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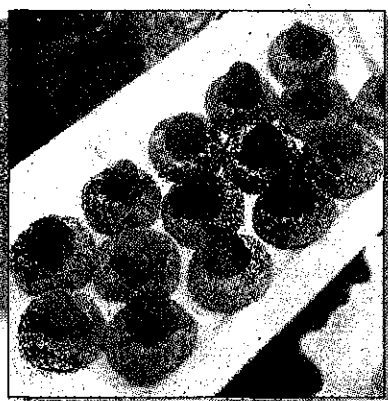
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Salem principal won't return

BY TONY BRUSCATO
STAFF WRITER

Salem High School Principal Jerry Ostoin, who has been recovering at home from a stroke he suffered Nov. 10, has announced he is stepping down to focus his attention on rehabilitation.

"It was his decision to retire at this time and work toward regaining his health and spending time with his family and friends and enjoy retirement," said his wife, Jan Ostoin. "He's currently walking with a quad cane and undergoing home therapy. Our goal is just to get him better and do all the things on our plan."

Ostoin, 64, began his career with Plymouth-Canton Schools in 1974 as an area coordinator for the Plymouth-Salem Rocks, and was appointed principal in 1986.

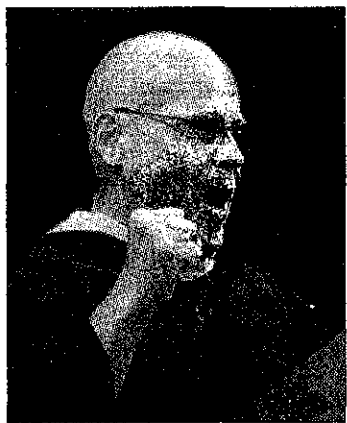
Ostoin actually retired two years ago, but remained principal at Salem by participating in the emeritus program, which allowed for the district to save money by hiring him as a contract employee. Superintendent Jim Ryan said the plan was for Ostoin to be principal at Salem through December 2009.

"Jerry was a rock at Salem," Ryan said. "He means the world to us in Plymouth-Canton because of his loyalty and his love for students and staff."

"Nobody gave a better graduation speech than Jerry when he would raise his fist and say 'You can go forward with confidence that you are a graduate of Plymouth Salem High School and the Plymouth-Canton Educational Park,'" said Ryan. "The place would just roar. He really understood the beauty of it."

Staff members were notified of Ostoin's retirement Tuesday, with teachers making the announcement to students on Wednesday.

Assistant Principal Patrick Fitzpatrick will remain interim principal for the remainder of the school year.



BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Salem High School Principal Jerry Ostoin won't return to work following the stroke he suffered late last year.



PHOTOS BY BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Carol Poole enters the court before jury selection on Monday.

Lawyer: Poole lost her 'mental grip' and lied to police

BY TIFFANY L. PARKS
STAFF WRITER

It's not logical, Mark Satawa said in his opening argument Tuesday.

"It just doesn't make sense," the defense attorney told a Wayne County Circuit Court jury. Carol Poole could see the "light at the end of the tunnel" in one day adopting her foster daughter so there is no way she would have assaulted her, he said.

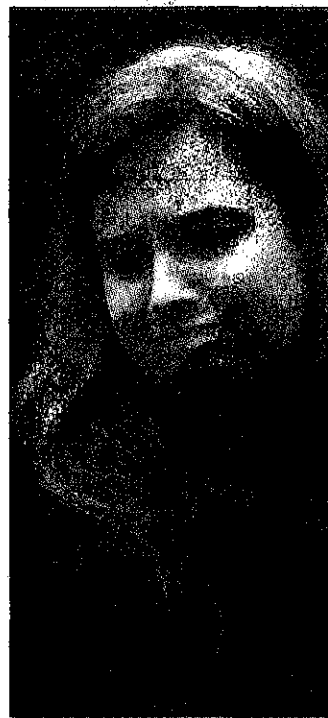
The murder trial of the Canton woman accused of killing 2-year-old Allison Newman in September 2006 began Tuesday in front of a jury of 10 women and four men.

In his opening argument, Wayne County Assistant Prosecutor Jerry Dorsey IV said he will take jurors through a "road map" that leads to the conclusion

that Poole, a 42-year-old management recruiter, is guilty of felony murder, first-degree child abuse and involuntary manslaughter. In addition to bringing forth doctors and employees of the day care Allison attended, Dorsey plans to have jurors visit the upscale, two-story Canton home Poole shared with her husband, Alan.

Although he maintained that Allison's injuries were the result of child abuse, Dorsey admitted that he isn't going to call any witness who saw Poole abuse the toddler, but told the jurors to use their "common sense and reason" when deliberating the case.

"You are going to hear Mrs. Poole did a startling thing — she started lying," Dorsey said.



Carol Poole reacts to seeing her husband in the courtroom.

Please see **POOLE, A8**



After two decades in office, Canton Township Supervisor Tom Yack will not seek re-election in the fall.

Big shoes to fill

Tom Yack to step down after two decades as supervisor

BY TIFFANY L. PARKS
STAFF WRITER

Tom Yack is ready to leave the third floor of the administration building.

The township's longest serving supervisor has announced that he's not seeking re-election in November.

Yack, 61, is in his fifth term and said he didn't have to wrestle with making the decision to spend more time with his wife, Barbara, and their family.

"I love what I do, no question, but I'm looking for a little slower pace," he said, adding that as supervisor he usually has commitments in the evening and on weekends.

Credited with ushering in the township's commercial and upscale housing boom, the former Plymouth-Canton school board president was first elected in 1988.

He joked that his planned departure of his post may give the impression there was an agreement between him, Canton Library Director Jean Tabor and Plymouth-Canton Superintendent Jim Ryan, to step down around the same time.

A father of four and grandfather of two, Yack

A CAREER OF PUBLIC SERVICE

Tom Yack has been a public servant for nearly 40 years. Here are some of the positions he has served in during that career:

- Supervisor of Canton Township, 1988 to 2008
- Board member, Canton Public Library, 1986-88
- President, treasurer, Plymouth-Canton Community Schools Board of Education, 1974-85
- Teacher, learning consultant, and curriculum coordinator, Wayne-Westland Schools, 1969-88

said although he plans to travel, he will still be involved locally by diving into the Leadership Canton program and the Spotlight Players theater group.

"If they will have me, I have a paint brush," he said with a chuckle.

Yack, who earns \$127,000 a year, will be tough to replace, said Trustee Melissa

Please see **YACK, A4**

Giuliani alters Canton campaign visit

BY KURT KUBAN
STAFF WRITER

Republican presidential candidate Rudy Giuliani's planned campaign stop at a Canton restaurant was temporarily derailed on Wednesday.

Giuliani was supposed to attend a campaign fundraiser this coming Monday afternoon at Antonio's on Canton Center, but his campaign team called organizer

Anthony Rugiero, who owns the popular eatery, to inform him the candidate from New York will be spending Monday in Florida trying to drum up support for that state's primary election.

"His team in New York called, and it looks like we will have to reschedule," said Rugiero, who has been politically active for many years.

Rugiero has held other campaign fund-raisers, most recently for Livonia

Congressman Thaddeus McCotter, which he said raised \$50,000. But Rugiero has also held fund-raisers for Democrats, including Wayne County Executive Bob Ficano.

Monday's fund-raiser for Giuliani was to cost attendees \$1,000 a head, plus the chance to pay a little more to have their photo taken with the candidate. Rugiero said he sent out 4,000 invitations for the event, and was expecting about 300 people

to attend.

"We had a large show of interest, but the Rudy team felt they needed to work the Florida thing a little more. Winning Florida is really important to them," he said.

Rugiero said he is working with the Giuliani campaign team to come up with an alternative date, most likely before Tuesday, which is the date of Michigan's presidential primary election. Recent

polls show Giuliani running fourth in the state, but Rugiero isn't deterred by that. He thinks the former mayor of New York City would make an excellent president and will defy the odds.

"I like Giuliani. I like the fact that he put his issues out there since day one and has not flip flopped like some of the other candidates," Rugiero said.

"I think he would do a good job for us."

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The group will hold its next monthly meeting 6-8:30 p.m., Jan. 14 at Palermo's Restaurant, 44938 Ford Road, Canton.

Palermo's is located in the strip mall behind Murray's Auto Supply on north side of Ford Road, east of Canton Center Road. Dinner will be served. The guest speaker will be Canton Trustee Melissa McLaughlin.

For More Information please contact June Nicholas at (313) 610-2561 or via e-mail at junenicholas@comcast.net. Please RSVP for this meeting.

Kids lock-in bowling fund-raiser

Superbowl of Canton is partnering with the Canton Police Department's Explorer Program to put on an all-night bowling lock-in for kids ages 9-15. The lock-in is scheduled for Sunday, Jan. 20, beginning at midnight and ending at 7 a.m., on Jan. 21, which is a holiday for most schools. Participants will not be permitted to leave the Superbowl until 7 a.m., and will be supervised by Canton police officers during the entire event.

The cost is \$20 per person and includes bowling, shoe rental, pizza, and breakfast. Proceeds will benefit the Canton Police Explorer Unit, which is made up of students ages 14-20 who are seriously interested in exploring a career in law enforcement. The program provides serious, realistic exposure of the law enforcement career. Explorers in the program train bi-weekly on a wide variety of topics. Explorers are taught the procedures used by officers and learn the basic elements of the subject matter, and must also maintain the physical,

moral and scholastic standards required to be a member in the program.

To register contact the Superbowl at (734) 459-6070. For more information on the Explorer program or to make a donation, contact Sergeant Robert Sidor at the Canton Police Department, (734) 394-5400.

Lacrosse fund-raiser

Plymouth, Canton and Salem boys lacrosse is having a fund-raiser with Pizza Hut on Tuesday, Jan. 15 from 4-9 p.m. You must present a coupon with your order and the teams will earn 20 percent of all sales. You may dine in, carry-out, or get delivery. The coupon can be found on the lacrosse Web site at www.pclacrosse.com. Pizza Hut is located at 1425 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth. For more information, call (734) 459-2110.

Second Saturday Dance series

Swing City Big Band will be performing on Saturday, Jan. 12 from 8-11 p.m. in the Maple, Oak and Parkview rooms of Summit on the Park, located at

46000 Summit Parkway, as the Saturday Night Dance Series continues.

This 18 member ensemble, under the direction of James Blough, performs high-energy versions of popular music for a variety of dance styles, including Latin, tango, fox trot, and more. They specialize in swing music. A cash bar will also be available.

Admission is \$15 per person or \$25 per couple. Tickets can only be purchased at the door. For more information and to find out future performance dates for the Swing City Big Band, call (734) 377-7535, e-mail swingcity_bigband@yahoo.com or visit www.geocities.com/swingcity_bigband.

Orchestra Canton

Orchestra Canton presents the third concert of their 2007-2008 season, under Plymouth Canton Symphony Society Music Director and Conductor Nan Washburn, with "Blissful Baroque" on Saturday, Jan. 19, at 8 p.m. at the Village Theater at Cherry Hill.

With this mid-winter program, favorite tunes from the beloved 18th century master, George Fredrick Handel will be in abundance. Orchestra Canton will perform his popular works, *Harmonious Blacksmith*, largo from his opera "Xerxes," Water Music Suite No. 2 in D and even the Hallelujah Chorus arranged especially for the orchestra. The featured soloist on Handel's well-known Harp Concerto will be Orchestra Canton harpist, Maurice Draughn.

Guest composer Mary Watkins will also be visiting for the performance of her *Soul of Remembrance*, the 2nd movement of her "Five Movements in Color," based on the Handel Largo. Completing the concert will be the cantata *Jonas* from 1708 by Elizabeth Jacquet de la Guerre who was celebrated master composer and performer during her time as a court composer of French king, Louis XV. The cantata was edited, realized and restored several years ago by Washburn. Soprano, Baroque music specialist Nadine Balbeisi will be on hand to perform this piece. The program will also be



The art of Byron Reed

The Village Theater at Cherry Hill is presenting the artworks of Canton resident Byron Reed through March 2. Reed, 73, grew up on the lower east side of Detroit. His unique style of painting reflects growing up in an energized inner city. Most of Reed's works are recollections from childhood, a world with music legends Duke Ellington and Count Basie. Reed, who attended the Society of Arts and Crafts, presently known as the Center for Creative Studies, was the art director for WPCR-TV during the 1970s and later retired from Daimler Chrysler where he continued his love for creating pieces of art. He can be found teaching a drawing class once a week at the Summit on the Park. He has been on exhibit throughout Detroit, including the Charles Wright African American Museum. The Byron Reed exhibit, featuring 39 pieces of artwork, is free and open to the public: Monday-Friday 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.; Friday and Saturday 7-9 p.m. and Sunday 5:30-7:30 p.m. For more information about this latest exhibit, please call (734) 394-5300 or visit www.canton-mi.org/villagetheater.

part of the larger, Canton-wide commemoration of the birthday of Martin Luther King, Jr.

Orchestra Canton tickets are \$20 for adults, \$18 for seniors, and \$10 for children. Tickets may be purchased in person at the Summit on the Park, 4600 Summit Parkway, or by phone by calling the Summit at (734) 394-5460. Tickets may also be purchased using the Village Theater's secure online box office at www.orchestracanton.org, or at the Village Theater box office one hour before each performance.

For more information on Orchestra Canton's 4th Season please visit www.orchestracanton.org.

MLK essay contest

Express your thoughts about Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. and you could win prizes in an essay contest for middle school and high school students.

The contest is sponsored by the Canton Public Library, Friends of the Canton Public Library and the Canton Observer and is open to students who are Canton residents

or attend a public or private school within the Plymouth-Canton school district.

High school students can choose either of two topics for their 750-1000 word essay.

■ When you look around the Canton community, do you see any relevance to Dr. Martin Luther King's dream?


■ Dr. Martin Luther King and Mahatma Gandhi both practiced some forms of civil disobedience. In your opinion, under what conditions is civil disobedience morally acceptable?

Middle school students are required to write 500-750 words on either of two topics:

■ Has Dr. Martin Luther King's dream been realized?

■ If Dr. Martin Luther King were alive today, what current issues would he be involved in?

U. S. Savings Bonds will be awarded to the first, second and third place finisher in each age category. The entry deadline has been extended to 9 p.m., Jan. 13. For complete contest guidelines visit www.cantonpl.org/aboutus/cplnews/kingcomp.pdf.



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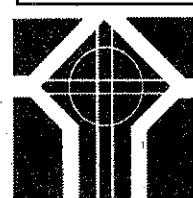
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Canton will play role in primary

BY TONY BRUSCATO AND KURT KUBAN
STAFF WRITERS

The focus — at least for Republicans — is now on Michigan's Jan. 15 primary after the caucuses in Iowa and the primary in New Hampshire.

The battle on the Republican primary ballot is expected to be between Arizona Sen. John McCain, who won in New Hampshire, and native son and former Massachusetts Gov. Mitt Romney, who lost in both Iowa and New Hampshire. Former Arkansas Gov. Mike Huckabee, who won the Iowa caucuses, will also campaign in Michigan.

New York Sen. Hillary Clinton is the only top-tier Democrat on the primary ballot. Other Democrats pulled their names from the ballot because Michigan violated national party rules with its early primary.

Canton Township voters could become a factor in next Tuesday's primary, as Clerk Terry Bennett said she has issued 4,900 absentee ballots, and all but 739 have already been returned. As for a turnout at the

polls, Bennett isn't quite sure what to expect.

"I wish I knew," she said. Bennett's initial hunch was that turnout would be sparse considering few Democrats are on the ballot, but since the elections in Iowa and New Hampshire, she has changed her mind.

"As the politics of Iowa and New Hampshire have come into play, I think the interest has really increased and more people want to vote," she said.

She still thinks most voters in Canton will cast Republican ballots, but she is now expecting a fair number of Democrats as well.

All 39 Canton voting precincts will be open from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. Voters will be required to show a photo identification, or fill out an affidavit, or they will not be issued a ballot.

Bennett said the Clerk's Office will be open Saturday, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. for people to come in and request an absentee ballot, which they will be able to fill out and turn in.

For more information about Tuesday's election, please visit <http://www.canton-mi.org/Clerk/voting.asp>.

Van Buren Schools to seek another bond

BY KURT KUBAN
STAFF WRITER

The Van Buren Public Schools Board of Education appears ready to reach out to voters again and ask them to approve a bond for a new high school.

At a special board meeting Monday, architect Wayne Hoppe presented preliminary plans for a new school to be built in phases on the site of the current Belleville High School.

If approved at the Jan. 14 regular board meeting, the district will ask voters to approve a 2.15 mill, 30-year bond to pay for the \$80 million project to replace the aging high school, which dates back to the 1920s. The election would either take place in August or November, to coincide with either the primary or general elections.

The proposal is to demolish the current high school, with the exception of the cafeteria and music wing, which were both built in recent years with a sinking fund millage approved by voters in 1999, according to district spokesman Paul Henning.

It is possible the auditorium would also be spared, he said.

The project would take place in phases, and students would be attending the school during the project. It is likely that some students would also be shipped to Washtenaw Community College to attend classes during the project, according to Supt. Pete Lazaroff.

Initial plans call for a modern building featuring two three-story towers. All the athletic facilities will also be rebuilt. According to Hoppe, the project would include a total of about 338,000 square feet of new building space.

The district hasn't had much luck in recent years convincing voters to approve millages for a new high school.

In 2006 voters shot down a \$111 million bond proposal, and in 2004, they rejected a \$150 million request.

Hoppe, who has designed other schools, but never a project of this magnitude, told the board that it will be a "frugal" project, but one the district would be proud of.

"Everything we've done so far is to show we're being as frugal as possible. We're reusing the existing site. We're reusing the existing facility. We've scaled back the athletic

facilities," he said.

"On most efforts, we've shown this is a frugal effort. At the same time, we're not trying to make this happen on an absolute shoestring."

If approved, the project would take about three and a half years to complete, but Hoppe cautioned it could take longer because of the nature of the construction.

"There are a lot of factors that affect timing. The construction will take place in phases, all the while kids will be on site," he said.

"We don't want our contractors crossing paths with the student body."

Longtime board member Ralph Nodwell said he is excited about the proposal but he wants to make sure the community is involved with the process.

"I know we're very excited about this, but it is important it also has the support of the public," Nodwell said.

"I want to be sure that it doesn't get back to the voters that we're doing this underhanded."

In addition to the bond for a new high school, the board is also considering asking voters to allow them to spend current sinking fund money to perform

major maintenance at some of the schools, including replacing roofs, windows, boilers and other big ticket items that would bring the buildings up to date.

The current sinking fund allowed the district to levy 1.16 mills until 2018 to construct the cafeteria and music wings at the high school, as well as build Edgemont and Rawsonville elementaries.

Because of major growth in the district, the sinking fund has brought in more than the district had planned.

The proposal is to ask voters to reduce the levy down to 1.13 mills and use it to upgrade other buildings.

The two proposals would appear as separate questions on the ballot.

The southwest portion of Canton is within the Van Buren Schools district boundary.

There are currently 358 students from Canton attending Van Buren Schools. That is up approximately 50 students from last year.

Monday's meeting will take place at 7:30 p.m. in the cafeteria at Belleville High School, 555 W. Columbia in Belleville.

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■ Snow Day: Jan. 17, at 7 p.m. It may be cold outside but the library is toasty warm with

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■ Library Board Meeting: Jan. 17, at 7:30 p.m. Regular meeting of the Library Board of Trustees. Public welcome.

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Kucinich to speak in Livonia

Democratic presidential candidate Rep. Dennis Kucinich will discuss his bill to create a U.S. Department of Peace and Nonviolence at a conference of the Citizens for Peace starting at 7 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 12, at Unity of Livonia, on Five Mile between Middlebelt and Inkster roads.

According to the Citizens for Peace, a grassroots organization dedicated to finding non-

violent solutions for problems both domestic and international, more than 60 members of Congress are currently listed as co-sponsors of the bill including Michigan Reps. John Conyers, Carolyn Kilpatrick and Dale Kildee.

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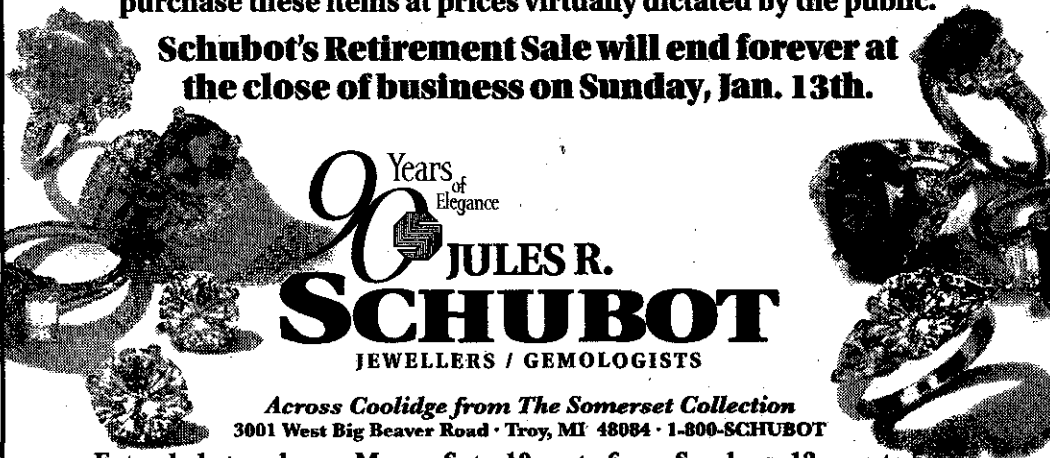
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McLaughlin.
"Whoever does run has really big shoes to fill," she said.
"He took Canton from being a bedroom community to a place that is highly regarded."
Under his leadership, the township has created the Pheasant Run golf course community, built Summit on the Park, revamped Cherry Hill Village, including the construction of the Village Theater at Cherry Hill, and is breathing new commercial life into Michigan Avenue.
Executive Director John Santomauro, who has helped Yack reorganize Canton's government, applauded the outgoing supervisor for being a positive force in the community and said he has been unwavering in his support to public safety.
"I have tremendous respect for him," he said. "He has an uncanny ability to bring people in the room and get them to reach consensus."
Trustee Karl Zarbo echoed

those sentiments and said Yack will be missed after November.
"The history is Canton will be rewritten because of Tom Yack," he said. "This is going to be a big adjustment for all of us. It never felt like politics with Tom."
Even Trustee Todd Caccamo, who had battled with Yack during his first couple years on the Board of Trustees before he went off to Iraq to serve in the military, said he will miss Yack.
"I'm kind of sad to see him go. We've had our differences over the years, but I've grown to like him during the last six months since I've been back (from Iraq). We've really worked together on some issues," Caccamo said.
Yack, who initially considered a run for a trustee position back in '88 before deciding on a run for supervisor, said he's going to keep his options open regarding his life after his term is over but in the meantime will remain committed to his duties, including pushing for legislation important to Canton.
"I'm going to stay the course," he said.

CTS adds jobs

Creative Technology Services LLC, the Canton Township-based medical device maker, reported last week that it had created more than 45 new jobs in 2007. The company says the positions ranged from assembly technicians to customer service personnel to professional positions in engineering, quality assurance and supply chain management. The new jobs gave the company a 118 percent increase in head count for the year. All the new jobs are supporting both new customer programs and the launch of Next Mobility, the new operating company created by CTS to serve the United States and international rehabilitation markets.

Kumon under new management

Usha and Alok Mittal, new owners of the Kumon Math and Reading Center of Canton, recently announced the center's move from inside Summit on the Park to a location at 45674 Ford Road.
The 1,278-square-foot space will accommodate 250 students currently attending math and reading sessions twice a week. The Mittals, who acquired the center in

July, anticipate an increase in enrollment, especially closer to spring. The couple also owns and operates Kumon locations in West Bloomfield and Commerce Township.
"The new Canton space will enable us to offer instruction more efficiently," said Usha Mittal. "In addition, the students will be able to work comfortably in a permanent environment, allowing for greater concentration."
Classes at the new location began Nov. 27.
The Kumon Center of Canton is open Tuesdays and Fridays from 4-7:30 p.m. Kumon offers remedial and advanced math and reading instruction for students in pre-school through high school. For more information, call (248) 865-8666 or visit www.kumon.com.

Premier Medicine opens

St. Mary Mercy Hospital physician Nabil Suliman is opening Premier Medicine, a new primary care facility in Canton. Premier Medicine will celebrate its grand opening on Tuesday, Jan. 22, from noon to 2 p.m. with a ribbon cutting at noon. The public is welcome to stop in for free cholesterol, blood sugar, and blood pressure checks, refreshments, giveaways and a chance to

meet the staff.
Premier Medicine, a primary care provider that also offers urgent care services, is now open to patients of all ages in need of a variety of health care services.
Suliman said he is excited about serving the Canton community. "Canton is a vibrant, diverse, and growing community," said Suliman. "And we have an array of services to meet the needs of the people."
Premier Medicine provides preventive care, yearly physicals, management and treatment of chronic illnesses. The state-of-the-art office is capable of on-site X-rays, EKGs, PFTs, immunizations, ultrasounds, echocardiograms and more. Walk-ins are welcome and no appointment is necessary. Although primary care is the core business, plans to operate as an after hours urgent care are coming in the near future. The physicians are also available to make home-bound visits for those unable to reach their office.
Premier Medicine is located at 5958 Canton Center Road, Suite 200. Hours are Monday through Friday, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. For more information, please call (734) 454-5454 or visit online at www.premiermedicine.com.

ophthalmologist, linguist, inventor and painter, but is most remembered as an advocate for political reform in the Philippines during the late 19th Century. His writings focused on the need for significant reforms and an end to Spanish dominance; his death was the catalyst for the Philippine Revolution of 1896 which signaled the end of more than 300 years of Spanish colonial rule in the Philippines.
The Rizal Day celebration was hosted by the Filipino American Community Council (FILAMCCO), an umbrella organization that facilitates and organizes projects for Filipino Americans. Every year, approximately 1,000 Filipino Americans in the Detroit area celebrate Rizal Day.
Almeda is a member of the State Advisory Committee for the U. S. Commission on Civil Rights; the Governor's Advisory Council on Asian Pacific American Affairs; the Chair of the Business Law Section of the Washtenaw County Bar Association and a member of its Board of Directors; Assistant Regional Governor for Central Region for the National Asian Pacific American Bar Association and the immediate past President of the Michigan Asian Pacific American Bar Association.
Almeda's practice focuses on patent opinions and prosecution in the medical, chemical, nanotechnology and mechanical arts.
Almeda resides in Canton with his wife and three children.

Attorney celebrates Filipino history

Brinks Hofer Gilson & Lione, one of the largest intellectual property law firms in the U.S., announced that Lawrence G. Almeda, a partner in the firm's Ann Arbor office and a Canton resident, was the keynote address speaker at the annual Rizal Day Celebration dinner held Dec. 29, at The Rock Financial Showplace Diamond Center in Novi.
Rizal Day celebrates the life and achievements of Philippine national hero, Jose Rizal (1861-1896), who was a writer, sculp-



Almeda

Salon offers discounts

Blondie & Lefty's Hair Salon, 42013 Ford Road in Canton (between Haggerty and Lilley in the Sears Plaza) is now discounting haircuts for all police, fire and rescue and military personnel (including veterans).
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Time to collect forms for your income tax return

There are some important things we all need to do this time of year. The first deals with tax reporting information.

Over the next few weeks most of us will receive a variety of tax forms for 2007 including 1099s, (k)1s and W2s.

Don't throw away these forms. Instead, keep them in a tax file for use in filing your 2007 tax return. One sure way of being audited by the IRS is to not report a 1099 on your tax return.

However, it is not enough to put your 1099 and W2s in your tax file. Review them for accuracy. You should not assume they are correct. Companies make mistakes.

The W2 from an employer will state earnings for the calendar year 2007 along with what was withheld for you in state, federal and Social Security taxes. When you receive this document pull out your last payroll check and use it as a guide. The last payroll check usually has a summary of yearly earnings and what was withheld. These numbers should match your W2.

If there is a problem such as overstated income or under-



Money Matters

Rick Bloom

an amended one is not issued, it can cause problems.

In some rare situations, people do not receive the proper documentation from an employer. If you do not receive a W2 by the end of January, you'll need to contact the employer.

If the employer is either out of business or for some reason you cannot contact them or locate them, you need to contact and notify the IRS. In addition, there is a form from the IRS you can complete to attach to your tax return. Remember, even though you do not receive a W2, that does not mean you are not responsible to report the income on your tax return. In addition, you want to get proper credit for state, federal and Social

Security paid.

Other important documents to keep are year-end statements from charities. In the past, cancelled checks were sufficient to prove contributions to charities. That is no longer the case. If you are audited, you are required to show backup documentation from the charity itself.

One question I am consistently asked is how to avoid an IRS audit. Although it is impossible to totally avoid an audit it is possible to reduce the likelihood. One way is to keep good records and report all income. My definition of an effective record-keeping system is one that works for you. As we start 2008, don't forget to spend a few minutes establishing a tax record-keeping system so when it comes time to preparing your 2007 tax return, it will be easy and most importantly, accurate.

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

CONDUCTOR PERFORMS MARTIN LUTHER KING DAY CONCERT

Madonna University's Office of Multicultural Affairs is sponsoring a Martin Luther King Day concert featuring violinist John McLaughlin Williams, performing music by composers Grant Still and Samuel Coleridge-Taylor of the African Diaspora 7

p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 15, in Kresge Hall on the campus on the northwest corner of Schoolcraft and Levan in Livonia.

There is no admission charge.

Williams is the first black conductor to receive

a Grammy award (2007). Linette Popoff-Parks, the chairwoman of the university's music department, will accompany him on piano. Williams is also a composer. He is a graduate of The Cleveland Institute of Music.

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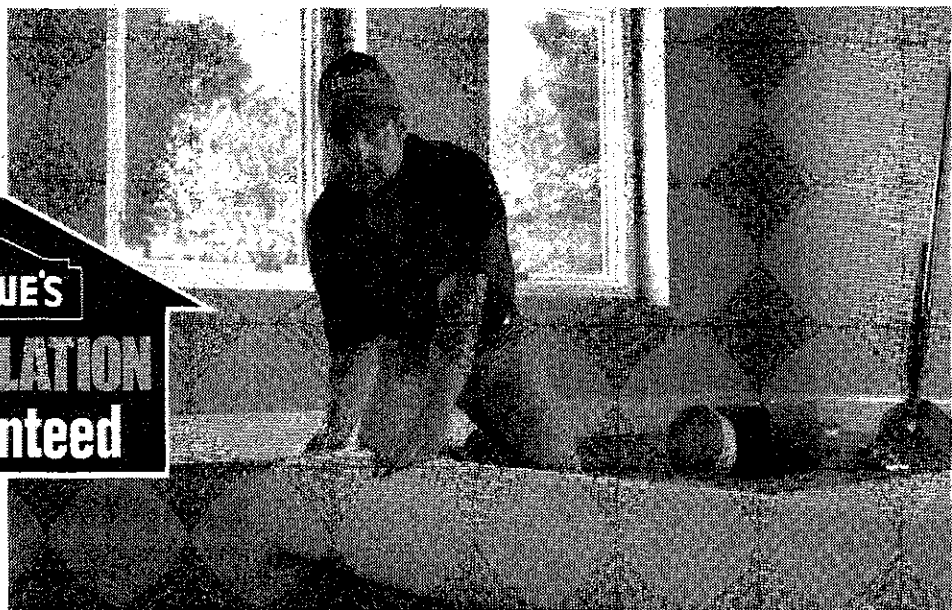
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RELIGION CALENDAR

If you want to submit an item for the religion calendar, fax it to (734) 591-7279 or write: Religion Calendar, Observer Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI 48150. Deadline for an announcement to appear in the Thursday edition is noon Monday.

JANUARY

ENDOW
St. Michael the Archangel Parish of Livonia will host two different sessions of the Archdiocese of Detroit's ENDOW program, a continuing women's study group focused on the dignity of women of all ages and faiths. Based on Pope John Paul II's Letter to Women, the group meets 9:30 a.m. Thursdays beginning Jan. 10. The second session, being offered in the area only at St. Michael's, is called Different Times, Abiding Dignity and deals with a woman's inherent dignity at all stages of her life from 0 to 100. The group meets 9:30 a.m. Tuesdays beginning Jan. 8. Both groups meet in the convent basement meeting room. Women of all ages and

faiths welcome. There is a \$60 charge for materials, but no woman will be turned away because of inability to pay. Register by calling (734) 261-1455, Ext. 207 or online at www.endowonline.com. St. Michael's complex is at 11441 Hubbard, south of Plymouth Rd., Livonia.

Single Place Ministry

Divorce recovery workshop with various speakers 7:30-9 p.m. Thursdays, Jan. 10 to Feb. 21, at First Presbyterian Church, Emeritus Room, 200 E. Main, Northville. Topics include networking/midlife crisis, stage of grief, putting your "ex" in focus, legal aspects of divorce (includes pot luck dinner), spiritual help and forgiveness, helping children through divorce, and relationships old and new. Cost is \$35 and includes book, Growing through Divorce. Scholarships available. Childcare available for toddlers through grade six. To register for workshop, call (248) 349-0911. Register for child care at least two weeks before the workshop begins.

People of Life service

7 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 13, 2008 at

7:00 p.m. at St. Aidan Parish, 17500 Farmington Rd. Livonia. For information, call (734) 425-5950. Features the return of the People of Life display to remember the 35th anniversary of the Roe vs. Wade Supreme Court decision that legalized abortion. To see the exhibit that will be on display, visit www.usccb.org/prolife/exhibit.htm. Special guest speakers will also be included.

Living Water series

Mark McGilvrey leads a 10-week video series called H2O starting 6:30 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 13, at Memorial Church of Christ, 35475 Five Mile, Livonia. Call (734) 464-6722. The group is open to men and women who would like to review the basic teachings of Jesus who claimed to be living water. It is also intended for those who have never made a commitment to Jesus.

Tai Chi class

Orchard United Methodist Church (30450 Farmington Rd., Farmington Hills) is hosting a Tai Chi Class by Sam Purdy, Wu Style Tai Chi. This meditative form of Martial Arts is great for reducing stress and is great for

over-all health memory and balance. Everyone is welcome from beginning to experienced participants at any time. Classes begin 7-8:30 p.m. Jan. 14, and continue every Monday thereafter. Cost per class depends on number of participants. For information or to reserve your space, call (248) 701-1587 or (248) 626-3620. Visit www.orchardumc.org for updates.

The Recovery Principles

Continues 7 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 16 and 23, in the sanctuary at Unity of Livonia, 28660 Five Mile, between Inkster and Middlebelt roads. Call (734) 421-1760. The class focuses on honesty, open-mindedness and willingness.

ENDOW

Educating on the Nature and Dignity of Women sessions 7-9 p.m. Thursdays, Jan. 17 to March 6, (explores Pope John Paul II's Mulieris Dignitatem-On the Dignity and Vocation of Women), in Bixmal Hall church building at St. Aidan Catholic Church, 17500 Farmington Rd., Livonia. Second session begins 7-9 p.m. Mondays, Jan. 14, to March 3, (explores Pope John Paul II's Letter to Women), in conference room in parish office. Registration required for both sessions. \$60 for materials for each session. Contact Michele Schmidt at (734) 367-0353 or send e-mail to mtschmidt@sbcglobal.net.

Spaghetti fund-raiser

6:30-10 p.m. Friday, Jan. 18, at St. Matthew's United Methodist Church, 30900 Six Mile, Livonia. Tickets \$10 adults, \$8 seniors and children. Please bring a canned good for their pantry. Come enjoy a spaghetti dinner and help support the Music Scholarship Program that the Livonia Civic Chorus sponsors every year for local students. Raffle baskets and 50/50 raffles. Be part of the fun and entertainment for the evening with a Karaoke twist. For tickets, call Kelly at (734) 377-1745.

Women's retreat

Saturday-Sunday, Jan. 19-20, at St. John's Retreat Center of Plymouth. Cost is \$85, includes Saturday lunch, dinner, snacks and Sunday breakfast. Rooms are single occupancy. For more information, call Kathy Weinberg at (734) 464-0211, Ext. 202.

MAMA's coffeeshop

The Milroys and Annie and Rod Capps perform Saturday, Jan. 19, at Birmingham Unitarian Church, 38651 N. Woodward near northwest corner of Lone Pine Rd., Bloomfield Hills. Open mic at 7:15 p.m., show at 8 p.m. Admission \$12, \$10 seniors and age 16 and under. For information, call (248) 569-0965. To reserve an open mic time, call (248) 626-4650.

Russian music concert

Wesley Fishwick, pianist and David Levine, cellist, present a concert of Russian music 4 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 20, at St. John Lutheran Church, 23225 Gill, west of Farmington Rd., south of Grand River, Farmington Hills. Fishwick is the organist at St. John and has taught at Antioch College, Ohio, Macomb College and in the Chippewa Valley School District. Levine has been a member of the Detroit Symphony Orchestra and the Cleveland Orchestra. This concert is part of the church's 50th Anniversary Celebration series. No charge but a free will offering will be received. For more information, call (248) 474-0584.

Swiss steak dinner

Newburg Church Missions Committee is sponsoring a home cooked Swiss steak dinner with all the fixin's 4:30-7 p.m. Friday, Jan. 25. Proceeds will go to housing the homeless. Tickets are \$8 for adults, \$4 children. Mac-n-cheese will be available for kids. Carryout will be available or stay for dinner and afterwards play board games or cards. Donations accepted. Tickets will be available January 6-20 in the office at 36500 Ann Arbor Trail, Livonia. Call 734-422-0149.

Thursday fellowship dinner

All are welcome, 6 p.m. dinners catered by The Cookie Lady, Susan Navarro, at St. James Presbyterian Church, 25350 W. Six Mile, Redford. Cost is \$6. Call (313) 534-7730.

Court of St. Brigid

Scholarship Program sponsored by the Ladies Ancient Order of Hibernians, Rose Kennedy Division, will be held Saturday, Feb. 16, at the AOH Hall, 24242 Grand River, Detroit. Educational scholarships will be awarded to the winner and her court. Eligible for the program are girls, ages 17-22, who are Irish and Catholic. For application and more information, call Maureen Kelly at (734) 632-0334 or visit www.detroitirish.org. Deadline for application is Friday, Feb. 9.

Single Place Ministry

Meets Thursdays 7:30-7:45 p.m. for social time, 7:45-8 p.m. opening, 8-9 p.m. program, at First Presbyterian Church, 200 East Main Street, Northville. Call (248) 349-0911 or visit www.singleplace.org. Cost is \$5 per person.

Couple prayer series

St. Colette Church, 17600 Newburgh, Livonia, is offering a life-changing Couple Prayer Series (www.coupleprayer.org) for married or engaged couples, began 7-9 p.m. Friday, Jan. 4, in the Activity Center Hall. Couples who pray together daily have a

divorce rate of less than 1 divorce in every 1000 marriages. For registration information, call Mary Ellen at (734) 464-4435.

Reformed Protestant services

Weekly Sunday services began Jan. 6. The doctrines and teachings of Reformed Protestantism will be preached every Sunday at 3:30 p.m. worship services of the Free Church of Scotland (Continuing). A new preaching station has been established and the services will be held at Cherry Hills School, 50440 Cherry Hill, corner of Ridge Rd., Canton. The Rev. Sean Humby will preach each Sunday. For more information, call Margaret Waldecker at (313) 530-6170, visit www.westminsterconfession.org, or e-mail Humby at sean.humby@fuse.net.

Special services

Sundays in January the focus is on how life would be different if you only had 30 days to live, 10:30 a.m. at Friendship Church which meets at Michigan Theological Seminary, 41550 Ann Arbor Trail, Plymouth. For information, call (734) 710-9370 or visit www.CantonFriendship.org.

Day of service

Beginning in January, a Day of Service and Spirituality will be made available by the Capuchin Soup Kitchen and the Solanus Casey Center. The purpose of the day is to serve, to meet, and to have one's faith grow. The day allows groups to help at the Capuchin Services Center and dine with guests at the Capuchin Soup Kitchen. A tour of the Earth Works urban garden, which provides six tons of produce each season, will also be made available. The day concludes with a self-guided tour of the Solanus Casey Center, a spirituality center dedicated to the Capuchin friar who is credited with miraculous cures and valued for his wise and compassionate counsel. The minimum age is 7th grade and the maximum size of the group is 30. The day starts at 8:30 a.m. and ends at 2:30 p.m. There is no cost. Lunch included. For more information, send e-mail to ccrane@thecapuchins.org. To learn more about the Capuchin Soup Kitchen, visit www.cskdetroit.org.

Thrift store

Open Wednesdays 9:30-11:30 a.m. and Saturdays, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., at St. James Presbyterian Church, 25350 W. Six Mile, Redford. Call (313) 534-7730.

UPCOMING

Christian comedian

Ed Thompson (www.edthompsonlive.com), 3 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 10, at Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church, 14175 Farmington Rd., north of I-96 (Schoolcraft service drive), Livonia. Call (734) 522-6830.

Lenten symposium

Saturday, Feb. 23, at St. Cyril and Methodius Catholic Church, 41233 Ryan, Sterling Heights. Featured speaker is the Rev. Monsignor Charles Mangan of the Vatican's Congregation for Institutes of Consecrated Life and Societies of Apostolic Life. Cost is \$40 advance (\$45 at door), \$20 students, free for seminarians. All speakers also attend the youth symposium (cost \$15 for ages 12-17). Registration begins at 7 a.m., followed by Mass at 8 a.m. For more information, visit www.holytrinityapostolate.com, send e-mail to barbaram@sbcbglobal.net or call Shirley at (313) 277-8905, Jerene (248) 625-2461 or Bonnie (586) 781-8523. Registration form must be received by Feb. 20.

Men's retreat

Feb. 29 to March 2, at St. Paul of the Cross Retreat Center, Outer Drive and I-96. Single rooms, own bath, all meals. Cost is approximately \$125. Call Ruben at (734) 261-5321 for appointment.

ONGOING

New schedule

9 a.m. Sunday school for all ages and Faith Forum, 10 a.m. Worship Service with Communion and nursery, at Holy Cross Evangelical Lutheran Church (ELCA), 30650 Six Mile, Livonia. All visitors welcome. For more information, call (734) 427-1414 or visit www.holycrosslivonia.org.

Worship Service

10:30 a.m. Sunday, Adult Bible Class at 9:30 a.m., Children's Sunday School during worship at 10:30 a.m., at Immanuel Lutheran Church, 27035 Ann Arbor Trail, Dearborn Heights. For more information, call (313) 278-5755.

Worship

Sundays: 10 a.m. Worship Service with nursery, 9 a.m. Sunday School for tots through high school and Adult Faith Forum at Holy Cross Evangelical Lutheran Church (ELCA), 30650 Six Mile Road, Livonia. Call (734) 427-1414 or visit www.holycrosslivonia.org. Visitors welcome.

Sunday worship

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

Worship service

10:45 a.m. Sundays, Adult Sunday School at 9:30 a.m., Children's Sunday School during worship, Youth Group 5-7 p.m. and Catechism for Grown-ups

5:30-6:30 p.m., at Trinity Church of Livonia, 34500 Six Mile. For information, call (734) 425-2800.

Upper Room Ministries

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

F.I.R.E. ministries

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

New worship schedule

Regular church service 10 a.m. Sundays with Communion and Nursery, 9 a.m. Sunday School for all ages and Faith Forum, at Holy Cross Evangelical Lutheran Church (ELCA), 30650 Six Mile, Livonia. Call (734) 427-1414. All visitors welcome. Visit www.holycrosslivonia.org.

Sunday worship

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

Worship services

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

Singers wanted

Riverside Park Church of God is looking for voices to join their choir. For more information, call (734) 464-0990.

Pancake breakfasts

The Ushers' Club of St. Michael the Archangel Parish in Livonia continue their 30-year tradition of all-you-can-eat pancake breakfasts on the third Sunday of each month from 8:30 a.m. to noon. The breakfasts are served in the school cafeteria at 11441 Hubbard, south of Plymouth Road. Adults, \$5; children ages 4-11, \$3; children under age 3, free; and family (2 adults and all children), \$15. Everyone is welcome.

Men's breakfast

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

MOPS meetings

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

Bible studies

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

MOPS groups

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

LOGOS Youth Club

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

HeartCry

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

Women of the word

Bible study meets 9:15 a.m. and 6:45 p.m. Tuesdays, at Calvary Baptist Church, 43065 Joy Road, Canton.

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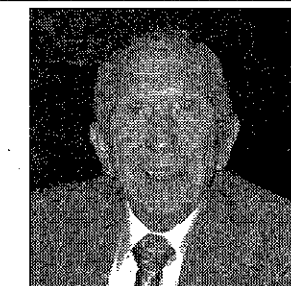


ELIZABETH (Betty) ANGELO

Of Birmingham, MI passed away Tuesday, January 8, 2008 at Clark Retirement Community in Grand Rapids, her home for the past five years. She was born on July 17, 1923 in Lansing to Albert Jr. and Isabel Stoll. She was married to Frank Angelo on February 25, 1950. Frank was the longtime managing editor at the Detroit Free Press. He preceded her in death in November 2000. Surviving are her two sons: Frank (Suzanne) and grandchildren Alyson and Nicolas, all of Portland, OR; Andy (Mary) and grandchildren Michael and Sarah, all of Grand Rapids; great-grandchildren Kyle and Tyler of Milford, and Lily and David, all of Grand Rapids. Sister Abbie (Steve) Leonard of Birmingham, MI. She also preceded in death by her sister Martha Murphy. Betty graduated from Birmingham Public Schools and attended Hillsdale College. She was a news reporter for the Royal Oak Tribune and the Detroit News. Betty took a break from her newspaper career to raise her two sons. She and Frank often told friends that their proudest accomplishment was raising two young boys into strong men. She later went back to newspapers writing with her "Forget-Me-Nots" weekly column for the Birmingham Observer and Eccentric. She was past president of the Junior Group of Goodwill Industries in Detroit, a member of First Presbyterian Church in Birmingham and co-authored with her husband, the history of the Community House of Birmingham. A Memorial Service will be held in late March at First Presbyterian Church of Birmingham. Memorials are suggested to the Clark Foundation for Benevolent Care, 1551 Franklin SE, Grand Rapids, Michigan 49506.

EUGENE H. LANSING, MD

Age 80, of Westland. Died peacefully at home January 7, 2008. Born September 17, 1927 to the late Albert & Anna in Mason City, Iowa. Graduated from St. Joseph's High School, Mason City, Iowa in 1945. Enlisted in the US Navy in June of 1945 and was stationed in Pearl Harbor, with an honorable discharge in 1946. Graduated from Lorain College, Dubuque, IA in 1950. Married Kathryn Helvick August 30, 1952. Graduated from the University of Iowa College of Medicine in 1955. Surgical residency from 1955-1960 at Wayne County General Hospital, Eloise, MI. Practiced medicine at Ann Arbor Hospital from 1960-1989. Former Chief of Staff. Retired in 1989. Beloved husband & caregiver to Kathryn. Loving father of Jon (Bonnie), Angeli (Brian) Lally & Jeffrey (Gwen). Dear brother of Mark (Linda) & Joanie (Jim) Jackson. Grandfather to Jason & Trent Lally and Marissa Lansing. Funeral at St. Richard Catholic Church, 35637 Cherry Hill, Westland, Friday, 9:30am. Family will receive friends Wednesday, 5-9pm & Thursday, 2-9pm at the Uht Funeral Home, 35400 Glenwood, Westland. Please visit and sign a tribute at: www.uhtfuneralhome.com



FRANZ FUGMANN

On January 2, 2008, Franz Fugmann of Frankenmuth, MI, formerly of Birmingham, passed away at home in his sleep after a 2-year bout with cancer. He was 81. Born in his maternal grandparents' house on September 28, 1926, he was baptized Franz Johan Fugmann at the Lutheran Church in the little village of Schney, Germany. He immigrated to the U.S. when he was a year old, coming through Ellis Island in 1928 with his mother, Anna, and his older sister, Winnifred. His father, George, brought them to Michigan, where Franz's younger sister, Hilda Virginia, was born. He graduated from Pontiac High School in January, 1945. Inducted in February 1945, he proudly served two years in the U.S. Army, and was a tank instructor. He successfully ran the family business with his father, making the Virginia Market, at 608 S. Woodward in Birmingham, a well-known German meat market and grocery. In 1959, he flew to Rosstal, Germany to marry Johanna ("Hanni") Kissling, and brought her to Birmingham. They moved to Frankenmuth in 1971 to raise their family. Franz worked as meat manager at the Bavarian Inn until 1988, then became a licensed realtor. In addition, he managed the family properties in Birmingham and his own in Frankenmuth. He was active in Frankenmuth Lions Club, Frankenmuth Historical Society, and American Legion Post 150. His wife, Hanni, was the love of his life and they were blessed with 48 years of marriage. He also leaves behind his children, Christel and Dieter (Holly); the apple of his eye, granddaughter Sky; his sisters, Winnifred Ziehl of Venice, FL and Virginia (Paul) Champoux of Ann Arbor, MI; seven nieces and nephews, 18 great-nieces and nephews, and 13 great-great nieces and nephews. He was deeply loved and appreciated by his whole family and a lifetime of treasured friends and colleagues. He will be terribly missed and joyfully remembered. Memorials to Hospice of Hope.



MARY NEMES

Age 86. Loving wife of the late Rudolph. Beloved Mother of Therese (Raymond) Lafferty, Daniel (Anne), Maggie (Mel) Champagne-Kramer, the late Virginia (Fred) Loos, Thomas (Beth), John (Meg), Charlie (Kathleen), Mary (Larry) Evans, Patricia (Bryan) McCaffrey, Joseph (Catherine), Barbara (William) Pollock. Loving grandmother of Heather, Bridget, Raymond, Robert, Sean, Nadine, Brian, David, Tim, Christopher, Carolyn, Elizabeth, Daniel, Johnny, Luke, Josh, Michael, Steven, Peter, Catherine, Patrick, Christopher, Andrew, Cameron, Mary, Jacqueline, Charles, Christine, Colleen, Claire, Kristina, Neal, Sean, Laura, Colleen, Rob, Virginia, MaryClare. Great-Grandmother of Samatha, Collin, Marian, Ryan, Mattie, Timothy & Audrey. Dear Sister of Therese McDonald, John Snyder, Cecelia Roll, Mary Flynn & the late David Snyder. Mom will always be remembered for her loving smile, warm embrace, gracious heart, smiling eyes and, most importantly, her love of God. We enjoyed her lifelong appreciation for literature and her uncanny ability to turn a phrase and find humor in all aspects of life. Music and art always filled our bustling home of 11 children (in addition to countless friends and relatives). She enriched the lives of all those who were fortunate enough to know her. Mom will forever live in our hearts and serve as an everlasting reminder of how to unconditionally love one another and to live our lives in the image of Christ. Visiting: Thursday 2-9pm with Rosary at 7 pm at Charles Step Funeral Home, 18425 Beech Daly, btwn 6-7 Mile Rd., 313-531-1888. Instate Friday 10 am until 10:30 am, Mass at St. Francis Church, 32200 W. 12 Mile (W of Orchard Lake) Holy Sepulchre Cemetery. In lieu of flowers donations to Michigan Right to Life or EWTN (Catholic Channel) appreciated.

GARY MAKOWER

Age 83, of Westland, January 8, 2008. Beloved father of Felicia (Dan) Peck, Kurt (Debbi), Mark (Diane), and Kim. Survived by many nieces, nephews and cousins in Germany and other parts of Europe. Private cremation services arranged by Vermeulen Funeral Home-Plymouth. Memorial contributions may be made to St. John Hospice, 37650 Garfield Rd, Clinton Twp MI 48036; or the Michigan Humane Society, 26711 Northwestern Hwy., Ste. 175, Southfield, MI 48033. To share memories and view obituary, please visit: vermeulenfuneralhome.com.

ROBERT W. HYRKAS

Age 86, of Westland, died January 3, 2008. Thayer-Rock Funeral Home, Farmington, MI

THOMAS M. PICHLER Jr.

Age 27, January 5, 2008. Loving son of Thomas and Wanda Pichler. Dearest brother of Cara Brooks and Jennifer Pichler. Proud uncle of Paige and Alyssa. Dear grandson of Dorothy (the late Herbert) Pichler and John (the late Betty) Gaumer. Also survived by many aunts, uncles and cousins. Funeral Service Thursday, January 10th, 11:30am at the John N. Santeister & Son Funeral Home, 1139 Inkster (between Ford Rd. and Cherry Hill).

WILLIAM C. TRIPP

Age 65, Clarkston, MI, passed away January 3, 2008. Thayer-Rock Funeral Home, Farmington, MI

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Choose from Covenant, a Precept Upon Precept class, or The Truth Project (new from Focus on the Family). To register, call (734) 455-0022, Ext. 4 or visit www.vchurches.com/cbcwomen.

Bible study

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

Fellowship Dinners

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

Thrift Shop

9:30-11:30 a.m. and 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Saturdays at St. James Presbyterian Church, 25350 W. Six Mile, Redford.

Registration

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

Morning prayers

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

J.O.Y. meeting

The J.O.Y. Builders (Just Older Youth, ages 50 plus) meet 11:30 a.m. the third Thursday of the month for lunch, fellowship and fun, at Riverside Park Church of God, 11771 Newburgh at Plymouth roads, Livonia. Call (734) 464-0990. All

are welcome to join in. There is no charge, although organizers ask that you bring a luncheon dish to share.

Higher Rock Cafe

Second and fourth Friday of the month, doors open at 7:30 p.m., live bands begin at 8 p.m. presented by Salvation Army of Wayne/Westland, 2300 S. Venoy, between Michigan Avenue and Palmer. For information, call (734) 722-3660 or visit www.tsa.higherrockcafe.4t.com.

Uplifting church services

Want a unique church experience? Join in Sunday mornings at 10:45 a.m. for a service that will lift your entire family, but be prepared for what will happen after just one service. An open discussion 7 p.m. Wednesdays. Classes available for all ages, child to adult. Riverside Park Church of God is at 11771 Newburgh (corner of Plymouth Road), Livonia. Call (734) 464-0990.

Worship service

10 a.m. Sundays, at The Lutheran

Church of Our Saviour, 29425 Annapolis, Westland. Sunday School for children. For information, call (734) 728-3440.

Youth wanted

Twens and teens age 12 and up are invited to join in various youth activities held at Riverside Park Church of God, 11771 Newburgh Road (corner of Plymouth), Livonia. Come to one of the regular classes on Sundays at 9:30 a.m. or Wednesdays at 7 p.m. For details, call (734) 464-0990.

Sunday worship

10 a.m. at Lutheran Church of Our Saviour, 29425 Annapolis, Westland. For information, call (734) 728-3440.

Sunday services

Pastor Dan Strength leads services at Living Water Church (Pentecostal Church of God), 11663 Arcola, one block west of Inkster Road on Plymouth Road. Sunday School is 10 a.m. followed by worship at 11 a.m. Bible study 7 p.m. Wednesdays. Call (734) 425-6360.

Farmington Women Aglow

Meets the second Monday of each month 7-9:30 p.m. at the Longacre House on Farmington road between 10 Mile and 11 Mile, Farmington Hills. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. Call Vikki for more information at (248) 497-7755. Farmington Aglow is a Christian women's groups.

Worship services

Sunday worship services are at 8 a.m. (traditional) and 10:30 a.m. (contemporary), at Grace Lutheran Church, 46001 Warren, between Canton Center and Beck, Canton. For more information, call (734) 637-8160. Sunday school and Adult Bible Study at 9:15 a.m. Adult Bible Study series: Heaven Can't Wait.

Worship services

Praise and worship 10 a.m. Sunday, at Westwood Community Church, 6500 Wayne Road and Hunter, Westland. Contemporary music and casual dress. Children church and nursery. Call (734) 254-0093. Doughnuts and coffee served.

Celebrate Recovery

Ward Evangelical Presbyterian Church in Northville launches Celebrate Recovery, a Christ-centered recovery program helping men and women find freedom from their hurts, habits and hang-ups (addictive and compulsive behaviors), meets every Friday evening for 6 p.m. dinner (optional), 7 p.m. praise and worship, 8 p.m. small group discussion, 9 p.m. Solid Rock Cafe (optional coffee and desserts). Child care during Celebrate Recovery is free and available by calling (248) 374-7400. For information, visit www.celebraterecovery.com and www.wardchurch.org/celebrate.

Sunday service

All are welcome to attend worship service at 10 a.m. Sunday in the sanctuary at St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, 27475 Five Mile, one block west of Inkster, Livonia. For more information, call (734) 422-1470.

Your Invitation To Worship

<p>BAPTIST</p> <p>NEW HOPE BAPTIST CHURCH 33640 Michigan Ave. • Wayne, MI (Between Wayne Rd. & Merriman Rd.) (734) 728-2180 <i>Virgil Humes, Pastor</i></p> <p>Saturday Evening Worship 6:00 p.m. Sunday Worship 7:30 a.m. and 10:45 a.m. • Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Wednesday Praise Service 6:00 p.m. • Wednesday Children, Youth and Adult Bible Study 7:00-8:30 p.m.</p>	<p>UNITED METHODIST</p> <p>Clarenceville United Methodist 20300 Middlebelt Rd. • Livonia 248-474-3444 Pastor Beth Librande Worship Service 9:30 AM Sunday School 11:00 AM Nursery Provided</p> <p>Redford Aldersgate 2 blocks South of Plymouth 10000 Beech Daly 313-937-3170 9:30 - Trad. Worship & Sun. Sch. 11:00 - Contemp. Family Worship www.redfordaldersgate.org</p>	<p>LUTHERAN CHURCH MISSOURI SYNOD</p> <p>Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church 14175 Farmington Road, Livonia Just north of I-96 734-522-6830</p> <p>Sunday Worship 8:30 & 11:00 am - Traditional Staffed Nursery Available</p> <p>Sunday/Bible Class 9:45 am Early Childhood Center Phone 734-513-8413</p> <p>Making disciples who share the love of Jesus Christ Pastors: Robert F. Bayer and Anthony M. Creeden</p>
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POOLE

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Poole, who doesn't deny lying to police, offered several stories for Allison's injuries, but ultimately said she was playing a game of "whirlybird" when the child accidentally fell 12 feet over a second-story balcony.

"When Carol Poole lost her grip on Allison, she lost her mental grip as well," Satawa said. "Denial so strong descended upon her mind like a fog."

In her clouded judgement, Satawa said Poole made the tragic mistake of not taking Allison to the hospital immediately.

"No one wishes that (would have happened) more than Carol Poole," he said as Poole sobbed. Calling his client a "good and decent woman," Satawa said "most of the prosecution's case is an emotional appeal. Don't be fooled."

The state's first witness, Melissa Gunn, worked at the Plymouth Township day care that Allison attended and testified that she saw a series of scratches along the child's entire body that Poole said came from another girl injuring her with a shovel.

Gunn, who admitted that her memory is "jumbled jumbled," said she didn't report the injuries to anyone other than her former boss, Jacqueline Hadwin of Westland. A jury acquitted Hadwin of charges that she failed to report suspected abuse of Allison in November.

The trial continued Wednesday, with several witnesses called including Allison's former doctor (between January of 2005 and July of 2006), who testified he never saw any signs of abuse, and never heard any claims that she was clumsy and would typically walk into walls, as the Poole defense team has suggested.

Leisure Services to host open house

Discover what Canton Leisure Services has to offer when it presents "Take a Walk Through Leisure Services" on Sunday, Jan. 13, from 1-5 p.m. at the Summit on the Park, located at 46000 Summit Parkway.

Canton officials are encouraging Canton residents to come, learn, and ask questions about the variety of services and programs available through Leisure Services at this free event.

Check-in and receive a passport that will guide you on your walk, then stroll from room to room, getting it stamped along the way.

As you explore various rooms of the Summit, a number of Canton Leisure Services programs and services will be explained. The first 100 people to turn in their completed passports will receive a pedom-

eter. Additional drawings will also be held for prizes.

There will be a number of activities available, including golf hitting and putting stations, sports trivia, and GCYBSA registration in the sports and golf areas.

There will be information available about new fitness classes and personal training opportunities at the Summit; progress being made on the Lower Rouge River Trail System; upcoming environmental programming; Camp Canton and other playground activities.

Crafts, games and an inflatable bouncer will be available for the children, as well as snack samples.

Canton Leisure Services was recently honored with several awards at the Michigan Parks & Recreation Association's Programming Our World

(POW) conference. The Red Carpet Worthy Award in "The Best Teen Program" category was awarded to Canton Leisure Services' "Totally Canton, Totally Art," a four-week pilot program targeting the underserved teen population of Canton. The after-school program introduced area teens to fashion design, guitar and drums, Hip Hop dance, and pottery, and was held at the Canton Crossing housing development this past fall.

"The Best Family Program Award" went to Canton Leisure Services' Historical Hike, a fall event that showcased Canton's numerous historical sites during a one-day event.

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Benefit moved to larger site for expected turnout

Friends and those wishing to help a tragedy-touched family have overwhelmed organizers so a fund-raising dinner to help that family has been moved to a larger location.

Ten-year-old Jordan Griffin is dead and her sister, eight-year-old Sidney, is in critical condition following the Dec. 30 traffic crash that took the lives of four other

members of their family on an Ohio interstate. The two attended Clarenceville Schools' Grandview Elementary, where their mother, Jodie, is a para-professional.

Because of great public response, a spaghetti and pizza dinner fund-raiser to help the Griffin family after its loss will still be held at 6 p.m. Friday, Jan. 18, but has been

moved to Ward Evangelical Church, 40000 Six Mile Road, Northville.

Bob Evans, Munchies Pizza, Westborn Market, Jet's Pizza, Gordon Food Service and The Deli — all of Livonia — are supporting the event.

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OUR VIEWS

Yack leaves legacy of positive growth

Canton Township Supervisor Tom Yack has decided two decades in office is enough. The longest serving supervisor in the township's history has announced he will not seek reelection this fall. When he exits at the end of the year, he will be leaving some big shoes to fill.

The 61-year-old Yack, who was first elected in 1988, is completing his fifth term in office. Under his leadership, Canton has evolved from a rural township to the state's 11th largest community with roughly 90,000 residents. And the town continues to grow, not just in population, but also with the number of businesses that are coming to town.

Everyone is familiar with IKEA and the large big box national retailers that have come to town, but Canton has also attracted major international companies including Yazaki and the Tempo Group, a Chinese automotive research and design firm located on Michigan Avenue.

Obviously Canton's geographic location meant it was going to experience growth during the last two decades, but Yack had a lot to do with the kind of development that took place. When he took office, Canton's commercial development consisted primarily of unattractive strip malls along Ford Road.

While Ford Road can still be a traffic nightmare, Yack and his staff have been proactive to make it a more pedestrian-friendly thoroughfare, featuring national retailers and restaurants, as well as public art and other aesthetic improvements. Yack has said that when he took office, it was nearly impossible to get developers to look at land south of Ford Road, but under his leadership some of the most impressive developments have occurred in the southern portion of the township, including numerous upscale subdivisions, and perhaps the most ambitious project, Cherry Hill Village, which is slowly coming into its own. The most exciting growth is occurring along the Michigan Avenue corridor, something that was unthinkable before Yack took office.

Canton's incredible growth in recent years also allowed the township to build some top-notch recreation facilities, including Summit on the Park, Pheasant Run Golf Club and the Village Theater at Cherry Hill. The parks and recreation facilities and programs are second to none in the area and have helped attract residents.

Perhaps Yack's biggest accomplishment was to put together a solid team of professional administrators that have helped put his vision for the township into action. Hiring professionals has greatly improved the services provided by the township government. Of course, there is a cost in creating a large bureaucracy, which some have criticized as being too bloated. But by and large Canton's residents have been pretty happy with the services they receive and are willing to pay the price.

Some call Yack a visionary, while others believe he benefited from Canton's growth. Certainly there is some truth to both theories. Yack, like all public officials, has had his share of detractors, including some who felt he governed the township like a dictator. What is certain, however, is he guided the township with a steady hand, and had some phenomenal successes as supervisor. Yack is leaving a tremendous legacy, and will be missed.

His departure leaves a tremendous opportunity for someone to take over one of the most prosperous communities in the region. Thus far, all the other members of the board of trustees said they aren't interested in the job. There are rumors swirling around that state Rep. Phil LaJoy is interested in running, though he said he isn't ready to make any kind of announcement. Canton is full of civic-minded individuals and we hope others will come forward and express interest in the job, and maybe leave a legacy of their own.

Resist urge to boycott primary

Democratic voters in Michigan have every right to feel cheated regarding next Tuesday's presidential primary election.

Although little can be done to correct the situation prior to next Tuesday, Democrats nonetheless can demand to be heard by participating in the sham election.

A tug-of-war between Michigan and national leadership of both political parties is to blame for the fiasco. Our state political bosses wanted Michigan to have a greater say in the national debate, so they voted to move the state primary before the Iowa Caucuses and New Hampshire Primary, which for some godforsaken reason has a historical stranglehold on the process.

Instead of addressing Michigan's concerns, the national party bosses decided to punish us for wanting to play a larger role in selecting this country's next president.

The Democrats have stripped Michigan of its 156 delegates for this year's national convention, and the Republican Party will only count half of the state's delegates. Additionally, all but four of the Democratic contenders were bullied into pulling their names from the primary ballot, so Democratic voters will only have Sen. Hillary Clinton, Sen. Chris Dodd, Rep. Dennis Kucinich and former Sen. Mike Gravel from which to choose, and Dodd has already dropped out of the primary race.

It would be easy for Democrats to stay home next Tuesday, but that would be a mistake. If voters support one of the four candidates on the ballot, they should vote for that person. If they don't, then Democrats are urged to cast an "uncommitted" vote. The best way to demand a voice is to show our resolve in being heard.



LETTERS

Set record straight

As promised, the Plymouth-Canton school board changed the election date to odd year May elections.

In doing so, we have saved the school district \$100,000 next year alone. The long-term savings will amount to \$200,000 every four years. By moving our elections to odd May only, we save even more by sharing election costs with Schoolcraft College, decreasing our average election costs to \$25,000 per year.

If we had changed to an annual November date, this would have been more costly, averaging \$42,000 per year. It was a difficult decision for me as a board member for two reasons. First, a well-meaning, but obviously ill-informed community member circulated a petition encouraging board members to change to an annual November election.

Secondly, historically more people tend to vote in November elections. However, the additional savings to the district of \$13,000 is money that can be put directly back into the classrooms annually.

It is important to note that the legislature may change all of this. It was critical to make the decision that we did for now because of the savings it provided to our budget.

I encourage everyone to take the time to become informed on political issues and to get out and vote no matter when an election occurs.

Dianne Gonzalez
Plymouth-Canton trustee

Johnson made human mistake

Cathy Johnson made a serious mistake, and the consequences of such have been appropriate. However, I don't believe that this recent episode should serve as an indictment for several decades of dedicated volunteerism and service to the Canton community.

Cathy has been a steadfast supporter and volunteer in many capacities in Canton over the years. She has served on her homeowners association boards without lapse for over 30 years; volunteered for the Goodfellows for years; worked in the Canton Community Foundation office when it was first starting up, and was a cornerstone to the Operation Desert Storm Yellow Ribbon campaign here in Canton; a founding member of the Home Owner's Advisory Council; volunteered on the old Beautification Committee; she's raised money for the Canton Fireman's Clown Team; negotiated for donations for the "Welcome to Canton" signs that used to be at our entrances to the community; she's volunteered with the Canton Historical Society; worked as a precinct chair at elections. Just about anywhere Canton needed a helping hand, Cathy Johnson was there.

Cathy has been a cheerleader for Canton and a terrific ambassador for our community. Much of the quality of developments seen in Canton are thanks to Cathy being a strong vote on the Planning Commission and the ZBA, and her desire to see Canton as a beautiful place in which to work and live. I don't believe there is one person that has known Cathy or worked with her that would disagree that she's been an asset to our community over the years.

Melissa McLaughlin
Canton trustee and planning commissioner

I think it is important that Canton be a place as free from prejudice and stereotypes as possible. Canton has become a more worldly community over the years; therefore, it is important for those acting in an official capacity be as cogent of these issues and potentially hurtful comments as possible. I did want folks to know that Cathy Johnson has given a great deal to our community and has acted generously in all that she's given over the years. I didn't want this last public act to be the epitaph of Cathy's long career as a wonderful volunteer and a generous person.

Temple isn't compatible

Certainly it is troubling that some of the comments made at the meeting to discuss the proposed Hindu Temple were considered inappropriate by some of the attendees. However, equally as troubling is the fact that they were painted as prejudicial, intolerant, and racial by supporters of this building, and as bigoted by their attorney, Bryan Amann, in an all-too-obvious attempt to gain leverage to get this inappropriate building and site plan approved. These unsavory tactics must be recognized for what they are.

Blatant pandering to create a feeling of guilt in the community for just asking for what is right and responsible. The issue is not the expansion by the Hindu Temple to accommodate an increased membership. The focus should and must solely be on whether this building is compatible with the neighborhoods into which it would be built. It is not, and together with its proposed location, deep into the surrounding neighborhoods, are sufficient and compelling reasons to reject this plan.

The Planning Commission is doing the job it is supposed to do. Assure that inappropriate buildings and site plans are rejected. Allowing this plan to be implemented will have a very negative effect on the surrounding homeowners' quality of life, ability to enjoy their property, and will certainly depreciate their property values.

The action of Mr. Amann should be a wake-up call for all the residents of Canton as to the influence special interests try to exert in our community regardless of how tawdry the means.

There should be concern also over Mr. Yack's comments that the community needs to be more receptive to a variety of architectural styles. I'm wondering if both Mr. Amann and Mr. Yack would be receptive to this type of construction in their "back yard?" But I guess that's not a concern since Mr. Amann and Mr. Yack are next door neighbors and enjoy the view from a couple of the most desirable lots that back up to the Pheasant Run Golf Course.

Thomas P. Gamache
Canton

Comments were racist

It is only proper that Catherine Johnson was asked to resign in wake of her remarks about the Hindu community. Ms. Johnson has shown herself to be a racist of the highest order when she makes a comment maligning a whole

community in a public forum based purely on hearsay, without taking the efforts to verify the facts.

If Ms. Johnson heard from "someone" that all Christian priests have sex with their women parishioners, would Ms. Johnson take this hearsay and ask a Christian priest in a public forum such as a township meeting whether this was true without checking the facts? If not, why not? Why did she think Hindus deserve any less respect?

It has not escaped our notice that Ms. Johnson was quick to shoot off her mouth with her racist remarks, but has not seen fit to apologize for her remarks.

Kris Raghunathan
Canton

Pray for middle class

General Motors and Ford recently announced raises for their employees, but those of us who work for those companies, know that it is on the backs of those they are letting go. Local large auto companies are letting our Canton neighbors go week-by-week — this slow bleed has been a constant for four years. Those of us in Canton who work for those companies have been doing the job of three people for years.

In one very large local auto supplier, hundreds come from overseas monthly, Canton employees train their replacements and lose their jobs. This local large facility does not hide what they are doing — they say it's the only way they can survive. This same facility, and another local OEM has removed every other fluorescent light bulb in their working areas in order to save \$25,000 per year. The trash is only collected once a week, and the employees empty their own bins.

On the extreme, one member of our group works for an exclusive jewelry store in Bloomfield Hills — business has never been better. On a local and national level, the wealthier in Michigan are getting just that, wealthier.

The middle class is disappearing — this effects Canton residents greatly, as they are employed by these companies. Many of my co-workers were let go the week before Christmas at Visteon — there are many more to come. We should all pray for the middle class, those families who have lost, or are losing their homes and jobs.

P. Pondell
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"She is the heart and soul of the library and her vision has made the library what it is. She has innovative thinking and she is never satisfied with the status quo."

- Canton Public Library programs director Marcia Barker describing longtime library director Jean Tabor, who is retiring at the end of the week

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Primary farce leaves Dems with poor options

The Democratic Presidential Primary in Michigan is a fraud and a farce. But how can you tell people not to vote, even when they aren't offered a real choice?

The smarty-pants in the Michigan Democratic leadership decided to follow the smarty-pants in the Republican leadership in defying their party by scheduling the presidential primary ahead of the proposed dates for the Iowa caucus and the New Hampshire primary. The argument was that Michigan is more representative of the country than small, rural Iowa and New Hampshire. Michigan

also seems to be a bellwether for the nation's impending economic freefall. It's hard to dispute that argument. Michigan is large, a true mixture of urban and rural, a state with environmental, social and economic concerns that will have an enormous impact on the nation's future.

But rational decisions are not what political parties are about.

The Republican Party responded by threatening to take away half of Michigan's delegate votes at the convention. The Democratic Party responded by threatening to take away ALL of Michigan's delegates, warning candidates not to campaign for Michigan primary votes and requesting that candidates withdraw from the election.

The results of all this: Iowa and New Hampshire moved their elections back almost into last year; the Republicans made good on their threat but all the Republican candidates will be on the ballot and the vote will have some impact, especially if Mitt Romney fails to win; and, the Democrats are stuck with a primary in which only Hillary Clinton of the three viable candidates is still on the ballot.

If you love the New York senator and former first lady, it's a perfect situation. But if you have a regard for democracy (small d) or prefer Barack Obama or John Edwards, your choices are severely limited.

You could register your disgust by voting for one of the party's worst nightmares, Dennis Kucinich or Mike Gravel (who?). A vote for Kucinich might also be seen as a vote against the war, so that has some appeal.

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You could follow Democrat chair Mark Brewer's suggestion and vote for "uncommitted." Initially, if "uncommitted" wins, it would show major disaffection with Hillary Clinton's candidacy and "send a message" that you don't believe in "inevitable" candidates. Then you would have to trust that the party regulars who would be going as an "uncommitted" slate wouldn't give their votes to Sen. Clinton anyway (If any Michigan delegates are allowed to vote). Considering that the governor supports Clinton, that might be more trust than you want to place in the party.

What you can not do is write in a candidate's name, because they had to register to accept write-ins by Jan. 4 and no candidates did. As Oakland County Clerk Ruth Johnson notes, you can't even write in Mickey Mouse's name. And what kind of election is it where you can't write in Mickey's name. It's un-American.

Alternatively, you could also choose to pick up a Republican slate. As a Democrat, you could vote for the Republican you'd like to see elected in the general election if that "disaster" arises or you can throw a wrench into the process by voting for a Republican without a chance of winning the nomination (say Ron Paul or Duncan Hunter). This tactic has been used by members of both parties in the past when one or the other party didn't have their own competitive primary.

After all this is over, the two parties need to assess this process. I've been to Iowa and New Hampshire. They're nice places with good people. But they are totally unrepresentative of the majority of American citizens. They have had their day and it's time to create a new format that allows a broad participation in the nominating process.

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Second Amendment: It's time to redefine 'militia' and 'rights'

"A well regulated Militia, being necessary to the security of a free State, the right of the people to keep and bear Arms, shall not be infringed."

In a *Wall Street Journal* op-ed article (<http://www.opinionjournal.com/editorial/feature.html?id=110010896>) the attorney general of Michigan, Mike Cox, gives an analysis of the Second Amendment. Mr. Cox cites the First and Fourth Amendments that delineate individuals' "rights" as to behavior and personal property. Mr. Cox also argues that we should take into account the frame of mind the writers of the Constitution were in when the document was constructed.

I was able to point-click-cut-paste the entire Second Amendment into this document in seconds. The modern wordsmith can do wonders with a mouse but falls victim to "presentness" when hammering at the anvil of meaning and understanding. Instead we need to take quill to paper and engage the services of "ye olde worde smythe."

In our country today it would be natural to focus on the third part of Second Amendment as "the right of the people to keep and bear arms." Our culture today is far removed from the time when the Constitution was written. We are now only concerned with protecting our money, property and ourselves. We should focus instead on the word "right" and what that meant to our ancestors first.

Reading from Franklin, Jefferson and Madison we get a sense of "nation" — individuals with inherent and self-evident rights with a shared vision of how to protect them. Read about the Deerfield Massacre by the French and Indians in early colonial Massachusetts. The local militia rose to the defense and as news spread of the catastrophe the surrounding villages gathered armed men to battle the invaders. This militia had the "inherent right to bear arms" but exercised the "duty" to secure a "free state." This is the problem we face today: Letting the "presentness" of our conceit and self-centeredness color our understanding of the Constitution.

Individual rights are useless if we don't understand the obligation of the duty to protect and enjoy those rights. Furthermore, this duty must extend to ensuring all citizens have access to these rights even if that means sacrificing our lives and property for the nation. Look at what a disaster the Iraq War is; the debacle in New Orleans during and after Hurricane Katrina; uncontrolled borders; and the murder and mayhem in the city of Detroit. We went to war with an army with no depth; the country is still unprepared for another natural disaster; we can't find the funds to secure our borders; and the simple day-to-day survival situation in many of our cities continues to deteriorate. These problems are what "a well regulated militia" was intended for and yes, having a firearm may be necessary to carry out these duties.

As a nation we have regressed in maturity compared to the founding generations. We are so

caught up in getting and possessing money and objects we have confused these material goods as rights. The framers of the Constitution knew that rights flow from duty. The Second Amendment then speaks not so much to "rights" but to "duty." Reread the Preamble of the Constitution: "We the People of the United States, in Order to form a more perfect Union, establish Justice, insure domestic Tranquility, provide for the common defence, promote the general Welfare, and secure the Blessings of Liberty to ourselves and our Posterity, do ordain and establish this Constitution for the United States of America."

And from section 8: "To provide for calling forth the Militia to execute the Laws of the Union, suppress Insurrections and repel Invasions; To provide for organizing, arming, and disciplining, the Militia, and for governing such part of them as may be employed in the Service of the United States, reserving to the States respectively, the Appointment of the Officers, and the Authority of training the Militia according to the discipline prescribed by Congress."

The writers of the Constitution recognized the primary importance of making provisions for the "common defense." Notice the words United States, Order, Union, Justice, Tranquility, Welfare, Blessings, Liberty and Posterity are capitalized. The use of capitalization in the original transcripts of books and documents from this time gave emphasis to the Concept the word represented. We also know that the preamble is an introduction to the critical points in Constitution itself. But notice that the Second Amendment is introduced in the preamble by "provide for the common defence" (sic) and this phrase lacks capitalization. This tells us that providing for the common defense (modern spelling!) is not limited to possessing arms only and is supportive of the greater ideas that are capitalized.

Instead the Second Amendment is a "call to arms" or in modern usage, Universal Service in a National Guard. Look what happens when the militia is called out on "Angels Night" in Detroit: Crime is almost nonexistent. The country self-mobilized after the hurricane and the 9/11 attacks and we did the best we could with no effective federal organization to speak of. Volunteers are patrolling border areas in a heartfelt but misguided effort. Detroit Edison electrical workers quickly travel to areas where tornados or ice storms knock out power.

We should define Militia as meaning lifelong National Universal Service. All citizens would train and serve full time for at least two years then on a yearly basis for the rest of their lives in some capacity. Border, airport and infrastructure security; police, fire and life support; elder and disabled care in group homes or hospitals; truck drivers and logistics during natural disasters; and educators and medical workers to serve the poor. And, yes, we could even find something for lawyers to do!

Keeping and bearing arms in National Service is an Obligation and a Duty, not just a right.

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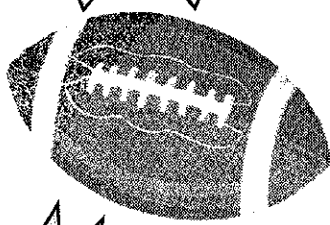
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Wildcats ice Chiefs for 4th straight win

BY ED WRIGHT
STAFF WRITER

What's the difference between a foot and a hockey stick?

Apparently not much — at least when it comes to scoring goals for Plymouth's Colin Rolfe.

Rolfe, a high-scoring All-State soccer player in the fall, registered a hat trick in the Wildcats' 7-2 triumph over Canton in a cross-campus hockey showdown played Tuesday night at Compuware Arena.

The slick-skating forward could have had

a five-goal night if not for a couple sterling first-period saves by Chief net-minder Kevan Swanberg.

The victory lifted Plymouth's record to 8-4 while the Chiefs slipped to 6-8.

"I think the break did us some good," said Plymouth coach Paul Fassbender, shortly after his team's fourth consecutive victory. "Saturday we played phenomenal against Walled Lake Western except for a couple mental errors. We had a great practice yesterday and it carried over to tonight."

Rolfe has been essentially a part-time player for the Wildcats as he is also serving a

commitment to his premier soccer team. But the time he's spent with the Wildcats' hockey squad has been time well spent.

"Colin's with us about 50 percent of the time because of his commitment to soccer," said Fassbender. "He's playing that sport in college, so we agreed to work with him. He's probably our fastest skater. He's been able to practice with us the past few practices and I think it showed tonight."

The Wildcats outplayed the Chiefs in all phases of the contest and outshot their rivals 42-13, including 19-3 in the third period. Plymouth goalie Ryan Schultz was solid

between the pipes, stopping 11 of the 13 shots he faced.

The game was even-steven throughout the opening 12:49 as Plymouth's Erik Olivier and Canton's Donny Barlow exchanged goals.

The momentum shifted to the hosts' side of the arena late in the first period when the Wildcats lit up the scoreboard twice on goals from Kyle Callahan (1:44 left) and Jerry Pitts, who lit the lamp with just 14.9 seconds remaining in the period.

The Chiefs carved their deficit to 3-2 mid-

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Above, Brandon and Alex Roberts are both key contributors to their respective Plymouth basketball teams. Brandon, a senior, has led the Wildcats in scoring the past two seasons. In photo at right, Salem has a pair of talented brother-sister basketball combinations. Pictured from left are Chelsea and Ross Davis; and Grant and Sara Stone.



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Scheduling puts hoop parents in a difficult bind

It was the best of times, it was the worst of times for Ross Davis as he hustled along the sidewalk that connects the Salem and Canton gymnasiums on the night of Dec. 18.

The good news: Davis was heading to the Phase III gym to watch his daughter, Chelsea, play in the second half of the Canton-Salem girls basketball game.

The bad news: In his wake, he was leaving the Canton-Salem boys game, in which his son, Ross, was playing for the Rocks.

Davis is one of six local parents who have been blessed with both a son and a daughter so talented that they play vital roles for their respective high school teams.

To a lesser degree, they have also been cursed by this year's revised Western Lakes Activities Association basketball schedules that make parents, referees, fans and sports writers pick and choose which game they will attend on any given Tuesday or Friday night.

"It's a difficult thing for me because I've seen just about every game Ross and Chelsea have played in since they were in the PCJBA," said Davis. "I hate missing their games."

"I'll probably end up going to more of Ross's games this season because he's a senior and Chelsea a junior. I think they both understand, but it doesn't make it any easier."

Davis said he'd probably be able to track down a copy of the game film of the second half of the Salem-Canton boys contest, during which his son exploded for 18 second-half points.

"But it won't be the same as being there."

SPLIT SHIFTS

George Roberts can relate. His son, Brandon, is the starting senior point guard for the Plymouth boys team.

His daughter, Alex, is a freshman guard for the Wildcats' girls squad.

In the past — before the girls' season was shifted from the fall to the winter beginning this year — Roberts and his wife, Denise, would have been able to sit side by side in the stands and cheer on their kids together like most parents.

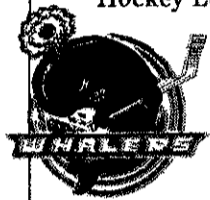
Now, they sit side by side on non-game nights to

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Siblings

OHL trade deadline nears

The phones of the 20 general managers around the Ontario Hockey League will get a workout this week.



The OHL's Final Trade Deadline is this Thursday at 6 p.m., with the deadline to trade overage players (1987 birth-days) noon of the same day.

The Trade Deadline is the final chance teams can obtain veteran needed for the stretch run, or get younger for next season.

Last season, the Whalers acquired veterans Sean O'Connor, Daniel Ryder and Steven Whately at the deadline and all were instrumental in helping Plymouth win a championship.

This season, the Whalers — with a much younger team — remain in the thick of the Western Conference race with a record of 21-13-2-2.

Plymouth is in the tough OHL West Division, the only division in the league where every team is above .500.

Meanwhile, Plymouth President and General Manager Mike Vellucci will continue to work the phones until Thursday evening.

Baseball tryouts

The Motor City Sabres 12U travel baseball team in Canton is seeking one more player for the 2008 season.

For more information contact Chris Tidwell at (734) 961-9410.

The 14U Canton Alley Cats will hold a travel baseball tryout on Sunday, Jan. 27, from 7-9 p.m. at Precision Baseball. Call Glen Potter at (734) 844-8982 for more information.

PCEP wrestling

Canton will host cross-campus rival Plymouth in a Western Lakes Activities Association wrestling meet tonight at 6:30 p.m. in the Phase III gymnasium.

The first 200 K-12 students through the doors will receive free red glow sticks for the match, which will unfold under a spotlight.

Free T-shirts will also be thrown into the crowd during the night following every Chiefs win.

It's all relative

PCEP prep basketball programs feature super siblings

BY ED WRIGHT
STAFF WRITER

If you're a high school basketball player who's been schooled in the paint this season on a slick inside move by Salem's Sara Stone, you can lay some of the blame at the feet of her older brother, Grant.

If Ross Davis has drained a long three-point bomb over your outstretched fingertips, look no further than his younger sister, Chelsea, as a partial reason why the Salem senior's perimeter stroke is so accurate.

And if Brandon Roberts or his

younger sister, Alex, have taken you to the hole off a cross-over dribble, you can rest assured that you're not the only one who has been victimized by moves that were polished during their friendly but competitive games of one-on-one on the family's Canton driveway.

Although they may not readily admit it, each of the six afore-mentioned players have benefitted from having a sibling who not only enjoys basketball, but thrives at it.

"It gets pretty competitive when they play against one another out on

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FAMOUS BROTHER-SISTER ACTS

There have been numerous brother-and-sister combinations who have starred at the collegiate and professional levels in the same sports. Following are a few of the more notable duos:

- BASKETBALL:** Reggie and Cheryl Miller; Ann and Dave Myers; Candace and Anthony Parker; Dena and James Head; Earvin (Magic) and Evelyn Johnson;
- TRACK-AND-FIELD:** Carl and Carol Lewis; Al Joyner and Jackie Joyner-Kersey;
- HOCKEY:** Cammi and Tony Granato.

Canton gymnasts clip rival Rocks

For more on Plymouth gymnastics, see Page B2.

BY ED WRIGHT
STAFF WRITER

Canton gymnastics coach John Cunningham wasn't sure if he was more surprised or more pleased when he caught a glimpse of the final score of Tuesday's meet against cross-campus rival Salem.

Needless to say, Cunningham was pleasantly surprised when he saw his Chiefs had pulled out a dramatic 140.5-138.8 victory over the Rocks.

"I knew we had 140.5, but I honestly thought Salem had 142 or higher," said Cunningham. "When they handed me the sheet to read the final scores off, I was surprised, to say the least."

"I was worried because we had to finish on beam, which isn't our strongest event, and Salem finished on floor, an even where they have a lot of depth. I'm proud of the way the girls pulled it out."

The victory improved the Chiefs' record to 3-0 overall and 2-0 in the Western Lakes Activities Association.

The meet was Salem's first of the season.

Canton's Jessie Murray was the meet's

top performer as she posted an all-around score of 36.7 points. Three Rocks finished 2-3-4: Katie Koetting (35.4), Autumn Collins (34.95) and Brittany Young (34.85).

Two Chiefs Robyn Piwowar and Cathy Huang — rounded out the top six all-arounders with scores of 34.65 and 34.45, respectively.

Among the highlights for Cunningham was a milestone achieved by Mallory Hudak, who registered her first 9-plus mark on her floor exercise.

"It was a nice step for Mallory," said Cunningham. "She's worked very hard at it and the hard work is paying off."

"Overall, I was pleased with the team as a whole, especially on the vault where we finished first, second, third and sixth."

CANTON 140.5 SALEM 138.8

TUESDAY AT PLYMOUTH
VAULT: 1. Jessie Murray (C), 9.3; 2. Robyn Piwowar (C), 9.15; 3. (tie) Cathy Huang (C) and Autumn Collins (S), 9.05; 5. Mallory Hudak (C), 8.55; 6. (tie) Olivia Stephens (C) and Brittany Young (S), 8.5.

UNEVEN BARS: 1. Katie Koetting (S), 9.1; 2. (tie) Robyn Piwowar (C) and Jessie Murray (C), 8.95; 4. Cathy Huang (C), 8.85; 5. Brittany Young (S), 8.75; 6. Autumn Collins (S), 8.5.

BALANCE BEAM: 1. Brittany Young (S), 9.2; 2. Jessie Murray (C), 9.15; 3. Autumn Collins (S), 8.8; 4. Kali Pierce (C), 8.4; 5. (tie) Mallory Hudak (C) and Cathy Huang (C), 8.3.

FLOOR EXERCISE: 1. Katie Koetting (S), 9.5; 2. Jessie Murray (C), 9.3; 3. Mallory Hudak (C), 9.0; 4. Robyn Piwowar (C), 8.95; 5. Autumn Collins (S), 8.6; 6. Brittany Young (S),



Salem's Kat Kariotis steadies herself on the beam during Tuesday's meet against Canton.

8.4.

ALL-AROUND: 1. Jessie Murray (C), 36.7; 2. Katie Koetting (S), 35.4; 3. Autumn Collins (S), 34.95; 4. Brittany Young (S), 34.85; 5. Robyn Piwowar (C), 34.65; 6. Cathy Huang (C), 34.45.

RECORDS: Canton, 3-0 and 2-0 (WLAA); Salem 0-1, 0-1.



Canton's Cathy Huang goes heels over head on the vault during Tuesday's meet against Salem. Canton hung on to win 140.5-138.8.

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Brodehl set to lead young Plymouth gymnastics squad

BY ED WRIGHT
STAFF WRITER

PREP GYMNASTICS PREVIEW

A lot has changed with the Plymouth gymnastics team over the past four years, but one promising ray of light has remained the same — the presence of all-around standout Jordan Brodehl.

Brodehl is ready to embark on a senior season that will make her the first four-year letter-winner in the program's six-year existence — a fact that brings a smile to the face of third-year coach Diane Hodur.

"There's no question that Jordan is the heart and soul of this team," said Hodur. "She is very focused and she understands the importance of working hard in practice."

"She qualified for the state meet as a freshman but missed the past two years by less than .10, so her goal this year is to get back to the state meet. She definitely has the talent and determination to get there."

Although hampered by nagging injuries the past two seasons, Brodehl has established herself as the school's best-ever gymnast — far and away. A trip to the Division 1 state meet in March would make all the hard work worthwhile for the persevering standout.

"Jordan is phenomenal in all

the events, but especially the balance beam," said Hodur. "She's working hard at getting her bars routine back up and she had an 8.8 on the floor (at the Salem Invitational this past weekend)."

Hodur had high praise for a trio of underclassmen on her 12-member roster: sophomores Erica Kosmalski, Danielle Gommick and Julia DeGripp, all of whom earned varsity letters last winter.

"Erica is one of our best all-around gymnasts," said Hodur. "She scored well in our first meet and had an 8.1 on the vault."

"Danielle has a new routine on the floor and I'm very excited for her because it fits her personality perfectly. She's worked very hard on it and it shows."

"Julia is really maturing as a gymnast and is looking strong so far this season."

The Wildcats traveled to Walled Lake on Wednesday for their first Western Lakes Activities Association meet. Their next home meet is Jan. 30 when they host Canton at 7 p.m.

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Fast start, Mitchell's 20 propel Rocks

BY ED WRIGHT
STAFF WRITER

GIRLS PREP HOOP

The last thing you want to do against Salem's efficient and proficient girls basketball team this season is fall into an early hole.

Before you know it, the hole can seem like the Grand Canyon.

Livonia Churchill found this out the hard way Tuesday night as the Rocks built a 15-7 first-quarter lead and never looked back while posting a convincing 45-32 WLLA Lakes Division triumph.

The victory improved Salem's record to 8-2 overall and 3-0 in the division. The Chargers slipped to 3-7 and 1-2, respectively.

"We shared the ball well tonight," said Salem coach Fred Thomann, discussing the key to his team's success. "Our defensive effort was very solid as well."

Senior guard Alaya Mitchell turned in a typically strong performance: 20 points, seven rebounds and four steals.

Junior forward Chelsea Davis shined as well, racking up 12 points, 11 rebounds and three

blocks, while Brett deBear (six points), Sara Stone (five points) and Victoria Brotz (two points, five boards) also excelled.

Salem led 27-19 at the half and 35-28 after three quarters.

The Rocks were perfect from the free throw line, draining all five of their attempts. Churchill, on the other hand, managed to connect on just 3-of-6 tries.

The Rocks put their unbeaten Lakes Division record on the line Friday when they host 8-1 Walled Lake Northern. The opening tip is set for 7 p.m.

LIVONIA FRANKLIN 43, CANTON 30: On Tuesday at Franklin, the Chiefs trailed 19-10 after one quarter and never led thereafter in a WLLA Western Division contest.

The setback dropped Canton to 3-7 overall and 1-2 in the division. The Patriots improved to 7-3 and 1-2, respectively.

"They jumped out to a big lead on us and we were never able to fight back into it," said Canton coach Brian Samulski. "We were down 9-2 before we knew it. They were switching

between a zone and man-to-man defense and we didn't do a good enough job moving the ball."

"We had 21 turnovers, so we were reverting back to a lot of the things we were doing the first couple of weeks when we were really struggling. It's the first time we've given up 40 points in a loss in quite a while."

Senior forward Baylee Hollowell excelled for the Chiefs, netting 20 points and nine rebounds. Erin Quinn was the Chiefs' next most productive player with four points.

Two Patriots broke the double-digit scoring barrier: Ashley Price (16 points) and Brianna Taylor (14). Price was the catalyst of the Pats' big early lead as 10 of her points came in the first quarter.

Brittany Taylor led the winners with seven rebounds.

Franklin led 27-16 at the half and 35-20 with eight minutes left.

Canton was effective at the free throw line, making 14-of-18 attempts. The Patriots were good on just 1-of-7 shots from the stripe.

W.L. WESTERN 42, PLYMOUTH

23: On Tuesday at Plymouth, the Warriors improved their record to 9-1 overall and 3-0 in the WLLA's Western Division with a convincing victory over the host Wildcats (4-6, 1-2).

Plymouth's woes were reflected in the "free throw shooting" category as they were 1-of-12 from the line.

Sophomore forward Stacey Klonowski led Plymouth's offense with eight points.

Rachael Wilkerson spearheaded the Warriors' attack with 14 points.

"They have a balanced, athletic team," said Plymouth coach Richelle Reilly, describing Western's once-beaten contingent. "They have a good group of seniors who provide them with leadership."

"We struggled all night offensively. We couldn't make our free throws and we committed 17 turnovers."

Western, which canned 7-of-14 free throws, led 13-10 after one quarter, 22-14 at the half and 30-21 after three stanzas. The Warriors finished strong, outscoring their hosts 12-2 in the final period.

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Churchill's last-second shot hands Rocks setback

BY ED WRIGHT
STAFF WRITER

BOYS PREP HOOP

Salem's basketball team didn't get any love from the basketball gods or the basketball officials during Tuesday night's Western Lakes Activities Association contest against visiting Livonia Churchill.

Andrew Vagnetti's last-second jump shot from just inside the top of the key bounced on the rim three times before falling through the net as the buzzer sounded to give Churchill a drama-laced 58-56 victory.

The Chargers set up the game-winner by passing the ball around the perimeter after an in-bounds pass with 22 seconds left.

The setback was the second straight heart-breaker for the Rocks, who slipped to 2-6 overall and 0-3 in the division four nights after falling 44-43 to Walled Lake Central. Churchill improved to 6-2 and 3-0, respectively.

Salem attempted just one free throw — a first-time occurrence in the long and storied career of Rock coach Bob Brodie.

"Our boppers are down a little bit after losing two games at home that we could have won but didn't," said Brodie. "We're 0-3 now in the league, so we have a long road to get back into it."

Brodie wasn't displeased with his team's defensive effort during the closing seconds.

"Give their kid credit — he hit an off-balance shot at the top

of the circle that bounced a few times, hung on the rim and went in," he said. "He did what he was supposed to do."

Seniors Grant Stone and Ross Davis paced the Rocks with 22 and 14 points, respectively. Stone drained four triples while Davis snatched a game-high 14 rebounds.

Ryan Rosenick and Vagnetti led Churchill with 15 points a piece.

It looked like Salem was well on its way to a key divisional victory during the first three quarters as they led 14-6 after one, 26-21 at the half and 44-37 with eight minutes left.

However, Churchill applied a full-court press in the second half that accounted for 15 Salem turnovers.

"We made some bad decisions off their press," Brodie said.

The Chargers canned 8-of-11 attempts from the stripe. Salem returns to action Friday at Walled Lake Northern. The opening tip is set for 7 p.m.

LIVONIA FRANKLIN 63, CANTON 54: On Tuesday at Canton, the Patriots posted a 29-point fourth quarter to rally and down the Chiefs.

The result left both teams with 3-5 overall marks. Franklin improved to 2-1 in the league while Canton slipped to 0-3.

Junior forward Jeff Poole led the comeback with 21 points — 15 of which came over the final eight minutes. Israel Woolfork

added 15 points for the winners.

Neil Sharma led Canton with 17 points and seven rebounds. Ryan Seely chipped in with eight points and Brody Coplai added seven.

"Franklin cranked up their pressure and intensity on defense in the second half and we didn't do a good enough job of taking care of the ball," said Canton coach Dan Colligan.

"There are some things we need to fix as a coaching staff, especially stopping penetration and helping and recovering on defense."

Canton led 15-12 after one quarter, 30-25 at the half and 44-34 with eight minutes left.

"Our full-court pressure is what did it," said Franklin coach Jeremy Rheault.

Canton hit 13-of-16 free throws while the Patriots swished 19-of-31 attempts.

PLYMOUTH 57, W.L. WESTERN 48: On Tuesday at Western, the Wildcats played their most complete game of the season to improve their record to 2-6 overall and 1-2 in the WLLA's Western Division. The Warriors slipped to 4-4 and 1-2, respectively.

A trio of seniors accounted for 80 percent of the winners' scoring: Brandon Roberts twined 18, Navraj Sandhu added 15 and Mike Hanchett contributed a season-high 14 points and a team-leading 10 rebounds.

Dramel Hogan paced the hosts with 17 points and Mitchell Varcellino scored 11, nine the result of three triples.

"We got down big early because they were hitting threes against our zone," said Plymouth coach Tom Van Wagoner. "We switched to a man-to-man and it really turned the game around."

The usually prolific outside-shooting Wildcats failed to hit a triple for the first time this season.

"We went 0-for-7 from outside the arc, which isn't us, but we'll take it," said Van Wagoner. "This is a huge win for us because we finally got in the win column in the league. Hopefully we can keep it going."

Western surged to a commanding 16-8 lead after one quarter before taking a 31-23 advantage into the half. The Wildcats narrowed their deficit to 39-38 after three quarters before outscoring their hosts 19-9 over the final eight minutes.

Plymouth was lights-out at the free throw line, canning 13-of-16 attempts. The Warriors also shot well, sinking 8-of-10.

OAKLAND CHRISTIAN 62, AGAPE 49: Derek Zwier netted 17 points and Kramer Everett chipped in 14 points and hauled down nine rebounds Tuesday as Oakland Christian fought past visiting Agape Christian. Kurt Schneider added 11 points as Oakland Christian improved to 6-1 on the season. Mark Mullett tossed in 14 points to pace Agape Christian (3-4). Oakland Christian opened up a 20-13 advantage after one period and moved the margin to 35-22 by halftime.

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Personal property described below in the matter of:
1036 - Nancy Snowden-Baskerville - Table, TV, China Cabinet
2032 - Tydala Brown - Couch, Loveseat, Microwave
2057 - John Neumann Jr. - 4 Toolboxes, TV, Stereo
3011 - Charlott Smith - 100 School Desks
4010 - Lonnie Mason - 15 Totes, Fax, Misc Items
4028 - Cornell Coleman - Couch, Loveseat, 3 Lamps
5036 - Henry C. Klann - Airhockey Table, Table, Misc Items
9102 - Kaaldletrae Brown - 12 Totes, 10 Bags, TV

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LEGAL NOTICE

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH PUBLIC TEST OF THE M-100 OPTIC SCAN VOTING SYSTEM FOR THE JANUARY 15, 2008, PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY ELECTION

PLEASE TAKE NOTE: A public accuracy test of the M-100 Optic Scan Voting System will take place at 10:00 a.m., on Friday, January 11, 2008 at Plymouth Township Municipal Office, 9955 N. Haggerty Road, Plymouth, MI, 48170, for the Tuesday, January 15, 2008, School Election. For further information contact the Clerk's Office. Phone # 354-3224.

The public is invited and encouraged to attend.

MARILYN MASSENGILL, Clerk
Charter Township of Plymouth

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON ACCESS TO PUBLIC MEETINGS

The Charter Township of Canton will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services, such as signers for the hearing impaired and audio tapes of printed materials being considered at the meeting, to individuals with disabilities at the meeting/hearing upon two weeks notice to the Charter Township of Canton. Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services should contact the Charter Township of Canton by writing or calling the following:

David Medley, ADA Coordinator
Charter Township of Canton, 1150 S. Canton Center Road
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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING REQUEST FOR AN INDUSTRIAL FACILITIES EXEMPTION CERTIFICATE FOR ISUZU MOTORS AMERICAN/ISUZU MANUFACTURING SERVICES (ISUZU) TUESDAY, JANUARY 22, 2008

PLEASE TAKE NOTE: that a public hearing will be held on Tuesday, January 22, 2008, during a regular meeting on the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Plymouth to consider a request from Isuzu for an Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate (IFEC) covering the expansion of an existing facility and the purchase and installation of new personal property for their facility located at 46401 Commerce Center Drive, Plymouth Township, Wayne County, Michigan.

The request is on file in the Clerk's Office where it is available for public perusal during regular business hours, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. Any Township resident or member of any taxing authority within the Township of Plymouth shall have the right to appear and be heard. Written comments directed to the Clerk and received prior to the date of the meeting will be considered. Following the public hearing the Board of Trustees may consider the request.

The public hearing, commencing at 7:00 p.m., will be held in the Town Hall Meeting Room at Plymouth Township Hall, 9955 N. Haggerty Road, Plymouth, Michigan 48170, on Tuesday, January 22, 2008, during the regularly scheduled Board of Trustee Meeting. Telephone number 734-354-3224.

Marilyn Massengill, Clerk
Charter Township of Plymouth

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Personal property described below in the matter of:
5057 - Angela Sumpter - Dryer, Washer, 6 Totes
1058 - Jonathan Rose - 50 Boxes, Filing Cabinet, 4 Chairs
1061 - Amee Corzine - Mattress, 50 Boxes, TV
2064 - Carl Brandt - 50 Boxes, Radio, Misc Items
3025 - Sean Truex - 20 Boxes, sofa, ladder
3045 - Donna Turner - 15 Boxes, 10 Bags, 2 Chairs
5084 - Laura J Rubino - 2 Mattress, 10 Boxes, Table
2069 - Norena Jones - 20 Boxes, Speakers, Misc Items
8007 - Pamela Ochs - 20 Boxes, TV, Misc Items
2006 - Jerrell Steele - Microwave, 8 Boxes, Misc Items
8014 - Daniel Hunter - 20 Boxes, Treadmill, TV

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Personal property described below in the matter of:
2026 - Damon Ray Banks - Loveseat, Vanity, 2 mattress
2036 - Robert Wilcox - Drum kit, Bike, Misc Items
2037 - Shawn Booth - Mattress, Bike, 5 Totes
3030 - Charles Graham II - Big Screen TV, Aquarium, Refrigerator
3036 - Roy Lee - Loveseat, Grill, Bike
3050 - Michael Hufford - Playhouse, Bench, Misc Items
4013 - John Boehret - 10 Boxes, Toolbox, Misc Items
4027 - Jason Brodie - Toolbox, Dresser, Computer
4115 - Betsy Smith - Rocking Chair, 30 Boxes, 2 Totes
4120 - Grant Young - Dresser, Mirror, Headboard
4124 - Angela McCrary - 30 Boxes, Golfclubs, TV
4237 - Jeri Luce - Bike, 20 Boxes, TV
5008 - Amicie Crayton - Couch, Loveseat, Vanity
5110 - Jacqueline Claybron - 10 Boxes, Speakers, Misc Items
5245 - Erin Morley - 20 Boxes, Headboard, Misc Items
5305 - Charlott Smith - 200 Chairs
5345 - Shangria Seawright - Fishtank, 3 Totes, 10 Boxes
6004 - Nikki Hurst - Washer, Dryer, China Cabinet
6012 - Joe Bernudez - Stereo, Dresser, Mattress

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EXTRA SPACE STORAGE

Notice is hereby given that on Monday, January 21, 2008 @ 12:00 PM Tate & Co. Auctioneers, Executive Administrator for Extra Space Storage, will be offering for sale under the judicial lien process by public auction, the following storage units. The goods to be sold are generally described as household goods. The terms of the sale will be cash only. Extra Space Storage reserves the right to refuse any and all bids. The sale will be at the following location: EXTRA SPACE STORAGE, 6729 N. CANTON CENTER RD., CANTON, MI 48187 AT 12:00 P.M.

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Personal property described below in the matter of:
2054 - Lifetime Fitness - 3 Colors, 5 Totes, 20 Boxes
3034 - Park Avenue Cleaners - Boxes, Sled, Luggage
3048 - Daniel Smith II - Couch, Dresser, 50 Boxes
4076 - James Peters - 10 Boxes, Lamp, Tote
4241 - Dorothy White - 5 Totes, Mattress, 5 Bags
4253 - Kevin Diaz - TV, Stereo, 10 Boxes
6212 - Bharti Washington - 20 Boxes, 4 Chairs, Computer
3004 - Jody Gonzales - Couch, Loveseat, Vacuum
6220 - Cheree Hahn - Grill, Washer, Dryer
4212 - Brooke Forquer - Table, 4 Boxes, Misc Items
3016 - Shaun Enberg - Craftsman Toolbox with tools
6235 - Bill Crawford - Picture, 2 Chairs, Coffee Table
6241 - Linda Zajac - Toys, TV, Couch
6252 - William Porter - Couch, Table, Dresser

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the driveway," said Everett Stone, Sara and Grant's dad. "Grant's got a couple years on her and a few inches, so he always wins, but she holds her own."

"I definitely think playing against Grant has made Sara a better player. She's had to learn to come up with some creative shots because he's taller and has long arms."

POINTS WELL-TAKEN

At times, his children's competitive juices have flowed off the driveway and onto the stat sheets, Everett Stone joked.

"They're supportive of each other, but they both want to outdo the other one, too," he said, chuckling. "For instance, when Sara found out Grant averaged 12 points a game as a sophomore, she made it her goal to try to beat that."

Both the Stones are piling up some serious stats for their respective Salem teams this winter. Grant leads the boys squad with a 20-plus-points-per-game scoring average while Sara is routinely among the top three scorers for the 8-2 girls team — even though she's only a sophomore.

"We don't have a lot in common as far as the way we play," offered Grant, who can slash to the basket with the best of them. "We're different kinds of players. If there was one thing we have in common it would probably be our jump shots."

YOU GOTTA' LOVE IT

Ross Davis's passion for basketball preceded his sister's by several years, according to their dad.

"Ross has loved the sport for as long as I can remember," said Ross Davis, Sr. "When he was in elementary school, he'd tell everybody he wanted to play in the NBA someday."

"Chelsea didn't start playing until she was in the eighth grade. In middle school, she was never one of those gym rats who always had to be playing, but the game has definitely grown on her since then."

"We play around-the-world against each other more than anything," said Chelsea. "When we do play one-on-one, it's helped me learn that I can't just get the ball and go in and shoot because he'll block my shot. He's helped me come up with some new moves."

While the Davises' on-the-court skills may not be similar, they share some valuable intangibles.

"They're alike in that neither one of them is afraid to take the

big shot and they both want to be leaders," said Ross Davis, Sr.

AGE IS NO BARRIER

The Robertses have the widest age gap — Brandon is a senior and Alex is a freshman — but that hasn't stopped them from competing on the family's driveway.

"We'll play one-on-one and around-the-world," said Brandon, who has led the Wildcats in scoring the past two seasons. "I went to most of her games when she played AAU; I like watching her play, but now that we're playing at the same time, I can't do that any more."

Brandon Roberts said there's one primary skill that he and his sister have in common.

"We're both pretty aggressive as far as taking the ball to the basket," he said.

The Robertses' dad, George, credits his kids' driveway competitions for Alex's rapid ascent up the varsity ladder.

"Going up against Brandon and watching him play are probably the primary reasons why she's done as well as she has," said George Roberts. "The thing that makes me the most proud is how they help each other out, both on and off the court, with basketball and their studies."

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SCHEDULING

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figure out who will go to Brandon's games and who will go to Alex's games.

"The way we've worked it out is that my wife will usually go to the home games and I'll go to the away games," Roberts said, discussing his family's strategy. "I don't want her on the road a lot late at night."

"The important thing is that — while we won't be together — at least one of us will be at every one of their games offering our support."

SOUND SOLUTION

Like Ross Davis, Everett Stone has a son and daughter playing for Salem.

And like Davis, Stone is frustrated by the bind it puts his family in.

"We're used to it in a way because my wife and I had to go separate ways a few weekends this past summer when Grant and Sara played in separate AAU tournaments," said Stone. "But it's hard missing your kids' games because it goes by so fast and, before you know it, they're graduating."

"I grew up in Tennessee and the boys and girls both played during the same season like they're doing now in Michigan, but it wasn't a problem because they played varsity doubleheaders. The girls played first, then the boys. The gyms would be packed."

"That would have been a better idea (for the WLAA) than what they're doing now."

Hopefully, the decision-makers for the new Kensington Lakes Activities Association look into a boys-girls doubleheader format beginning next season.

It will be too late for the Davises, Stones and Robertses, but it would be a winning formula for everybody involved, including parents, fans, refs and, yes, sports writers.

WILDCATS

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way through the second period when junior defenseman Bryan Davison capped a nifty end-to-end rush by lifting a back-hander past Schultz from point-blank range.

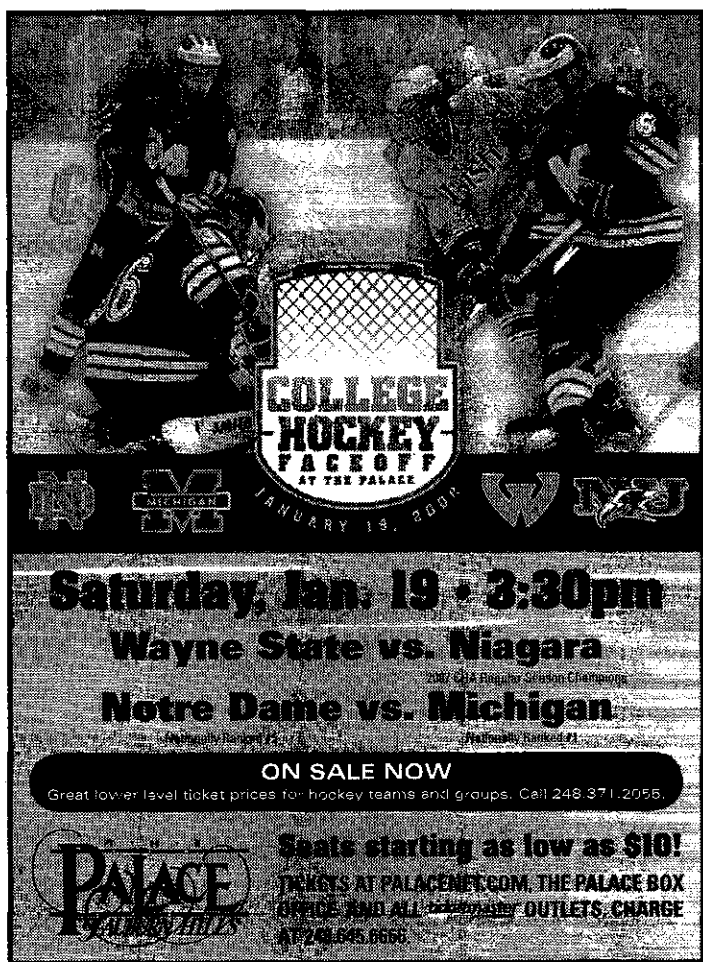
Canton's momentum was short-lived, however, as Rolfe deked Swanberg before sneaking in a back-hander with 4:12 left in the second stanza to double the Wildcats' lead to 4-2.

Schultz's best save of the night came with 18.2 seconds to go in

the second period when he stoned a hard slap-shot by Canton's Clark Albers. Plymouth dominated the third period, outscoring Canton 3-0 thanks to a pair of Rolfe goals and a single from Justin Gilliam.

Noel Aspenwall, Gilliam and Swieczkowski all notched a pair of assists for the winners. Olivier and Ryan Cigile were credited with single assists for the Cats.

Plymouth returns to action Saturday against Troy Athens at the Farmington Hills Ice Arena. The opening face-off is set for 7 p.m.



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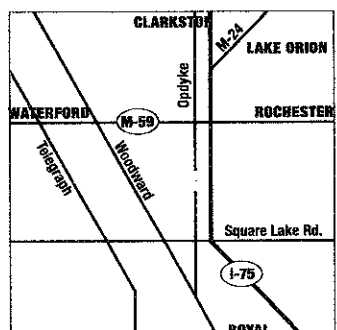
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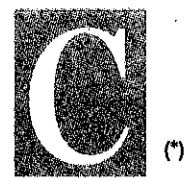
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If money were no object? Thoughts on dream homes

BY JULIE BROWN
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Martha Pitsenbarger of Wayne didn't hesitate when asked about her dream home.

"I like antiques, I love them," said Pitsenbarger, a social worker and secretary of the Wayne-Westland Board of Education. "I probably would have a big old Victorian home with all of the gingerbread trim."

She'd like a big porch that wraps around the house.

"I'd want a great big kitchen with everything convenient," said Pitsenbarger, who works for Value Options in employee assistance for Ford Motor and has a private practice. She'd like an island in the center of the kitchen, and wood floors.

She'd probably pick a light yellow exterior. Pitsenbarger also likes old brick farm-houses.

"I like old houses that there's not 10,000 like them." Her Wayne neighborhood has homes that look different, including hers built circa 1913. "I just like them different," she said.

Nola Bonandrini of Canton said "I'm kind of living in it right now" when asked about her dream home.

"I definitely would want a great room, which I already have," said Bonandrini. She'd want a kitchen with a table large enough to eat at, but also a separate dining room. A master bedroom with bathroom suite would be part of her dream home.

"Probably four bedrooms, a guest room. I would love just a separate hobby room," said

Bonandrini, a sewer. She'd like a separate room for an office to accommodate mail and papers "and not just dumped on the dining room table." A work room for husband Ben, a Ford retiree, and a garden in a fenced yard to accommodate her animals would be part of her dream home.

"It would also have a covered deck for entertaining outside." She'd like lots of windows, and land in back with trees.

"Probably my dream house would be on a cul de sac" to minimize traffic. Bonandrini likes being around younger families, near good shopping and cultural outlets. Her dream home would be at least 2,500 to 3,000 square feet, and have a two-car garage or even three to allow storage of the snowblower. "In other words, some covering to conceal outside lawn equipment."

She'd like two other bathrooms in addition to the master bathroom. "If I could afford it, I would want a guest bathroom. Another ideal would be to have a mud room even though I don't have young children."

A large pantry to store food is another item on Bonandrini's dream home list.

Pam Setla of Redford said "I would love an adobe-style home. It's very clean, and I love New Mexico." Setla, an administrator at Eastern Michigan University, likes the styling of such homes.

"It provides warmth in terms of when you look at the home if it's decorated well," Setla said. She's spent vacations in Arizona and New



Mexico and likes the coloring of such homes. "It's just a very nice type of architecture."

Setla also loves her sister's home, a combination of Cape Cod/Southern style. "It has a front porch, which I would adore. It's just a beautiful style of home. It's a nice size without being overwhelming,"

she said of the home in South Carolina.

Joe Tseng of Farmington Hills said "I would build a house big enough so I could have my own bathroom and my own walk-in closet. I guess a theater room that can seat 20 people with stadium seating. That's what I would have."

Westland-based dentist Tseng would also like a three- or four-car garage. "All the toys can go in there."

His own bathroom appeals "so I don't have to wait for somebody else to finish. My next house will definitely have a walk-in closet. That's about it, I'm practical."

Smoking ban may be upheld as nuisance

Q. I understand that there may be a ban on smoking passed by a California municipality against apartments and condos. Do you have any information?

A. Yes, there was a California city that has attempted to ban smoking in condominiums and

apartments. Whether or not it is deemed to be enforceable will be left to the courts, as there may be constitutional issues regarding state action

resulting in an invasion of privacy, etc. On the other hand, it may be sustained as a result of a nuisance factor.

Q. We are a condo association that is in close proximity of housing in an apartment setting and want to stop people from smoking not only in the hall ways, but also in their units. Do you think we have a shot at it?

A. You should check with your attorney. Based upon a recent Colorado decision, the court upheld

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an amendment prohibiting smoking inside the units. The association contended that it maintained a right to amend the declaration with 75 percent approval of the members and argued that the purpose of the amendment was to allow for the health, comfort and safety of all of the residents of the community and to prevent activities that the association deemed a nuisance. The association also argued that proof of actual second-hand smoke was not required because either way the smell was obnoxious and a nuisance. The court agreed with the association. Many of our association clients are considering this type of amendment since it has a good chance of being upheld.

Robert M. Meisner is a lawyer and the author of Condominium Operation: Getting Started & Staying on the Right Track, second edition. It is available for \$9.95 plus \$1 shipping and handling. He also wrote Condo Living: A Survival Guide to Buying, Owning and Selling a Condominium, available for \$24.95 plus \$5 shipping and handling. For more information, call (248) 644-4433 or visit bmeisner@meisner-associates.com. This column shouldn't be construed as legal advice.

BRIEFS

BIA

■ Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan (BIA) presents Green Built Training from 9-10:20 a.m. Wednesday, Jan. 23, at 879 Benjamin in Troy, in a Green Built certified home built by Wake-Pratt Construction Co. In this first of five trainings, Chris Pratt of Wake-Pratt Construction discusses the technical and sales aspects of Building Green using materials and methods that result in Green Built certification. Building Green offers a change from selling cost per square foot to making an environmental statement. The training is free for BIA members. Advance registration is required. For registration information, call (248) 862-1008.

■ Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan (BIA) kicks off the Sales and Marketing Council (SMC) programs for 2008 with a Roundtable Discussion, "You're At A Networking Event ... Now What?" on Wednesday, Jan. 30, from 8:30-10:30 a.m. at BIA headquarters, 30375 Northwestern Highway, Suite 100 in Farmington Hills.

Kirk Armstrong of Gerry Weinberg & Associates will lead the discussion focused on how to get a conversation transitioned into your business without appearing needy or offensive by using proven, systematic techniques.

Registration fees are \$10 for SMC members, \$20 for BIA members and \$45 for guests. For registration information, call (248) 862-1033.

■ Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan (BIA) and its Remodelers Council (RC) will present a Negotiating Skills seminar, at BIA headquarters, 30375 Northwestern Highway, Suite 100, in Farmington Hills on Thursday, Jan. 31, from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. The seminar is part of the Certified Graduate Remodeler (CGR) series and counts toward CGR, Certified Graduate Associate (CGA) and Graduate Master Builder (GMB) designations.

Chuck Breidenstein, CAPS, of Builder Professional Services Group Inc. will present methods and strategies to negotiate with customers, employees, subcontractors, suppliers and government officials. Participants will gain confidence in these skills through role-playing following lectures and exercises. Registration fees are \$155 for Remodelers Council members, \$175 for BIA members and \$200 for guests. For registration information, call (248) 862-1033.

■ Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan (BIA) will sponsor a lien law seminar on Tuesday, Feb. 19, from 8 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at BIA headquarters, 30375 Northwestern Highway, Suite 100, in Farmington Hills. Marty Burnstein, of the Law Offices of Marty Burnstein, will discuss "What's New in Michigan Construction Lien Law and Lien Procedures." Registration fees are \$75 for BIA members and \$125 for guests. For registration information, call (248) 862-1003.

■ Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan (BIA) presents Green Built Training on Wednesday, Feb. 20, from 9-10:30 a.m. at association headquarters, 30375 Northwestern Highway, Suite 100, in Farmington Hills.

In this second of five trainings, Chris Pratt of Wake-Pratt Construction discusses "Starting Correctly" using materials and methods that result in Green Built certification. Building Green offers a change from selling cost per square foot to making an environmental statement. The training is free for BIA members. Advance registration is required. For registration information, call (248) 862-1008.

■ Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan (BIA) will present another in its series of Certified Graduate courses — "Estimating" — on Thursday, Feb. 21, from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. at BIA headquarters,

Please see BRIEFS, C4

HOMES SOLD

These are the area residential real estate closings recorded the week of Sept. 10-14, 2007, at the Wayne County Register of Deeds office, plus some from Oakland County. Listed below are cities, addresses and sales prices.

City	Address	Sale Price	
Canton	7601 Admiralty Dr	\$250,000	
	44107 Applewood Rd	\$150,000	
	526 Buchanan St	\$280,000	
	243 Concord Dr	\$195,000	
	45429 Holmes Dr	\$338,000	
	6684 Kings Mill Dr	\$340,000	
	8690 N Ridge Rd	\$218,000	
	47703 Pavilion Rd	\$417,000	
	394 Roosevelt St	\$255,000	
	1762 Stonebridge Way	\$357,000	
5729 Wedgewood Rd	\$175,000		
Farmington	33234 Kingslane Ct	\$75,000	
	25256 Chapelwood Dr	\$235,000	
Farmington Hills	33954 Cotswold St	\$280,000	
	38823 Country Cir	\$116,000	
	27653 E Echo Vly	\$96,000	
	24488 Elmhurst Ave	\$229,000	
	29161 Forest Hill Dr	\$241,000	
	28863 Glenbrook Dr	\$180,000	
	20871 Indian Creek Dr	\$112,000	
	30195 Kimberly Ct	\$90,000	
	23065 Potomac Cir	\$210,000	
	37991 Stableview Dr	\$280,000	
Garden City	24318 Tana Ct	\$194,000	
	28838 Village Ln	\$290,000	
	24671 Westmoreland Dr	\$174,000	
	21737 Wheeler St	\$225,000	
	32143 Cambridge St	\$111,000	
	5963 Cardwell St	\$40,000	
	29210 Ford Rd	\$500,000	
	Livonia	19652 Antago St	\$140,000
		12397 Arcola St	\$127,000
		37540 Bloomfield Dr	\$289,000
31206 Bobrich St		\$210,000	
17448 Brookview Dr		\$210,000	
26330 Curtis Rd		\$205,000	
20023 Gary Ln		\$325,000	
32915 Illinois St		\$180,000	
29252 Jacquelyn Dr		\$155,000	
18215 Levan Rd		\$213,000	
Milford	21750 Long St	\$55,000	
	18520 Loveland St	\$186,000	
	33520 Michele St	\$192,000	
	18561 Myron St	\$192,000	
	28515 Pembroke St	\$165,000	
	28000 W Chicago St	\$119,000	
	35529 W Chicago St	\$169,000	
	35649 W Chicago St	\$220,000	
	15390 Woodring St	\$118,000	
	Northville	738 E Liberty St	\$168,000
2838 Garner		\$351,000	
2603 Hickory Oak		\$460,000	
1863 Quendale Ln		\$280,000	
2290 Quendale Ln		\$305,000	
19080 Angell Blvd		\$750,000	
44842 Aspen Ridge Dr		\$360,000	
48392 Binghamton Dr		\$605,000	
44992 Broadmoor Cir S		\$381,000	
17060 Carriage Way		\$355,000	
Novi	20833 Maybury	\$110,000	
	15996 Morningside	\$173,000	
	19228 Northridge Dr	\$125,000	
	41296 Rayburn Dr	\$309,000	
	50241 Teton Ridge Rd	\$669,000	
	25006 Acorn Trl	\$478,000	
	24665 Edgewood Ct N	\$295,000	
	43112 Emerson Way	\$313,000	
	22668 Foxmoor Dr	\$355,000	
	41449 Mission Ln	\$114,000	
Plymouth	30211 Pennington Ct	\$394,000	
	30495 Pennington Ln	\$370,000	
	25640 Portico Ln	\$180,000	
	24453 Riverview Ln	\$255,000	
	258 Joy St	\$175,000	
	9241 Mapletree Dr	\$268,000	
	9337 Mayflower Ct	\$259,000	
	42045 Micol Dr	\$93,000	
	130 N Holbrook St	\$208,000	
	40203 Newport Dr	\$90,000	
Redford	12841 Columbia	\$148,000	
	15102 Kinloch	\$192,000	
	11354 Leverne	\$110,000	
	20604 Norborne	\$140,000	
	9096 San Jose	\$149,000	
	8914 Sioux	\$126,000	
	26820 W Davison	\$135,000	
	South Lyon	25500 Milford Rd	\$200,000
		916 S Parkwood Dr	\$218,000
		Westland	6654 Bison St
35240 Cady St			\$90,000
35760 Glenwood Rd			\$110,000
32022 Hazelwood St			\$50,000
30481 Hivley St			\$124,000
29123 Powers St			\$74,000
1227 Rahn St			\$149,000
8138 Randy Dr			\$150,000
675 Summerfield Dr	\$130,000		
35143 Wallace St	\$137,000		
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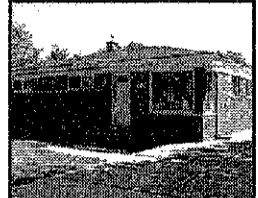
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\$122,500 (C-665RU)



TO UNIQUE TO DESCRIBE
Start w/11,000 sq ft, 4 bd, 6 full & 2 half baths, extremely private lot surrounded by woods, custom details t/o, walkout bsmt w/wine cellar, & 2 story building w/pool, sauna, & hottub!
\$2,350,000 (P-775ST)



STUNNING COLONIAL
3 bd, 2.5 bath cape cod in popular Plymouth sub. 2 story foyer, huge island kit w/nook, 2 story Great Rm w/rpl, 1st fl Master w/WIC & bath, 1st fl laun, neutral decor, & prof landscaped.
\$279,999 (P-964WE)



TICKLE YOUR FANCY
Northville condo w/all the extra! 3 season sun room, Kit w/hwd floors, prof finished bsmt w/2nd Kit, formal Liv & Din Rms, 2 car Garage, & backs to commons.
\$338,900 (C-582AS)



LUXURY CONDO
Gorgeous executive ranch w/3 large bd, 2 custom baths w/jetted tub, gourmet Kit, Great Rm w/rpl & large windows, Deck overlooking wooded area, & 2 car garage.
\$255,000 (C-880BE)



CHARMING & IMMACULATE!
Amazing Kit w/hw caramel hickory cab's, finished bsmt w/updated bath, newer furnace, windows, & roof, eye catching landscaping w/sprinks, fenced yard, & 2.5 car Garage.
\$140,000 (P-231HA)



PERFECT STARTER HOME
3 bd, 1.5 bath Plymouth home w/ island Kit w/nook w/drwl leading to Patio & huge yard, lower level Fam Rm w/fresh paint & half bath, neutral decor t/o, & too much more to list.
\$165,000 (P-983HA)



PRESTIGIOUS WOODSIDE VILLAGE
On a gorgeous wooded court, but close to everything, 4 bd, 3.5 baths, lots of windows & updates t/o, 1st fl Mast, open staircase w/bridge, formal Liv & Din, Kit w/nook, & paver Patio.
\$470,000 (P-275HJ)



BETTER THAN NEW!
Built in 2002, this beautiful colonial has everything you desire. 3 bd, 2.5 baths, newer carpet, hwd floors, freshly painted, finished walkout bsmt, & more. Don't miss this one!
\$199,000 (P-185HU)



GREAT HOME
Great home featuring new carpet, blinds, & vinyl. 3 bds, full basement, & 2.5 car Garage.
\$139,900 (C-861JO)



UNBELIEVABLE LOW PRICE
Great Westland condo w/Livonia Schools. Open floor plan, Liv Rm w/patio door to balcony, new water heater, in-unit laundry, area pool, & good location.
\$74,900 (P-590MA)



PRICED JUST RIGHT
Remodeled 4bd, almost 1700 sq ft home feat: a Florida Room, 3 full baths, 2 car Garage, a Kitchen to die for, awesome double lot, & too much more to list.
\$159,900 (P-082MM)



COME FALL IN LOVE!!
Totally updated brick ranch in walking distance to Flodin Park. Ceramic Foyer, updated Kit, Liv Rm w/rpl, Master w/glamour bath, neutral decor t/o, updated baths, fresh landscaping, & Deck.
\$190,000 (P-388MO)



CUSTOM CONTEMPORARY
Absolutely stunning home backing to the 16th hole on Honor's Course & access to Crooked Lake. Features: in Sauna, central vac, elegant Master, finished walkout, & inground pool.
\$240,500 (P-369MUJ)



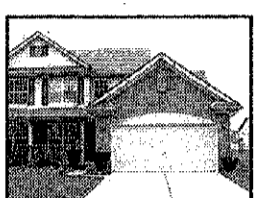
PLYMOUTH CONDO
Cute ranch condo w/large brick paver Patio, updated appliances & windows, pets allowed, & clubhouse w/hot tub, good storage space, faces a lovely courtyard, & home warranty too!
\$99,500 (P-699NE)



POPULAR MAYFAIR VILLAGE
Spacious colonial w/over 2300 sq ft, 4 bd; 2.5 baths, new lead glass entry door, updated maple Kit w/Corian, nook w/new dw, updated powder room, formal DR, Fam Rm w/rpl, & 1st fl laun.
\$242,000 (P-556OA)



FANTASTIC PRICE
3 bd farmhouse w/updated windows, doors, hwh, coved ceilings, hwd floors, Pottery Barn colors, large fenced yard, & close to parks & library.
\$119,000 (P-824PA)



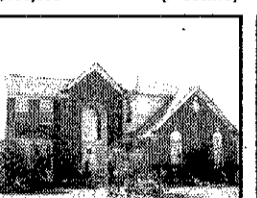
SURROUNDED BY WOODS
Newer end unit cape cod w/semi private setting backing to wooded commons. 2 story Foyer w/oak floors, 2 story Great Rm w/rpl, large windows, oak Kit, Din Rm, 8 ft bsmt, & Patio.
\$169,900 (P-506PA)



MOTIVATED SELLERS
Wonderful maintenance free ranch w/neutral decor, 3 bd, 2 baths, updated windows, elec, & plumbing. 2.5 car Garage, ceramic tile entry, updated oak Kit, new roof in 06, & home warranty.
\$144,900 (P-524PE)



TOP SHELF!
This ultimate condo is waiting for you! Brand new vinyl windows, prof decorated, finished bsmt, vaulted ceilings, impressive Master Suite, & great location.
\$189,799 (C-409PL)



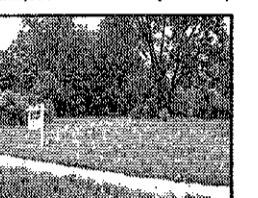
SPECTACULAR
4 bd, north-facing colonial w/ spacious Kit, Master w/jetted tub, all brms have walk-ins, extra deep bsmt, upgraded elevation, alarm system, & appl's stay.
\$260,000 (C-871RE)



ABSOLUTELY GORGEOUS
Private wooded lot w/creek running through...open airy floor plan, vaulted ceilings, hwd fls, finished bsmt, Sauna, heated Sunroom, large Deck, paver Patio, & prof landscaped.
\$240/month (C-296RE)



GREAT LOCATION
Spacious open floor plan w/neutral decor, newer roof & windows, huge Fam Rm w/rpl, part finished bsmt, great Deck in treed fenced yard, appl's stay, & 1 yr warranty inc.
\$164,900 (P-399SUJ)



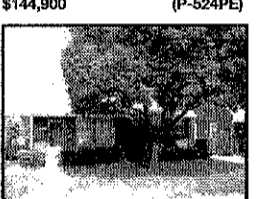
COUNTRY LOT IN THE CITY
Wide buildable lot in an area of newer 1400-1700 sq ft homes. Treed rear & western boundary, great location just a few steps away from Lawson Field & playground.
\$29,900 (C-574VA)



CORNER LOT
Nice 3 bd brick ranch w/full bsmt, 2 car Garage, Dining Room off Kit, covered Patio, & more.
\$99,500 (C-208BA)



FABULOUS FARMINGTON HILLS
Gorgeous home featuring 4 bd, 2.5 baths, gourmet Kit w/all appl's, Nook w/drwl leading to 3 tiered Deck, Fam Rm w/rpl & french doors to Deck, Master w/vaulted ceiling, sitting area, & Walk in.
\$280,000 (P-700BL)



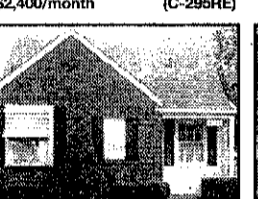
BRICK RANCH W/FLORIDA ROOM
Sweet little ranch needs some help to make it special. 3 bds, bsmt is ready to be finished, Garage, hwd floors, & large Florida Rm. Just bring some ideas & make it yours.
\$85,000 (P-136BR)



OUTSTANDING
Stunning 4 bd, 3.5 bath colonial featuring a 2 story Great Rm w/rpl, Kit w/granite & butler's pantry, Master w/2 WIC's & glamour bath, 3 car Garage, brick Patio, & Trex Deck.
\$375,000 (P-335CO)



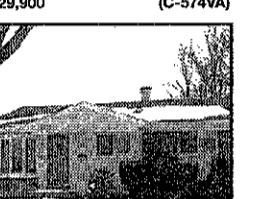
LOCATION LOCATION!
Spectacular home nestled at the end of a court in popular Eagle Gardens. Vaulted gourmet Kit, Great Rm w/rpl, drwl to Deck w/ view of woods, 1st fl Master w/ bath, & fin daylight bsmt.
\$190,000 (P-115CR)



GORGEOUS YARD!
This home is in flawless condition w/a yard to die for. Many updates t/o, hwd floors, new concrete driveway, unique built-in storage, & appliances stay.
\$144,000 (C-993DR)



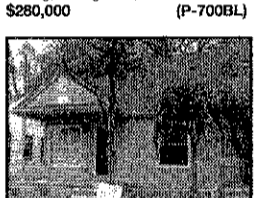
TERRIFIC BUY
Nice 3 bd bungalow w/lots of updates including roof, C/A, furnace, windows, doors, & bath. Appliances stay, partly finished bsmt, 1.5 car Garage, & more.
\$79,900 (C-053HA)



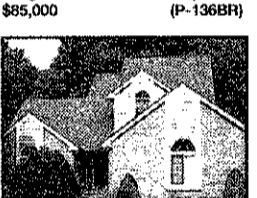
UPDATED RANCH
Brick ranch w/updated windows, roof, furnace, & C/A. Large eat-in Kit w/light wood cabinets, Liv Rm & Bedrooms w/hwd floors, part finished bsmt, 2 car det Garage, & fenced yard.
\$99,900 (P-101HA)



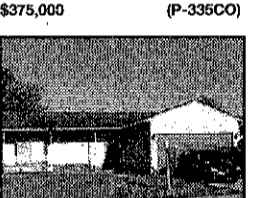
HOME & GARDEN SPECIAL
Magnificent home w/finished walkout overlooking nature preserve. Top of the line upgrades inc granite Kit, Corian Baths, paver Patio & walk, large Deck, crown moldings, & 3 car Garage.
\$665,000 (P-743HI)



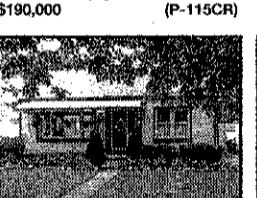
BEAUTIFUL BUNGALOW
This 3 bd, 2 bath home features a remod Kit, Cent Air, updated elec, plum, hwh, roof, siding, carpet, flooring, & much more. Nothing left to do but move in!
\$148,900 (C-307HO)



CUSTOM HOME ON WOODED LOT
Popular Huron Hills sub boasting custom features like circular round top windows, 2 decks, oversized garage, paver walkways, premium location, cape cod floor plan w/3 bds, & 2.5 baths.
\$289,900 (P-630HU)



GREAT NEIGHBORHOOD
3 bd, 2.5 bath ranch offering an open floor plan, Master w/bath, finished bsmt, Liv Rm w/rpl, 2 car attached Garage, huge yard, & Woodhaven Schools.
\$135,000 (C-312IR)



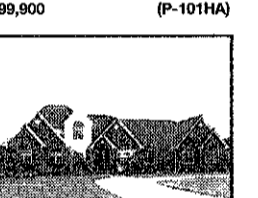
SUPER STARTER
Turn key home w/super open floor plan, remod Kit & bath, finished bsmt, hwd in Liv Rm, updated furnace, C/A, hwh, windows, roof, large Deck, & oversized double lot.
\$119,900 (P-688JA)



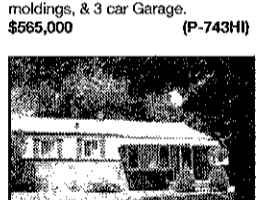
YOU WON'T BELIEVE THIS HOUSE
Great curb appeal & an amazing interior! Beautiful oak Kit w/all appl's, large bathroom, fresh paint, updated carpet, roof, furnace, C/A, & great yard.
\$115,000 (P-217LI)



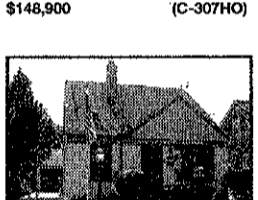
WELCOME HOME!
Beautiful 3 bd, 2.5 bath home w/oak Kit & breakfast bar, Fam Rm w/rpl, Master w/vaulted ceiling & jetted tub, oasis-like yard w/ stamped Patio, & finished bsmt.
\$224,900 (C-562MA)



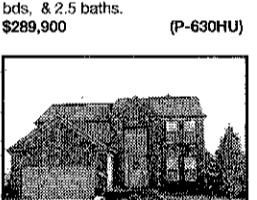
SERENE SETTING
Stunning cape cod situated on 7+ acres in Salem Twp offering a 1st fl Mast w/bath & WIC, stunning Kit w/butler's pantry, 72x62 Pole Barn, 1st fl laun, walkout bsmt, & on a private road.
\$1,399,900 (C-610PR)



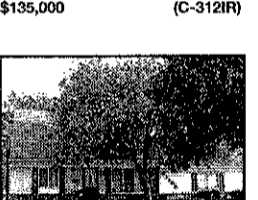
LIVONIA BRICK RANCH
Lovely area w/park, shopping, & schools nearby. Solid home w/3 bd, 1.5 baths, hwd floors under neutral carpet, finished bsmt w/ half bath, & innred occup.
\$139,900 (P-698RI)



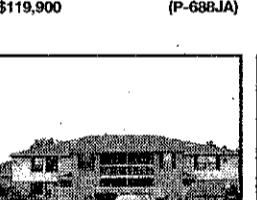
TRANSFER FORCES SALE
Sad seller has to part w/this fabulous 3 bd West Dearborn home. Newer Pella windows, huge Master w/walk in, 2 updated baths, updated furnace & C/A, finished bsmt, & Deck.
\$109,999 (P-644RO)



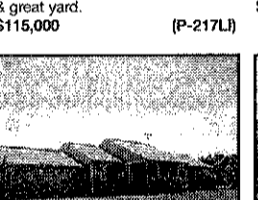
THIS HOME HAS IT ALL!
Awesome home features an open Foyer, large Kit, Fam Rm w/rpl, Flex Room, spacious Master w/ bath & large WIC, neutral t/o, & beautiful pond views. A must see!
\$240,000 (C-185SH)



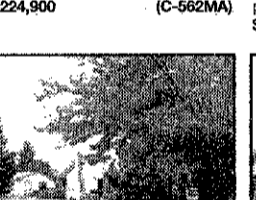
RARE OFFERING
Wonderfully cared for Canton cape cod w/generous updates. 3 bd, 2 bath, neutral decor, spacious rooms, Fam Rm w/rpl & French doors to Deck, 1st fl Master, full bsmt, & 2 car at Garage.
\$195,000 (C-608SO)



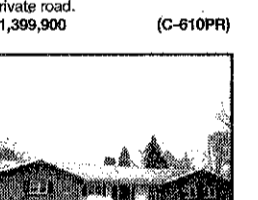
SPACIOUS NORTHVILLE CONDO
Clean & neutral t/o. 2 bd, 2 baths, fresh paint, updated roof, windows, bath, hwh, & more. Large Master w/WIC & bath, pool, & great location near back of complex.
\$108,000 (C-345SUJ)



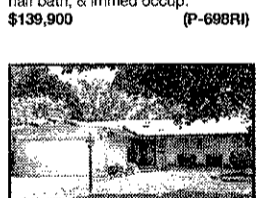
COUNTRY SETTING
4 bd, 2 bath ranch situated on 2 acres & features 2 Garages, finished bsmt, new shingles, new carpet, 4 doorwalls, gazebo off Master & large island Kitchen.
\$269,900 (C-660TU)



LIKE NEW!
Impeccably clean & well maintained home. Fam Rm w/rpl, French doors lead to Deck, vinyl insulated windows, new furnace, hwh, C/A, & gutters. Walk to schools & park.
\$199,000 (C-811WH)



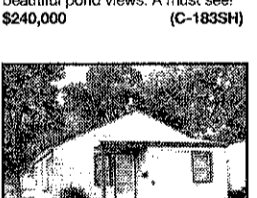
LOTS OF ROOM
3 bd ranch offering a wonderful Kitchen & dining area, huge Great Room, skylights, private lot, & Master w/bath. A must see!
\$189,900 (P-515WJ)



LIVONIA RANCH
Beautiful, spacious ranch featuring 3 bd, 3 baths, Fam Rm w/rpl, Master w/bath, finished bsmt w/ wetbar, 2nd Kit & bath. Lots of storage, great landscaping, & great location.
\$209,000 (P-446YA)



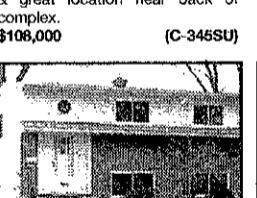
TOTALLY RENOVATED
Great floor plan offering lots of space. Beautiful addition makes this close to 1400 Sq ft.
\$117,990 (C-985BA)



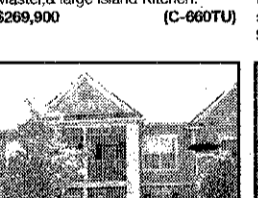
A LOT TO OFFER
2 bd, 1 bath home offering a new furnace, C/A, hwh, immediate occupancy, & convenient location.
\$54,900 (C-518BA)



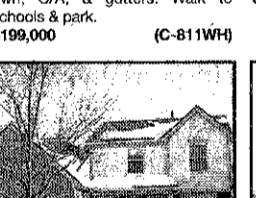
COMPLETELY UPDATED RANCH
Great 3 bd offering gourmet Kit w/ Pergo, Master w/drwl to Patio, bath w/jetted tub, new paint, carpet, C/A, fenced yard, & newer 2.5 car mechanic's dream Garage!
\$110,000 (C-460BE)



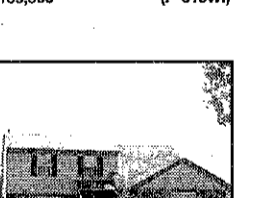
MOVE IN READY!
This home is fully updated - roof, walls, windows, furnace, ducts, hwh, siding, hwd floors, maple cabinets, doors, & carpet. Utica schools & great neighborhood.
\$159,000 (C-404BU)



AWESOME RAISED RANCH
This beautiful raised ranch was built in 2003 w/almost 1500 sq ft. 2 full baths, Master suite w/WIC, located by a golf course, & has a pool & a clubhouse.
\$158,900 (C-980CE)



HARD TO FIND
Relax on the paver Patio surrounded by mature trees. Spacious island kit w/nook, formal Liv & Din Rm, separate Fam Rm w/ bridge overlook, Master w/volume ceiling, WIC, & ceramic bath.
\$249,900 (P-422CH)



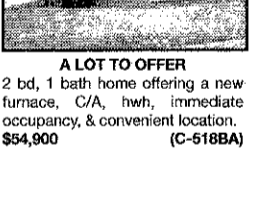
NEWER COLONIAL
This 4 bd, 2.5 bath home has a lot to offer. Spacious Fam Rm w/cath ceiling & frpl, island Kit w/pantry, 1st fl laundry, 3 car side entry Garage, & much more.
\$244,900 (C-075CL)



AWESOME RANCH
3 bd, 2 bath home w/Livonia Schools. Good sized Kit w/eating area, finished bsmt w/4th bed, great yard w/extra large Garage & shed, & nice landscaping.
\$120,000 (C-400GI)



LAVISH COLONIAL
Your search is over, this home will take your breath away. Relocation forces sale of this fabulous 4 bd, 2.5 bath home feat big rooms, 2 story Great Rm, hwd floors, jetted tub, & new landscaping.
\$255,000 (C-560AN)



CUSTOM CAPE COD
Beautiful wooded location on this 4 bd, 4 bath home w/1st fl Master w/bath, guest suite or in-law quarters, finished bsmt w/Fam Rm & 2nd Kit, beautiful details t/o, & Ply-Cam Schools.
\$424,900 (C-899LI)



GREAT OPPORTUNITY
Brick ranch in Westland w/Livonia Schools. 3 bd, 2 bas, part finished bsmt, hwd fls, newer roof, fresh paint, Garage, & appliances stay. Price to sell.
\$122,000 (P-570AL)



NEW BOSTON CONDO
2 year old condo w/great cul de sac location backing to woods. End unit w/assitional windows, bright Great Rm w/rpl, 2 bds, 2 baths, & full bsmt.
\$176,000 (C-443AV)



DOUBLE LOT W/TREES!
Almost .5 acre fenced lot w/4 bd, 2 bas updated home! Large LR & DR, remod Kit w/all appl's, huge laundry room, 2 car Garage w/lot, neutral decor, hwd fls, & warranty.
\$145,000 (P-487BI)



COUNTRY LIVING
Lovely 4 bd home situated on 5+ acres. Open floor plan, large Master w/balcony, oversized Garage, many updates t/o, gorgeous views, & Huron Schools.
\$254,900 (P-785CA)



GREAT VALUE
3 bd, 2 bath home w/fin bsmt, fireplace, newer windows, fenced yard, glass block windows, newer tile in Kit, freshly painted interior, & so much more.
\$124,900 (P-602DE)



DESIRABLE NEIGHBORHOOD
Cute 3 bd bungalow w/coved ceilings, arched door entries, built-in hutch in dining area, new carpet & paint, ceiling fans, 2 car Garage, & fenced yard.
\$120,000 (C-048FA)



A MUST SEE!
Cute Westland bungalow w/ updated furnace, C/A, hwh, finished bsmt w/dorm & rec area, HUGE Garage, tiered coved ceilings, vinyl ins windows, & extra deep lot.
\$125,500 (C-725FA)



UPDATED WESTLAND RANCH
3 bd, 2 bath home w/oak Kit, LR w/refinished hwd, patio door to nice sized yard w/2.5 car Garage, privacy fence, hot tub in enclosed Gazebo, finished bsmt w/bar, & more.
\$125,000 (C-629FL)



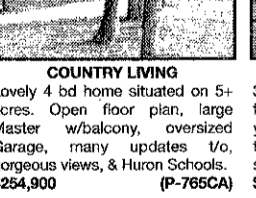
VERY NEAT & CLEAN
Open floor plan boasts neutral paint, oak Kit w/Pergo, large Master Suite w/large WIC, Liv Rm w/neutral carpet, & great Walked Lake location.
\$85,000 (P-487HA)



BRICK COLONIAL
4 bd, 1.5 bath home w/1725 sq ft, natural fireplace in Liv Rm, formal Dining, part finished bsmt, new roof, new driveway, plenty of storage space, & 2 car Garage.
\$149,900 (C-418HA)



NO PLACE LIKE HOME....
Spacious 3 bd colonial in desirable Canton sub. Newer floor to ceiling windows in Great Rm, inviting Kit w/abundance of cab's & counter space, large lot, new roof, home warranty, & more.
\$199,000 (P-202LO)



AFFORDABLE REDFORD RANCH
2 bd ranch in Redford waiting for you, opportunity awaits! Bank approval required, needs to sell quickly, make an aggressive offer.
\$70,000 (C-301FA)



A SIGHT TO BEHOLD
Stunning, elegant, & charming! 2 story marble entry, oak island Kit, drwl to Deck, 1st fl laun, Fam Rm w/rpl & soaring ceiling, lin daylight bsmt w/bath, & great Northville location.
\$475,000 (P-948OA)



WALK TO DOWNTOWN PLYMOUTH
Great 2 bd condo w/fresh paint, vaulted ceilings & skylights, new carpet, snack bar in Kit, Fam Rm, Dining Area, small animals welcome, & unbeatable location.
\$124,900 (C-331PI)



MOVE IN READY
This tri-level home move in ready w/new paint, carpet, roof, & sprinklers. Remod bsmt., Master w/bath, 2.5 car Garage w/workshop.
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30375 Northwestern Highway, Suite 100, in Farmington Hills. Chuck Breidenstein, CAPS, of Builder Professional Services Group, Inc. will instruct remodelers and small-to-mid volume builders on estimating insurance and

profit, quantity takeoff for various materials, labor and equipment productivity issues, and subcontractor bid considerations. The course counts toward Certified Graduate Builder, Certified Graduate Associate, and Certified Graduate Remodeler certificates. Registration fees are \$155 for Remodelers Council members, \$175

for BIA members, and \$200 for guests. For more information, call (248) 862-1033. ■ Apartment Association of Michigan's (AAM) Property Management Council (PMC) will sponsor a professional maintenance course on Friday, Feb. 22, from 8 a.m. to noon at Wilmar Offices, 23975 Research Drive,

Farmington Hills. Tom Sadley of Wilmar will instruct attendees in several aspects of repairing major appliances such as ranges and refrigerators, including understanding components and functions, basic troubleshooting skills, as well as preventative maintenance. Registration fees are \$45 per person. For registration information, call (248) 862-1033.

Sunday, Jan. 12-13, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Best Western ConCorde Inn of Rochester Hills, 1919 Star-Batt Drive, Rochester Hills.

The cost of the seminar is \$215. The manual, sample questions and the test application are all included.

A \$25 deposit is required no later than Thursday, Jan. 10, to Oakland Builders Education Seminars, 45023 Rector Drive, Canton, MI 48188. Please call toll-free (800) 940-2014 or (734) 405-0888 to register Monday to Friday, 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. or register online at www.buildersinstitute.com. On site registrations with payment is acceptable (no credit cards, please).

Start business

Oakland Builders Education Seminars is presenting an eight-hour comprehensive seminar for attaining the skills you need to start and maintain a successful business. The seminar is scheduled for Saturday, Jan. 12, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Best Western ConCorde Inn of Rochester Hills, 1919 Star-Batt Drive, Rochester Hills.

This seminar is designed to help make sense of and remove the unknowns of purchasing, starting and maintaining a successful business. The cost of the seminar is \$125. The manual is included.

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Condos sold

In a bleak housing market, Kaftan Enterprises enjoys success at their \$40,000 off of \$120,000 condos in three prime locations: Royal Oak, Shelby Township and Southfield. Kaftan Condos sold 55 condos in four weeks at \$40,000 off, and was able to raise prices. The builder is still offering no money down.

Foxcroft of Shelby Township was \$114,990 — is \$74,900, with monthly payments from \$597.

Autumn Ridge of Southfield was \$124,990 — is \$84,990, with monthly payments from \$815.

Briarwood Park of Royal Oak was \$119,990 — is \$79,990, with monthly payments from \$732, all including taxes. The condos have features such as a full basement, fireplace, stainless steel appliances, granite countertops and more. Each community is open noon to 6 p.m. daily.

Kaftan Enterprises is a 37-year-old premium Michigan home provider. The phone number for all condos is: (248) 228-3530. On the Web: KaftanCondos.com.

College Park location

Market Strategies Inc., one of the top 20 market research firms in the nation, has selected College Park in Livonia for its future corporate headquarters.

MSI will move into a 60,000 square foot, three-story, Class A office facility that will be built-to-suit by The Walkon/Etkin Partnership, developers and owners of the landmark property. A July 2009 completion is expected, with construction scheduled to commence in spring of 2008.

"College Park makes total sense for our business. It is easy to reach, easy to navigate and all-inclusive," said Dr. Reginald Baker, COO of MSI. MSI serves a global

clientele with offices throughout the U.S. and Canada. The addition of MSI to College Park enhances the diversity of distinct multi-tenant and build-to-suit office buildings, including the recently opened TCF Bank headquarters. The 45-acre business campus showcases a variety of premium retail outlets and restaurants, including Fleming's Prime Steakhouse, Bravo! Cucina Italiana, Claddagh Irish Pub, Mitchell's Fish Market, Potbelly Sandwich Works, Caribou Coffee, Cold Stone Creamery, Winestyles, Pancho's Mexican Grill, Great Clips, Rapid Refill Ink and Cheeburger Cheeburger. Its highly visible location along the I-275 corridor, with opportunities for signature signage, have contributed to high occupancy rates and distinguish the address. The MSI property will feature the trademark brick and glass of College Park's buildings and will be located on 3.6 acres at the south side of the campus, with exceptional I-275 visibility.

Bert Sanders and Aaron Sommer of Newmark Knight Frank brokered the transaction.

Located north of Six Mile Road, between Haggerty Road and I-275, College Park is within easy reach of southeast Michigan's important destinations.

The Walkon Etkin Partnership blends the commercial real estate expertise of Southfield's Etkin Equities L.L.C. and Farmington Hills-based Walkon Associates Inc., whose combined development, ownership and management portfolio includes more than 10 million square feet of office, industrial, hotel and retail properties.

For additional details on College Park, contact Etkin Equities at (248) 358-0800.

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Benchmark Lending	(588) 883-2255	5.625	0	5.125	0	J/A
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Real Estate Investors

Real Estate Investors of Oakland will meet Thursday, Jan. 10, at the Michigan State University-Management Education Center, 811 W. Square Lake Road, Troy. There will be a buffet dinner (reservations needed) 5:30-6:30 p.m., early bird session 6:15-7 p.m. and general membership meeting 7:15-9:30 p.m. RSVP for dinner to www.reiaofoakland.com/dinner.html. Speaker will be attorney David Nykanen discussing strategies for appealing tax assessments. Admission free for members, \$20 for guests.

Learn to generate tax-free profits by using self-directed IRAs. Presented by Equity Trust Company 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Jan 12, at Hilton Detroit Troy Hilton, 5500 Crooks, Troy. Call (440) 323-5491, Ext. 398, to register, refer to code A2. \$99 early registration (\$199 at the door). Sponsored by Real Estate Investors of Oakland.

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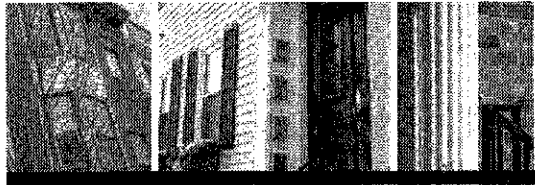
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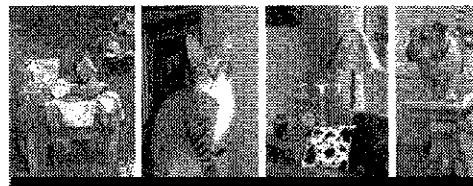
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LET'S TALK SOON
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HOW ARE YOU?
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COULD YOU BE THE ONE?
SBF, 27, self-educated, up front and real seeks employed, respectful, nice man independent and not about games, to get to know and have a good time. **242919**

HEY GUYS
SBF, 28, mother of 3, dark complexion, 5'4", 120lbs, red/brown hair, seeking a SMM, 40-49, NIS, independent, looking for a loving SMM, to get to know. **242978**

HEY GUYS
SBF, 20, 5'9", slim, long black hair, enjoys movies, concerts, and just having fun, looking for a nice, respectful man, to enjoy talks, casual dates, and see what happens next. **242979**

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GMnext Focuses on Future, Nods to Glorious Past

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By Dale Buss

When General Motors Chairman and CEO Rick Wagoner began an online chat last Thursday at 10:07 a.m. with members of the worldwide automotive news media, he formally kicked off a corporate centennial celebration that will culminate with a huge September 16 observation of exactly one official century of existence for GM.

But in his chat, Wagoner didn't focus on The General's glorious history as the globe's largest and most accomplished automaker. Rather, he talked up the company's future, from its plans to boost Daewoo, its Korean affiliate, to the possibilities for producing the Volt, GM's plug-in hybrid vehicle that so far exists only in prototype.

Wagoner's thrust was purposeful, because the future will be the focus of the entire centennial celebration that the company is calling GMnext. About 85% of GMnext activities and resources will be devoted to projecting GM's second century and only about 15% to reveling in its first hundred years.

"The future is most relevant to GM," said Scot Keller, GM's staff director of corporate brand communications. "Also, even for people who were part of the company's past, they have a big appetite to hear about the future."

Christopher Barger, GM's director of global communications technology, said that the company batted around "a lot of ideas on how to celebrate. But we decided to look forward instead of back because the industry is entering a period of fundamental and probably sometimes disruptive change."

GMnext is exposing the company and its employees to external appreciation - and inspection - more than anything the company ever has done.

Perhaps the most important illustration of the future emphasis of GMnext is the prominent roles that are being played in it by 30 GM executives and managers other than Wagoner. From the moment



The new Chevrolet Tahoe hybrid SUV is one model that GM is highlighting as it kicks off its second century.

The Chevrolet Volt plug-in hybrid, seen here from above, may be produced beginning in 2010.



Wagoner began his chat through the next 24 hours, each of these "future leaders" of the company conducted his or her own online chat. They'll also be featured in GMNext online videos and write blogs during the length of the celebration.

GMnext also plans to highlight the company's future strategic, product and public-policy priorities in five areas: design, especially in concept products; technology, emphasizing safety and convenience features in the pipeline; "green" initiatives; ideas that are emerging from GM that will shape the future of the company and the industry; and "reach," which Keller called "the good side of being big."

"These are issues tied to what consumers are telling us is important to them," Keller explained.

GMnext's product track, for example, will include something GM is calling Global Concepts 360x365 - meaning a nonstop, all-around look at what the company will be producing in the future, what Keller called "a digital expansion of auto shows." This aspect of the celebration will include online peeks at GM's design studios and "video diaries" that will be posted by designers as well as "virtual scrums" in which GM executives discuss newly revealed future products with journalists and consumers online.

Music will be a major part of the celebration's outreach to younger audiences. So GMNext will have a heavy "brand" presence at rock festivals from spring

through fall that attract from 60,000 to 130,000 fans each in "key global growth markets," Keller said.

On September 16 - the 100th anniversary of GM's incorporation - GMnext will stage a one-hour live global broadcast to be hosted by Wagoner and the 30 "future leaders" at the company's Renaissance Center headquarters in Detroit. Among other things, it will be available unencrypted online.

Just as important as showing off what GM has in the pipeline to global automotive consumers, GMnext also is broadly aimed at persuading the company's own employees how great its future will be. "Attraction and retention of talent is an important issue to us," Keller said. Providing for and encouraging wide employee participation in GMnext, he added, is one major way for the celebration to boost that imperative.

One of GMnext's major features, for example, will be Generations of GM Wiki, an "online history book" of the company to which employees and retirees will be able to contribute. It will launch in March. GM decided that the idea of commissioning an official history book was "outdated," Keller said, "and it wouldn't capture the voices inside the company. The Wiki site "will go live to the world as a living, breathing history book of GM."

Also, a web page devoted to GM's "reach" will discuss its impact on society and GM stances on current issues and allow visitors to contribute their own content.

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PUZZLE CORNER

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CROSSWORD PUZZLER

- ACROSS**
- River floater
 - Fast food symbol
 - Air-pump meas.
 - Fizzy drink
 - Had been
 - Steal from
 - "Wellaway"
 - Huge sum of money
 - Even chance
 - Striped stone
 - First-aid boxes
 - "Tao - Ching"
 - Previous to
 - Treat a sprain
 - Zipper alternative
 - Derek of filmdom
 - Was victorious
 - Uh cousin
 - Dog sound
 - Holding office
 - "Om," for one
 - Tell a whopper

- DOWN**
- Electronics mfr. service
 - Cyberspace
 - Squash
 - Baja fast food
 - "- shucks!"
 - Make a pit stop
 - Harvest haul
 - Not him
 - Wrinkled fruit

Answer to Previous Puzzle

ETCH THUG FAB
 KYRA IOTA ELO
 ERAS BRAN LOG
 OBTAIN GATE
 ETAIN ISM
 MAINE AD PLAN
 EAR NYLON EGO
 THAW ES ONION
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 BITS ZENITH
 POT AVON GROW
 OIL KIND HALE
 ELL APES SPED

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SUDOKU

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Fun By The Numbers

Like puzzles? Then you'll love sudoku. This mind-bending puzzle will have you hooked from the moment you square off, so sharpen your pencil and put your sudoku savvy to the test!

Level: Beginner

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

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CHECK YOUR ANSWERS HERE

SUDOKU

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CHECK YOUR ANSWERS HERE

SEEK AND FIND

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Automotive

<p>Sports Utility (8290)</p> <p>SATURN VUE 2006, 30K, V-6, auto, air, pw/pl, tilt, cruise, OnStar, leather, \$16,900. SATURN of PLYMOUTH (734) 453-7890</p> <p>TOYOTA 4 RUNNER 2003 Limited 4x4, gray, V-8, NAV, sunroof, leather, \$22,595. RedHoban (734) 721-1144</p> <p>TOYOTA 4RUNNER SR5 2006 Sport, auto, 4WD, \$26,998. AVIS FORD (248) 355-7515</p> <p>TOYOTA HIGHLANDER 2007, 4WD, 3.3 V-6, auto, snow white, winter ready, hurry only one left \$18,950. Low LaRiche Chevrolet 888-372-9836</p> <p>TOYOTA HIGHLANDER SPORT 2007, 29K, V-6, auto, air, pw/pl, alloy wheels, \$19,770. SATURN of PLYMOUTH (734) 453-7890</p> <p>Sports & Imported (8300)</p> <p>BMW 325i 2003, low miles, exc cond., must see, \$16,895. SATURN of PLYMOUTH (734) 453-7890</p> <p>Acura (8340)</p> <p>TL 2003 3.2 4 dr., white, beautiful auto, must see, \$15,480. SATURN of PLYMOUTH (734) 453-7890</p> <p>Buick (8360)</p> <p>CENTURY 2004, loaded, only 6,500 miles, like new, full power, \$15,950. 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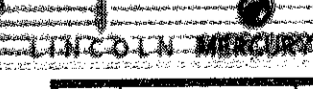
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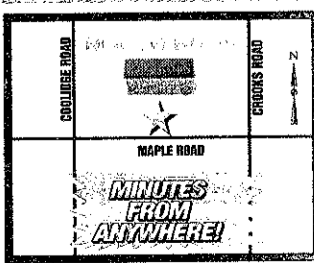
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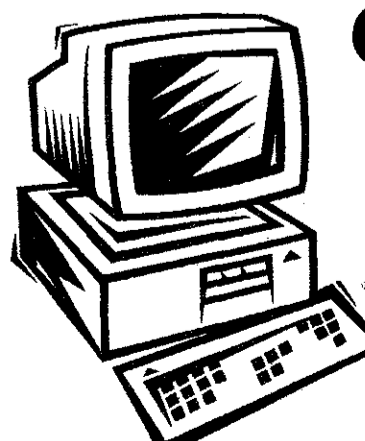
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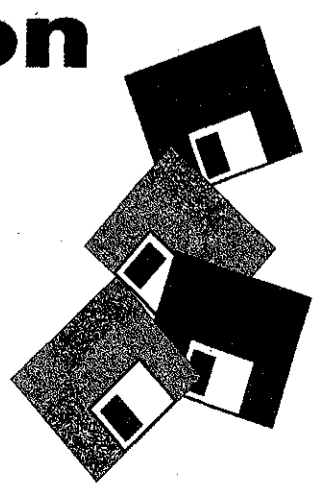
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On just shy of one acre Looking to steal a nice house? Beautifully updt'd 3BR ranch on almost 1 fenced acre in great location. Over 1,300 sq ft; 1st flr laun; att gar. Owner is motivated!
(27215370) \$159,900



Hazel Park 248-348-6430
Tons of Updates! Move-in Ready. 3 bedroom home on large lot. New plumbing, doors, carpet, lighting and more. Seller will help with closing costs.
(27203436) \$81,000



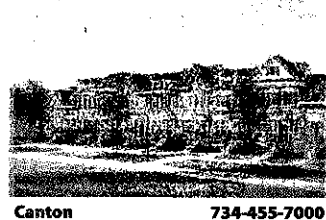
Milford 248-684-1065
Open flr plan. Cathedral cells in GR & mstr br. 3 WICs, 2 doorwalls to deck. Kit has ceramic flrs. New gar door. Plenty of storage. Close to village.
(27055667) \$139,900



Novi 248-348-6430
Carefree Condo Living At Its Best! Spacious LR & Formal Dr Off Lg Deck. Eat-in Kit w/oak Cabinets. Baths Are Updated w/maple Cabinets & Corian. Fin'd LI Makes A Great Office/den. Ample Storage.
(27222048) \$115,000



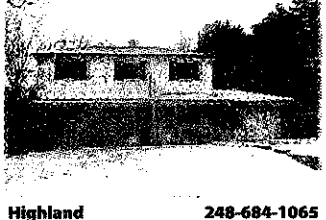
South Lyon 248-437-3800
Love the outdoors? This is a rare find. Bring your boat canal leads to 4 lakes. Loads of high end amenities in the home, granite counters, maple and oak floors, walk-out basement.
(27217033) \$229,000



Canton 734-455-7000
UPTOWN CANTON VILLAGE! 46 upscale brownstone condo w/5 flr plans, 2-3 bedrooms, 2-car garage, fireplace, balcony, and GeoThermal heating & cooling. Call for a reservation!
(27054660) \$193,900



Fenton 248-684-1065
Keep it together or sell off the 4.9 acres that is already split off. 3 bd, 3 ba. Natural fireplace in Great room. Lower level plumbed for wet bar or kitchen.
(27040760) \$410,000



Highland 248-684-1065
Large fenced yard w/ patio and deck. Handicapped access. Private balcony off MB. MBR shwr w/ steam generator. 2-car heated garage. Pool and play equip. to stay.
(27212036) \$319,000



Northville 248-348-6430
Great Open Floor Plan 3 bdrm, 2 1/2 bath condo w/1st floor master & laundry, formal living & dining rooms, large loft, kitchen that overlooks family room w/frpc, tastefully decorated.
(27209531) \$379,000



Novi 248-348-6430
Great Home for Lease Novi Schools & close to everything. KIT w/bkfst area. Formal LR & FR w/FPs. 4 nice size BR, 3.5 BA, FF Indry. Fin'd bsmt w/5th BR. Very spacious. Ready for you.
(27199149) \$2,300



South Lyon 248-437-3800
Sharp Ranch on Nice Sized Lot! Close to downtown this home features living room, country kitchen with eating area, 3 bedrooms and first floor laundry. Kitchen and bath have been updated.
(27190262) \$150,000



Canton 734-455-7000
CANTON OPPORTUNITY! Awesome price for location and Ply/Canton schools. 3BR/1.1BA, fin bsmt & 2car att gar. Eat-in kit overlooks FR which features nat FP and doorwall to patio.
(27211601) \$159,900



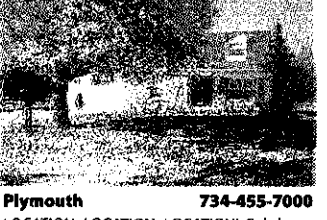
Fowlerville 248-437-3800
Great Starter Home! Very clean 3 bedroom home, has an oversized garage, fenced backyard with large deck that is great for entertaining, large kitchen and a 1st floor master bedroom.
(27214005) \$83,000



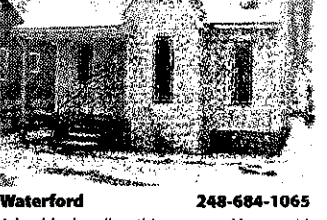
Highland 248-684-1065
Spotless, warm & charming 3 BR ranch in serene horse community area. Gorgeous treed private backyard. Open flr plan w/ large kitchen/great rm/gas FP.
(27186068) \$189,900



Northville 734-455-7000
CAREFREE CONDO IN NORTHVILLE! This doll house looks nearly new. New kit w/Corian counters & sink, all appl stay, teakwood flrs, fresh paint, closet organizers, C/A+3 clng fans, priv deck.
(27181422) \$149,900



Plymouth 734-455-7000
LOCATION, LOCATION, LOCATION! Cul de sac backs to park-like commons. Hrdwd flr in spacious open foyer & liv/ din rms, redone kit, newer roof, furn, baths, patio, fin bsmt, carpet 10/07, etc.
(27205953) \$329,900



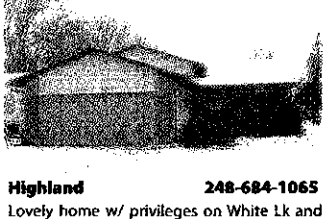
Waterford 248-684-1065
Adorable describes this renovated home with updates throughout. New roof, carpet, bath, kitchen flr & cabs, pella windows. Deck to wooded yard.
(27209453) \$89,900



Canton Twp 734-455-7000
SPACIOUS CONDO! All 3 bedrooms have a private bath. Great kitchen, all appliances stay. Deck, 2 car garage, loft and basement. Great room is 2 stories high. Immediate Occupancy!
(27130823) \$215,000



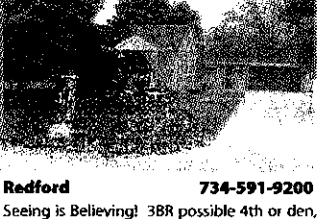
Garden City 734-326-2000
READY FOR ITS NEW OWNER is this 3 bd, 1 1/2 bath colonial w/ full basement, family room w/ fireplace, inground pool, florida rm & att 2 car garage. Owner will assist w/ closing costs.
(27162631) \$156,500



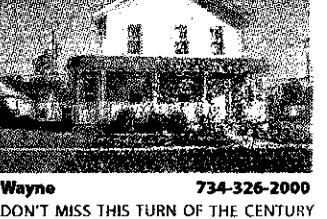
Highland 248-684-1065
Lovely home w/ privileges on White Lk and Duck Lk. Granite counter tops/floor. Marble flr in bath. Jacuzzi rm w/hot tub. Inground swimming pool. New furnace/AC.
(27180788) \$169,000



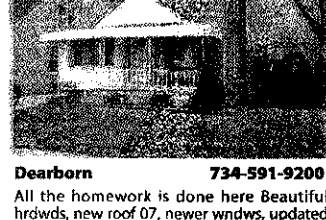
Novi 248-348-6430
Exquisite Custom Built Cape Cod! Exceptional home with attention to every detail. 2 BRs, loft, 3 FPs, study & den. 2 story foyer, GR & Family RM. Fabulous master suite. Custom design and decor!
(2717381) \$995,000



Redford 734-591-9200
Seeing is Believing! 3BR possible 4th or den, 2.5 ba ranch, 1.0 acre approx. Lg MBR w/mstr ba, vault dng & bow win. Newer Oak Shw, lamin flrs. Att 2 car htd gar w/breezeway, Indry, storage, 1/2 ba.
(27147787) \$188,900



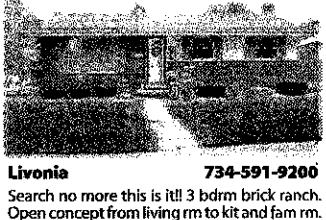
Wayne 734-326-2000
DON'T MISS THIS TURN OF THE CENTURY Up to \$4647 in closing costs. Up to \$5000 in grant money. 3 units, Two 1 bdrm units, One 2 bdrm unit. Appliances stay. Upstairs has a sep furnace. Wanda Hinkley.
(27177018) \$154,900



Dearborn 734-591-9200
All the homework is done here Beautiful hrdwds, new roof 07, newer wndws, updated kit & bathrm, new hwh, glass blk wndws, newer appls, deep lot w/ Indscpg, 20 x 20 2 car det gar, a/c.
(27208943) \$139,900



Garden City 734-326-2000
GREAT STARTER AT A GREAT PRICE 3 BR, newer carpeting, roof shingles in 1996. Central air, newer white cabinets, bath w/ tub enclosure. Large lot w/ att. garage. 3% towards closing costs.
(27045578) \$104,900



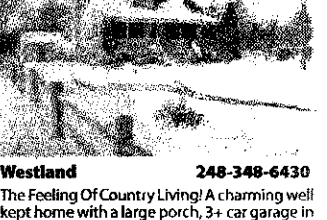
Livonia 734-591-9200
Search no more this is it! 3 bdrm brick ranch. Open concept from living rm to kit and fam rm. New kitchen cabinets and counter with a large dining area. Exceptionally large family room.
(27194937) \$224,500



Novi 248-348-6430
Stunning Custom Built Beautiful executive colonial on a 1.7 acre lot, granite, hrdwd floors, dbl oven, crown moldings, oversize windows & treatments, lrg. master, deck & paver patio.
(27203601) \$599,000



Redford 248-437-3800
What a find! This brick 3 bedroom home has curb appeal, a garage, full basement, hardwood floors in a quiet neighborhood. Motivated seller!
(27213988) \$90,000



Westland 248-348-6430
The Feeling Of Country Living! A charming well kept home with a large porch, 2+ car garage in back, spacious rooms, hardwood floors, newer windows t/o, coved ceilings, over 1/2 acre.
(27213846) \$180,000



Dearborn Heights 248-348-6430
Attention Builders! Lot w/ 2 Car Garage! Great price on this premium lot with a brand new 2 car garage. Crestwood schools, fenced yard & a large shed! New construction will be built unless lot is sold.
(27193396) \$38,000



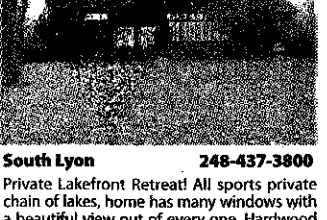
Garden City 734-326-2000
SO MUCH POTENTIAL! Desirable fenced corner lot w/ side entry garage. Cinder block construction. New Roof (tear off) Wet plstr walls, cove ceiling, hrdwd flrs. Just need cosmetic!
(27174800) \$99,900



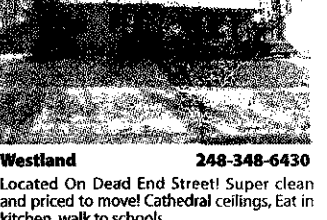
Livonia 248-851-1900
POTTERY BARN PERFECTION! Oak flooring & professional paint give WOW appeal. Updates include windows, bath, copper plumbing, electrical, shingles. Extra large heated garage. Super location.
(87215963) \$154,888



Novi 248-348-6430
Fabulous Singh Built Home Builders model in Tollgate Ravines. 2 story home. Foyer w/limestone flr, FF mstr, BA w/marble cntntrps & jacuzzi. Crown molding & cased archways cstm maple KIT.
(27197103) \$459,000



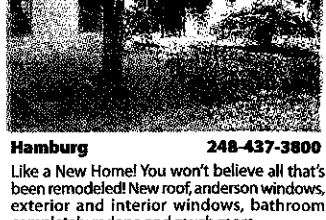
South Lyon 248-437-3800
Private Lakefront Retreat! All sports private chain of lakes, home has many windows with a beautiful view out of every one. Hardwood floors, granite countertops, fieldstone fireplace.
(27211995) \$649,000



Westland 248-348-6430
Located On Dead End Street! Super clean and priced to move! Cathedral ceilings, Eat in kitchen, walk to schools.
(27214634) \$130,000



Detroit 734-591-9200
Excellent Value & Opportunity Here! Gorgeous End Unit Condo in Prime Dwtwn, Freshly Painted, New Carpet, New Ceramic tile in Kit, Mstr Ste w/jetted Tub & Shower, All appls incl, Gas FP, Att Garage.
(27212075) \$229,900



Hamburg 248-437-3800
Like a New Home! You won't believe all that's been remodeled! New roof, anderson windows, exterior and interior windows, bathroom completely redone and much more.
(27215609) \$185,000



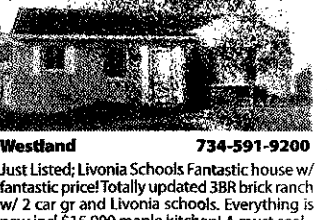
Livonia 248-348-6430
Short Sale Subject to 3rd Party Review 4 bedroom brick ranch. Finished basement, all appliances stay. 1 car detached garage, Livonia schools. Bring all offers!
(27203574) \$119,000



Novi 248-851-1900
FORECLOSURE. IMMACULATELY MAINTAINED 4BR, 2.5 bath, 2 story great room, family room w/fireplace, beautiful kitchen with hardwood floors. Master suite features glamour bath. Priced way below SEVI!
(27223395) \$339,900



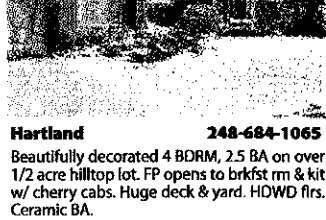
South Lyon 248-437-3800
All Sports Lakefront Home! Home is situated on huge lot with excellent views. Two fireplaces for cozy winter nights. Large decks for outdoor entertaining. Recent updates.
(27208861) \$399,900



Westland 734-591-9200
Just Listed: Livonia Schools! Fantastic house w/ fantastic price! Totally updated 3BR brick ranch w/ 2 car gr and Livonia schools. Everything is new incl \$15,000 maple kitchen! A Must see!
(27218932) \$125,000



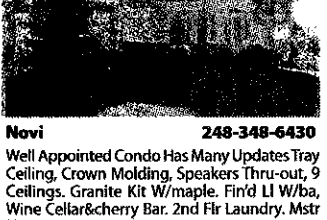
Farmington Hills 248-851-1900
NEUTRAL & UPDATED IN MOVE-IN CONDITION Updated kitchen w/granite counters & ceramic floor. New garage doors, windows & roof. Family room w/wet bar. 4 BR, 2.1 baths. Lovely pond view.
(27185321) \$289,000



Hartland 248-684-1065
Beautifully decorated 4 BDRM, 2.5 BA on over 1/2 acre hilltop lot. FP opens to brkfst rm & kit w/ cherry cabs. Huge deck & yard. HDWD flrs. Ceramic BA.
(27212091) \$309,900



Milford 248-684-1065
Beautiful 2-story on wooded 1.5 acres w/ gorgeous views from every window. HDWD flr foyer & hall, DR w/ bay, Oak cabs in KIT, Fin LL, MBR w/ WIC, Large deck.
(27214111) \$297,000



Novi 248-348-6430
Well Appointed Condo Has Many Updates! Tray Ceiling, Crown Molding, Speakers Thru-out, 9 Ceilings. Granite Kit w/ maple. Fin'd LI W/ bay, Wine Cellar/Cherry Bar. 2nd Flr Laundry. Mstr Has Lg Sitting Rm.
(27203056) \$310,000



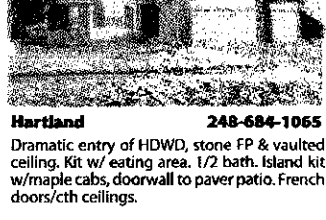
South Lyon 248-437-3800
Custom built colonial Home offers soaring ceilings, open floor plan, spacious gourmet kitchen, 2 decks, finished daylight basement has family room and fireplace. Much more!
(27197813) \$379,900



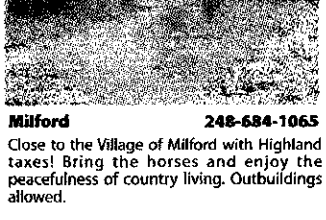
Westland 248-348-6430
Great Tri-Level Condo W/ Spacious Lr Newer Windows, Roof & Central Air. Galley Kit W/ Dr. Wood Flrs in Brs. Fin'd LI W/ Storage, Work Room, & Laundry. Play Area & Community Center, Pets Welcome.
(27198844) \$79,900



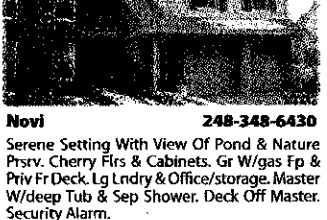
Farmington Hills 248-851-1900
BEAUTIFUL LARGE LOT, POPULAR SUB Glass double front doors. Lib. w/HWF & custom built-ins. FR w/plc. Huge MBR w/WIC. All BRs have HWF. Updated windows, roof, AC, furnace, HWH, kitchen & baths. Fin. bsmt.
(27207897) \$284,900



Hartland 248-684-1065
Dramatic entry of HDWD, stone FP & vaulted ceiling. Kit w/ eating area. 1/2 bath. Island kit w/maple cabs, doorwall to paver patio. French doors/cth ceilings.
(27192449) \$259,900



Milford 248-684-1065
Close to the Village of Milford with Highland taxes! Bring the horses and enjoy the peacefulness of country living. Outbuildings allowed.
(27033490) \$149,900



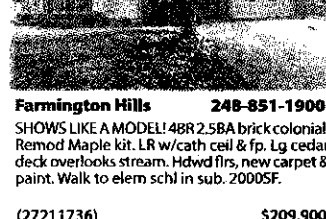
Novi 248-348-6430
Serene Setting With View Of Pond & Nature Prsv. Cherry Flrs & Cabinets. Gr W/gas FP & Priv Fr Deck. Lg Lindry & Office/storage. Master W/deep Tub & Sep Shower. Deck Off Master. Security Alarm.
(27213604) \$225,000



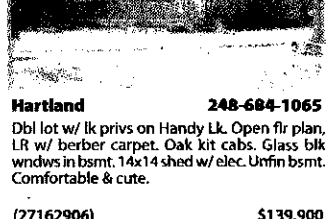
South Lyon 248-437-3800
Finish It Yourself! List price is for finished product. Large lot, wide open spaces. Home is drywalled - make an offer. You can choose to finish and save. Make an offer!
(27211990) \$339,000



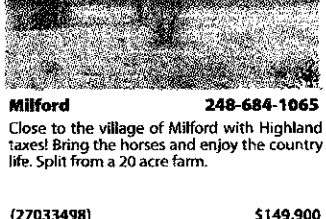
Westland 734-555-7000
NIFTY FOR THE THRIFTY! Why rent! This duplex condo is remodeled already. Great investment, partially fin bsmt. Newer kitchen, carpet, windows, furn, A/C, plumbing. It's all right here!
(27205151) \$68,500



Farmington Hills 248-851-1900
SHOWS LIKE A MODEL! 4BR, 2.5BA brick colonial. Remod Maple kit. LR w/cath cell & fl. Lg cedar deck overlooks stream. Hdwd flrs, new carpet. Walk to elem sch in sub. 2000SF.
(27211736) \$209,900



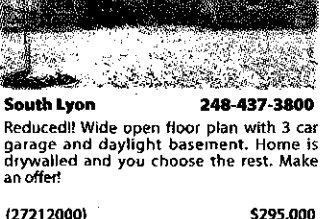
Hartland 248-684-1065
Dbl lot w/ lk privs on Handy Lk. Open flr plan. LR w/ berber carpet. Oak kit cabs. Glass blk deck overlooks stream. Hdwd flrs, new carpet. Comfortable & cute.
(27162906) \$139,900



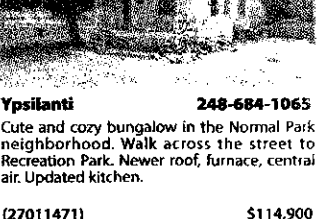
Milford 248-684-1065
Close to the village of Milford with Highland taxes! Bring the horses and enjoy the country life. Split from a 20 acre farm.
(27033498) \$149,900



Novi 248-348-6430
Great Location For This Neutral Condo Mstr Br Has 1/2 Ba & Dressing Area. Lg Brkfst/dining Area, Dn W/privt Patio. Assoc Fee Includes Gas, Water, Tennis, Clubhouse, Pool, Playground & Ext. Maint.
(27198080) \$118,000

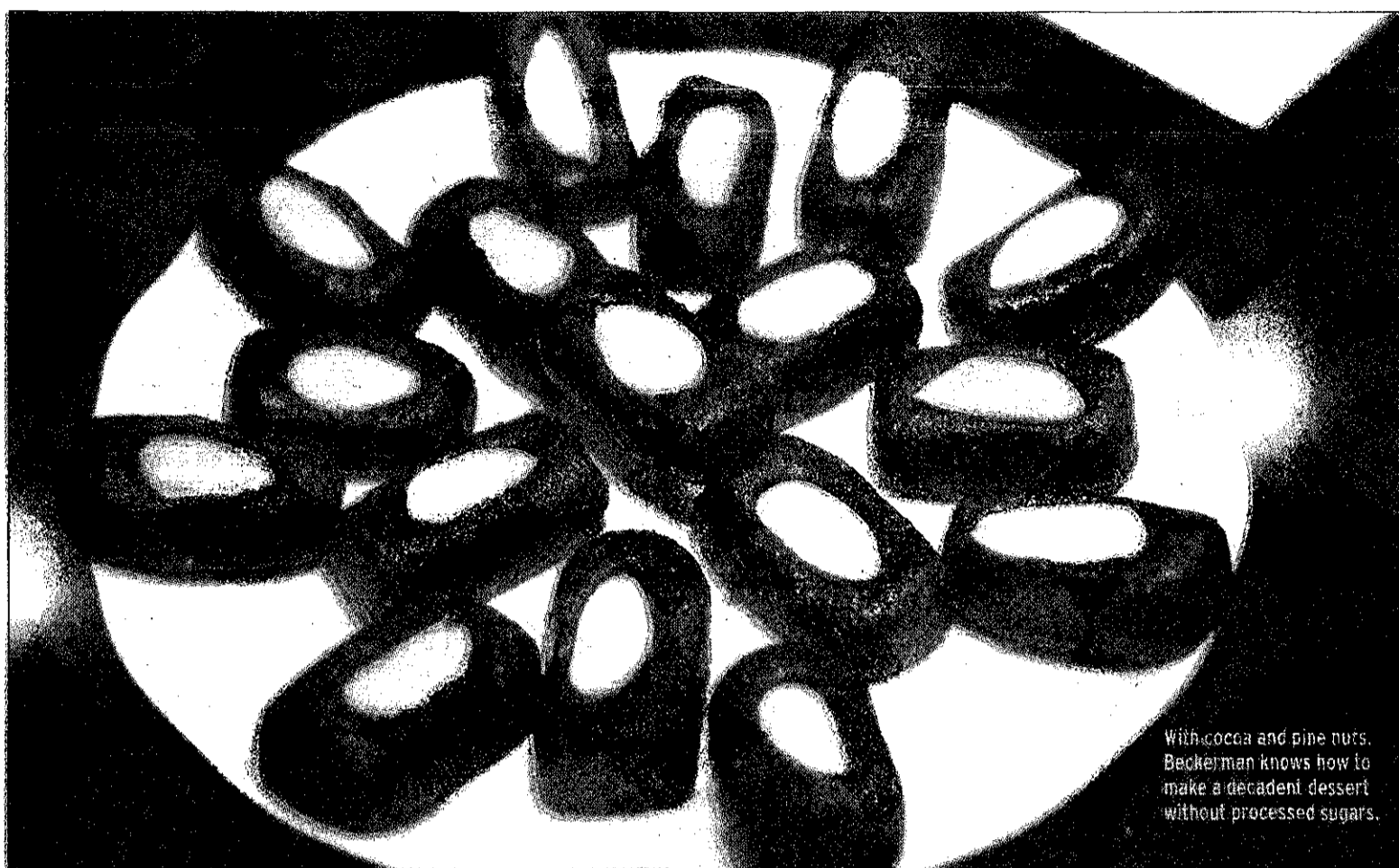


South Lyon 248-437-3800
Reduced! Wide open floor plan with 3 car garage and daylight basement. Home is drywalled and you choose the rest. Make an offer!
(27212000) \$295,000



Ypsilanti 248-684-1065
Cute and cozy bungalow in the Normal Park neighborhood. Walk across the street to Recreation Park. Newer roof, furnace, central air. Updated kitchen.
(27011471) \$114,900

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With cocoa and pine nuts, Beckerman knows how to make a decadent dessert without processed sugars.

Eat it RAW!

Local chef is on a quest to stop cooking

BY LANA MINI
STAFF WRITER

Chef Mary Beckerman has a solution for those who want to eat well, but have little time to cook: Stop cooking.

Simple. Just stop cooking and eat your food raw. Does the idea of just chewing naturally on a celery stalk sound boring? Probably. In the modern world, we rarely eat food in its pure form — unless it's in a salad.

But Beckerman's meals are raw and not limited to bowls of lettuce.

A food connoisseur and professional chef, Beckerman relishes gourmet cuisine.

The only difference between her and the majority of the us is that her decadent foods aren't cooked. She's part of the growing raw food movement is spreading nationwide in popularity.

Raw pasta (zucchini or squash based); raw deserts of cakes and cookies; gourmet wraps of kale, raw dairyless cheeses derived from almonds or cashews and breads that are dehydrated rather than baked are part of the cuisine. Raw foods are so nutritious and low in fat, there's hardly such thing as over-eating — so you can eat all you want and stay trim.

Sound intriguing?

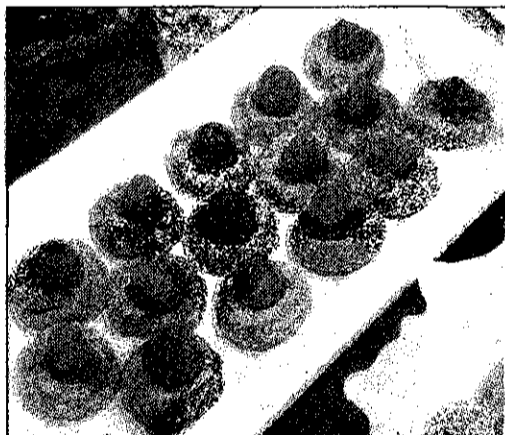
Chef Beckerman, of West Bloomfield, is a graduate of both Wayne State University and Living Light Culinary Arts Institute in California. She's lived a raw, vegan diet for years, meaning none of her food is cooked over 118 degrees because any temperature above that mark kills essential enzymes and other nutrients, she said.

All of her foods are plant-based. She refrains from all meats, poultry, fish, eggs, dairy and other animal by-products. She's a vegan — a term that is also soaring in popularity since the New York Times Bestselling book and cookbook *Skinny Bitch* came out last year.

"If humans were meant to eat animal products, we wouldn't have to cook or pasteurize it to make it safe," Beckerman said. "Humans are herbivores by nature — our teeth and



Mary Beckerman and her creations of raw, healthful gourmet desserts.



Beckerman creates cookies that are not baked - every dish is actually good for you.

digestive tracts are the same as herbivores, not carnivores."

LIVING RAW

Beckerman is president of Lovin' Goodies and Marbec Ltd. Her passion are delicious cuisine and superior nutrition, and her work to cultivate healthy minds, bodies, and spirits is done through demonstration workshops, catering, training and consultations.

She also chairs the Healthy U Steering Committee program at the Jewish Community Center, where she is developing programs in partnership with health organizations such as Henry Ford Hospital, Detroit Medical Center, Abbot Labs and Weight Watchers.

Beckerman teaches classes and also works with corporations to help offer healthier foods in their cafeterias; less employee sickness saves money.

"Plant foods also promote healthy weight and help prevent chronic illnesses such as diabetes and heart disease," Beckerman said and groups like the American Cancer Institute confirm.

Stylish, svelte, physically fit and radiating with energy, Beckerman is one of those people who never seem tired even though she's a multitasker.

Eyes turned to her recently as she walked through the Rugby Grille of the Townsend Hotel. Her long auburn hair, designer clothing and cosmetics seemed to scream: celebrity.

And raw food is credited as a beauty and healthy lifestyle for many celebrities like Demi Moore, Woody Harrelson, and Red Hot Chili Peppers frontman Anthony Kedis. She's catered for David Bowie, Kiss and Aerosmith.

Please see **RAW, D2**

Recipes

BASIC ALMOND COOKIE BY MARY BECKERMAN

1 cup almonds (soaked and dehydrated)
1/2 cup walnuts (soaked and dehydrated)
1 1/2 cup pitted dates (about 15)
1/2 teaspoon almond extract
pinch of salt

You will need a food dehydrator to dry the nuts. Or, see bottom information for a variation. In a food processor with an S blade add almonds and walnuts and process till crumbly.

Add extract, salt and dates one at a time while processing till entirely mixed. Use a small scooper to form into one-inch balls. Place on tray in refrigerator for about one hour. Garnish with one blanched almond on each cookie. Variations: Coat with shredded coconut to make "Almond Coco-NUT Snowballs." Coat with fine almond flour and garnish with whole almond, fresh raspberry and date jam to make "Thumbprint Jewels." Or, add one-quarter cup cocoa powder, replace almond extract with vanilla and coat with cocoa to make "Heavenly Truffles" You can still make cookies if you are not able to soak and dehydrate the nuts. However, soaking and dehydrating releases enzymes trapped inside nuts.

COLLARD GREEN WRAPS BY RAWGURU.COM

Nutty Filling
1/2 cup soaked hazelnuts
1/2 cup soaked sunflower seeds
1/2 cup soaked almonds
1-2 sticks celery (chopped)
1/2 cup of water
1 tablespoon olive oil
1 tablespoon agave nectar (found at natural food stores, it looks like honey)
3 tablespoons lemon juice
Salt to taste

Process everything for the filling in a food processor. Spoon 2-3 tablespoons of the nutty filling in each collard green. Tie 1 green onion around the wrap to keep it from falling apart. Garnish the sides with chopped tomatoes.

SPAGHETTI

4 yellow zucchini cut on a saladaccio, toss in a dash of lemon juice and set aside.
Sauce
2 cups organic cherry tomatoes
1 cup sun dried tomatoes soaked in three-quarter cup water for 90 minutes
1 teaspoon tomato paste
2 dates, soaked for two hours
3 tablespoons olive oil
2 cloves garlic
2 tablespoons fresh parsley
1 pinch fresh oregano
1 handful fresh basil
1 teaspoon sea salt

Blend sauce ingredients until smooth. Add a little soaked water from the tomatoes for a thinner sauce. Toss with "spaghetti" and top with blended almonds if desired.

Looking back on the best tech of 2007

Many years ago, I made a resolution to stop making new year's resolutions, and I'm proud to say I've stuck to it.

I do, however, enjoy looking back on the year gone by. 2007 witnessed some truly peachy products and services (along with a few lemons); I've corralled some of the year's best and worst.



Tech Savvy

BEST PHONE: APPLE IPHONE

I know it's the obvious choice, but nothing else came close. The iPhone redefines the category, proving that a cell phone can do more than just make and take calls. A lot more.

In addition to calling amenities like visual voicemail, the iPhone serves up music, movies, photos, and Web browsing that's functional instead of aggravating. Here's hoping 2008 brings new models with more storage and a faster network.

BEST PHONE SERVICE: VERIZON CHAPERONE

For working parents who want to keep tabs on their kids' whereabouts, there's no better solution than Chaperone. In addition to real-time location tracking, it can alert you when a child reaches a designated area (like home or school).

Your child will need a Chaperone-compatible phone (standard prices apply) and the service itself, which costs \$9.99 monthly. That's a small price to pay for this kind of peace of mind. (Even so, I'm still waiting for Verizon to get smart and make it free.)



The best PC game of 2007, BioShock sends you to retro/futuristic underwater city where something has gone horribly wrong.

BEST GAME: BIOSHOCK

Imagine waking up inside a Stephen King novel and you'll have a pretty good idea what it's like to play BioShock. Somehow retro and futuristic at the same time, BioShock combines terrific storytelling (yes, storytelling!) with white-knuckle first-person action.

Though I don't recommend it for casual gamers or those with low-end PCs (it requires a lot of horsepower), I definitely rank it as my favorite game of 2007.

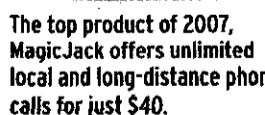
BEST PRODUCT: MAGICJACK

Almost too good to be true, the \$40 MagicJack (magicjack.com) plugs into a USB port and provides unlimited local and long-

distance calling for one year. After that, it's \$20 per year. You supply the phone:

any corded handset or base station will do.

The only downsides: You can't transfer your existing phone number (one reason this works best as a second line), and you have to leave a computer running 24/7. But who cares? \$40!



The top product of 2007, MagicJack offers unlimited local and long-distance phone calls for just \$40.

BEST MUSIC STORE: AMAZONMP3

Better late than never: It took Amazon years to get into the music-download game, but it was worth the wait. AmazonMP3 (amazonmp3.com) sells restriction-free MP3s that play on any computer or portable device. No hassles, no b.s., just fair and affordable music downloads.

Amazon just added Warner Music's catalog, bringing its library close to 3 million songs. For anyone who likes to buy music online, there's no reason to shop anywhere else.

Please see **TECH SAVVY, D2**

TECH SAVVY

FROM PAGE D1

BEST TECH COMPANY: GOOGLE

Google could charge for Gmail and I'd pay for it. Google could charge for Picasa and I'd pay for it.

Same goes for Google Docs, Google Earth, and countless other Google applications and services.

But the company continues

to give away the store, and I love them for it.

WORST PRODUCT: WINDOWS VISTA

We waited all those years for this? Microsoft's new OS is a sluggish, buggy, complex disaster. I can't think of a single new feature that makes it worth having, except perhaps for Media Center (which has changed for the worse over the

2005 version).

Unfortunately, we're stuck with it. Although a handful of PC vendors still offer Windows XP, at some point we'll all be living in a Vista world. It's almost enough to make me want to buy a Mac. Almost.

WORST TIME-WASTER: SCRABULOUS

I don't use social-networking service Facebook for anything except Scrabulous, the startlingly addictive turn-based Scrabble knockoff played online against friends (real and virtual).

It's great fun, but it can easily eat up 30 minutes of my day before I even realize it. I may have to break my no-resolutions resolution and resolve to break the habit!

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RAW

FROM PAGE D1

Beckerman said humbly that her beauty comes from within. She hasn't had a flu or cold in years, she said.

"I'm healthy on the inside and maybe that radiates to the outside," she said. "I put living foods, fresh foods into my body. Why do we want to eat dead foods?" Dead food, raw foodists say, is food cooked at the 118 degree mark or above. Many studies help validate the raw case. For example, it's known now that olive oil cooked too high can cause the release of free radicals and kill the oil's antioxidant effects, according to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.

Preparing raw foods is easy and can please the most finicky eater because you can still have foods like pizza and chips, just healthy versions of it, Beckerman said.

When Beckerman dines at the Rugby Grille she works with chefs there who prepare raw meals for her. On one day she had a gourmet salad with

exotic greens, pomegranates, avocados and sprouts. Her dessert was a raw pistachio parfait.

TEACHING RAW

Beckerman teaches raw food classes at several locations including Designs Unlimited in Birmingham where this month's class is about healthy condiments and sauces.

"There's so much sugar and hidden fats in our condiments," she said. "It's an easy way to improve your diet."

In February she'll teach a class there about healthy meals for families and in March the topic is super-cleansing foods. At the Whole Foods store in Ann Arbor she's taught courses on raw desserts and wraps — which she will do again this year.

Her raw fundamental courses teach the importance of incorporating more living foods into the diet.

Her "antioxidant and phytochemicals" class teaches about nutrients and delicious ways to incorporate antioxidants, vitamins and minerals

without sacrificing flavor.

Other courses include: guide to managing your raw food kitchen, eat your veggies, low-fat diets, beyond dairy, wheat and gluten-free diets, peak performance for athletes and divine desserts.

She teaches how to make foods like pies, tarts, cookies, cakes and candies; wraps and more.

Beckerman currently serves as director of corporate wellness at Trillacorp, an international government contractor focused on health care, homeland security, and environmental clean-up. Plus she's director of wellness for the annual Raw Spirit Festival in Sedona, Ariz., the most prestigious raw event in the country. She received extensive food service training while working at Hyatt Corporation.

"I don't care how old you are — everybody wants energy and vibrancy," she said. "Everybody wants to feel good, and if they're not getting that from their current diet, I'm going to tell them it's time for a change."

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Hot water temperature is important for health

I was listening to a radio broadcast on New Year's Day where Consumer Reports Magazine was giving out winter tips. They were very good except for one that I completely disagree with. Then again, isn't it just like me to disagree with somebody!



Appliance Doctor

Joe Gagnon

I guess that this could be true if you don't care how clean your clothes are or how well the dishes are cleaned.

First is the clothes washer, which when set on hot water wash is designed to take care of not only dirt but perform some function in regards to bacteria. I don't think a baby should be wrapped in diapers washed in 120-degree water temperature. It certainly wouldn't be healthy because it is a known fact that bacteria are not killed in this low a water temperature.

I'll tell you that my underwear goes through our washer at 160-degree temperatures and occasionally they are soaked in bleach for 10 or 15

minutes.

Now for those of you with little children you must use care when setting your hot water heater at high temperatures. There are several thousand children hospitalized each year because of accidents. I wonder if Consumer Reports has ever taken a 10-year-old washer apart to notice over an inch of slime and grime built up in the inner drum. I used to use a fireplace shovel to remove it and that is caused by water not hot enough to dissolve the detergent. Not too healthy folks.

As for the dishwasher, I called my friend Kim at Bill & Rod's Appliance.

"Kim, what is your recommended setting for a hot water tank?" He replied without any hesitation, 140 degrees.

He also suggested always turning on the hot water faucet at the sink and letting it get hot there before using the dishwasher.

I mentioned to Kim that the recommendation set forth not long ago by NSF is 150 degrees in residential homes. NSF is a testing laboratory based in Ann Arbor, which has been approving products for the restaurant industry for many years.

Do you know that a temperature range of 185 degrees or higher is the standard for the restaurant industry? They want to make sure that bacteria are removed during their

dishwasher operations.

A temperature of 120 degree is not going to cut it folks, no matter what Consumer Reports says.

Here is e-mail from Gary & Jan who ask, "If you were buying a dishwasher, what one would you recommend?"

I would go with a Maytag or Whirlpool if I just wanted something in a regular price range. BUT - My wife just purchased a Bosch two months ago when she finished spending a fortune on re-doing the kitchen.

It is so quiet you have to put your ear against it when it runs. She loves it. BUT - very expensive, like \$1,100. If you take any regular dishwasher and you glue corkboard on the sides and back, it will reduce the noise by over 50 percent. The biggest complaint on dishwashers is the noise level.

Good hunting and remember that whatever Jan wants, Jan should get.

Stay tuned.

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

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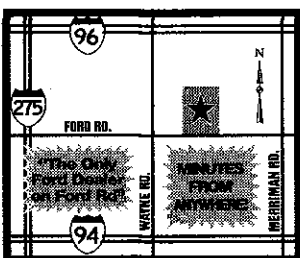


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NYLO Wear by Daniel Vosovic debuted in December at the loft-lifestyle hotel's first location outside Dallas.

Daniel Vosovic launches trendy hotel clothing line

Project Runway favorite Daniel Vosovic has turned his talents from the catwalk to the bellhop. The Michigan native recently created a 20-piece collection for the new loft lifestyle hotel NYLO.

NYLO Wear by Daniel Vosovic blends comfort with couture and is meant to flatter its wearers in the hotel as well as on the street. The versatile, mix-and-match clothing line includes sweaters, skirts, pants, blouses, shirts and more. Each piece features Vosovic's signature clean lines and sophisticated styling.

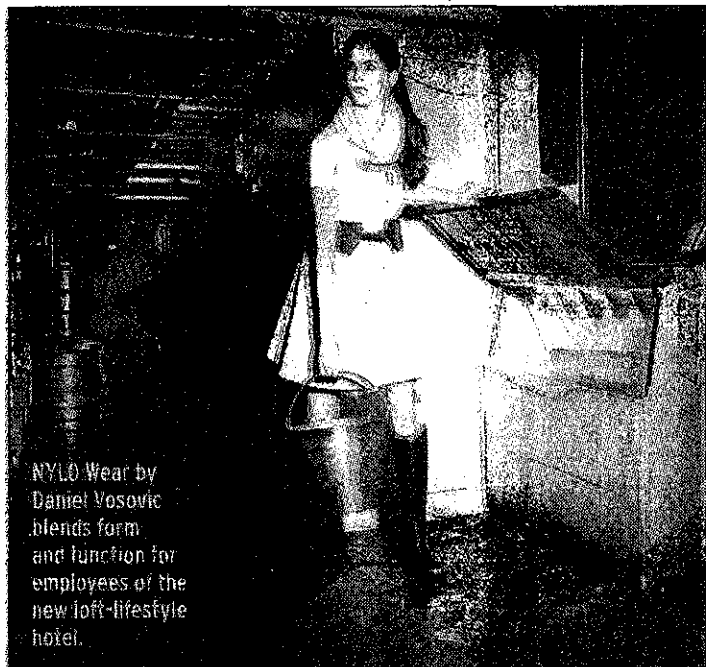
From jackets and jumpers to polos and pants, the collection is varied enough for a day in the office or a night out with friends. Eighteen months in the making, the line premiered in time for the opening of NYLO's first hotel in Plano, Texas on Dec. 18. Later this winter, the casual, fashion-forward apparel will be available for consumers to purchase in the hotel boutique shops and online at www.nylohotels.com.

During Project Runway's season two, Vosovic, 26, who hails from Lowell, Mich., won a record-setting five design challenges. He is consistently the hands-down favorite in Bravo's online and on-air polls, winning over fans with his talent, outgoing personality and grace under fire.

Read Vosovic's fashion blog at www.bravotv.com/blog/danielvsblog.



NYLO Wear by Daniel Vosovic.



NYLO Wear by Daniel Vosovic blends form and function for employees of the new loft-lifestyle hotel.

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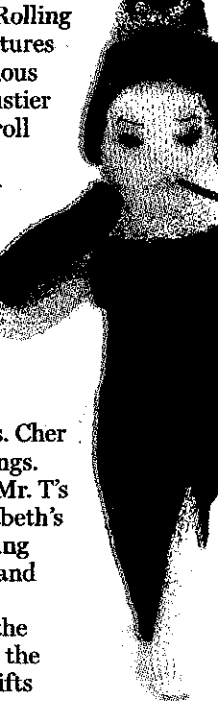


Knit Yourself a Celeb

Whether you're a 'Crafty Gal' or not, you'll love "Knitted Icons" by Carol Meldrum (Quirk Books, \$15.59). Meldrum, of Glasgow, Scotland, works as a design consultant for Rowan Yarns, and her charming little tome is a guide to making yarn dolls of 25 famous icons ranging from Elvis and The Beatles to Ghandi and Bob Marley. The cover, crafted to look like 'Rolling Stone' magazine, features Madonna in her famous Christian Lacroix bustier and sets the rock-n-roll tone of the book.

Inside are instructions for creating a Basic Doll, along with patterns for apparel, accessories and signature details. Muhammad Ali has stitched six-pack abs. Cher wears fishnet stockings. Everything — from Mr. T's bling to Queen Elizabeth's crown — is made using scraps of felt, fabric and yarn.

Crafters will love the unique projects, and the dolls make perfect gifts — fashionistas will swoon



over Audrey Hepburn, Marilyn Monroe and Jackie O. But even if you never intend to pick up a set of knitting needles, the book is a fun coffee table find filled with delightful quotes and quips about each celebrity, printed alongside charming photos of their yarn star counterparts. — Wendy Von Buskirk

Audrey Hepburn is a "Breakfast at Tiffany's" is one of 25 yarn stars in "Knitted Icons."

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