Rock High School.

Navy Seaman Recruit Donald J. Kohler, son of Judith M. Kotlarek of Plymouth, recently completed U.S. Navy basic training at Recruit Training Command, Great Lakes, Ill.

During the eight-week program, Kohler completed a variety of training, which included classroom study and practical instruction on naval customs, first aid, fire fighting, water safety and survival and shipboard and aircraft safety. An emphasis is also placed on physical fitness.

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH NOTICE OF HEARING ASSESSMENT BOARD OF REVIEW

NOTICE IS HEREBY 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 2	9 a.m.-Noon	Organizational Meeting
	2 p.m.-5 p.m.	Hearings by Appointment
Monday, March 8	2 p.m.-5 p.m.	Hearings by Appointment
	6 p.m.-9 p.m.	Hearings by Appointment
Wednesday, March 10	9 a.m.-Noon	Hearings by Appointment
	2 p.m.-5 p.m.	Hearings by Appointment
Saturday, March 13	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 13, 2004.

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 NOTICE OF INTENT TO ACCEPT PROPOSALS FOR ARCHITECTURAL SERVICES

The Charter Township of Plymouth is currently seeking proposals from interested and qualified firms to provide Architectural Services for a new Township Hall project. Specifications for the Request for Proposals may be obtained from the Office of the Clerk, 42350 Ann Arbor Road, Building No. 3, Plymouth, Michigan 48170.

Proposals will be received until 3:00 p.m., local time, on or before Friday, March 5, 2004, at the Office of the Clerk, Charter Township of Plymouth, 42350 Ann Arbor Road, Building No. 3, Plymouth, Michigan 48170, at which time they will be publicly opened and proposers' name and address read aloud.

THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH RESERVES THE RIGHT TO REJECT ANY AND ALL PROPOSALS AND/OR NEGOTIATE THE BEST OFFER FOR THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH.

MARILYN MASSENGILL, Clerk
Charter Township of Plymouth

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LIBRARY PICKS

Every week the Plymouth District Library staff provides the Observer with their list of "Best Sellers" based on the number of requests for titles by library patrons. The books are available by placing a request with the library, (734) 453-0750.

Fiction

- "The Da Vinci Code," Dan Brown
- "The Five People You Meet in Heaven," Mitch Albom
- "Divided in Death," J.D. Robb
- "The Cat Who Talked Turkey," Lillian Jackson Braun
- "The Zero Game," Brad Metzger

Nonfiction

- "The Price of Loyalty," Ron Suskind
- "American Dynasty," Kevin Phillips
- "Give Me a Break," John Stossel
- "Who's Looking Out For You," Bill O'Reilly
- "Flyboys," James Bradley

Parents' Choice New Children's Poetry Books

- "Pop! Went Another Balloon," Keith Faulkner
- "Oh, Harry!" Mark Gibbel
- "The Magic Bed," John Burningham
- "You Can Do It, Sam," Amy Heist
- "The Tale of Jack Frost," David Melling

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

Notice is hereby given that on February 20, 2004 at 10 a.m. at Mayflower Auto Transport, 1179 Starkweather, Plymouth, MI, a public auction of the following:

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED USE OF THE 2004 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT FUNDS FEBRUARY 24, 2004

Notice is hereby given that a Public Hearing concerning the Community Development Block Grant Program will be held by the Board of Trustees of The Charter Township of Plymouth at 7:00 P.M. in the Meeting Room of the Township Hall which is located at 42350 Ann Arbor Road, on February 24, 2004.

The purpose of the Public Hearing will be to afford the public the opportunity to place before the Board any proposed use of the 2004 Community Development Block Grant Funds.

Preliminary indications from the Wayne County Office of Block Grant, Wayne County Community Development Block Grant Program are that the estimated 2004 funding allocation for the Township will be approximately \$121,900.00

PROPOSED 2004 PROJECTS	\$121,900.00
1. PLYMOUTH COUNCIL ON AGING	8,900.00
2. SENIOR TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM	24,800.00
3. ADMINISTRATION	12,100.00
4. MULTI-YEAR SENIOR CENTER IMPROVEMENTS	76,100.00
TOTAL	\$121,900.00

** The multi-year project was approved by the Board of Trustees on February 11, 2003.

The Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Plymouth, upon completion of the Public Hearing, will determine the use of the 2004 funds.

Any written comments regarding proposed use of the 2004 funds should be directed to Susan Vignoe, Community Development Block Grant Coordinator, Charter Township of Plymouth, 42350 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth, MI 48170, postmarked by February 24, 2004.

MARILYN MASSENGILL, CMC, Clerk
Charter Township of Plymouth

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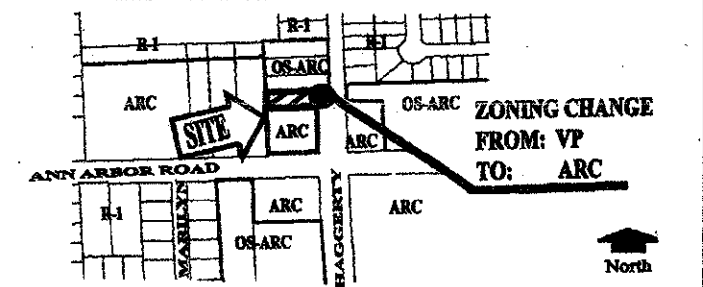
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NOTICE OF ADOPTION CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH ORDINANCE NO. 83.126

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH BY AMENDING THE ZONING MAP.

THE TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH ORDAINS:

Part I. The Zoning Ordinance No. 83 of the Plymouth Charter Township, is hereby amended by amending the Zoning Map, by changing those areas indicated on the Amended Zoning Map No. 143 attached thereto, and made part of this Ordinance.



ORDINANCE NO. 83.126

AMENDED ZONING MAP NO. 143

Charter Township of Plymouth, Wayne County, Michigan

LEGAL DESCRIPTION: For parcel description, see tax records based on Tax ID Nos. R78-064-99-0013-701.

Part II. CONFLICTING PROVISIONS REPEALED. Any Ordinance or parts of Ordinance in conflict herewith, are hereby repealed.

Part III. EFFECTIVE DATE. The provisions of this Ordinance are hereby declared to take effect on March 10, 2004.

Part IV. ADOPTION. The Ordinance was adopted by the Township Board of the Charter Township of Plymouth by authority of Act 184 of Public Acts of Michigan, 1949, as amended, at a meeting duly called and held on February 10, 2004 and ordered to be given publication in the manner prescribed by law. The Ordinance may be purchased or inspected at the Plymouth Township Department of Public Works Building, Community Development Department during regular business hours.

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AROUND TOWN

Preschool registration
For the 2004-2005 school year at Little Lambs Christian Preschool will be Saturday, March 13. Doors will open at 9 a.m. The school is located inside First Baptist Church of Plymouth on the north side of North Territorial between Sheldon and Beck. We offer a two-day program for 3-year-olds and a three-day program for 4-year-olds with hands on learning in a theme based Kindergarten readiness program with monthly field trips, low student to teacher ratio, and student evaluations with parent conferences. Students must be 3- or 4-years-old, respectively, by Aug. 1. For more information please, Shari at (734) 414-7792.

Grief support
Arbor Hospice & Home Care hosts its "Pathfinders Grief Support Groups for Families," specifically developed for families that have lost a loved one, beginning Feb. 25. These support groups will meet for eight consecutive weeks at Gretchen's House, 2340 Oak Valley Drive, Ann Arbor, adjacent to the Arbor Hospice & Home Residence. There is no charge to attend, although participants are asked to register in advance by phone at (734) 662-5999, on-line at www.arborhospice.org, or via fax at (734) 662-2330.

Road rally
The Canton Thunderbirds Girls Fastpitch Softball is organizing a Road

Rally March 13. Tickets are \$20 per person and include clue-solving fun, buffet dinner and soft drinks, prizes and music. Cash bar available. Entries are limited. Contact Mike Roberts at (734) 397-1355 or http://thunderbird-softball.tripod.com.

Genealogical Society
The Western Wayne County Genealogical Society meets at 7:30 p.m. Monday, Feb. 16 at the Livonia Civic Park Senior Center Building, Farmington Road just south of 5 Mile. Liz Kelley Kirstens speaks on "Resources at the Plymouth Historical Museum." The meeting is open to the public and free of charge. Guests are welcome. For more information, call Pat at (734) 425-3079.

Women business owners
Women Business Owners of Southeast Michigan hold their monthly meeting Tuesday, March 2 at the Lake Forest Golf Club, 3110 West Ellsworth in Ann Arbor. The speaker is Julie Kruze of the Law Offices of Julie Kruze, who will speak about "Basic principles and necessities of a written contract in your business." Free to members, \$10 guest fee at the door. To register or for more information, call (734) 33209300.

Blood drive
St. John's Episcopal Church hosts a blood drive from 2-8 p.m. Monday, Feb. 23. Call Carolyn Liebau, (734) 455-5395 to make an appointment; drop-ins are also welcome. The church is located at 574 S. Sheldon in Plymouth.

Hospice training
Heartland Hospice, 3840 Packard in Ann Arbor, is looking for caring, dedicated people with an interest in serving terminally ill patients and their families in Washtenaw, Livingston and Monroe counties. Volunteers provide

services such as friendly visiting, patient transport/patient outings, errand running and clerical services. Call Ann Christensen, volunteer coordinator, (734) 973-1145, for more information.

Fibromyalgia workshop
A workshop has been scheduled at the Livonia Civic Library for 6:30 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 19, at which what might be causing Fibromyalgia, which doctors say is often misdiagnosed and misunderstood. The workshop is sponsored by the National Wellness Foundation. To register for the free workshop, call (248) 426-0201.

Open House
The Oakwood Physical Therapy and Fitness Training Center hosts an open house at its new facility at 6487 Canton Center Road from 11 a.m.-3 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 21. Complimentary refreshments, giveaways, door prizes and a raffle for a free fitness training assessment are offered. For more information or to schedule an appointment, call (734) 454-8144.

Health Fair
St. Mary Mercy Hospital hosts a Prostate Screening and Men's Health Day from 8 a.m.-4 p.m. Sunday, March 6. Prostate screening consists of a blood test, a prostate exam and a blood pressure check. A \$10 donation to the new St. Mary Mercy Cancer Center is optional. To register, call (734) 655-8963.

Madonna auction
Madonna University's "Down Under" Scholarship Dinner and Wine Tasting Auction Gala, featuring the finest of Australian wines, fabulous jewelry, crystal, cigars, and collectibles, takes place at 5:30 p.m. Friday, April 23, at Laurel Manor Special Events Center in Livonia. One lucky winner will have

their choice of either a fully-equipped 2004 Chevrolet Corvette two-door coupe, courtesy of Madonna University and Tennyson Chevrolet in Livonia, or \$25,000 cash. Only 650 tickets will be sold at \$200 each. Reserved seating is \$150. Open seating tickets are \$125 before April 9; after April 9, tickets are \$150. For more information, contact Rose Kachnowski, University Advancement, at (734) 432-5421.

Plymouth Optimists
Entertainment 2004 Books on sale with all proceeds to help children throughout southeast Michigan. Price is \$30 and is home delivered. Call Bill at (734) 453-8253.

Running symposium
St. Mary Mercy Hospital sponsors a Running Symposium from 6:30-8 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 26, at the Livonia Community Recreation Center. Students will learn about conditions associated with running, how to rehabilitate common injuries and how to choose the right running shoes. Pre-registration required. To register or for more information, call Kevin Moore, St. Mary Mercy Hospital Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation Department, (734) 655-2419. The Livonia Recreation Center is located at 15100 Hubbard, at Five Mile.

Fish Fry
The Plymouth VFW is again featuring Friday Night Fish Fry for only \$7 from 5:30 p.m. Also, Sunday brunch is available from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. the third Sunday of the month. The post is at 1426 S. Mill St.

Teens Using Drugs
A free, two-night series on identifying and helping teens harmfuly involved with alcohol and other drugs. Part 1 "What to Know" is presented 7:30-9 p.m. the first Tuesday of each month

from October through June at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital Education Center. Part 2 "What To Do" is presented the second Tuesday of each month October through June at same time and place. Call (734) 973-7892.

Foster Care
Lutheran Social Services of Michigan is a foster care agency in the community that places children in loving foster homes. The agency is in need of loving and stable homes committed to parenting children ages 10 to 17 years old. Call (734) 971-5776 to find out how you can help.

Entertainment books
Plymouth Community Chorus is selling the 2004 Entertainment Books to help fund their musical scholarships and charitable activities. They can be ordered by calling (734) 459-6829.

Plymouth Symphony
Plymouth Symphony League is launching the 2004 Greater Detroit Area Entertainment Book Sale. The cost is \$30. Place your order at the Plymouth Symphony Office or call Mary Thomas at (734) 453-3016.

CLUBS

German/American Club of Plymouth
Meets on the third Thursday of the month at the Knights of Columbus Hall, located at 39100 Schoolcraft Road, Plymouth. Call Mary Ann at (734) 420-0857 for further information.

American Legion
Beasley-Zalesny Post 112 meets at the I.O.O.F. Hall on the third Monday of each month at 7:30 p.m. All veterans that served during any of the wars are eligible. Contact (734) 459-7324 for further information.

Woman's Farm and Garden Club-

Plymouth
Meets every second Monday of each month from September to June, excluding January. Persons interested in joining, contact club president, Judy Krieman at (734) 459-1027.

Plymouth-Canton Civitan Club
Looking for energetic new members to participate in community service projects. This club meets the first Thursday of each month at 7 p.m. at the Plymouth Salvation Army Building on Main Street. The third Thursday is a dinner meeting with a speaker. Call (734) 981-7259 for further info.

LBN
Local Business Network is a business networking organization dedicated to helping you grow your business. The Plymouth chapter meets on the first and third Friday of each month from 7:30-8:30 a.m. at Old Village Law located at 771 N. Mill in Plymouth. Please call Eric Morris at (313) 278-5070 or Scott Montgomery at (734) 462-2277 for further information.

Kiwanis Evening Club
Meetings are held at Atlantis Restaurant 39500 E. Ann Arbor Road in Plymouth, at 6:30 p.m. each Tuesday. Visitors are always welcome. For more information, contact Charline Miller at (734) 455-4782.

Mothers & More
The Wayne County chapter of Mothers & More meets twice a month in Plymouth. Call (866) 841-9140, Ext. 4329, or visit Web site mothersandmore63@onebox.com.

Exchange Club of Canton
Meetings are the second and fourth Wednesdays of the month at the Roman Forum, 41601 Ford Road in Canton at 6 p.m. Areas of activity are Americanism, Community Service, Youth Activities and the Prevention of Child Abuse.



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AMMERMAN

CHARLES R. Age 61, Feb. 11, 2004. Beloved husband of Donna. Loving father of Aaron (Melissa) & Matthew (Rebecca). Dearest son of Eileen and the late Willard and brother of John (Kathleen) Ammerman, Martha (Robert) Cushman, Nancy (Robert) Lunney and Mary Ellen (Anthony) Arsulowicz. A Funeral Service was held Sat., Feb. 14 at Highland Park Baptist Church in Southfield. Interment at Colfax Twp. Cemetery, Bad Axe, MI. R.G. & G.R. Harris Funeral Home (734-422-6720) was in charge of arrangements.

BEDELL

Helen Carolyn. age 91 of Auburn Hills, February 11, 2004. Loving wife of the late Joseph. Dear mother of the late Carolyn Brown. Grandmother of Cathleen (Kevin) Ayers, Jennifer (Robert) George, Joseph Brown and the late Eileen Brown. Survived by great grandson Matthew Ayers. Funeral service Friday, February 13, 2004 7:00 PM at the Potere-Modetz Funeral Home, 339 Walnut Blvd, Rochester. The family will receive friends Friday 4-8 PM. Family suggests memorials to St. Mary's of the Hills Catholic Church or Heartland Hospice. On line guest book www.modetzfuneralhomes.com

Paying Tribute to the Life of Your Loved One

DOOLEY

Catherine Jean, Birmingham, MI, passed away on Thursday, February 12, 2004 at Arbor Hospice in Ann Arbor after complications of Alzheimer's. Age 74 years, Catherine Jean Harden was born on November 24, 1930. She was the manager of Junior League in Birmingham for 25 years, retiring in 1995 and was a member of Holy Name Catholic Church in Birmingham. Surviving are four daughters and three sons, Louise Dooley, Liz Dooley and Giles G. Bole, "Hal" Dooley, Bridget Dooley, Susan Dooley, Thomas and Kristine Dooley, Michael Dooley; two grandchildren; three great-grandchildren, five brothers and two sisters. Jean was preceded in death by one brother. Funeral service will take place at 1:00 p.m. on Saturday, February 14, 2004 at The Deister Funeral Home, 2233 Hemmeter (off State), Saginaw, Michigan, 989-799-1151. Interment will follow in St. Andrew Cemetery. Friends may call at the funeral home on Friday from 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Those planning an expression of sympathy may wish to consider memorial contributions to Michigan Alzheimer Disease Research Center, c/o, of Susan Custer, University of Michigan, 300 N. Ingalls, 3-D04, Ann Arbor, MI 48109-0489 or Arbor House Hospice, 2366 Oak Valley Drive, Ann Arbor, MI 48103.

GAUT

Marjorie L. Mrs. age 96; of Southfield; died February 10, 2004; she was born June 1, 1907 in Thompsonville, Michigan where she also grew up with her parents Honore E. and Anna (Helmer) Cummins. She is a retired school teacher from Detroit Board of Education. She was active in M.O.M.S. Mothers of Men in Service. A great public service. She met her husband, Merlin, at the Grande Ballroom in Detroit. She raised three wonderful children and everyone will miss her! Preceded in death by her husband Merlin she is survived by son Mack M. (Marilyn) Gaut of Plymouth and daughters Marianne J. DesJardins of Southfield and Martha C. (Dennis) Leyschock of Farmington Hills. Grandchildren Martin (Tracey) Gaut, Mark (Jen) Gaut, Monica (Jeff) Darling, Deloris DesJardins, Tricia Damron, Daniel Leyschock, Peter Leyschock and the late Micah Leyschock. She is great-grandmother of nine and three-quarters and sister of Tressa Barns. Memorial services were held Saturday, February 14 at the Newburgh United Methodist Church in Livonia. Memorial contributions to the Newburgh United Methodist Church, 36500 Ann Arbor Trail, Livonia, MI 48150. Local arrangements by the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home, Plymouth.

GOLDMAN

Maxwell. February 12, 2004, age 78. Beloved husband of the late Dolores for 37 years. Dear father of Kim (Gary) Lennon and David (Lisa) Goldman. Loving grandfather of Amy & Erin Lennon and Nicole Goldman. Visitation Sunday, 1-9PM at THAYER-ROCK FUNERAL HOME, 33603 Grand River Avenue, Farmington (One block west of Farmington Road). Private interment at Oakwood Cemetery, Farmington. Memorial Contributions may be made to the National Kidney Foundation.

HEIST

Burton B. age 84, of Grand Island, FL, died Friday, February 6, 2004. Born August 18, 1919 in Darien Center, NY. Mr. Heist attended grade school in Alden, NY and was President of Alpha Tau Omega Fraternity while at Adrian College, Adrian, MI, where he earned his B.S. degree. During college Mr. Heist worked at J.C. Penney Co. and Simplex Paper in Adrian, MI and upon graduation, for Ford Motor Co., H.J. Heinz, Allied Products and finally Michigan Rivet in Warren, MI, where he was a Purchasing agent for over 20 years. Mr. Heist retired and moved to Sunlake Estates in 1987 from Farmington, MI. He was a member of the First United Methodist Church, Umatilla, Eustis Elks #1578, the Eustis Moose Lodge #874, and Masonic Lodge #172 of Michigan. He is survived by his wife, Mildred R. Heist; daughter, Janet Heist of Livonia, MI; sons, Gary Heist and Richard Heist, both of Farmington Hills, MI, David Heist of Northville, MI and five grandchildren. A Memorial Service was held Wednesday, February 11, 2004 at the Sunlake Estates clubhouse. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to Hospice of Lake and Sumter, 12300 Lane Park Rd., Tavares, FL, 32778



SCHMIDT

Harriet Ewing, 87, a member of one of the founding families of Detroit, passed away at her home in Birmingham, where she had lived for 52 years. Harriet's interests were many, the arts, music, animals (big and small) and children. She was an active volunteer at the Detroit Zoo, Meadow Brook Hall, Bloomfield Hunt Club and Little Traverse Conservancy. She was a member of Historical Society of Michigan Preservation Wayne, St. Joseph's Indian School, Detroit Symphony, Detroit Institute of Arts, National Wildlife Federation, Detroit Veterans of Foreign Wars and National Society of Colonial Wars for more than 50 years. She was preceded in death by her husband John in 1992 and her only daughter Kathleen Schmidt Ruten in 2000. A Memorial Service will be held Friday, February 27 at 2:00 P.M. at St. James Episcopal Church on Maple in Birmingham. Memorial tributes may be made to Meadow Brook Hall, Oakland University, Rochester, MI 48309 for the preservation of the organ.

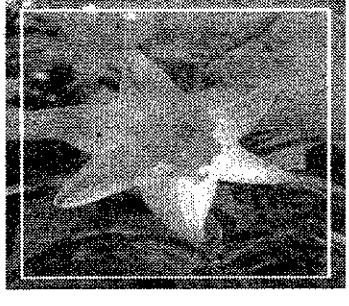


TIBBLE

Nell I., (Smith) Age 77, of Kalamazoo passed away on February 11, 2004. Former resident of Bloomfield Hills and the Detroit area for 75 years. Mrs. Tibble was born on October 13, 1926. She was a member of former church, Bethel Baptist Church, Troy MI and a charter member of Farmington Hills Baptist Church, Farmington Hills, MI. She was very active in her church and enjoyed spending time with her family and friends. She loved to travel and adored her cat. "Mom gave generously to others". Preceded in death by spouse Almon Tibble. Survived by daughters: Jane Villarreal (Alfred) of Rochester Hills, MI, Catherine Kent (John) of Waco, TX, Harriet Gammon (David) of Canton, MI, Sons: Gary Tibble (Trish) of Kalamazoo, MI, Thomas Tibble (Patti) of Kalamazoo, MI, 8 grandchildren: Rebecca Villarreal, Jamie Kent, John & Sarah Tibble, Adam & Ali Tibble, Cherie Sweet, and Christy Roskos. Sister: Peggy Whitten of Novi, MI., Brother: Glenn Smith (Barbara) of Topeka, KS. Services were held on Sat. Feb. 14 at the A. J. Desmond & Sons Funeral Home, Troy, MI. Burial at White Chapel Cemetery. Memorials may be made to the Greater Kalamazoo Hospice, 301 Cedar Ave., Kalamazoo, MI 49001. Share memories at obit.DesmondFuneralHome.com

TOEPFER

Mabel V. (Smith) Feb. 11, 2004 formerly of Birmingham. Services were Saturday Feb. 14. obit@DesmondFuneralHome.com



Rx briefs

Ladies Night Out

St. Mary Mercy Hospital presents "The Heart Truth" 7-9 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 19, in the Auditorium, 36475 Five Mile at Levan, Livonia. The speaker is Michelle Moccia, RN, who will discuss risk factors that predispose women to heart disease and preventative strategies to help improve your heart health. Registration required. For more information, call the Marian Women's Center at (734) 655-1100.

There will be bone density and cholesterol screening from 6-7 p.m.

Heart disease is the number one killer of American women. One in three American women die of heart disease. But heart disease also can lead to disability and significantly decreased quality of life.

The Ladies Night Out event is part of St. Mary Mercy Hospital's "Go Red For Women" Campaign. Your heart may tell you when you're in love, hurt or afraid, but it may not let you know you have heart disease.

The American Heart Association wants women to pay more attention to their hearts all the time. The "Go Red For Women" campaign, sponsored by Macy's, encourages women to live longer, stronger lives.

In February, Community Outreach and the Marian Women's Center in collaboration with the American Heart Association, will kick off a year long Go Red campaign for St. Mary Mercy Hospital employees and the community. For more information contact Ginger Ramsay, RN, in Community Outreach at (734) 655-8947.



Time to get motivated about health and fitness

BY SANDRA DALKA-PRYSBY
 CORRESPONDENT

OK, folks! New year ... clean slate ... firm resolve. There's no better time to get motivated and begin the journey — finally — to health and fitness. So how do you begin?

Diet and exercise are two important keys needed for success. And there are many diet options out there for the choosing, as well as exercise possibilities.

Some people choose to go through a formal diet program, such as Weight Watchers, TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) or another of the diet centers that dot the metro area. Others decide to enroll in programs affiliated with med-

ical facilities or hospitals. All are good if they work for you, not just in the short term, but in the long run. And the latter is what's important. After all, who wants to go through all that hard work to lose weight just to gain it back again?

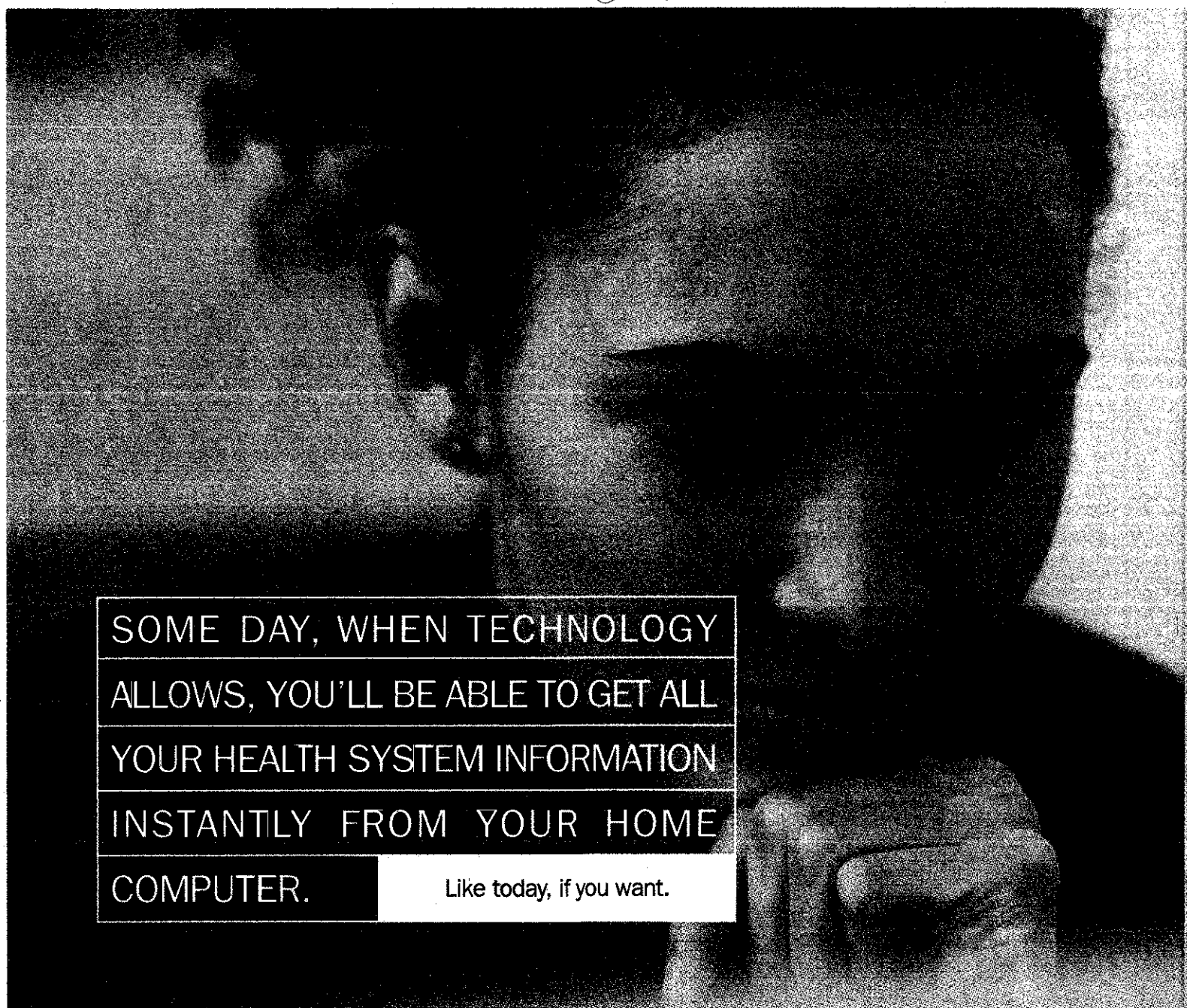
Other dieters forgo the established programs and head to the bookstore or library for their weight-loss solution. By the thousands, they scarf up the latest diet books for the fast and easy way to shed pounds. Some have found success on *The South Beach Diet* or by following the Atkins' plan, both of which promote the current low-carb diet philosophy. (In recent weeks, health experts have disconnected with the high-fat Atkins' philosophy and refined

it to lower saturated proteins, such as the leaner, skinless chicken breast and part-skim cheeses.)

If the truth be told, however, few of us need to rush out and join a program (unless we desire the support and accountability) or get a book to achieve diet success. That is, unless it's a book of calorie counts. This is something every successful dieter needs.

We all know that if we eat too much — too many calories — we gain weight. If we eat the right amount of calories that our body requires, our weight stays the same. (See chart to figure out your calorie needs.) And if we reduce our required calories by 500 a day — 3,500 a week — but never below a healthy 1,200 calories a day, we will lose a minimum of one pound a week. Further, we know (our mothers were the first to stress this) that

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we need to eat a healthy and balanced diet, including lots of vegetables and fruits, a few dairy products, some protein and whole-grain bread/starch products. And we know that we must limit fats and sweets.

Exercise on a regular basis is also important, not only to aid in weight loss, but to stay healthy and fit. And we don't need to spend a great deal of money to join a gym or exercise facility to help us become physically active. Walking a couple of miles, or a half an hour, each day will do the trick. On bad weather days, there are malls, or exercise discs or tapes to pop into the DVD or VCR. Just marching in place to music or during television commercials is another good option.

The secret to exercise is simply getting up and moving your body. This is something we can do just about anywhere. And it needs to be done to get and stay healthy and fit. When I am asked how I lost my weight, I answer: "I move my feet more than my fork!" This works.

There's no better time to start your journey to health and fitness. You know what needs to be done — just do it!

HOW MANY CALORIES DO YOU NEED?

- Your present weight _____
 Your height (in inches) _____
 Your age _____
1. Multiply your weight by 4.3. _____
 2. Multiply your height (in inches) by 4.7. _____
 3. Add these two numbers together plus 655. _____
 4. Multiply your age by 4.7. _____

5. Subtract the number in 4 from the total in 3. _____

This is the number of calories you need if you don't exercise. It's your resting metabolic rate or RMR (the rate at which your body burns calories at rest). If you eat no more than this number of calories, you will not gain weight.

If you do moderate exercise each day — and if you want to lose weight, this is a must — multiply the number of calories above by 1.4. _____ This is the total number of calories you can consume each day to maintain your present weight.

Here's how the calculation would work in the case of a 40-year-old woman who is 5 feet 4 inches tall, weighs 200 pounds and does moderate exercise each day.

1. $200 \times 4.3 = 860$

2. $64 \times 4.7 = 301$
3. $860 + 301 + 655 = 1,816$
4. $40 \times 4.7 = 188$
5. $1,816 - 188 = 1,628$
6. $1,628 \times 1.4 = 2,279$

If you want to lose weight at the healthy rate of at least one pound per week, you need to reduce your food intake by 500 calories a day (3,500 calories a week). This means the woman in the example should consume no more than 1,779 calories a day for successful weight loss.

Once you've calculated the number of calories you need a day, reduce the number by 500 to lose weight. Remember ... never go below 1,200 calories a day. If you consume fewer than 1,200 calories a day, you could slow your metabolism and sabotage your weight-loss goals.

Note: This chart is from *Slow But Sure* by Sandra Dalka-Pryby and is used with permission.

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FEBRUARY

Hospice Training Program

The program of the Barbara Ann Karmanos Cancer Institute is looking for caring men and women who are interested in a rewarding volunteer experience. A training program will be held 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 28, at the Institute's Vaitkevicius, MD Community Services Center in Southfield. Volunteers typically work a few hours a week to run errands, provide companionship and respite, share a laugh and sometimes help with a special wish. For more information, call (248) 827-1592.

Healthy cooking classes

Classes include a beginning cooking series Feb. 16, 23 and March 8, and Fun Foods including baked tofu fries, pinto bean dip and more 6-9 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 25. Val will also be giving a free cooking class on miso soup and brown rice nori rolls 7-8 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 18, at Whole Foods, 1404 Walton, Rochester Hills. Call (734) 261-2856 or visit www.macroval.com.

Workshop for memory problems

The Alzheimer's Association - Greater Michigan Chapter is offering "Partnering with Your Doctor: A Workshop for Persons with Memory Problems and Their Care Partners" 7-9 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 18, at St. Mary Mercy Hospital, 36475 Five Mile at Levan, Livonia. The workshop will provide strategies to form a doctor/patient/care-partner relation-

ship that allows you to more effectively manage and be a part of your health care. Developing a partnership with your physician and honing communication skills can result in increased knowledge of the situation and less stress, helping the partners make informed decisions about care and services. To register, call Lisa Dodson at (734) 655-8950. If you are living with Alzheimer's disease and need help or information, call (800) 272-3900 or visit the Web site www.alzgm.org.

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A seminar on the latest scientific discoveries in the field of nutrition 2:30-

6 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 22, at the Metropolitan Seventh-day Adventist School and Church Complex, 15585 Haggerty, north of Five Mile, Plymouth. By donation. To register, call (248) 349-5683 or (313) 531-2179. There will be cooking demonstrations with recipes and menu plans. Vegetarian cookbooks will be available for purchase. A delicious vegetarian meal will be served at the end of the program.

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What wears cartilage is past injury to the knee and overweight. The other important cause is heredity. Certain combinations of genes may give you cartilage that from birth was not meant to take the strain of daily use for 60 or more years.

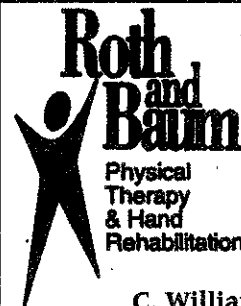
There is another cause for knee pain: a torn meniscus and/or a frayed ligament. You do not need to be a football or hockey player to experience such knee damage; this condition can occur whether you are age 18 or 81.

Ten years ago the medical community was not as aware of this possibility as we are now. With improvements in MRI imaging, physicians began to see meniscus and ligament damage before an operation. The result was that many elderly individuals doctors thought had osteoarthritis were found to have tears in their meniscus or damage to their ligaments as the reason for their pain.

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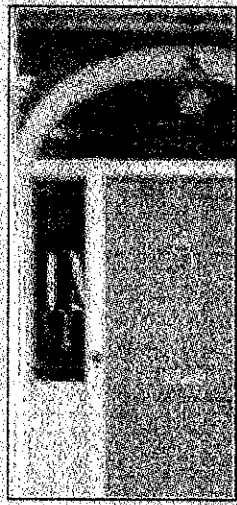
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Vital tips for hiring handyman

Do house call homework

(MS) - The explosion of the popular do-it-yourself TV shows and how-to books have prompted many homeowners to fearlessly tackle the ultimate home makeover on their own - only to realize a few days (or weeks and months) too late that, sometimes, creating a masterpiece is better left to the experts.

In fact, statistics show that more and more homeowners are taking up do-it-yourself projects around the home - and doing so successfully. But homeowners who try to complete larger projects that involve tasks such as using special power tools and removing walls, are finding that the work can be overwhelming and more costly over time than anticipated.

"We will have homeowners call who have started a project, but realize that they've bitten off more than they can chew," said Mark Hatley, regional manager for Owens Corning HOMEExperts Home Repair and Improvements Service. "We come in and safely and efficiently finish the job they've started."

Whether it's a matter of getting away from the comfort zone in their abilities or a general lack of time to devote to remodeling or repairs, homeowners who begin a project can quickly learn it's not always as simple as they see on TV or read in the books.

BE SAFE

Personal safety is a factor that homeowners should consider upfront before trying their hand at remodeling projects. According to the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission's latest annual data, 157,129 people were injured in accidents related to ladders in their homes. More than 98,000 people were treated for saw-related injuries, while hammers caused 42,426 injuries. Even screwdrivers proved dangerous for some, causing 10,031 injuries.

"Hiring the right professional to complete a home improvement project is one of the safest and most

effective ways to make sure that the project gets done right," said Hatley. "Many home repair and remodeling jobs are best left to the professionals."

Finding a home improvement professional can be a rewarding experience for homeowners simply by asking the right questions before they hire a professional.

"The first step to finding a home improvement professional is not to just find one - but to find the right one," said Hatley. "A good way to start is to check for referrals from neighbors, friends and family members. The local Chamber of Commerce should also have a list of companies in the area."

CHECK IT OUT

When reviewing the qualifications of a home improvement professional, Hatley suggests that homeowners check to see if the individual or company:

- Has a good reputation. Check for references and call a few of them;
- Has a business license number and credit references. The Better Business Bureau is a good source;
- Has adequate insurance. Be sure to ask about the type and the amount of coverage;
- Understands, explains and complies with local building codes;
- Commits to supervising the job during all phases of work and inspecting it completely when finished;
- Plans to thoroughly clean up around the house when finished;
- Explains both the workmanship and manufacturer's warranty;
- Uses quality materials and products.

These tips should help narrow down the choices, but before signing any contract with a company or individual, homeowners should always make sure that the details of the contract and terms are fully explained. A contract should never be signed if all questions are not answered or if the contract has blank spaces.

"Knowing the proper steps to take and if you ask



METRO CREATIVE GRAPHICS

Be sure to ask the right questions before hiring a professional to complete a home improvement project in your home.

the right questions, it can go a long way in helping you choose the right professional to work on your house," said Hatley. "A home is one of the biggest investments people can make, so it's important to treat it that way."

To find more information about finding the right handyman service, homeowners can visit www.HOMEExperts.com or call (866) OC-CAN-DO.

It's key to question remodelers before you hire one

Before embarking on a home remodel, homeowners aren't asking remodelers enough questions and the ones they are asking aren't the most important ones.

"People tend to focus on cost and the timing of the project," said Adam Helfman, president of Fairway Construction Company of Southfield. "While this is important, these types of questions don't shed any light on what kind of contractor you're dealing with. Homeowners should be asking about credentials, insurance, references and

the like. Once you find someone who is reliable and reputable, the rest will go smoothly."

Here are some recommended questions to ask when seeking a remodeler:

- How many similar projects have you done recently?
- Ask for references for those jobs.
- How long has your company been in business?
- Do you have workers compensation and liability insurance? (Check this by calling the agency, a certificate of insur-

ance is not enough, it could have been canceled.)

- Who will supervise the project?
- Will employees or subcontractors do the work?
- How much of your business is repeat or referral?
- Do you belong to a national trade association?
- Do you or any employees have certification in remodeling or any special training or education?
- What is your company's philosophy?

Armed with this knowledge, remodeling can be a rewarding experience. Trust your instincts and choose someone you will be comfortable having in your daily life for a while.

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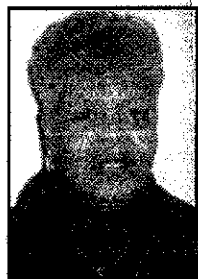
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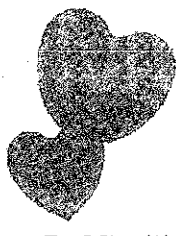
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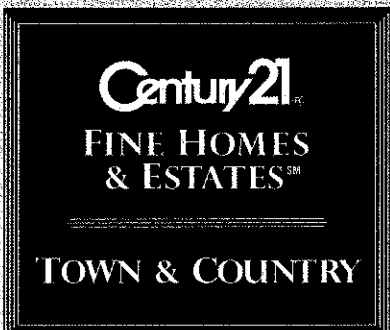
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Whether you call this cool exterior passage a covered porch or a verandah, the Camelot has a long one. It begins in front of the utility room, sweeps past the dining room, living room, entryway, and den before wrapping around the master bathroom and ending at the deck next to the owners' suite.



Inspired by sweltering summer days of the Deep South, this feature allows plenty of space for catching breezes while avoiding the direct rays of the sun. There is room for wicker furniture, lounge chairs, and even a porch swing.

The interior is equally spacious. None of the rooms are cramped, and some, such as the master suite, family room and living room, are quite large. Luxury amenities in the master suite include a skylight, an elevated custom spa, twin basins, walk-in closet, and an additional vanity outside of the bathroom.

A vaulted den, or office is the only other room to the left of the entryway. Family living areas are at the center of the home; children's bedrooms, and a guest suite are to the right.

Plants flourish in the garden window in front of the kitchen sink. A lengthy raised eating bar with a vegetable sink provides partial separation between the kitchen and family room. Ovens, cook top and dishwasher are all built in. If desired, a desk could be tucked into the alcove between the ovens and the refrigerator. A small powder room is nearby, close to the nook as well as the entryway.

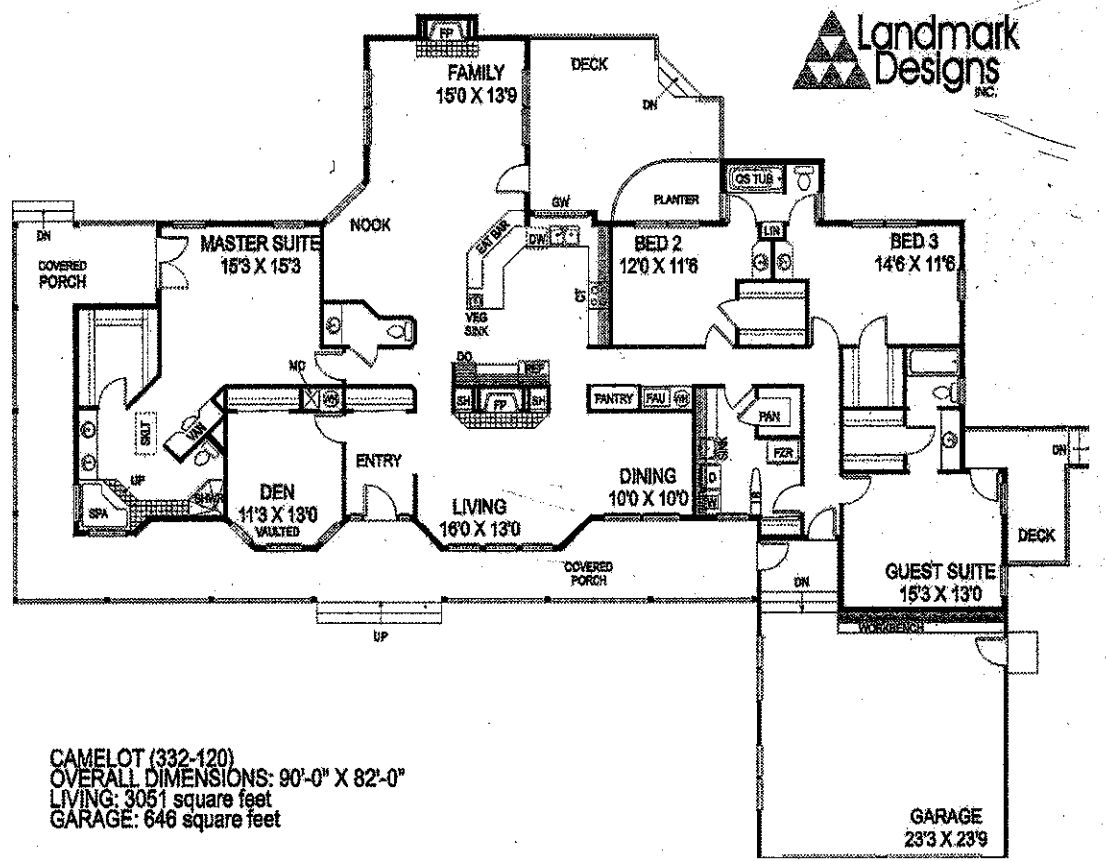
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room and the bayed living room. The one in the living room has wood boxes on both sides of it, with shelves overhead.

Each of the three additional bedrooms has walk-in closets. The guest bedroom has a private bath. Each of the other two bedrooms has its own basin, and share access to a separately enclosed tub and toilet.

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Help Wanted General 6000

PARTICIPANTS NEEDED Local Research Co. is conducting an Opinion Research project in the Detroit Area. We are searching for women ages 25-55 that have purchased a Vacuum Cleaner from a Specialty Store within the past 2 years. You will receive \$200 cash for a 1 1/2 hour in-home interview to find out if you qualify. Call us at 248-351-6377. Mon-Fri, 10am-5pm at Sat. 11am-4pm. Ask for Chris.

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Office Clerical 5020

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Engineering 5030
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Dental 5040
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DENTAL ASSISTANT
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Dental 5040

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Medical 5060
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Medical 5060
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Medical 5060
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Medical 5060

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Medical 5060
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Medical 5060

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Barbara Galbraith 30806 Fernwood Westland, MI 48186 Published: Feb. 15, 2002

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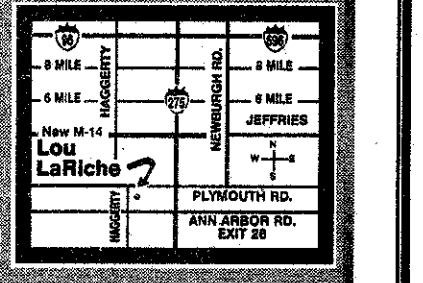
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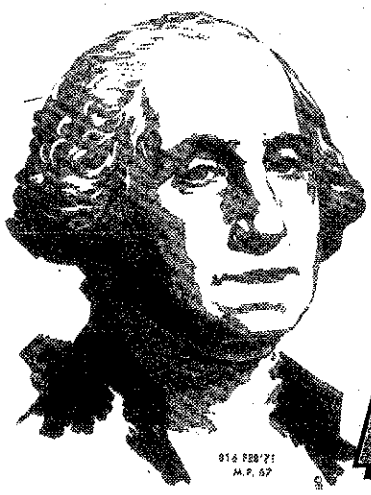
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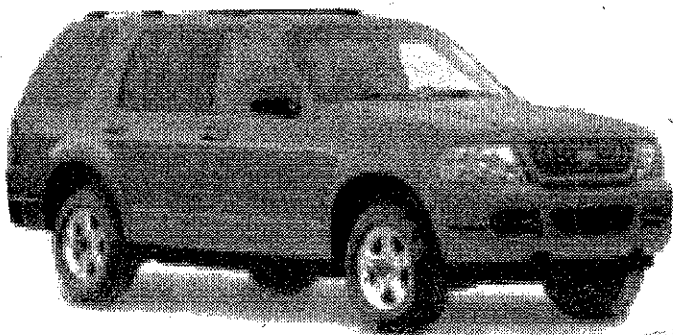
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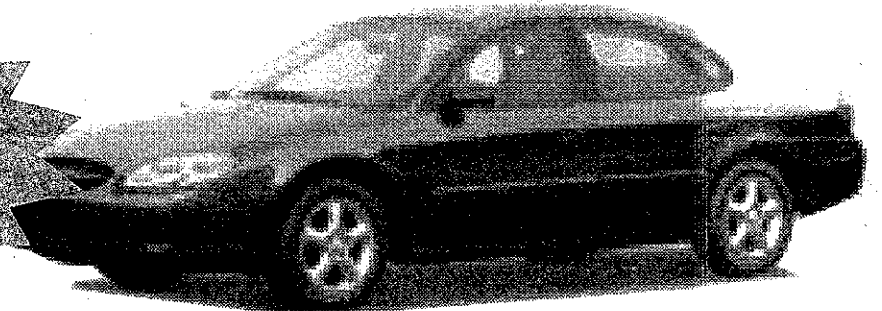
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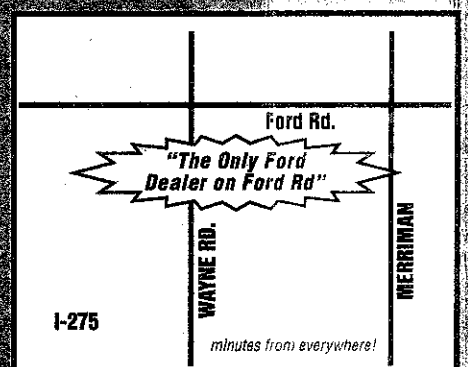


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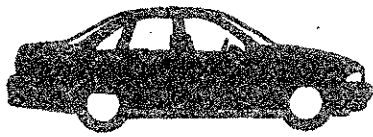
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Cadillac Escalade Vehicle Class: Special purpose vehicle. Power: 6.0-liter V8 engine. Mileage: 12 city/16 highway. Where built: Arlington, Texas. Price as tested: \$56,600.

Although I only tested the latest version of the Cadillac Escalade for a mere four days, it was the best four days I've spent in a vehicle in a long time. The comfort, the ride and handling, the sheer luxury of this full-sized sport utility vehicle made me smile.

My kids were the quietest they've been in a long time during our near-daily trips to the ice rink for their lessons with their coach. Why, you say? Well the rear seat entertainment package made by Panasonic, along with neat and comfortable wireless headphones kept them as quiet as church mice.

One thing that surprised me the most is that they could access everything, from sound to putting in the DVD to adjusting the tracking, all without having to ask me for assistance. Either they're getting used to these systems or Cadillac has a great way to treat kids and they're parents.

Nothing makes me more annoyed than a kid asking me to put in the DVD, press play and when nothing happens and they're disappointed, I'm pulling into the nearest side street to try and figure out what's wrong. It never happened in the Escalade. It worked perfectly and they never bothered me.

The system features a flip-down screen and remote control. It's a seven-inch liquid-crystal display and can play audio and video in both CD and DVD formats. The DVD play can play disks that play wide- or standard-screen formats and also have three sets of video and audio inputs for video-game systems. The whole system allows the second-row seat passengers to enjoy what they want to listen or watch, while mom and dad can listen to anything from an all-news station or heavy metal rock-and-roll without bothering the kids.

The system is worth every penny of the \$1,300 you'll pay for that option. Anything that stems aggravation is worth it! Especially after a long day.

StabiliTrak was upgraded in 2003 to a four-channel

system and now comes standard on the two-wheel-drive model. There are dual-level and passenger-sensing air bags, which automatically turns off the passenger air bag if nobody's in the seat. A true cost savings in the event of deployment in an accident.

I know a lot of people around town who absolutely hate high intensity discharge headlights. They always flash their brights at me or yell out the window. Sorry, I still think its superb lighting of the road in front of you is worth their annoyance.

Also, the exterior mirrors are a tad larger and now have turn-signal indicators. That's a feature I really appreciate. Optional are second row bucket seats. When you have a family of four and don't have to haul a lot of people, it's a great option to have. All four of you are comfortable. My oldest child commented she wished our SUV had that option.

Also added last year were a driver information center and a steering wheel with eight button controls. The driver information center monitors and reports on more than 30 vehicle functions, which is more than any other SUV on the road today. Because of the addition of the driver information center, the interior instrument panel and cluster had to be redesigned to accommodate it.

The IP and cluster are a lot better laid out and easier to understand. The IP is a joy to look at because of its simplicity. There's nothing you'll be scratching your head over. I mentioned the new steering wheel controls because you can personalize your vehicle and access all the infotainment you would like.

I don't usually comment on stereo systems in the

vehicle, but I have to tell you this premium Bose system is crisp and clear no matter how high the sound goes. My girls are practicing for their end-of-the-year school program and it features that great tune, "Proud to be an American." They love to play it at full zip and they did it without a problem.

Another improvement this year is the automatic climate control, which features allowing the driver, front- and second-row passengers to adjust the temperature to their liking. It can handle as drastic as a 30-degree difference between the two zones and automatically controls air delivery, fan speed, temperature and recirculating of air for faster cool downs or heating.

The Escalade I tested was in the best color you could have Escalade in: Black. The exterior is very appealing and lends itself to be commanding of the road and even looks a little aggressive. The rear door handle is large and allows you to open and close the rear very easily. The door swings up really high and although an adult doesn't have a lot of trouble closing it, little people did.

The Escalade all-wheel-drive is powered by the very strong Vortec 6000, which is a 6.0-liter V8 engine rated at 345 horsepower. More than strong. And loud at first idle. Not in a bad way, though. It springs to life and tells you it's ready to take you where you need to go.

We drove the Escalade on a long trip and it was a wonderful treat to be in a comfortable large SUV for those two days. You would be foolish not to consider this vehicle as your next SUV.

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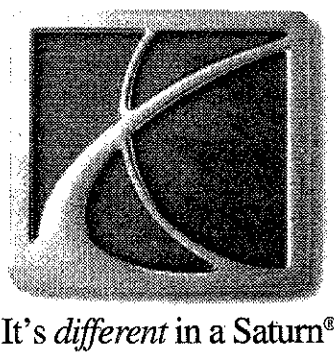
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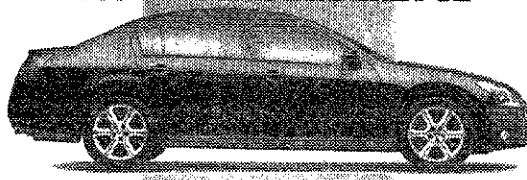


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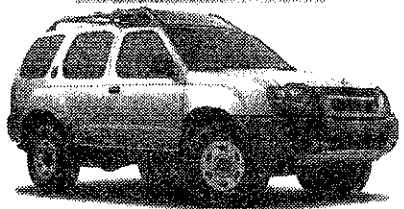


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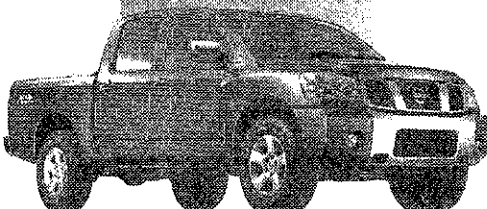


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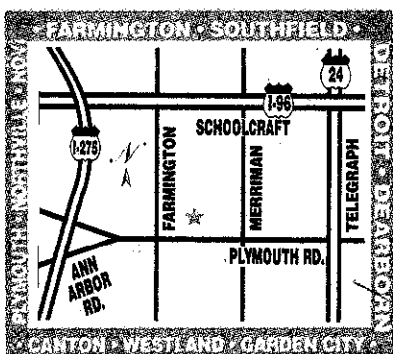
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