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Upgrades could cost millions



A public school district already anticipating possible revenue shortfalls within the next two years didn't need the news, from a comprehensive study, that bringing its buildings up to par could cost up to \$106 million.

BY TONY BRUSCATO STAFF WRITER tbruscato@oe.h

An architectural study indicates it will cost Plymouth-Canton Community Schools nearly \$106 million to bring school and administrative building infrastructure up to par.

And, that same report puts some doubt as to the futures of Central Middle School and Miller Elementary.

The report, presented by TMP

Architecture to the Board of Education, is a comprehensive engineering assessment of building infrastructures, and the need for programenhanced remodeling, with the goal to bring the buildings up to current stan-

"Based on our analysis, we believe that to upgrade the elementary schools to today's standards will be approximately \$32.7 million, with the

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Booher: 'Determine priorities' before taking the next step

BY TONY BRUSCATO

After TMP presented its facilities report to the Board of Education last week, Superintendent Kathleen Booher said the first step in the process will be to decide educational specifications before any decisions can be made as to the construction of new buildings or renovating existing facili-

"We have to determine educational priorities. That's the sole purpose for which the district exists, so we need to determine what we need to do to support education at the level, and in the forms, we want in Plymouth Canton," said Booher.

The old adage in determining the value of a piece of property is location, location, location. And, apparently, the school district has a couple of

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MONDAY

Woman's Garden club meets: The annual meeting of the Plymouth branch of the Woman's National Farm and Garden Association takes place at 12:30 p.m. at the home of Evelyn Gilbert. The gavel will be passed to the new president, Eileen Wittenberg. Tea chairperson Margaret Koeninger will be helped by Joan Connor and Esther Shattuck.

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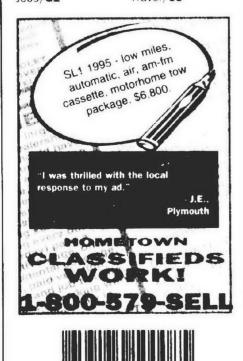
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Silver server: Victorina Mainville takes an order from a customer, above, something she calls one of her favorite parts of the job she's been doing for nearly 25 years. (Below) "Everyone can learn from Vic," general manager Justin Carlson said of Mainville.



They'll soon ring in a quarter of a century anniversary for this

BY ALICE ASHMORE

Regular patrons at the Taco Bell on Main Street in Plymouth have seen a familiar face behind the counter for well over a

Victorina Mainville, or "Vic," as she is known to her Taco Bell customers, has lively blue eyes and a broad smile that belies her 77 years.

Her uniform hat is covered with an assortment of pins, including ones commending her service - five years, 10 years,

She has been a fixture at Taco Bell restaurants in Plymouth for 24 years. (That's 168 years if

you're a Chihuahua) When I started, I wanted a job I could walk to, and where I didn't have to spend a lot of money on clothes," said Mainville, who remembers her starting wage was \$2.35 an

Mainville, a native Detroiter, moved to other, younger employees, some of whom Plymouth with her husband 48 years ago.

She was 53 years old when she began a career at Taco Bell. "I never dreamed I'd work here for as long as I have," she said. Mainville said the people she meets make her job worthwhile.

"My customers are, almost every one, so very pleasant. It's very seldom that one of them is cross," she said. "It comes naturally to me to be nice to people." She said she enjoys sharing a joke or

flirting with the young men who come through the line. "They would never take me seriously," she said with a laugh. She appreciates the relationships that

are formed during the few minutes of a lunch hour. "You get to know the customers,"

Mainville said. " If I am off for a while, people miss me.

Even though she knows her customers, there are very few cases when she can recall what they usually order. In part, because the menu has grown to a dizzying array of choices during her tenure.

"There were very few things on the menu when I first started working here. We had tacos, burritos, BellBeefers, and pintos n' cheese," she said. "The food now is definitely more complicated."

Mainville began working for Taco Bell as a fryer. "That was before it all (the shells) came pre-fried," she explained. When fryers were no longer needed, she moved on to work the counter.

Ironically, she is not a fan of highly sea-

"I do not like hot or spicy foods, but I do eat here," she said, admitting to a current weakness for the Chicken

> Chalupa Supreme. Mainville works a four hour shift, four days a week. "After four hours I'm tired, but that is pretty good for someone my

> age." she said. Being someone "her age" doesn't keep Mainville from blending in well with the

have respectfully taken to calling her "Grandma," according to the store's general manager.

"She mixes in pretty well, actually,"

Justin Carlson said, "Everybody has something to learn from Vic.' After work she likes to relax by watching

movies. "I love to read, and to crochet and knit," Mainville said. "I used to love to garden, but it is getting to be too hard." She also enjoys the company of six chil-

dren, eight grandchildren and five greatgrandchildren. "My two youngest grandchildren live in

Georgia," she said. "They love to go to Taco Bell when they come here.

Mainville says most of her colleagues are young people who are going to school. "It is hard to get older people to work

here," she said. "People work where they can get more money." Her hope is to keep working until next

year, when she will have completed 25 years of service with Taco Bell.

"Dear Lord willing," she said.

City sets up cell tower restrictions

BY BRAD KADRICH bkadrich@oe.homecomm.net

City officials Monday night took a step to make sure cellular tower placement within the city will have as minimal an impact as possible on residential areas

The Plymouth City Commission unanimously approved the first reading of an ordinance amendment establishing an overlay district prohibiting construction of cellular towers within 400 feet of residential neighborhoods, historic districts and

City Planner Don Wortman said the ordinance is patterned after similar ordinances in various towns

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Board hopeful targets school funding

School Board Election 2001

We have to learn to

Sheila Stirsman

School board candidate

communicate better

with each other.'

BY TONY BRUSCATO STAFF WRITER thruscato@oe.homecomm.net

Sheila Stirsman admits to not knowing all the issues concerning the Plymouth-Canton district. However, she's certain of one thing. Most of the issues can be resolved with increases in the state founda-

tion grant and communication among staff, parents and students "The main issue,

right now, is the foundation grant,' said Stirsman, of Canton, who is seeking the lone seat on

the Plymouth-Canton Board of Education in the June 11 election. "We need to get that resolved. The other issues can't go anywhere without more money from the state.

And, with the projected budget deficit in another year, we need to do something about that," she said. "Everyone wants equality (in program funding), but it won't come unless we get more state funding."

As far as Stirsman is concerned, the board has done well with the hand

they've been dealt. "The board has done a great job at budgeting what they've got," said Stirsman. "It's a mean and lean school district. I

think things could be a lot worse. I don't want to see any layoffs or increases in class size.

Plymouth-Canton Schools have come under fire recently because of what some call its lack of diversity. Stirs-



man believes that will always be an

Home Delivery

Music ministry

The Michigan Opera Theatre joins the combined children's choirs at Our Lady of Good Counsel Church for a repertoire including liturgical selections and Broadway show-stoppers as the church presents a "Music Ministry" concert at 7 p.m. Tuesday at OLGC.

One of the show's highlights comes when Michigan Opera Theatre performers join the youngsters for a medley of favorites from Les Miserables.

The evening will feature works from composers such as Mary Lynn Lightfoot, David Sasso, William Harris, James Q. Mulholland and Rogers and Hammerstein. Under the direction of Susan Lindquist, the director of children's choirs at OLGC, and accompanist Dr. Richard Schneider, more than 170 young singers will perform. The Counsellor's Youth Chorale and High School Ensemble, Singsations Children's Choirs and the premier of the OLGC Men and Boy Choir have been rehearsing for the event, which is free of charge and open to

"We have been fortunate to work with the Michigan Opera Theatre before," said Lindquist. "I am continually impressed with their education and community outreach program."

■ The Counsellor's Youth Chorale, back from a tour of England and France last August, holds open auditions the first week of June. The choir welcomes singers of all

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have been talking about alterna-

tives. The city also formed a

denominations ages 11-18 who are interested in performing fine choral literature. For more information on audition dates and times, contact Susan Lindquist, (734) 451-

Bolger tournament

The Plymouth Canton High School senior class sponsors a 3-on-3 basketball tournament to benefit the Mark J. Bolger Memorial Fund June 2.

The tournament is in the honor of Mark Bolger, who collapsed and died during a game last year.

Registration for the tournament begins at 9 a.m. The fee for each three- or four-person team is \$60. The tournament includes elementary and middle school leagues, as well as two high school and two adult leagues. Registration is due by May 25. Lunch will be provided, and the day will include prizes for the winners as well as a door prize raf-

Information is available at Summit on the Park, both high school general offices or by calling class president Stephen Bernacki, (734) 455-5409.

Book signing

Dr. David Janda, who has offices in Plymouth, will be signing copies of his book, "Awakening of a Surgeon," from 1 to 3 p.m. Saturday, May 19 at the Little Book Shoppe on the Park in downtown Ply-

Janda's book details his struggle to heighten awareness about sports injuries.

Michigan Week

Michigan Made features two Michigan artists as the Plymouth company celebrates Michigan Week May 18-25.

Canton artist Sue Garchow demonstrates her woodburning art Saturday, May 19. Tom Woodruff, Michigan book illustrator, will be featured in book signings and an art exhibition from 5 to 8:30 p.m. Friday, May 25. Woodruff has illustrated children's Michigan and Great Lakes History books. He has done his illustration workshop in more than 300 Michigan schools during the

Michigan Made will also serve "Michigan tastes" during the week. Also, customers will get a free gift and a chance to enter the drawing for a "Big Basket of Michigan" prize with each purchase. The drawing takes place at 8:30 p.m. Friday, May 25.

Michigan Made is located at 830 W. Ann Arbor Trail in Plymouth. Call (734) 207-8794 for more information.

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New reporter joins staff

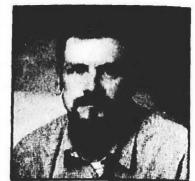
Award-winning reporter Kurt Kuban has joined the staff of the Plymouth Observer as a general assignment reporter. Kuban, 31, began work Monday.

He replaces Susan Buck, who took a similar position at the Farmington Observer.

Kuban previously had worked for the Redford Observer, one of six Wayne County newspapers published by the Observer and Eccentric Newspapers. In Plymouth, Kuban will primarily be responsible for coverage of Plymouth township and the police and fire departments. "Kurt is a talented young writ-

er who will enhance our dedication to complete coverage," Plymouth Observer editor Brad Kadrich said. "He'll be a valuable addition to our talented staff."

As a member of the Redford Observer, Kuban was part of the company's entertainment coverage, which won a third-place award in this year's Suburban Newspapers of America editorial



contest. A graduate of the University of Tampa, Kuban also won several awards connected with his work for that university's student-run newspaper, The Minaret.

Prior to joining the Observer. Kuban was a regular freelance contributor to Contemporary Authors, a reference volume published by The Gale Group in Detroit, and served as a staff reporter for Michigan Community Newspapers.

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"Diversity issues are always going to be there," she said. The main thing is communication. We have to learn to communicate better with each other. I don't see this issue going away because we've dealt with diversity forever in this country.'

And, when it comes to charter schools, Stirsman believes marketing Plymouth-Canton Schools is the answer.

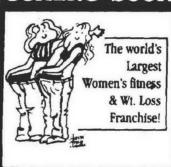
district, we need to market ourselves aggressively to bring students to us," said Stirsman. "If the community sees you as a viable place to educate their children, they won't even consider a charter school.

There are problems in every school district, and the administration has to deal with that." she added. "Teacher to teacher, in Plymouth-Canton and charter schools, they can't be all that different and better. I'm very happy with the Plymouth-Canton school district.'

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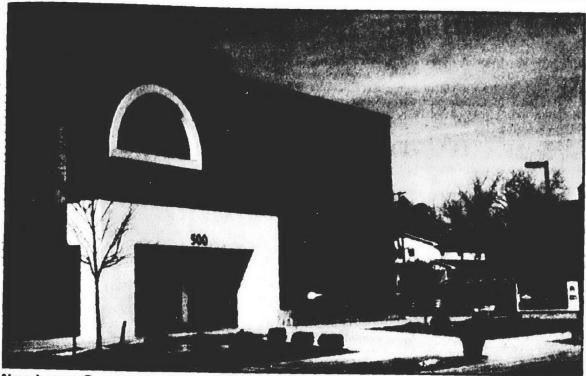
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New home: Community Federal Credit Union, celebrating its 50th anniversary this year, made its new home on Harvey Street between Wing and Ann Arbor Trail.

Golden age

Credit union celebrates 50th year

BY HEATHER NEEDHAM STAFF WRITER

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A half century ago, a little credit union housed in a one-room office in Plymouth opened with the primary purpose of serving employees of the Daisy Air Rifle Company.

Since that time, the Daisy Air Rifle Company has moved, but the credit union, which would become Community Federal Credit Union, stayed. Now Community Federal has branches in Plymouth, Canton and Northville as well as three Northern Michigan communities.

Its main branch is on 500 S. Harvey, south of Ann Arbor Trail in Plymouth.

The credit union is celebrating its golden anniversary the old-fashioned way - by having an ice cream social. The ice cream will be given out between 4 and 7 p.m. Friday, June 29 in the credit union parking lot.

The ice cream social will be part of Plymouth's Music in the Park series, of which Community Federal is a sponsor, said Sarah Cousineau, marketing manager.

"We're going to try to make a little festival out of it," Cousineau said, adding that clowns and face painting also will be part of the "festival."

The Plymouth, Canton and Northville offices will be collecting canned and nonperishable food for the Salvation Army as part of the anniversary celebration. The food drive will run through the month of June.

Susan O'Connor, senior marketing manager, said CFCU started in the basement of the former Mayflower Hotel at Ann Arbor Trail and Main. Its first permanent office was in a church on the corner of Church and Main.

She said being able to celebrate 50 years in busi-

ness is pretty significant.

"All these investment firms and banks have been trying to get a foothold in Plymouth but we've been here 50 years," O'Connor said. "We've been here during the bad times when no one wanta to ao business in Plymouth.

One of those rocky times was in the late 1950s, when the Daisy Air Rifle Company left town. It exacted a devastating toll on workers who lost their jobs and on CFCU as well, according to O'Connor.

Daisy left Plymouth for Rogers, Arkansas in

"People don't remember that this was a company town - everybody who worked here worked for Daisy Air Rifle," O'Connor said.

The credit union lent money to cash-strapped unemployed workers to help make ends meet.



Old haunt: The first credit union office was at the corner of Church and Main, where the historical museum is now located. It was originally called Plymouth Credit Union.

"We've always been known for exceptional service and value," she said. "For 50 years, we've been good corporate citizens.

In 2000, Community Federal began its Community Shares program, which donates money to the lymouth-Canton Educational Excellence Foundation and the Northville Educational Foundation. In Plymouth-Canton, that money is being used to purchase globes for middle and elementary stu-

The banking business has changed tremendously during the past 50 years. The biggest technological advance for CFCU came in 1986, when ATMs made their debut, offering 24-hour banking for customers. The ATM helped pave the way for other convenience-oriented services such as direct deposit, debit cards and Internet banking.

The ATM got people thinking about 24-hour access," O'Connor said.

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middle and high schools \$68 million," said Jon Riebe of TMP. "Support facilities, such as the administration building, maintenance building, community education and special education, will cost \$5.1 million. The upgrades would bring some equity to all the buildings.

One of the most expensive of the upgrades is at Central Middle School, which TMP estimates will cost \$17 million to renovate.

That just buys you fixing what is there now," said John Castellana of TMP. "You'd have to weigh that against the cost of a new facility (\$22 million) which would have all the educational enhancements.

"An option would be to convert Central to a district administrative center and Community Education facility, which doesn't require a lot of remodeling," he

Central Middle School, which is located on a prime piece of property in downtown Plymouth, will become an emotional issue for graduates of the old Plymouth High School.

"(Making it an administrative center) would give some sense of cohesion among our administrative staff, which is currently all over the place," said Trustee Elizabeth Givens. "My concern with converting Central ... is it

The report indicates it will cost \$18 million to refurbish Canton High School and \$14 million to renovate Salem High

Of the other middle schools, West needs \$7.2 million in upgrades; East, \$6.3 million; and Pioneer, \$4.7 million.

Miller Elementary tops the elementary schools with a price tag of \$4.4 million to renovate. However, the architects suggested Miller be converted into an early childhood center.

"Viewing the building and looking at the configuration with the semi-open classrooms, it really doesn't serve well as a K-5 elementary school," said Castellana. "The make-up is much different than the other schools."

Trustee Roland Thomas said early child education is something the district should study.

We need to look at early childhood education and how wo want to pursue and fund it," he said. "We need to look at if we want to use a school or buy a building. We need to set priorities and criteria to something the community will accept."

Architects also presented the school board with cost estimates to upgrade the older buildings in order to give students the same educational opportunities as the newer buildings in the district.

multi-year master plan are three new elementary schools at a cost of nearly \$40 million; converting Miller to an Early Childhood Center, \$4 million; creating a magnate school, \$10 million; constructing a new middle school, \$25 million; spending \$20 million for a new Central Administrative Center at the high school complex; and constructing additions to existing schools at a cost of \$45 million.

Three options presented to the board range in cost from \$170 million to \$215 million.

"We have some serious repairs to make. I would try to separate between essential and nonessential," said Darwin Watts, school board president. "We need to get a handle on what the community expects."

Trustee Judy Mardigian says it's time for the board to roll up its sleeves and decide what's important.

We need to come to agreement on educational specifications, because that drives a lot of what we do to fix the buildings," she said. "We need to make a decision on the early childhood center and the centralization of administrative services."

Board members are expected to make some decisions at the May 15 mouting.

Legion post hands out scholarships

BY KURT KUBAN STAFF WRITER

A local American Legion post this week gave two area high school students college scholarships. Seniors Lindsey Mergener of Farmington High School and Steven Kreis of Redford Catholic Central both won \$5,000 scholarships in the first competition sponsored by American Legion Post 390.

The scholarship competition was open to all high school seniors in western Wayne Coun-

"The only qualification we had that was somewhat different to similar competitions is each applicant had to have either a parent or grandparent who served in the military," said Post 390 member Bob Armstrong of Plymouth Township, a former post commander who was on the panel that selected the winners. "Other than that, they had to

have excellent scholastic ability and be active in their communities.

Mergener, a Farmington Hills resident, is a four-year straight-A student and co-president of the National Honor Society. In addition, she is the captain of Farmington's track team and is active in the drama department. Her community service includes planning field trips for special education students. She plans to attend Yale University in the

Kreis, a Redford resident who will attend Michigan State University, earned a 3.6 grade point average over the course of four years and is a member of both the National Honor Society and student council. He is active with Catholic Central's marching and symphonic bands, for which he has been recognized at the state level. Kreis also volunteers at Botsford Hospital's daycare center.

Mergener and Kreis were cho-

sen from a field of 32 applicants. The two were among seven finalists given personal interviews. Armstrong said each of the finalists made a big impression on the panelists and was deserving

of the scholarships "The culmination of this process has been very gratifying. The kids that applied for this were just exceptional. But we

could only select two." Post 390, which has 70 members and meets at a Knights of Columbus hall in Farmington, sold its former hall in Detroit's Rosedale Park neighborhood several years ago. The interest earned from the sale is what the post used for its educational fund. Armstrong said the post will continue the scholarship competition.

"We set up this fund because of our need and desire to get involved in the community again. We wanted to give back a little of what we have accumulated over the years.'

Deadline nears for drug-free grant

Applicants have until Friday, June 1, to submit proposals for funding under the Drug-Free grant awarded to Plymouth-Canton Community Schools.

A state grant for \$72,840 has been awarded to the district from the Safe and Drug-Free Schools Program for the 2001-2002 school year. The local grant is coordinated through a sub-committee of the Plymouth-Canton Community Council for Substance Abuse Prevention.

Proposals should address drug prevention, drug intervention, violence prevention, student safety, parent training or community programs. All proposals submitted for consideration must include the following information:

A history of the project documenting an effective impact on the population served;

Strategies and activities used as part of the

Data that shows how this was determined and by what process the information was gathered;

A clear presentation that describes the design of the project, its intended outcomes and measurable criteria to determine its effectiveness.

Applications for proposals are available through the Board of Education office, 454 S. Harvey, Plymouth, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday-Friday.

They must be completed and returned to the Education Services Department, no later than Monday, June 1.

Interviews are scheduled Monday, June 11, only. Interview times will be determined after the receipt of the application.

All activities provided through the Drug-Free grant will need prior approval of the CPAs Com-

For more information, call Linda Kelly at (734)

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properties which are hot.

"We will definitely want to look at what the district could gain by the sale of properties," she added. "Some of those options would allow us to dispose of at least three pieces of

buildings on them.

"In a couple of cases we've had parties interested in those buildings, when and if they're going to go on the market," added Booher. "I think it's common knowledge there are people in property that already have the community who continue to

watch Central Middle School, to see what the board may ultimately do with that building. Tanger Center (special programs and student services on Five Mile in Plymouth Township) is of interest to some who have called us several times.'

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Drug store employee hit, nearly robbed by man waiting in rest room

An employee at a Plymouth Township drugstore was attacked and nearly robbed by a man hiding in a store restroom in the early morning hours of May 4.

The assault took place shortly after 1 a.m. at the CVS Pharmacy, at 1400 Sheldon.

According to township police reports, the male employee went to use a restroom located downstairs in the store's stockroom. When the man turned on the light, he saw a black male sitting

POLICE BLOTTER

on the toilet. The black male stood up and lifted up his shirt, exposing a chrome-colored hand-

The employee told police officials the man then said, "Don't look at me. You know what I want." When the employee went to turn around, he said the black male punched him on the right side of the head, knocking him

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At that point, the assailant yelled "I'll be back," and fled the restroom. The employee said he heard the alarm sound moments later, when the man exited the store through a rear door, according to reports.

After several minutes the employee, stunned from the attack, called CVS's loss prevention manager. He then called the

Plymouth Township Police officers arrived and set up a

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perimeter around the store, and used the department's dog to try and track the man. The K-9 found a fresh track leading from the rear door, but lost it in a nearby parking lot. According to Plymouth Town-

ship Police Officer Jamie Senkbeil, the employee should have contacted police sooner.

"It's important to dial 911 immediately, so we can gather evidence and leads to the crime as soon as possible. The longer they wait, the better the possibility the evidence will be lost or tampered with," she said. "With any reportable offense that involves a suspect, especially one that is observed, you should dial 911 first. Then you can call a manager."

The employee described his assailant as 6 feet three inches tall, weighing 200-pounds with light skin and short hair. He was wearing a multi-colored, plaid shirt and baggy pants.

Church robbed

The Church of Christ, at 9301 Sheldon, was the target of a recent break-in, resulting in the loss of more than \$7,000 worth of property.

According to police reports, someone broke into several of the church's offices sometime between 9 p.m., May 2 and 9 a.m., May 3. Among the items taken were computers, televisions, fax machines, a set of golf clubs and an undisclosed amount of cash.

Police officials found no signs of forced entry on any of church's exterior doors or windows.

Golf cart joyride

Sometime during the evening hours of May 6, vandals broke into a range shed at St. John's Golf Course, at 44045 Five Mile, and took a golf cart on a joyride around the course.

According to police reports, the vandals used bolt cutters to get into the shed, which is used to store the carts overnight. A course manager told police at least six greens were damaged by the cart. After riding around the course, the vandals dumped the cart into pond located on the

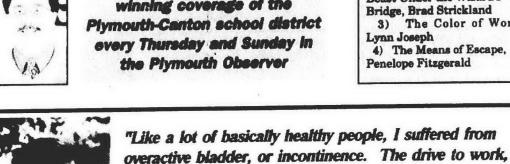
A fire extinguisher was also inside of the shed.

Police have no suspects.



Catch Tony Bruscato's awardwinning coverage of the Plymouth-Canton school district every Thursday and Sunday in the Plymouth Observer

taken from St. John's youth center, which the vandals emptied



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

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Hello: Farmington Rotary Club President-elect Sally Owen greets Chinese exchange students before Tuesday's luncheon in Farmington Hills. The students are earning MBA degrees from Madonna University in Livonia.

Schoolcraft has open house use of technology to enhance

Wednesday for Schoolcraft College's \$27 million expansion and renovation of the Waterman Campus Center.

The official groundbreaking will be held 5:30-6p.m. outside just west of Waterman; the public is invited.

Following the groundbreaking, attendees will be invited inside the Waterman Center for an multi-media open house, 6:15-7:15 p.m.

Prior to the groundbreaking, 3:30-5:15 p.m., faculty and staff will get a preview of the open

The interactive, multimedia open house will describe the new building and its emphasis on innovative partnership and the instruction.

The open house will include informational displays, a 3D flythrough video and ice sculptures designed with a computer and

carved by an automated lathe. As part of the multi-media open house, Chef Instructor Kevin Gawronski will provide instruction from the culinary arts kitchen/studio at at 4:15 p.m. and 6:16 p.m.

In February, Schoolcraft College received word that Gov. John Engler signed a bill granting partial funding for the renovation and expansion of the

Waterman Campus Center. The bill included provisions for appropriation of \$13,369,000 to Schoolcraft. The entire project

will cost close to \$27 million, with the balance to be provided through college funds and a development effort

The project includes 55,000 square feet of new space that will house a state-of-the-art culinary arts department with teaching kitchen, classroom and demonstration spaces; an information technology center for education, training, product development and entrepreneurial activities; and public spaces for seminars, concerts and speakers.

Renovation of 29.000 square feet in the existing Waterman Center will provide an expanded food service program for employees, students and the communi-

Chinese students at Madonna take home lessons in leadership

BY TIM SMITH STAFF WRITER tsmith@oe.homecomm.net

Madonna University is a long way from Shanghai.

But that's just fine with Chinese students such as Jim Zhu and Gao Wen Wei, among more than 30 who return home tomorrow after two weeks at Madonna in Livonia. Although they managed to take in Detroit-area sights such as Comerica Park, the bulk of their visit was spent wrapping up master's of business administration programs.

Also on their itinerary - coordinated by Ann Valentino of Madonna - was Tuesday's luncheon with the Farmington Rotary Club at the William Costick Activities Center in Farmington Hills.

Student Jim Zhu, an employee at Tricon, the largest fast food company in Shanghai, volunteered to travel to America to complete his MBA degree. He volunteered to have lunch with the Rotarians to pick up some invaluable business ideas.

"I'll receive ideas from the U.S. to help my performance in China," said Zhu, who, like the other visitors, has stayed at a Madonna dorm the past two

"I want to improve my leader-

ship and get some new ideas," said Gao, in remarkably good English. "It's very friendly here and I like it very much. It's a very beautiful university.

Rotary is described as an "organization of business and professional leaders united worldwide who provide humanitarian service, encourage high ethical standards in all vocations, and help build goodwill and peace in the world.'

After the luncheon, Dr. Stuart Arends, dean of the Madonna business school, said the visiting students have made a positive impression on local residents.

"Having these visitors from China just helps other students," Arends said. "They learn about their ways, learn about their cul-

Arends said the Chinese students have been "aggressively learning about America in these two weeks. This is a unique and treasured experience for them and fosters cultural understand-

Prized

Zhu, Gaoand the other Chinese students will earn official Madonna University MBA degrees, having completed 18month programs.

"In Asia, a western education

is really a prized possession," said Arends, about why the students would enroll in a course at an American college.

During the MBA program, students in China had opportunities to receive on-site teaching. Madonna Professor William McMillan and several other Madonna faculty made five three-week trips to Shanghai.

And, over the past two weeks, McMillan and other faculty members read the students' theses and taught workshops, including one on cultural interpretation.

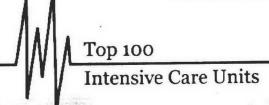
"The one thing about these people is they're so giving of themselves," McMillan said. They seem to come with no prejudices. They come with open minds and open hearts and they want to learn.

The keynote address of the luncheon was given by Dr. Mav Sanghvi, former past district governor of the Farmington Rotary Club.

Before the luncheon's conclusion, a number of gifts were presented to Chinese guests (including Professor Lu Hong Jun, president of the Shanghai Institute of International Finance and interpreters Grace Thilson and Zoi Chen) as well as city digniAt Providence, we're proud of the nurses, physicians, and other caregivers who make our Intensive Care Unit one of the Top 100 in the U.S.* Every day, they work hard to deliver better outcomes for you and your loved ones ~ to keep your family healthy.



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OLOC CONCERT

Michigan Opera Theatre and Children's Music Ministry of OLGC in concert at 7 p.m., Tuesday, May 15 at Our Lady of Good Counsel Church. "Music in Min-istry" will feature a medley of favorites from "Les Miserables" among other fine choral music.

PRESCHOOL REGISTRA-TION

Willow Creek Co-op Preschool Registration is taking place for the 2001-2002 school year. Three and four year old classes; morning and afternoon sessions. For more information call Maria Panek at 326-9101.

COLLEGE PLANNING SEMINAR

Edward Jones will be hosting a college planning seminar from 6:30-7:30 p.m. Tuesday, May 29 at the Plymouth Cultural Center. Dinner will be served. Call (734) 451-6405 for more information.

MSU ALUMNI ANNUAL

MEETING

The annual meeting and President's Reception takes place from 5:30-7:30 p.m., May 21 at the Dearborn Hills Golf Course. Contact Grant Alberts (734) 671-8653 or Jim Amar at (734) 459-7161 for further information.

SUMMER ART CAMP

D&M Studios in cooperation with Canton Leisure Services and the city of Plymouth Recreation Department presents "Australian Outback-Down Under," this year's Summer Art Camp theme. There is still room for preschool to teens, but camps are filling quickly. There is still time to take advantage of the 10 percent discount for early art camp registration, if tuition is received by May 31. Call 734-453-3710 for VIETNAM VETERANS

GENERAL MEETING

The meeting is being held at 7:30 p.m., Monday, May 14 at 9318 Newburgh Road. All veterans on active duty February 28, 1961-May 7, 1975, regardless of duty station, are eligible. For additional information, call Don Dignan (313) 845-3752 (work) or (734) 525-0157 (home).

SUMMER DAY CAMP ■ Summer Day Camp is

being held at Summit on the Park beginning in June. Campers enjoy crafts, gym activities, daily swim time and are treated to "off-site" field trips on Fridays. Camp runs from 8:45 a.m. to 4:14 p.m. with pre- and post-care options available. To be eligible for camp, campers must have completed the first grade through a maximum of completing the fifth grade. Call (734) 394-5460 for further information.

SENIOR HOUSING EXPO

■ A Senior Housing Expo and Ice-Cream Social will be held May 15 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Parks and Recreation Building at 303 West Main, Northville. Admission is free. For further information, call 248-349-4140.

BASEBALL TOURNAMENT

■ The Super Series Memorial Classic Basement Tournament being held May 25-27 for boys ages 11-14. Round Robin - 3 game guarantee. \$375 fee. Contact Kevin Wilkinson, Jeff Bradley, Vito Antonazzo at (734) 522-8872 for further information

DIABETES CARE SERIES

■ St. Mary Mercy Hospital is offering a series of classes entitled "Taking Charge

of Living with Diabetes." A series of three classes held from 9:30-11:30 a.m. and 12:30-2:30 p.m. on Tuesday, May 22; Thursday, May 24; and Tuesday, May 29 in the hospital's Pavilion A. To pre-register by May 15, please call (734) 655-8940 or (800) 494-

ARTHRITIS PAIN FORUM

 A special presentation on pain sponsored by the Michigan Chapter of the Arthritis Foundation will take place 7-9 p.m. May 16 in the Chestnut room at Summit on the Park. Refreshments will be served, admission is free, but seating is limited and pre-registration is required. You may register by mail, fax or e-mail to: Arthritis Foundation, Michigan Chapter, 17117 W. Nine Mile, Ste. 950, Southfield 48075, (800) 968-3030, fax (248) 424-9005; e-mail info.miarthritis.org.

STRESS MANAGEMENT COURSE

■ St. Mary Mercy Hospital is offering a three-week course entitled "Stressed for Success" on Wednesdays, May 9, 16 and 23 from 6:30-8:30 p.m. in the Pavilion. Various coping skills, relaxation techniques, communications skills and the use of humor will be explored. There is a fee. Call (734)655-8940 for further information.

WSDP RADIO AUCTION

■ 9a.m.-10 p.m., May 12, listen to 88.1FM to bid on items donated by area businesses. The money is to benefit WSDP, the student radio program for the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools. Bid line phone is 416-2730. Questions 416-7732.

NEW MORNING SCHOOL

New Morning School in Plymouth currently has openings in the kindergarten through Grade 8 programs. For information or registration call (734)420-3331. New Morning is a state licensed and certified parent coopera-

BICYCLE RIDES

■ Bike tours throughout the Plymouth community will start at 6:30 p.m. every Monday in through September, at the Comerica Bank back parking lot. Come join us for a fairly slow, low mileage bike ride through our neighborhoods and to the focal points of our community.

LADIES GOLF LESSIONS

■ Pheasant Run Golf Course is offering lessons on May 15-17. The fee for gold lessons is \$70 and there are two class times available. The afternoon class is from 11 a.m. -12:15 p.m. and the evening class is from 6-7:15 p.m. In person registration began April 16 at Summit on the Park. For more information, call Canton Leisure Services at 394-5460.

HEAD START ■ Starfish Family Services has openings for preschoolers in its Head Start program. This is a free program for income-eligible 3- and 4-year-olds and their families. It also accepts eligible foster children any children with disabilities. For information call (888) 887-9980.

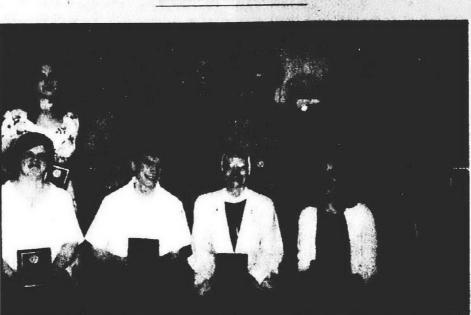
TINY TOTS

■ Tiny Tots Pre-school The Salvation Army is accepting registration for Monday-Wednesday-Friday for 4-year-olds; Tuesday-Thursday for 3-year-olds for the fall 2001-2002 session. Call Peggy Blaisdell at (734) 453-5464 for further information.

PRE-SCHOOL REGISTRATION

■ Dixboro co-op Preschool is accepting applications for children 3-5 years old

Madonna honors



Award winners: Ten graduating seniors from Madonna University, including two Plymouth women, received the Ernest I. Nolan Award for excellence in humanities discipline. The award winners are (area of study in parantheses), front l-r, Evelyn Wojtkowiak (music) of Livonia; Brian Duffourc (television and video communications) of Redford; Madonna University President Sister Mary Francilene Van de Vyver, CSSF, Emerita Award; Mary Bonello (sign language studies) of Dearborn; and Mary Reo (English) of Eastpointe. In back, l-r, are Amy Alley (fine arts) of Plymouth; Acquanetta Youngblood (music) of Detroit; Melissa McIntosh (graphic design) of Redford; Catherine Mazurek (religious studies) of Warren; Alicia Ballas (Japanese studies) of Plymouth; and Katharine Koulouras (television and video communications) of Livonia.

for its fall semester. For more information, please call (734) 665-5632.

HISTORICAL MUSEUM ■ Hours for the Canton

Historical Museum are 1-4 p.m., Tuesday and Saturday. Tours for school, Scouts or other groups may be arranged by calling (734) 397-0088.

VILLAGE MUSIC

■ Group classes in piano and hammer dulcimer for people ages 5 through adult. the complete kindermusik curriculum is offered for newborns to 7 year olds. For information. call Norma Atwood at (734) 354-9825.

LIBERTY FEST Canton township is looking for artists to be involved in the 10th annual fine art and fine craft show at Liberty Fest 2001. The displays will run 10 a.m. to 9 p.m., Saturday, June 23 and 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., Sunday, June 24. Artists can choose to display their work under the "big tents" or can bring their own tent. The show is juried, and each participant will be required to submit slides or pictures of his work from the approved categories: painting, prints, schulpture, ceramics, jewelry, drawing, pastel and selected fine crafts. No commercially produced merchandise will be allowed. For more information, call Sharon Dillenbeck at D & M Studios, (734) 453-3710.

ANN ARBOR RANGERS

■ The Ann Arbor Rangers U17 boys soccer club is looking for new team members for the spring "travel" outdoor season. Interested people can attend one of the practices 8-9:30 p.m., Mondays at Mack School in

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Ann Arbor. For further information, please call Iris at (734) 995-0011.

HATHA YOGA

■ Classes in Plymouth, Tuesday and Wednesdays from 9:30-11 a.m. and 7:30-9:00 p.m. and Sundays, 3-5:30 p.m. Sticky mats and Mother's Day gift certificates available. Call Cynthia Gray (734) 420-2418.

TAI CHI

■ Ongoing Tai Chi classes are offered for ages in Livonia and Bloomfield Hills under the sponsorship of the Taoist Tai Chi Society. Afternoon classes are also available at the Livonia location. Observers welcome. For more information, call the Society at (248)332-1281 anytime.

RECREATION

■ The city of Plymouth is taking registration for its childrens/tots gymnastics, dance, arts, Jump-A-Rama, Tai Kwan Do, personal development, aerobics and more. For more information, call the recreation division at (734)455-6620. SKATING CLASSES

■ Learn to rollerskate at Skatin Station II in Canton for children or adults, 7-8 p.m. every Sunday. The cost is \$6 per session or \$30 for six weeks. Inline roller hockey leagues for all ages. Ten-week session with one game a week for all ages. Call (734)459-6401 for information.

ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS

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

The Plymouth Observer welcomes Calendar items. Items should be from non-profit community

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Use additional sheet if necessary

groups or individuals announcing a community program or event. Please type or print

Thursday for the following Sunday's paper. Call 459-2700 if you have any questions.

CALENDA

CREATIVE MUSIC

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

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A "Think Spring Party' including Karaoke and more from 7 p.m. til ?, Saturday, May 19 at 1426 S. Mill St.. Everyone welcome. Call (734) 459-6700 for further information.

THE DANCING CUCKOOS

A Laurel & Hardy appreciation organization, The Dancing Cuckoos is inviting all Laurel & Hardy fans to attend our last meeting of the season, celebrating the birthday of Stan Laurel at 6 p.m. dinner, Thursday, May 17 at Mama Mia's Restaurant. For information, contact Don Channing at (248)626-

GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

The Western Wayne County Genealogical Society is meeting at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, May 16 at the Livonia Civic Park Senior Center building on Farmington Road. Our speaker will be James McConnell on "Days of Detroit". Our meeting and classes are open to the public and are free of charge. Call (734)

PLYMOUTH-NORTHVILLE DAR

■ The next meeting will be May 21 at Noon, Sandwich Luncheon, bring a sand-

with speaker Pat Dickerson. For questions, call Shirl Hering 734-455-5525. PLYMOUTH POETS ■ The Crossroads Literary Series, hosted every Thursday from 7-9 p.m. Featured reader on May 10 at

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FARM AND GARDEN

■ The branch meets the second Monday of each month from September to June. Members can express their creativity in some of the many club projects that benefit the community. For more information, call the club president, Maureen Armstrong, at 453-7467.

COMMUNITY DEMOCRATS

■ The Community Democratic Club meets at 7 p.m. on the third Wednesday of every month at UAW Local 845 Hall. Business meeting begins at 7:30. The club serves Canton, Northville, Plymouth and the Livonia 13th District. For further information, call Becky Tavarozzi (734) 398-5845.

TOASTMASTERS

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

WESTSIDE SINGLES

■ Westside Singles presents dances every Friday night at the Burton Manor. Doors open at 8 p.m., dressy attire, bar, D.J., 21 and older, price is \$4 before 8:30 p.m. and \$6 after 8:30 p.m. Call (734) 981-0909 for further information.

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■ The Knights of Columbus holds a breakfast buffet 8:30 a.m. to noon every Sunday at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 150 Fair St., Plymouth. All-you-caneat buffet. Newly remodeled breakfast room. Call (734) 453-9833 for further information.

ARTS COUNCIL

■ Every second Tuesday at noon you're invited to bring your lunch and learn about art with the speakers from the DIA. The cost is \$5 for members and \$8 for others. Lectures are free to senior citizens. Winter 2001 classes for children-acting, singing, drawing, sketching and painting. For adults: photography, mandalamaking, drawing, sketching, watercolor, salsa dance, and figure drawing with models. Art or drama birthday parties or Scout workshops custom designed for each group (any age) at the Plymouth Community Arts Council. For information, call (734) 416-4278

KIWANIS BREAKFAST CLUB

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

■ The Canton II Chapter of **Business Network Interna**tional (BNI) holds its regu-

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

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

GOURMET DINING GROUP ■ The Plymouth/

Northville/ Canton gourmet dining group meets the second Saturday of the month through June. Planned menu and recipes for each meal. If interested in joining, call Dottie Brower at (734) 455-1206 or Pat Stokes at (734) 455-7446.

MOTHERS OF MULTIPLES

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

M.O.M.

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

MOMS CLUB

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

HUMAN RIGHTS GROUP

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

PLYMOUTH NEWCOMERS

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

VOLUNTEERS

VOLUNTEER ORIENTATION

■ Arbor Hospice & Home Care is hosting a volunteer orientation on May 8 from 12:30 - 2:30 p.m. at the South Lyon Center for Active Adults. To register or for more information, call the Arbor Hospice Volunteer Services department at (248)348-4980.

SENIOR PARTY

Work is under way for the all-night senior party to be held June 10. The committee is looking for volunteers to help in the party. The group is also in need of donations, either monetary or merchandise, to be given out as prizes on the night of the party. For more information or to volunteer, please call Joanne LaMar, 459-4539, or Dave and Marcia Garnice, 844-

OBITUARIES

Services for Louise Robbins Tank, 66, of Murfreesboro, Tenn. formerly of Plymouth, were held May 11 at Woodfin Memorial Chapel (in Murfreesboro) with the Rev. Jeff Fryer officiating. Mrs. Tank was born in Bell Co., Ky. and died

May 8 in Tennessee. She attended World Outreach Church and was a homemaker.

Survivors include husband, Joseph Tank of Murfreesboro; daughters, Linda Craddick of Murfreesboro, Jeanne Tank of Murfreesboro, and Julie Havness of Wilmington, Vt., sons, Joseph A. Tank of San Francisco, and Peter Tank of Murfreesboro; sisters, Edith Betterly of Middlesboro, Ky., Azalee Ervin of Dayton, Ohio, and Marylou Hensley of Ewing, Va.; brothers, Elmer Robbins of Middlesboro, Ky., Cecil Robbins, of Middlesboro, Ky., Clinton Robbins of Hustonville, Ky., and General Robbins of Middlesboro, Ky.; four grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Lung Association.

Arrangements were made by Woodfin Funeral Chapel in Murfreesboro, Tenn.

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Services for Toni Gruenwald Meyer, 52, of White Lake Township were held May 11 at Vermeulen Funeral Home with the Rev. Carol Neldon officiat-

Mrs. Meyer was born May 25, 1948 in Fort Lauderdale, Fla. and died May 8 in Commerce Township. Toni lived in White Lake Township for three years, previously of Plymouth-Canton for 30 years. She had been a Call Center Manager at Ameritech, where she had worked for 27 years. She had a bachelor of science degree in business from Madonna University where she graduated magna cum laude in 1996. Mrs. Meyer loved gardening, the outdoors, and wildlife. She loved being the mom to three daughters.

Survivors include her parents, Donald and Barbara Gruenwald of Port Sanilac; daughters, Heather L. (Michael) Weingart of Simpsonville, S.C., Nicole M. Meyer of White Lake, and Kendra L. Meyer; sister, Christine (William) Scarborough of Washington Township; sister, Laurie Wagner of Plymouth; and nieces and nephews, Corey, Jill, Bud, Joe and Andy.

Memorial contributions may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105-1905, or First Church of Christ, Scientist of Milford, 905 E. Commerce Road, Milford, MI 48042.

Arrangements were made by Vermeulen Funeral

Services for Martha J. Ash, 77, of Plymouth were held May 2 at the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home with the Rev. Paul E. Schaefer officiating. Burial was at Glen Eden Cemetery in Livonia.

Mrs. Ash was born Dec. 19, 1923 in Bethesda, Ohio and died April 29 in Commerce Township. She retired from the Burroughs Corp. in Plymouth where she worked as an assembler. She came to the Plymouth community in 1943 from Canada. She was a member of St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Church in Plymouth. She loved animals, especially dogs and cats. She was a loving wife, mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, aunt and sister.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Arnold L. and brother, Charles McKinnon.

Survivors include sons, John R. (Brenda) Thomason of Plymouth and Neil (Norma) Thomason of Westland; grandchildren, Rebecca Thomason of Westland, Wendy (Brian) Bouren of Westland, Deniece (Robert) Reid of Belleville, and Chris Thomason of Plymouth; great grandchildren, Heather, Nicole and Sarah; sister, O'Lena (Serge) Battiston of Windsor, Ontario, Canada; and several nieces and nephews.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Karmanos Cancer Institute. Arrangements were made by Schrader-Howell

Funeral Home.

LOIS I. TAYLOR Services for Lois I. Taylor, 88, of Canton were held privately.

Mrs. Taylor was born Jan. 20, 1913 in Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada and died May 3 in Wayne. She was a food supervisor for the cafeteria at the Detroit Edison Co. in Detroit for 27 years. She retired in 1974. She also worked downtown Detroit at the Sanders Restaurant. She came to the Canton community in 1975 from Detroit.

She was preceded in death by her brother-inlaw, John Copland and nephew, John Copland, Jr. Survivors include sister, Betty (John) Copland of

Memorial contributions may be made to the charity of your choice or The Michigan Humane

Arrangements were made by Schrader-Howell

Local student trades books for bricks

Trading books for bricks is not and building porches. "ASP is vice projects for rural and lowpart of the traditional college spring break, but Albion College student Alexander J. Oatley did just that, as a member of the college's Appalachian Service Project (ASP) team.

Last month, Oatley and 19 other students spent a week in McClure, Va., doing home repairs for needy families. Work included repairing ceilings,

an experience where everyone involved wins," says Albion ASP director Mary Schumacher of the trip. "For us, it's the opportunity to travel to a region that is less fortunate financially yet rich in a culture that we can learn from."

ASP is a nationwide effort. with colleges and universities across the country sponsoring painting, underpinning a trailer, groups to do spring break ser-

income communities throughout the Appalachian Mountains region. The Albion College ASP group has participated in nearly 20 spring break trips in several

Oatley is a first-year at Albion College. He is the son of Jon Oatley and Diana Oatley of Plymouth and a graduate of Plymouth Canton High School.

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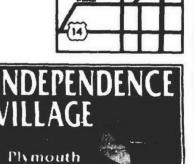
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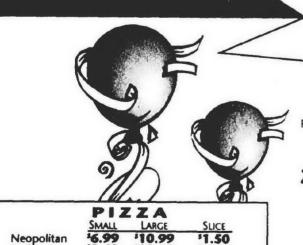
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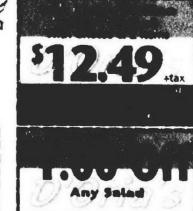
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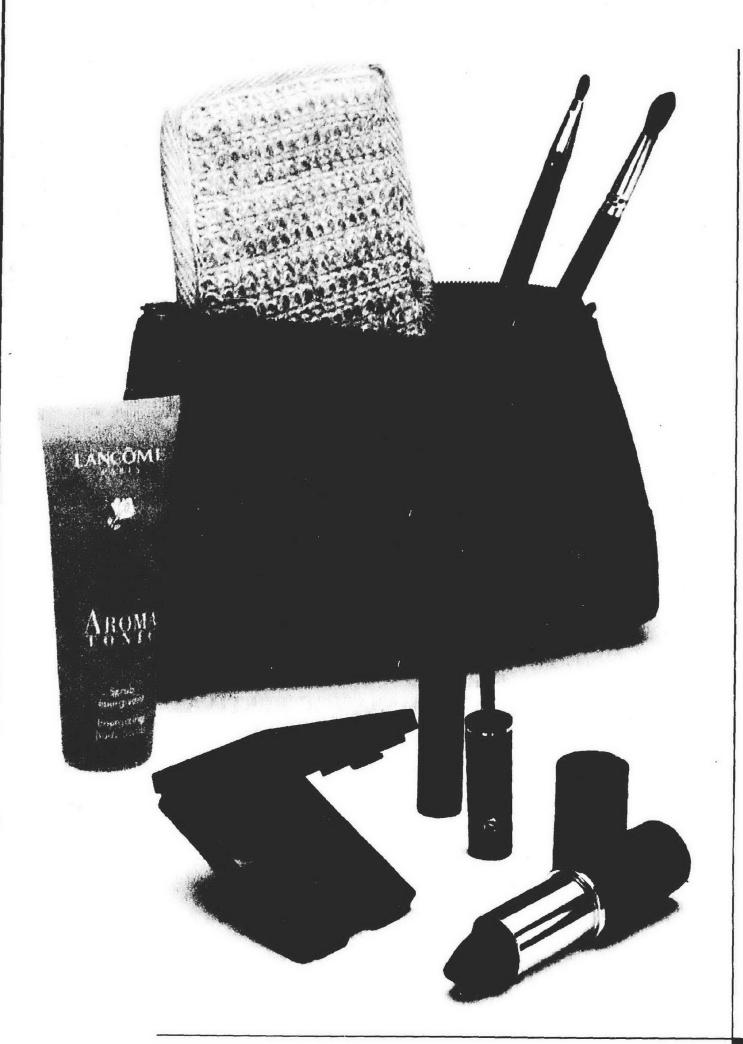
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Ocelots 3rd at region

Schoolcraft College's golf team finished third at the 10-team NJCAA Region 12 Division II Championships, played Thursday and Friday at Bedford Valley Golf Course.

Lansing CC was first in Division II with a 914 stroke total. Grand Rapids CC was next best (929), followed by SC (934).

Oakland CC's Josh Bauer earned overall medalist honors with a threeround total of 67-71-77/215. The Ocelots' top finisher was Nikos Markellos (from Redford Thurston) with a 78-74-78/230 that tied him for fourth and earned him a trip to the NJCAA Nationals.

He wasn't SC's only qualifier. Richie Romero shot rounds of 77-79-78 for a 234 total, tying him for 10th and earning him a trip to nationals,

Other SC scorers were Brian Harnos (Garden City), 82-79-77/238; Derek Lineberry (Plymouth Canton), 81-77-82/240; Mark Doughty (Plymouth Salem), 76-78-88/242; and Tom McCall (Garden City), 83-83-81/247.

'68 Tigers appear

Former Detroit Tigers Jim Northrup and Bill Freehan, members of the 1968 World Series championship team, will appear at the sports card and collectable show Friday through Sunday, May 18-20, at the Livonia Mall, located at Seven Mile and Middlebelt roads.

Northrup will sign autographs for \$7 apiece from noon to 2 p.m. Saturday, May 19. Freehan will sign for free from noon to 2 p.m. Sunday, May

Show hours are 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Friday and Saturday; 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Sunday. For more information, call (248) 476-1160.

Lady Ocelot camp

The 20th annual Women Ocelot Championship Basketball Camps includes two summer sessions grades 1-6, 9 a.m. until noon Monday through Friday, June 18-22; and 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. (grades 7-12), July 30-Aug. 2 - at Schoolcraft College.

The camps will be directed by the Schoolcraft College women's basketball staff led by Karen Lafata, along with Maria Christian and Cheryl Williams.

Cost is \$75 (grades 1-6 half-day camp) and \$115 (grades 7-12 full-day camp).

Wolves finish 3-1

The WaCo Wolves, a 12-and-under baseball team, captured three of four games May 5-6 at the Can Am Classic in Windsor, Ontario.

The Wolves defeated the Windsor Expos, 8-4, in extra innings as pitchers Anthony Savone and Jamell Terry combined on the win, while Will Lewis and David White each had key

In an 8-5 win over the Mentor (Ohio) Redhaws, White pitched five strong innings with key hits provided by Mike Broughton and J.J. Pierce.

The Wolves also beat the Sylvania (Ohio) Mavericks, 9-8, as Chris Holcomb was the winning pitcher. Infielders Alex Cowart, Billy Hardin and Byron Glenn delivered big hits.

The tourney ended with a loss to the Strongsville (Ohio) Stallions.

Rockers soccer camps

The Detroit Rockers will host a series of summer soccer cames for boys and girls ages 4-14.

The cost is \$135 (\$10 off for additional family members).

Area camp dates include: 9:30 a.m.noon, Monday through Friday, June 18-22 in Livonia (Jaycee Park); 9:30 a.m.-noon July 9-13 in Canton (Field Elementary); 9:30 a.m.-noon, July 16-20 in Westland (Central City soccer fields) and 1:30-4 p.m. July 16-20 in Farmington (Little Caesars Field); 9:30 a.m.-noon July 23-27 in Plymouth (Ford Sheldon Plant); 1:30-4 p.m. July 30-Aug. 3 in Livonia (Bicentennial Park): 1:30-4 p.m. Aug. 6-10 in Redford (Bell Creek Park).

Each camper will receiver personal instruction from Rockers players, tickets to selected Rockers home games, 2001 camp T-shirt and summer camp edition of offical Rockers

Magazine. Hotter soccer camps (ages 4-14), designed for players to reach the next level, and advanced striker and goalkeeper camps (ages 11-16) are also available. For more information, call (248) 366-6254 or (877) 480-KICK.

Still all even

Whalers' answer to Ottawa's shutout: a shutout

BY C.J. RISAK SPORTS EDITOR cjrisak@oe.hom

This series seems destined to go the route of its predecessor - down to the

And if it does, there's no telling who will win.

Last weekend, the Plymouth Whalers were shocked in Game One of the Ontario Hockey League Final by the Ottawa 67's, losing 6-3 on their home ice. The next day, however, they seemed to regain their composure in posting a 4-2 win in Game Two at Compuware Arena.

Game Three, played last Thursday at Ottawa's Civic Centre, seemed to be a return to the past for the Whalers, who were shutout by the 67's 4-0.

That put Plymouth in a 2-1 hole in games, with Game Four the next day

Trouble? Hardly. The Whalers responded in style, turning the tables on the host 67's and blanking them 3-0 Friday to even the series at 2-all.

Game Five will be at 3 p.m. today at Compuware Arena, with Game Six at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday in Ottawa. If a Game Seven is necessary, it will be played at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday at Compuware.

And with every period of every game, it seems that necessity is a foregone conclusion. Just like last year, when Plymouth and Barrie went the sevengame distance in the OHL Final, with the Whalers losing the deciding game on their ice.

The same players who were instrumental in the Whalers regaining their poise after their Game One debacle a week ago did it again in Game Four. Damian Surma, who had a goal in each of the first two games, scored twice in Game Four Friday.

Chad Wiseman, who also had a goal in Game Two, got another in Game Four. And Chad LaRose, who had goals in Games One and Two, collected two assists in Friday's shutout win.

Which again displayed the mental toughness of goalie Rob Zepp. After a sub-par performance in Game One, a bounced back and played superbly in the Whalers' Game Two win.

But that wasn't the case last Thursday. Zepp did make 24 saves in Game



FILE PROTO BY PAUL HURSCHMANN

Turned away: The Whalers' Tomas Kurka (19) got in close for a shot on net, but Ottawa goalie Seamus Kotyk was in position to stop the shot — something that happened frequently last Thursday when the 67's blanked the Whalers. It was Plymouth that got the shutout on Friday, however.

was powerless (0-for-3), but he was nonetheless outperformed by his counterpart, the 67's Seamus Kotyk.

On Friday, however, it was Zepp and the Whaler defense that rose to the securior, shutting out the home team. So what happened Thursday? Kotyk the stable, terming way 29 where shots. He also rendered the

power play as powerless (0-3) as Zepp had Ottawa's. And the 67's pulled off a reversal. too. Throughout the playoffs, the Whalers had cashed in on their faststriking offense: Get on the board

Three, and Ottawa's power-play unit quickly and put your opponents on his two nails into Plymouth's coffin, their heels.

But on Thursday, Ottawa's Joe Talbot attacked and scored just 33 seconds into the game, with assists from Luke

Sellers and Vedint Sozinov.

That certainly be the crowd of 6,828 fans inspired. Matter Albiani's coal, scored with \$:14 less in the first period; made matters worse for Plymouth. The assist went to Brendan Bell.

The 2-0 deficit was difficult enough. The Whalers lack of offensive punch was even more unnerving.

With 6:14 remaining in the second period, Miguel Delisle put the first of

scoring his seventh goal of the playoffs to make it 3-0. Assists went to Zenon Konopka and Lance Galbraith. His second nail came with 10:22 left

in the game, a goal scored with Bell and Jeremy Van Hoof assisting to increase the 67's lead to 4-0. The Whalers outshot Ottawa 29-28 overall, including a 17-8 advantage in

the third period, but they could not solve the Kotyk puzzle. Until Friday.

These two shutouts in Ottawa have made this entire series a puzzle, if it wasn't one already.

Churchill outruns Chiefs

The Western Division boys track title in the Western Lakes Activities Association belongs to Livonia Churchill. Half of it, anyway.

The Chargers, setting two school records in the process, clinched at least a share of the WLAA Western Division crown Thursday with an 84-53 boys track victory over visiting Plymouth Canton.

Churchill (5-0) takes a 4-0 division record into its Tuesday meet against Northville. Canton is 4-1 overall, 3-1 in the division.

Churchill coach Rick Austin's

squad set school records in the 3,200meter relay (8:08.2) and the long jump (21-feet, 3 1/4-inches by Eric

"This has always been a program in which our kids get better and better throughout the course of a season," Austin said. "This is the time of year when we experience a lot of

"Our kids did a phenomenal job. I

was very impressed with the amount of first place efforts.

"With Canton being so tough, I didn't expect that many. It was just tremendous."

Canton's Bob Richardson could only agree. "We knew they matched up better against us than anyone else," he said. "Their Mr. (Ryan) Gall had quite a meet (four firsts).

"It was an eye-opening thing to a lot of the kids on the team. They hadn't lost a dual meet this season.

Please see BOYS TRACK, BS

Franklin shocks 2nd-ranked CC

Livonia Franklin's baseball team played giant killer Thursday.

The host Patriots knocked off Redford Catholic Central, the state's No. 2 ranked team in Division I, 10-9.

CC slipped to 15-5 overall, while Franklin improved to 7-9.

With the score tied 6-6, Franklin scored four times in the bottom of the sixth inning keyed by Andy Kelley's two-out, two-run bases loaded double.

Please see CC BASEBALL, B6

Canton comeback clips Chargers

2-run rally in 7th wins it for Chiefs

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It looked like another one of those games for Plymouth Canton's softball team.

The day before, the Chiefs had played one of the favorites in the Western Lakes Activities Association, North Farmington, down to the wire before losing, 4-

On Thursday they were doing it again, this time against the other WLAA favorite, Livonia Churchill, The Chargers were unbeaten in the WLAA's Western Division coming into this game played at Canton, but through six innings neither team had scored a run.

But that changed in the seventh. Churchill scored in the top of the inning, but Canton rallied for two runs in the bottom half of frame to upset the Charg-

The Chiefs evened their record at 8-8 overall; they are 4-3 in the Western Division. Churchill slipped to 15-4 overall, 6-1 in the division.

"Oh yes," Canton coach Jim Arnold responded when asked if this was the biggest win of the season. "With that, we're going into our tournament (played yesterday) on a positive note. The bids are starting to believe what the coaches have been telling them."

The Chargers broke through in the seventh when Ashley Crawley singled and Natalie Krieger doubled. Sallie Kuratko's bloop single down the right field line with one out delivered one run, but with the bases

loaded Canton pitcher Katie Conlon avoided further trouble by getting the next two batters on a strikeout

and a groundout. Still, the Chiefs were down a run and facing one of the league's top pitchers in Meghan Misiak. Then with one out, Jenna Perino doubled and Danielle Weber laid down a bunt single.

A stolen base put runners at second and third, and the Chargers started to come unraveled. A wild pitch by Misiak scored the game-tying run and meved Weber to third.

Michelle DeVos followed by pushing a bunt down the first base line, but instead of trying to get the runner at the plate the first baseman opted to get the out at first — which allowed the game-winning run to

"I felt sorry for her, but that's the kind of stuff that's been happening to us all year," said Arnold.

A roller-coaster year? "It has been," replied Arnold.
"But we've been waiting for these athletes to break loose, offensively and defensively. Our pitching has

been coming through. Which, ironically, was what Arnold thought would be this team's weakness going into the season. "(Pitching) was one of the things we were concerned



Thed up: Canton's Jenna Perino slides in safely with the game-tying run, beating the throw to Churchill pitcher Meghan Misiak.

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It's over — finally

Canton ends 5-game losing streak; Salem outslugs Stevenson

Give Plymouth Canton's baseball team credit: When it's decide enough is enough, the point is hammered home, so there can be no misunderstand-

A loss in eight innings last Monday to Livonia Franklin stretched the Chiefs' losing streak to five games, and left several players upset.

"We're not a bad team," said Canton coach Scott Dickey. "Making errors at certain times was killing us. Last week, we weren't playing with a whole lot of confidence. We were sitting back and waiting for things to happen."

All that ended Wednesday when the Chiefs hosted Western Lakes Activities Association foe North Farmington. Canton entered the bottom of the fifth inning leading 7-5; by the time the inning ended, the Chiefs had a 10-run, 15-5 mercy win, courtesy of their eight-run fifth.

On Thursday, Canton took that to an even higher level when it disposed of WLAA Western Division rival Livonia Franklin 16-0 in a four-inning, MAN ALL TAKE

15-run mercy.

Greg Neino evened his record at 4-4 with a four-inning no-hitter against the Chargers; he walked two and struck out nine.

Canton scored nine runs in the first inning against Churchill starter Matt Humenay, who did not survive the first and took the

Brian Rossow had a perfect day at the plate for the Chiefs, slugging a three-run home run in the first and a two-run homer in the third, as well as two doubles, to go 4-for-4 with eight runs batted in and four runs scored.

Others who turned in great days at the plate were Russ Caid, who was 3-for-3 with an RBI and two runs scored; Jay Sofen, Brent Kwiatkowski and Joe Kondratek, each with two hits and an RBI (Sofen and Kondratek scored two runs apiece); and Jon Loos, with one hit and

The victory pushed the Chiefs' record to 10-8 overall, 3-4 in the North again featured several contributors. Nick Musselman had a solo homer and a run-scoring triple and scored two runs; Loos had three hits and drove in three runs; Sofen had three hits (including a double), three RBI and two runs scored; Caid had a hit and two RBI; and Kwiatkowski and Kondratek each had a hit and scored two

Mark Hanson was the winning pitcher for Canton, working all five innings and giving up five runs on five hits and two walks, with five strikeouts.

The loss went to Eric Odmark. who surrendered seven runs in 3 1/3 innings.

The Raider offense was paced by Dan Canvasser with two hits and Bryan Smith, who slashed a three-run triple in the four-run seventh.

Salem 12, Stevenson 11 (nine innings): In a wild-and-crazy WLAA Lakes Division game played Thursday at Salem, Drew Styles drove in the game-tying runs with a two-run double in

Wednesday's 10-run win over the bottom of the eighth, then knocked in the game-winner with a sacrifice fly in the bottom of the ninth.

The win pushed Salem's overall record to 13-8; the Rocks are 5-3 in the Lakes Division.

The game could be called normal for only three innings, after which it was tied at 1-1, Salem's run scoring on a solo home run by Justin Barnett.

The Spartans broke the tie with five runs in the top of the fourth, four of them scoring on Gary Pinto's grand-slam homer. The Rocks recaptured the lead with a seven-run fourth, three of those coming in on a three-run homer by Chad Goethe.

Stevenson got three runs in the sixth to go up 9-8 on just two hits, scoring twice on balks and another on a fielder's choice.

Salem retied it in the bottom of the seventh, and again it was Styles providing the dramatics with a squeeze sacrifice bunt that scored Goethe, who reached base on a single.

A double by Bill Marsack scored one run for Stevenson in the top of the eighth and a fielder's choice by Dan Ross scored another. But two walks and a sacrifice set the stage for Styles in the bottom half of the frame, and he came through with a tworun double.

Goethe, the seventh of seven Salem pitchers, tossed a perfect 12th inning and eventually got the win after Chris Trott started the Rocks' 12th with a base hit. A fielder's choice on which the Spartans didn't get an out, followed by a walk to Goethe, brought Styles to the plate again, and he delivered the game-winning sacrifice fly.

For the Rocks, Goethe had a single, a homer and three RBI: Barnett had a single, a homer and two RBI; Niel Kowalik had a single and a double with two RBI; Styles had a double and four RBI; Trott had two singles and an RBI; and Chris MacKinder had two hits.

Stevenson got a double and a grand slam from Pinto and three hits apiece from Brian Campbell and Gary Zielke.

Harrison 10, Salem 4: On Christian Academy off to a good

Wednesday, Salem surrendered eight unearned runs in losing to WLAA leader Farmington Harrison at Harrison.

Chris Trott started and took the loss for Salem, giving up seven runs (two earned) in five innings. Tim Doig started and got the win for the Hawks (15-1 overall, 10-0 in the WLAA).

Trott supplied the Rocks with most of their offense, too, collecting three (one of them a triple) of their seven hits and driving in

Drew Stanton paced Harrison with two singles, a double and

Agape 11, Urban Lutheran 1: Paul Anleitner handcuffed host Detroit Urban Lutheran on one hit and two walks over five innings in pitching Canton Agape Christian to victory

Anleitner struck out 10 in improving his mound record to 2-0. Floyd Joyner took the loss for Urban Lutheran, giving up six earned runs on seven hits and six walks, with 10 strikeouts in five innings.

Rob Hough led the Wolverines' attack with two hits and four RBI; he also stole two bases. Josh Anthony also had two hits, including a double, stole three bases, scored twice and had an RBI; Mike Ossana drove in two runs; and Anleitner had a runscoring double.

The win improved Agape's record to 12-7.

Last Monday, the Wolverines were blanked by Ann Arbor Greenhills 10-0 in a six-inning mercy played at Concordia College. Anthony was the losing pitcher, surrendering eight runs (two earned) in five innings.

Agape had just two hits in the game, singles by Anthony and Rob Guttersohn. The Wolverines were without leadoff man Don Donaldson, who was out with a sore shoulder, and Anleitner, who was in a tryout for Madonna's basketball team.

PCA 9-12, Roeper 8-3: Freshman Xander Younce got three key outs and Mark Erickson got one key hit to help get Plymouth

start in its doubleheader against Bloomfield Hills Roeper Thurs-

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PCA won the opener in nine innings at Griffin Park. The second game was stopped by darkness after four innings with the

Eagles holding a 12-3 lead Younce went to the mound in the first game in the top of the ninth and got three straight outs

to keep the score tied at 8-8. Ryan Johnson singled to start the winning rally in the bottom of the ninth, stole second and scored on Erickson's RBI single.

The Eagles trailed, 4-0, after one inning but kept battling back to eventually tie the score.

Brian Carnevale went 3-for-5 with a double, Clay Welton was 2-for-3 with a double, Johnson was 3-for-5 with a triple and Doug Parton went 2-for-4.

Younce was the starting pitcher for the second game with Erickson coming in to squelch a rally in the bottom of fourth.

Jim Morrison went 2-for-4 while Evan Alexander stroked a key single late in the game.

The two games left PCA at 4-3 in the Michigan Independent Athletic Conference.

PCA 17, Macomb Christian 15: Plymouth Christian Academy. playing its fifth game of the week, battled through tired pitchers and Macomb's 11-run first inning to post its sixthstraight victory Friday at Griffin Park.

The Eagles are 10-4 overall.

Before PCA even stepped to the plate, it trailed 11-0. But the-Eagles "didn't give up," said coach Don Shumaker. "I've got to give 'em credit." They trimmed the deficit to 13-

7 after two innings and to 15-12 after three. A run in the fourth followed by a three-run fifth gave PCA the lead, 16-15.

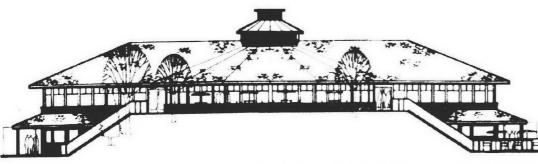
Clay Welton led the offense with three hits and four RBI. Jim Morrison added two hits and four RBI and Mark Erickson had two hits and two RBI. Evan Alexander and Dave Bahbah each had two hits.

Erickson got the win, pitching. the final three innings and not; giving up a run, allowing just one hit and striking out five.





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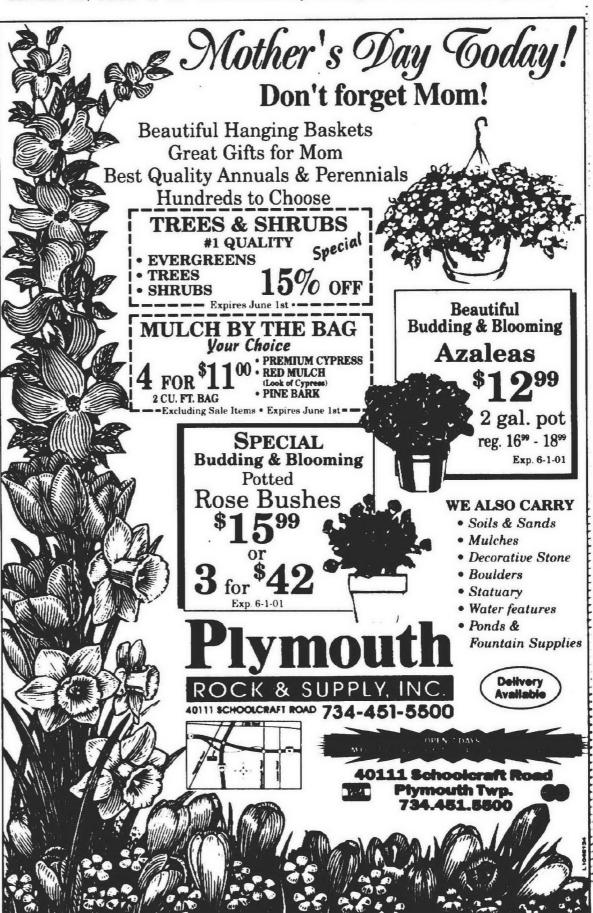
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The unbeaten streak remained intact for Plymouth Salem's girls track team, but the big challenge figures to be Tuesday when the Rocks travel to Walled Lake Central in a meet pairing the two top teams in the Western Lakes Activities Association.

Last Thursday at Livonia Stevenson, Salem swept the field events to build a lead of 30 points, and that was more than enough to carry the Rocks to an 87-50 victory.

Salem improved to 5-0 overall, 4-0 in WLAA Lakes Division duals. Stevenson is 3-2 overall, 2-2 in the Lakes.

"We had a fairly good meet," said Salem coach Mark Gregor. I was pleased. We went over there with the idea it would be a very tough meet, and it was."

Michelle Bonior and Autumn Hicks helped put the Rocks in command. Bonior won three individual events and was on a first-place relay; Hicks won two individual events and was also

PLYMOUTH SALEM 87

LIVONIA STEVENSON 50

May 10 at Stevenson

Pole vault: Jenny Jedlick (PS), 8-6;

High jump: Autumn Hicks (PS), 5-0;

Long Jump: Celena Davis (PS), 15-10

1/2; Shot put: Michelle Bonior (PS), 31-

11 1/2; Discus: Ashleigh Shear (PS),

102-7; 4x800-meter relay: Stevenson

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10:29.0; 100 hurdles: Colleen Bosman

(LS), 17.7; 100: Bonior (PS), 13.2;

4x200 relay: Salem (Hicks, Vicky Rozal-

ski, Melissa Drake, Susan Woodard),

1:51.6; 1,600: Lisa Montgomery (LS).

5:36.9; 4x100 relay: Salem (Bonior,

Davis, Drake, Rozalski), 52.6; 400:

Hicks (PS), 1:01.3; 300 hurdles: Erriane

Bundle (PS), 50.3; 800: Lisa Mont-

gomery (LS), 2:29.5; 200: Bonior (PS),

26.9; 3,200: Lisa Pilon (LS), 12:29.6;

4x400 relay: Stevenson (Lisa Mont-

gomery, Nanette Garrison, Meredith

Dual-meet record: 5-0 overall, 4-0

Kinkead, Kristin Kulczycki), 4:25.1.

on a winning relay.

Bonior finished first in the shot put (31-feet, 11-1/2-inches), the 100-meter dash (13.2) and the 200 dash (26.9). She also led off the 4x100 relay, which included Celena Davis, Melissa Drake and Vicky Rozalski (52.6).

Hicks' wins came in the high jump (5-0) and the 400-meters (1:01.3); she also teammed with Rozalski, Drake and Susan Woodard to capture the 4x100 relay (52.6).

Other winners for the Rocks were Jenny Jedlick in the pole vault (8-6); Ashleigh Shear in the discus (102-7); Davis in the long jump (15-10 1/2); and Erriane Bundle in the 300 hurdles

Tuesday's meet at Central will be both the last dual meet of the season and the most challenging. Central defeated Stevenson earlier this season, 78-59.

overall, 2-2 WLAA Lakes Division.

"We need to get a little more healthy for next week," said Gre-

LIVONIA CHURCHILL 80

PLYMOUTH CANTON 57

May 10 at Canton

Shot put: Nia Henderson (LC), 30

feet, 8 inches; discus: Kate Hogan (LC),

83-7; high jump: Amy Driscoll (PC), 4-

10; long Jump: Stephanie Dean (LC), 15-

11; pole vault: Driscoil (PC), 9-6: 100-

meter hurdles: Milyne Matheny (PC).

18.0; 300 hurdles: Mandy Hein (LC),

51.3; 100 dash: Meredith Fox (PC).

13.0; 200: Alyse White (LC), 27.4; 400:

Meredith Fox (PC), 1:01.8; 800:

Michelle Phillips (LC), 2:22.7; 1,600:

Susan Duncan (LC), 5:38.6; 3,200;

Nicole Renaud (LC), 12:28.4; 4x100

relay: Churchill (Melissa Lokken, Sheri

McFall, White, Shauna Small), 53.0;

4x200 relay: Canton, 1:53.2: 4x400

relay: Churchill (Dean, Hein, Rebecca

Fedrigo, Phillips), 4:19.5; 4x800 relay:

Churchill (Lindsay Gould, Rachel Wody-

Dual meet records: Churchill, 4-1

ka. Renaud. Phillips) 10:54.7.

WLAA Lakes Division; Stevenson, 3-2 Canton, 2-3 overall, 2-2 WLAA-Western 5 overall, 0-4 WLAA-Lakes Division.

gor, noting he was without Stacey Schmedding and Bethany Bartlett. "I think we've got a pretty good team."

So far, the results would attest

Canton stumbles

Livonia Churchill captured 11 of 17 firsts, including three of four relays, in disposing of Plymouth Canton 80-57 Thursday at Canton.

The loss left the Chiefs at 2-3 overall, 2-2 in the WLAA's Western Division. Churchill is 4-1 overall, 3-1 in the division.

Amy Driscoll and Meredith Fox won two individual events apiece to pace the Chiefs. Driscoll won the high jump (4-10) and the pole vault (9-6); Fox was first in the 100 dash (13.0) and the 400 (1:01.8).

Other wins for Canton came from Milyne Matheny in the 100 hurdles (18.0) and the 4x200 relay team (1:53.2).

Eight different athletes captured individual firsts for the Chargers.

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FARMINGTON 62

May 10 at Farmington

Shot put: Jocelyn Atkins (F), 30 feet,

6 inches; discus: Heather Friedli (F), 90-

6 1/2; high jump: Sarah Nallet (F), 4-8;

long jump: LaTasha Chandler (WJG), 13-

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0; 100-meter hurdles: Chandler (WJG),

15.5; 300 hurdles: Lakisha Locust (JG),

52.3; 100 dash: To'inia White (WJG),

13.0; 200: Shardae Ford (JG), 29.3;

400: Kristen Fischer (WJG), 1:05.8; 800

run: Andrea Williams (WJG), 2:44.4;

1.600: Megan Annarino (F), 5:59.2:

3,200: Claire Czaplicki (F), 12:28.0;

400 relay: John Glenn (White, Ford,

Felecia Barnett, Chandler), 53.0; 800

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White, She-Nelle Brown), 1:52.0; 1,600

relay: John Glenn (Locust, Fischer,

Robin Morris, Brown), 4:34.1; 3,200

Dual meet records: Glenn, 4-2 overall,

relay: Farmington, 11:13.7.

overall; 3-1 WLAA-Western Division; 2-2 WLAA-Lakes Division; Farmington, 0-

No match

Salem, Canton roll past rivals

Eight players scored goals for Plymouth Salem's soccer team Wednesday at Farmington Harrison, one of them by Jill Dombrowski -- who started the game in goal and helped the Rocks gain their eighth shutout in 11 matches.

The 9-0 victory boosted Salem's record to 9-2 overall, 4-1 in the Western Lakes Activities Association

Nikki Anderson led the Rocks with two goals. Kellee Mullin contributed one goal and two assists.

Also scoring a goal for Salem was Stephanie Baron, who divided time in goal with Dombrowski - which means both keepers had a goal and a share of the shutout. Other goal-scorers were Katelyn Lee, Katie Cooper, Marissa Sarkesian and Sarah

Canton 8, Franklin 0: Anne Morrell scored three goals Wednesday to lead Plymouth Canton to a rout of visiting Livonia Franklin.

The Chiefs improved to 2-1 in the WLAA's Western Division. Franklin fell to 1-6-2 overall, 0-4 in the division.

Other scorers for Canton were

Ashley Rosaen and Kara Marsh, each with a goal and an assist; Beth Sandusky, Jessica Dean and Rachel Perry, with a goal apiece; Amanda Lentz, with two assists; and Shaina Smith, Allison Mills and Melanie Dunn, with one assist each.

Canton 7, A.A. Huron 3: On Thursday at Canton, the Chiefs' Anne Morrell continued her hotscoring streak by knocking in four goals and assisting on another in this non-league match.

Canton improved to 8-3-1 overall with the victory.

Morrell, who was the state's co-MVP last year, scored seven goals in two games. Other scorers in the win over Huron were Amanda Lentz, with two goals and an assist; Rachel Perry, with one goal; and Ashley Rosaen and Jessica Dean, with one assist

Ladywood 2, Mercy 2: Livonia Ladywood bounced back from a 2-0 deficit at halftime to tie Catholic League rival Farmington Hills Mercy Thursday at

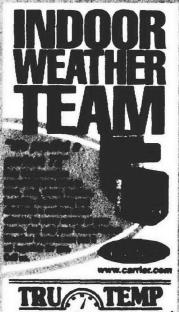
The draw left Ladywood at 6-6-1 overall, 4-5-1 in the league. Mercy was 5-5-3 overall, 5-3-2 in the league.

Autumn Almas and Jamie Driscoll put the Marlins up 2-0 in the first half and got Lady-

wood stirred up. "They sure were," said Blazers' coach Jill Logsdon. "They came out right away and picked up the

intensity. Katie Rozum took command for Ladywood to start the second half, scoring a goal three minutes in (from Loren Hesano) and then getting the game-tying marker four minutes later (from

Sandy Swish). Stefani Szczechowski was in goal for the Blazers.



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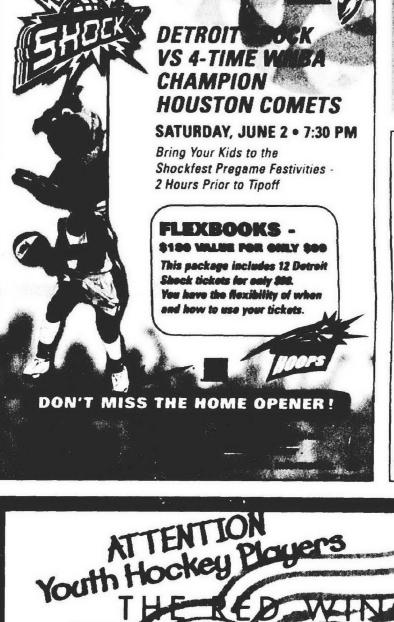
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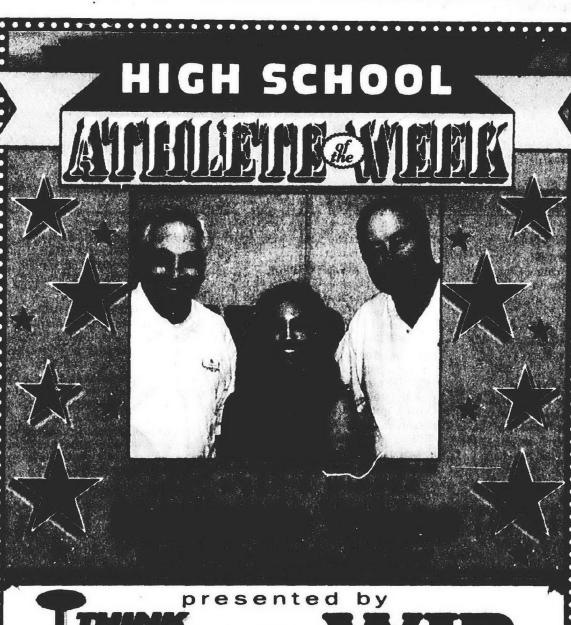


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Animals as swimmers surprising

When you consider that at least three-fifths of the Earth is water, it should not be surprising to see animals swimming.

In fact, I have heard that all mammale can swim and most other animals can too. Songbirds in water will row their wings to propel themselves until their feathers become water-logged. Once their feathers are water-logged they do not have the ability to stay afloat.

So when I saw a woodchuck, or groundhog, swimming, I should not have been surprised - but I wast

While following Rick Smith and his friend Kathy, who were showing my children and I some eagles, we pass some water with dikes on the side when we saw an animal swimming.

At first we thought it was a muskrat, which would be a logical guess in this kind of habitat. Even the size seemed to be about right.

But when it emerged from the water and shook to dislodge the water, we noticed a furry, stubby tail. It was not the long, narrow, scaly tail of the muskrat I was expecting.

Woodchucks have surprised me in the past when I saw my first one climbing a tree to a height of about fifteen to 20 feet. This, as well as swimming, seemed incongruous for a burrowing mammal of meadows.

Despite the lack of webbed feet that most aquatic animals have, the woodchuck made good time as it swam. I suspect that as more woodchuck habitat is lost, forcing animals into less than desirable areas, they may need to do things they do not typically do.

Cats for instance are suppose to be deathly afraid of water, yet if a cut is put in water they will paddle to the best of their ability to shore and safety. They may not like the situation, but they can swim well enough to sur-

I remember watching a nature program on television that showed a jaguar swimming, as well as tigere. Birds like the emu can swim, helped I'm sure by the buoyancy of the air trapped by their feathers. Their powerful legs undoubtedly help immensely.

Squirrels, like the fox and gray squirrels in suburban backyards can also swim when needed. Their log toes help to push water and their tail sets like a rudder. Though the tail is long like that of a muskrat, it is not as muscular and flattened to push water as the tail of a muskrat. When a squirrel's tail gets wet you can see how thin and narrow it really is.

Aquatic mammals and birds adapted for swimming must protect their skin from the water. Water is colder than their body temperature and will draw heat away from their body.

Fur and feathers insulate the skin from the water. Birds and some mammals coat their outer covering with an oil that helps repel water.

Water birds have an enlarged uropygial gland at the base of the tail which supplies oil used to coat the feathers. Beaver too have glands near the base of the tail which exude oil. This oil is spread by the forefeet and the second toe of the hind feet which has a split

nail for combing. Mammale frequently seen in the water have these adaptation for restrial mammals do not. Though homeing these swimming adaptation, May can still swim when needed.

Let me know if you have seen al saimals swimming.

Fly fishing tips with a local flavor

The traditional start of summer is Memorial Day

Many fly fishers make their first trek north to open cottages or campers. Others, however, prefer to

stay home, beating the traffic and high gasoline prices.

many lakes and rivers that offer excellent fishing for panbass, and trout within an hour of home. I learned

JEFF MCGOWAN

how to flyfish on bluegill before abandoning them in favor of trout. I only recently re-discovered the joys of fishing for these feisty creatures.

The humble panfish gives a much greater fight on a light rod than does a trout of equal size. Fishing small balsa wood or plastic poppers from a flyrod is the most popular technique, but almost any method will work.

This time of year bluegill can be found on their spawning beds in shallow water. They will attack almost any fly indiscriminately out of aggressive instinct.

Last year's chewed-up trout flies or new flies tied by children are as equally effective as carefully constructed patAfter the fly hits the water,

wait until the rings on the surface disappear before retrieving it. The fish will normally strike when the fly begins to move.

The bluegill's popularity is also explained by its abundance. They can be found nearly anywhere. Access is very good because of the fine system of State Parks and Metroparks in southeast Michigan.

It would be impossible to list all the places one could find panfish. Last weekend I spent the morning fishing for bass and bluegill on a pond near Brighton, then went to a graduation party at my brother-in-law's house.

Someone asked if there were any fish in the old farm pond behind his house, so I grabbed my rod from the car and landed a few more fish that afternoon.

Bluegill can be found in small bodies of water that you might drive by without giving a second glance.

The Saturday before Memorial Day is the bass opener on most statewide waters. Large and smallmouth bass can be found in many of the same lakes and ponds that offer good bluegill fishing.

In fact, where there are bass, you'll usually find bigger bluegill. The bass act as predators to keep the small fish population in check.

For a truly "Up North" experience, it's possible to fish for smallmouth bass in settings that mirror northern

The Huron River as it flows through Ann Arbor is just such an example. The access is very good due to an extensive park system, but those same parks help keep the city and "progress" away.

Flyrodders will find simple patterns like the Wooly Bugger to be very effective. Fished weighted on the bottom, it imitates a crayfish. Beginning in August, the

Huron gets some nice hatches of white mayflies and a much larger fly that is a cousin to the giant Hexagenia Limbata, or "Michigan Mayfly." When smallmouth rise to

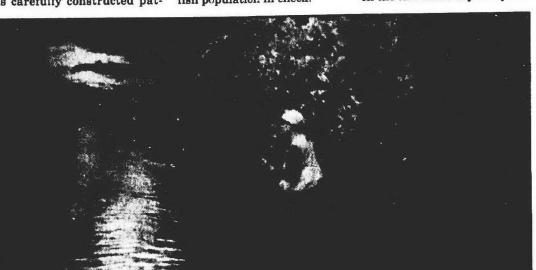
these bugs, fishing is so good that it's easy to forget what time it is. Several times I've had to be reminded of closing time by park employees.

The Huron is one of the few places in southeast Michigan where one can fish for trout.

Thanks to a stocking program initiated by the Michigan Fly Fishing Club, and continued by the Michigan DNR, Proud Lake Recreation Area gets a few thousand fish planted every April.

The month of April is reserved for flies-only, catchand-release fishing.

Regular trout regulations apply when the season opens on the last Saturday in April.



Paint Creek: This fishing spot has several miles of access thanks to the Railsto-Trails Program where there is natural reproduction of trout.

Fine catch: Livonian Rick Sak displays a brown trout he got on the Huron River.

Hurry out there while you can, because most of those fish end up on dinner tables by the end of May.

Good maps of the Huron are available from the Metroparks or DNR offices.

A little-known trout fishery even exists in tributaries of the Rouge. Creek in

Johnson's Northville is home to wild trout that are descendents of fish that escaped from the old Northville hatchery. This is a very delicate fish-

tim to erosion and warm water run-off from nearby development. This is the kind of stream that can't withstand a lot of pressure, so it needs all the

ery that is slowly falling vic-

help it can get from folks like the Johnson's Creek Society. Other places on the Rouge, like Newburg Lake, provide

wide variety of fish. Newburg Lake was recently cleaned out and re-stocked with fish. Piers provide easy

good access and angling for a

access for children and the handicapped.

The finest urban trout fishery can be found near Rochester.

Paint Creek, a tributary of the Clinton River, has several miles of access available thanks to a Rails-to-Trails program. There is some natural reproduction of trout, supplemented by stocked fish.

The Paint gets some very nice insect hatches and is a good river to fish well into the summer.

The Clinton Valley chapter of Trout Unlimited publishes an informative map and hatch chart for this creek. So don't let \$2 per gallon gasoline prices scare you.

Pick up a mapbook from your local flyshop, pack your flyrod and waders in your car and take a short trip to fish a local pond or river this summer.

Jeff McGowan, a commercial flytyer and licensed guide, is a member of the Michigan Fly Fishing Club. For more information about the Club, visit www.mffc.org.

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The Downriver Bass Association, a non-tournament bass club, meets at 6:30 p.m. the fourth Tuesday of every month at the Gander Mountain (14100 Pardee Road) in Taylor. For more information, call Ron Fodor at (734)

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The Four Seasons Fishing Club meets 7:30-9:30 p.m. the first Wednesday of each month at the Civic Park Senior Center, 15218 Farmington Road, in Livonia. Call Jim Kudej at (734) 591-0843 for information.

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Local women's pros on summer tour

Here come the women pro howlers.

The Ladies professional has tour resumed for the summer session with the kick-off during the week past at Sawgrass Lanes in Fort Lauderdale, Fla.



The finals were taped on Saturday for airing at 9 p.m. Monday on ESPN2. It will be

repeated 1 p.m. Thursday. It is the Women's International Bowling Congress Queens Tournament and signals the start of the 12-week swing that will take the bowlers from coast to coast

Our local contingent of All-Stars will be among these great competitors including Aleta Sill, Lisa Bishop and TV guide as it will vary at

Louise Johnson.

There are probably a few more local stars in the field as this event coincides with the WIBC National Tournament. The 2001 WIBC Queens is an individual double elimination scratch game tournament. The tough format makes the Queens one of the most difficult and prestigious to win. Aleta Sill has won it twice

during her illustrious career. Bowlers compete in two blocks of five-game qualifying rounds. The field is then cut to the top 25 per cent for five additional qualifying games. The top 63 then advance to match play with the defending champion, Wendy McPherson, rounding out the field to 64.

Match play survivors determine the final five for the TV finals, which is what we all get to see in the comfort of our living rooms. The next eleven weeks

should have the same TV

schedule, but check with the

· If you are an ABC sanctioned league bowler and wonder where your annual dues are going to be used for, you should be a delegate to your local association's annual The Greater Detroit Bowling Association will hold its annual

meeting at noon Sunday, May 20 at Sunnybrook Lanes, located 7191 E. 17 Mile Road in Sterling Heights. Each league in the GDBA

should be represented by its own delegates, presidents and/or Secretaries. You do have a voice in your

association. Yes, you will be heard if you have any words of wisdom to contribute, any criticism will be heard, they will hear complaints as well as the kudos.

The GDBA remains the largest local association in the nation and carries substantial clout with ABC. If you have never attended one of these meetings, now is just the time

to do it.

Just come on in and represent your league. A member of the league board of directors or member present may represent the league, participate in the meeting and vote provided they are a member in that particular league, according to chapter one of the ABC/WIBC rule Delegates will be required to

show proof of their membership, if asked. If you do not attend the meeting, don't ever complain to me about how the local associations go about the everyday business of governing the sport.

The budget for the 2001-2002 season will be approved at this meeting.

Tim Trublowski of the St. Malachy Men's League will be honored as Secretary of the Year and Roy Biggs will be awarded the honor of Director of the Year.

Mark Voight of Farmington Hills will be given the GDBA Bowlers Achievement Award.

The meritorious service awards will be presented to Proprietor Mike Lucente and radio sports personality Tom Mazawey.

There is one amendment up for vote at this meeting. Newly suspended bowlers names will go on record as well as those bowlers who have been reinstated.

•The 98th Michigan State Bowling Association has just completed its 17-week run at Jackson and the unofficial top five rankings show the Livonia duo of Jon Reed and Kerry Kreft sitting in third place with a score of 1,519.

In all-events singles actual, Larry Walker of Garden City has the fifth place position with 2,219. Thanks to tourney director Frank Peters for kee ing me posted on a weekly

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LIVONIA CHURCHILL & PLYMOUTH CANTON 2 Thursday at Churchill

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No. 2: Ben Luong (LC) def. Kyle Andrews 7-6 (7-4), 4-6, 7-6 (7-1).

Me. 3: Tom Wallis (LC) def. Brad Kreger 6-

Ma. 4: Jon Boboige (LC) def. Chris Slunek 6-2, 7-6 (7-1).

No. 1 doubles: Chris Singleton-Adam Kogut (LC) def. Brian Balfour-Adam Landy 6-3, 6-1. Me. 2: Kevin Nuttall-Mike Han (PC) def Tom Webster-George Shereda 6-4, 7-6 (7-2).

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LIVONIA CHURCHILI. 84

PLYMOUTH CANTON 53

May 10 at Churchill

3,200-meter relay: Churchill (Will

Chapman, Jean Harris, Phil Johnson,

Ryan Gall), 8:08.2 (school record); 110

hurdies: Jeremy Morse (LC), 15.4: 100:

Corey Walser (PC), 11.3; 800 relay:

Canton (Mike Parker, Shardale Hearn,

Ken Page, Jerry Gaines), 1:34.2; long

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Emrich, Eric George, Scott), 45.7; 400:

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def. Jon Davis-Jeremy Lim 1-6, 6-1, 6-2.

No. 4: Guarava Saxena-Mike Ligeski (LC) def. Chris Kopinski-Faizan Makhiawata 7-6 (9-7), 2-6, 7-6 (7-3).

Deal most record: Canton, 5-8-2 overall, 5-5-2 in the WLAA.

PLYMOUTH CANTON 7 LIVONIA FRANKLINI 1

No. 1 singles: Matt Clearman (LF) def. Erib Durance 6-3, 6-1.

No. 2: Kyle Andrews (PC) def. Jeafer Bey deun 7-6 (7-5), 6-4.

dan Chapman (PC), 6-0; 300 hurdles:

Morse (LC), 41.8; 800: Gall (LC),

2:03.1; 200: Scott (LC), 22.9; discus:

Andrew Ribar (LC), 134-10; shot put:

Eric Moten (PC), 50-6; 3,200: Logan

Schultz (LC), 10.24.4; 1,600 relay:

Churchill (Andrew Perez, Gall, Kevin For-

gette, Will Chapman), 3:43.9; pole

Dual most records: Churchill, 5-0

overall, 4-0 WLAA-Western Division;

Canton 4-1 overall, 3-1 in the Western

LIVONIA STEVENSON 80

PLYMOUTH SALEM 57

May 10 at Salem

Pole vault: Dan Dwenger (PS), 9-6;

high jump: David King (LS), 5-8; long

jump: Matt Bemenour (LS), 18-2; shot

put: Mark Snyder (PS), 54-4 1/2: dla-

cus: Snyder (PS), 143-1; 3,200-meter

relay: Salem (Donnie Warner, Dave

Anderson, Justin Hajduk, Chris Vraniak),

vault: Kevin Peterman (LC), 14-0.

la 6-1. 6-0

No. 4: Brian Balfour (PC) def. Corey Clearman 6-3, 7-6 (9-7).

No. 1 doubles: Kevin Nuttall-Mike Han (PC) def. Chris Don-Chris Harris 7-5, 6-2.

No. 2: Jeremy Romer-Sam Kaufman (PC) def. Mike Dumouchelle-Anthony Morris 6-0, 6-

Ne. 3: Andrew Wagner-Chris Slupek (PC) def. Rob Shaffer-Dave Kosmalski 6-1, 6-1. No. 4: Chris Kopinski-Jon-Eric Cornellie

(PC) def. Chris Bernard-Tim Steekel 6-2, 6-1. Dust meet records: Franklin, 4-8 overall, 2

8:33.0; 110 hurdles: Bob Miller (PS),

15.97: 100 dash: Joe Lubinski (LS)

11.96; 800 relay: Stevenson (Lubinski,

Dave Novara, Matt Koontz, Dan How-

ery), 1:34.9; 1,600: Eric Mink (LS),

4:45.1; 400 relay: Stevenson (Lubinski,

Brian Gasser, Howery, Koontz), 46.41;

400: Novara (LS), 51.5; 300 hurdles:

Rob Showalter (PS), 42.18; 800: Mink

(LS), 2:08.8; 200: Howery (LS), 24.16;

3,200: Donnie Warner (PS), 9:55.5;

1,600 relay: Stevenson (Roger Sacks,

Brett Gerken, Kevin Kusch, Jon Spray),

overall, 3-1 WLAA Lakes Division;

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Dual meet record: Stevenson, 5-1

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son," he said. "We were hoping our defense could carry our pitchers, but it's been the other way around.

But things are coming around. This (win) will get us

Softball from page B1

Conlon got the win, allowing three hits and two walks with four strikeouts. Misiak absorbed the defeat, giving up three hits and two walks, striking out 11.

Stevenson 4, Salem 3: There's one important element missing from Plymouth Salem's softball team: consistency.

The Rocks have shown they can play with most teams. They have also shown they can lose to almost any team, as they did last Thursday against Livonia Stevenson at Livonia's Bicentennial Park.

The Rocks allowed the Spartans, who had just one win in six previous WLAA Lakes Division games, to score four runs against them in the opening inning. Salem followed that by not doing anything offensively for sixstraight innings.

In the seventh, they finally got on track somewhat, loading the bases and scoring three runs two of them on an error. But

with the tying run at third and with at the beginning of the seathe bases still loaded.

Salem slipped to 12-8 overall, 3-4 in the Lakes. Stevenson improved to 6-8 overall, 2-5 in

the division. Rachel Heid led the Rocks' batters with three hits in three trips. Maggie Tudor and Amv Szawara each contributed two hits: Amanda Bilkie had the only

RBI for Salem. Amy Hollandsworth topped Stevenson with a single and s double. Sarah York also had two hits.

The loss went to Kristen Miller, who allowed all four runs (three earned) on seven hits and no walks, striking out one, in seven innings.

Amanda Jankowski got the pitching victory for Stevenson; she surrendered one earned run on nine hits and three walks in seven innings.

Salem 9, Harrison 2: Plymouth Salem stretched its winning streak to five games Wednesday with a 10-hit attack that allowed it to build a 7-1 lead after four innings in a WLAA game played at Salem

Amy Szawara paced the attack with two singles and two RBI. Amy Henry had four hits.

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Maggie Tudor added a single and a run-scoring triple, and Jen Allen had a single and a double.

Farmington Harrison got two singles apiece from Abbey Cleland and Merrill DeRose.

The pitching win went to Kristen Miller, who gave up two runs on eight hits and three walks with four strikeouts in six innings.

Kristin Schrock took the loss for the Hawks. She allowed nine runs on 10 hits and six walks, fanning four, in seven innings.

Agape 22, Urban Lutheran 19 (eight innings): It was an alloffensive show Thursday as Canton Agape Christian outgunned host Detroit Urban Lutheran.

Margie Henry pitched all eight innings for Agape, allowing 16 hits and nine walks while striking out six.

A half-dozen Wolverines had three hits or more in the game, led by Amber Cross with two home runs and three doubles. Lisa Ther had five hits, including three doubles; Dana Hames had four hits, three ot 'hem triples; Margie Henry hac five singles; Alice Muench got four hits, including a double; and

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Salem, 1-4 overall, 1-3 WLAA Lakes Divithat's the way the game ended, DO-RIGHT PLUMBING, REATING & · A.O. Smith Pumps Full Line Delta Faucets Pipe Repairs Insinkerator Disposals Back-Up Sump Pumps (Battery-Water) • Ejection Pumps Custom Showers Don't Over Pay... Give Us A Call Today We Do Steam Heat & Hydronic Heat Repairs Sump Alarms

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

MCI METRO ACCESS

TRANSMISSIONS SERVICES, LLC

PLEASE take notice that a public hearing as required by the Canton

Township Telecommunications Ordinance will be conducted regarding the

Telecommunications Permit Application filed by MCI Metro Access

Transmissions Services, LLC at the regular Canton Township Board

Meeting to be held on Tuesday the 22nd day of May, 2001 at 7 p.m., at the Canton Township Hall located at 1150 S. Canton Center Roed, Canton,

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON ACCESS TO PUBLIC MEETINGS

Division.

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 Canton, MI 48188 (734) 397-5435

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON REQUEST FOR BID

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Charter Township of Canton, 1150 Canton Center S, Canton, Michigan will accept sealed bids at the Office of the Clerk up to 10:00 a.m., Thursday, May 31st, 2001 for the following:

DENTON ROAD GRADING AND DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS

Specifications are available for pick up at Snell Environment Group, Inc. (A subsidiary of DLZ Michigan, Inc. 151 W. Congress, Suite 323, Detroit MI 48226. A non-refundable plan deposit of \$75.00 shall be required. A 5% bid bond will be required. Bid documents are available for review at the Canton Township Engineering Department located on the 2nd Floor of the Administration Building. All bids must be submitted in a sealed envelope clearly marked with the bid name, company name, address and telephone number and date and time of hid opening. The Township reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals. The Township does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age or disability in employment or the provision of services.

TERRY G. BENNETT, Clerk

SHURGARD OF PLYMOUTH **41889 JOY ROAD CANTON, MI 48187** 784-459-2200

Notice is hereby given that the entire contents of the following storage units will be sold to the highest bidders by way of an open bid on JUNE 16, 2001 at approximately 9:00 a.m. at Shurgard Storage Centers located at 41889 Joy Road, Canton, MI 48187.

Unit #211, Lercy Haskins, 1987 Dodge truck, turntable, entertainment center, dishwasher.

Unit #263, William Oliver, hundreds of movie reels, boxes and movie posters from the pen theatre.

Unit #273, Victoria Long, fifty boxes of household items, file cabinet, lamp. Unit #327, Scott Brooks, shop vac, tile, drywall material.

Unit #9147, Jennifer Theisen, boxes of household items, racks, bag of

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON LOWER ONE ROUGE RIVER SUBWATERSHED MANAGEMENT PLAN

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Lower One Rouge River Subwatershed Management Plan is available for public comment. The plan was prepared by the Lower One Subwatershed Advisory Group which includes Canton, Plymouth, Salem, Superior, Van Buren, and Ypsilanti Townships and both Wayne Washtenaw Counties.

The Lower One Rouge River Subwatershed Management Plan is available for review at the Charter Township of Canton, Engineering Services 2nd Floor, 1150 South Canton Center, Canton, Michigan. The plan will be available for review through May 19, 2001.

NOTICE TO BIDDERS CITY OF PLYMOUTH

Notice is hereby given that the City of Plymouth will accept sealed bids until 10:00 a.m. E.S.T. on Thursday, May 17, 2001 for the following: LIGHT POLES - PAINTING & MAINTENANCE MASSEY FIELD

Specifications and proposal forms are available at the office of the Administrative Services Director, 201 S. Main, Plymouth, MI 48170 The City of Plymouth reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids, in whole or in part, and to waive any irregularities.

CAROL A. STONE

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Admin. Services Director



NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE CITY OF PLYMOUTH, MICHIGAN

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT PURSUANT TO STATE LAW 257.252, THE FOLLOWING VEHICLE(S) WILL BE SOLD AT PUBLIC SALE AT MAYFLOWER AUTO TRANSPORT, 1179 STARKWEATHER RD., PLYMOUTH, MICHIGAN, ON THE DATE AND TIME LISTED BELOW:

Tuesday, May 22, 2001 12:30 p.m.

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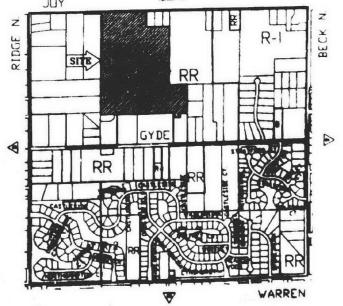
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PLANNING COMMISSION CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON, WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Act 184 of the Public Acts of 1943 of the State of Michigan, as amended, and pursuant to the Zoning Ordinance of the Charter Township of Canton that the Planning Commission of the Charter Township of Canton will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, May 21, 2001, in the First Floor Meeting Room of the Canton Township Administration Building, 1150 S. Canton Certer Road at 7:00 p.m. on the following proposed amendment to the Zoning Ordinance:

THE RAVINES PLANNED DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT (PDD) - FINAL PLAN - CONSIDER REQUEST TO ESTABLISH A PDD AS PERMITTED IN SECTION 27.04 OF THE ZONING ORDINANCE INCLUSIVE OF PARCEL NOS. 018 99 0004 701 AND 018 99 0005 000. Property is located on the south side of Joy Road between Ridge and Beck Roads. (Second Public Hearing.)



ZONING MAP

Written comments addressed to the Planning Commission should be received at the above address prior to Thursday, May 17, 2001 in order to be cluded in the materials submitted for review

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VIC GUSTAFSON, Chairman

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Wayne at Mega Meet, TBA.

Stevenson vs. Farmington

at Fox Creek, 2:45 p.m.

Wednesday, May 16

Stevenson at S. Lyon, 3 p.m.

Salem vs. Churchill

at Fox Creek, 3 p.m.

Thursday, May 17

Salem at Northville, 3:30 p.m.

BOYS LACROSSE

Wednesday, May 16

Redford CC at Cranbrook, 7 p.m.

ONTARIO HOCKEY LEAGUE

CHAMPIONSHIP SERIES

Sunday, May 13

(Game No. 5)

Whalers vs. Ottawa 67's

at Compuware Arena, 3 p.m.

Tuesday, May 15

(Game No. 6 If necessary)

Whalers at Ottawa, 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, May 16

(Game No. 7 If necessary)

Whalers vs. Ottawa 67's

at Compuware Arena, 7:30 p.m.

TBA - time to be announced

PREP BASEBALL

Mondey, May 14 W.L. Western at Canton, 4 p.m. Northville at Churchill, 4 p.m. Franklin at Harrison, 4 p.m. Stevenson at John Glenn, 4 p.m. Alien Park at Wayne, 4 p.m. C'ville at Lutheran East, 4:30 p.m. Luth. Westland at Agape, 4:30 p.m. Tuesday, May 15

PCA at Southfield Christian, 4:30 p.m. Redford CC at Country Day, 4:15 p.m. Franklin Road at HVL, 4:30 p.m.

Wednesday, May 16 Churchill at W.L. Central, 4 p.m. Franklin at Salem, 4 p.m. Northville at Stevenson, 4 p.m. Canton at John Glenn, 4 p.m. Wayne at Woodhaven, 4 p.m.

Thursday, May 17 PCA at Oakland Christian, 4:30 p.m. Redford Union at Franklin, 4 p.m. HVL at Macomb Christian, 4:30 p.m.

Friday, May 18 Salem at W.L. Central, 4 p.m. Canton at Northville, 4 p.m. Macomb Christian vs. Agane at Griffin Park, 4:30 p.m. Churchill at Franklin, 4 p.m. Farmington at Stevenson, 4 p.m. John Glenn at N. Farmington, 4 p.m. Wyandotte at Wayne, 4 p.m.

Saturday, May 19

(all DH unless noted)

Salem vs. Canton, 1 p.m. Wayne at Garden City, 10 a.m. Glenn at Tay, Kennedy, 10:30 a.m. HVL at World Outreach, noon. (Livonia Tourney at Ford Fleid) Stevenson vs. Churchill, 10 a.m. Franklin vs. Stevenson, 12:30 p.m. Franklin vs. Churchill, 3 p.m.

GIRLS SOFTBALL Monday, May 14

Canton at W.L. Western, 4 p.m. Salem at North Farmington, 4 p.m. PCA at S'field. Franklin Road, 4 p.m. Churchill at Northville, 4 p.m. Harrison at Franklin, 4 p.m. John Glenn at Stevenson, 4 p.m. Wayne at Allen Park, 4 p.m. C'ville at Lutheran East, 4:30 p.m. Luth. Westland at Agape, 4:30 p.m.

Tuesday, May 15 Southfield Christian vs. PCA (2), 4 p.m. at Canton Softball Center Franklin Road at HVL, 4:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 16

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Saturday, May 20 (all DH unless noted) Madonna Tournament Canton Softball Center, 8 a.m. Dearborn at John Gienn, 11 a.m. HVL at World Outreach, noon

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GIRLS SOCCER Monday, May 14 Luth. W'sld at Luth. East, 4:30 p.m.

Canton at Churchill, 7 p.m. Stevenson at John Glenn, 5:30 p.m. Franklin at Salem, 7 p.m. Wayne at Thurston, 7 p.m. Wednesday, May 16 Canton at Salem, 7 p.m.

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Friday, May 18 Taylor Truman at Wayne, 4 p.m. uth. W'sld at Hamtramck, 4:30 p.m Dearborn at John Glenn, 5:30 p.m. Churchill at Rochester, 7 p.m. Franklin at Garden City, 7 p.m. Northville at Stevenson, 7 p.m. Saturday, May 19

Canton at A.A. Pioneer, 1 p.m.

BOYS TRACK Monday, May 14 Redford CC at U D Jesuit, 4 p.m.

Tuesday, May 15 Canton at W.L. Western, 3:30 p.m. W.L. Central at Salem. 3:30 p.m. PCA at MIAC meet, TBA Churchill at Northville, 3:30 p.m. Franklin at Harrison, 3:30 p.m. John Glenn at Stevenson, 3:30 p.m. Wayne at Belleville, 3:30 p.m. Clarenceville, Cranbrook at Luth. Northwest, 4:30 p.m. Luth. Westland, G.P. Liggett at Lutheran East, 4:30 p.m.

Thursday, May 17 Det Community at C'ville, 4:30 p.m. Saturday, May 19 Division I regional at Dearborn H.S., 10 a.m.

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> BOYS TENNIS Monday, May 14

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Friday, May 17 Division I regional at Stevenson, Schoolcraft & Rotary Park, 9 a.m. Saturday, May 18

Division I regional at Stevenson, Schoolcraft, Rotary Park, 9 a.m.

GIRLS GOLF

Monday, Nay 14 Franklin vs. Wayne at Fellows Creek, 2:45 p.m. John Glenn vs. Canton at Hilltop. 3 p.m. W.L. Western vs. Salem at St. John's, 3 p.m. Tuesday, May 15 W.L. Central vs. Canton at Hilltop, 3 p.m. Catholic League Championship

at St. John's, 9 a.m.

CC baseball from page B1

CC rallied for three runs in the seventh, but Franklin reliever Jim Priebe got the final three outs to preserve the upset.

"The key to the win is that we didn't make errors and we got hits in key situations," Franklin coach Jim Karoub said.

Seth Baldwin, the winning pitcher, survived a 15-hit CC attack. He walked four and struck out three over six innings.

Mike Bugnell, Jason Robinson and Ryan Tracy each had two hits and two RBI for the Patriots. Joe Ruggiero added two hits and knocked in a run.

CC's Charlie Haeger and Andy Smith each collected three hits for the Shamrocks. Haeger belted a two-run homer in the third inning to give CC a 3-0 lead. He also doubled along with Smith.

Ryan Rogowski added two doubles, while Kevin Entsminger and Phil Marrone had two hits apiece

Smith, the CC starter, gave up four earned runs on three hits over three innings. Marrone (1-1), who took the loss, gave up six runs on six hits. The two pitchers combined for eight strike-

"We hit the ball well, but we made four errors," said CC coach John Salter, a Franklin alumnus. "They (Franklin) pounded the ball well, but our defense has

been shaky. On Wednesday, the Shamrocks split with De La Salle to hold a narrow half-game lead in the Central Division over the Pilots - going into Saturday's final league doubleheader

"I think we're in the playoff even if we lose," said Salter, whose team beat the Pilots in the opener, 3-2, but lost in the second game, 9-5. "But we've got to get our defense straightened around. At the beginning of the year, we were playing good defense, but weren't hitting. Now we're hitting, but our defense is disappearing. We've given up 11 errors in the last three games.

In the opener, Entsminger's single in the bottom of the seventh scored Anthony Coratti with the winning run. Jake Viane struck out, but reached on an error, Coratti walked and Rogowski doubled to score Viane, then Entsminger hit the game winner

Kyle Crapeau tied the game at 1-1 in the sixth inning when he led off with a single, Haeger walked, both moved up on a wild pitch, then Dave Tovey sacrificed Crapeau home.

Haeger (5-1) took the win for CC, giving up three walks, four hits, two runs and 11 strikeouts in seven innings

CC (15-6, 10-4 Central) wasn't as lucky in the night cap as the Pilots used a four-run fifth inning to get the win.

Jeff Niemiec suffered the loss, going 4 1/3 innings, giving up five runs, three earned, five hits, three strikeouts and three walks as he dropped to 3-2.

Haeger had a pair of hits with a double and three RBI, Viane was 2-for-3 with a walk and Crapeau and Rogowski singled.

JUNIOR POA TOURNEY

The Michigan PGA Section is accepting registration application for the 2001 Michigan Junior PGA Championship, to be held July 11-12 at Bedford Valley Golf Club in Battle Creek.

Winners of the boys' and girls' divisions of the Michigan PGA Junior Championship qualify to join nearly 100 of the nation's top junior golfers in the national Westfield Junior PGA Championship on July 18-21 at Westfield Group Country Club in Westfield Center, Ohio.

The tourney is open to boys and girls, ages 17 and younger. Golfers wishing to enter the Michigan Junior PGA Championship can obtain entry forms at local PGA golf facilities or contact the Michigan PGA Section at (734) 522-2323. The state champions will receive air transportaion, meals and lodging to compete in the national tourney.

WESTSIDE FOOTBALL CAMP

Catholic Central will hold its

21st Annual Westside Football Camp from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on

June 18-21 at the high school. Campers will receive instruction from CC coaches, along with area grade school coaches and college players and learn the fine points of offense and defense. Other aspects of the non-contact camp will touch on weight training, running for and flexibility, nutrition and diet, safety, drills and motivational talks and movies.

Campers will need football or tennis shoes, a lock for valuables, gym shorts, t-shirts and towel as well as their own lunch. Helmets are not needed and athletes must have their own insur-

The cost of the camp is \$115. For information, please call (313) 531-7251.

SUMMER HOCKEY CLASS

Suburban Hockey School is preparing for its summer programs at arenas around the metro area, including Suburban

Training Center in Farmington Hills.

There will be power-skating schools for mini-mites through bantams, a mini hockey clinic for mini-mites, a mite fun-damental hockey school, a squirt skillbuilder program, a pee wee-bantam finishing school, a goalie school and adult programs.

Suburban Training Center also will have a girls program directed by Olympic gold medalist Lisa Brown-Miller.

The programs, which begin in July, will be led by Suburbantrained instructors, including those with professional and college coaching and playing experience.

To register or request more information call Suburban Hockey School at (248) 478-1600.

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

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Homes in Labana Woods deliver value

Multi Building Co. and Singh Construction have targeted the new home market with Labana Woods, a platted community of 80 homes off Wick Road just west of Beech Daly in Taylor.

Customers can get a good deal there, both companies maintain.

"I think it's a good value for the dollar, a lot of amenities for the dollars," said Stacey A. Pardikes, sales and marketing director for Multi Building.

"It's a very good value, dollar for dollar, between new homes and used homes here," said T.S. Chhatwal, Singh Construction president. "Price is very reasonable compared to if you lived in Canton."

2 builders, 12 plans

Singh Construction presents four plans ranging in price from \$195,000 for a ranch of 1,650 square feet with three bedrooms and two baths to \$229,000 for a colonial of 2,200 square feet with four bedrooms and 2-1/2

Multi Building offers eight plans.

They start at \$194,900 for a threebedroom, two-bath ranch of 1,650 square feet and go up to \$242,900 for a story-and-a-half of 2,400 square feet with four bedrooms and 2-1/2 baths.

Both builders offer the same standard features at base price. Those include two-car garage, first-floor laundry, basement, fireplace, range and dishwasher, ceramic or wood flooring in the foyer and carpeting throughout.

Brick and vinyl siding are primary exterior materials.

Labana Woods should be attractive with nearly nine acres of trees, wetlands, ponds and park areas scattered about the grounds.

"It's not too huge," Jennifer Reeve, sales manager for Multi Building, said of the community. "There's enough houses to make a nice neighborhood, but not excessive, like 150 lots.

'We're in close proximity to area freeways and shopping," Pardikes added.

"It's near almost anyplace," Chhatwal said. "It's right near Telegraph and not far from the freeway (I-94).

Chhatwal projects that expansion of Wayne County Metropolitan Airport and growth of businesses nearby will be a boon to Labana Woods.

Taylor has a lot to offer, too, Reeve "The sity is in the building a hockey/ soccer complex. The city also has lots of recreational activity, festivals."

Singh's models

Singh has built three models.

"My design usually is very different contemporary and soft contemporary," Chhatwal said. "I don't build traditional homes."

The unique little touches that he adds, the contemporary look of the homes, those are eye-catchers," said Julia Short, Singh's sales rep.

The Fairfield, a story-and-a-half of 2,050 square feet, features a master with walk-in closet and shower, great room with volume ceiling, dining area and kitchen with island on the main

Three bedrooms and a bath with combination tub/shower is upstairs. A balcony slightly overhangs the great room at the head of the stairs.

Base price is \$219,500. The model, as is with upgrades, carries a price of

The Franklin, a colonial of 2,200 square feet, contains a living room, dining room, family room and a passthrough wall with the sink oriented toward the family room from the kitchen/ nook.

A sitting area, three secondary bedrooms, a full bath and the master with dressing area, combination tub/ shower and walk-in closet are upstairs.

Base price is \$229,000, the model as is \$239,900.

The Lexington, a colonial of 2,050 square feet, has a living room, dining room and kitchen/ nook downstairs, a master with shower and walk-in closet, three secondary bedrooms and a second full bath up.

Base price is \$214,900, the model \$239,900.

Multi's models

Multi Building has built two models. The Maple, a colonial of 2,475 square feet, features a living room, dining room, family room with sloped ceiling and kitchen/nook on the main floor.

The deluxe master, at a premium of \$3,700, showcases a separate jet tub and shower, walk-in closet and twosink vanity. The standard master has a shower and large walk-in closet.

Three other bedrooms and a bath are upstairs. Base price is \$232,900, the model as is, about \$270,000.

The Maple plan has served Multi-Building well in such communities as



Maple: ' This model is one of two erected by Multi-Building.



Lexington: This is one of three models by Singh Construc-

Pebble Creek in Brighton, Hunters Creek in South Lyon and Brookside Village in Canton.

The other model, the Cypress, is a colonial of 2,300 square feet with twostory foyer, den, dining room and great room with volume ceiling.

Four bedrooms, including master with separate tub and shower (standard here) and a second bath are up.

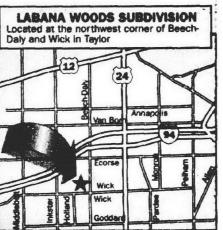
Base price is \$232,900, the model about \$282,000. Labana Woods is served by city

water, sewers and sidewalks. It's within the Taylor school boundaries. The property tax rate is \$43.41 per

\$1,000 of state taxable value, half of sales price for new construction. That means the owners of a \$230,000 house there would pay about \$5,000 the first

The annual association fee is \$200. Most lots carry a premium of \$6,000 or

Multi Building's office/models at



Labana Woods, (313) 291-4626, are open 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, Sunday, Tuesday and Wednesday, 1-6 p.m. Monday, closed Thursday and Friday.
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Woods of Maple Creek

OPEN SUNDAY 2-5 7022 Falcon Court (South of Maple, East of Farmington)

Almost new construction in very popular Maple Creek. Recently completed in the late fall of 2000, this 4,200 square foot Capri model is enhanced with the finest of amenities and upgrades. Located on one of the most breathtaking lots in the development Falcon Court is one of the premier cul-de-sacs, with an abundance of trees for privacy and that "Up North" feeling.

From the moment you enter you are enriched in luxury. Hardwood floors and circular stairs, crown moldings, formal dining room, living room, library and family room with custom built-ins. Two half baths are essential for everyday use and an elegant powder room for guests. A gourmet cook's kitchen with all upscale appliances including a Sub-Zero. Granite countertops, and island, walk-in pantry, and an abundance of cabinetry featuring glass fronts make the favorite family gathering spot outstanding. In addition to the large breakfast nook,

where you will enjoy the two-way fireplace with granite surround. Access to the large multi-level deck is off the kitchen overlooking the wooded private lot and lush land scaping The master suite with sitting

area is 26'x17' and offers enormous his & hers walk-in closets. The glamour bath is loaded with elegant marble and has a Jacuzzi tub. The upstairs features three additional bedrooms and two additional baths including a Jack & Jill. Large walkin closets accompany all bedrooms.

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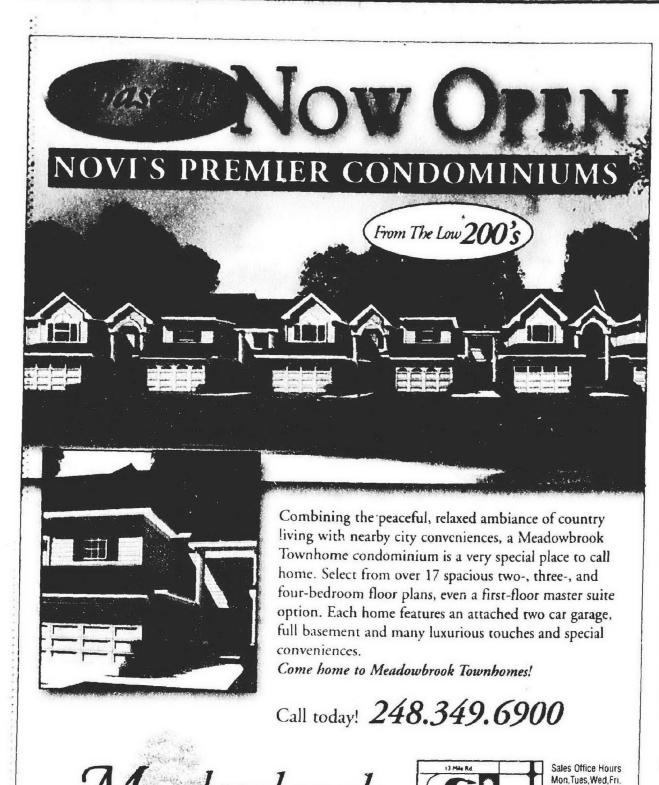
to beautiful brick paver patio & walkway to drive. Three car side entry garage with two hitech Genie door openers. Daylight windows in unfinished basement with high ceilings. Two-sided fireplace in family room and library. Two furnaces and air conditioners. Security alarm system.

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Here's how to carpet stairs on your own

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Stairs leading directly from a living room or central hallway may look more attractive and inviting when carpeted.

And a carpeted stairway will quiet your home by softening footsteps and absorbing sound waves. Carpeted stairs are safer, too. lessening your chances of slipping.

Avoid utility-grade carpeting. Stairways get heavy wear, especially along the tread nosing. Choose an easy-to-clean variety with a dense pile.

Carpet with attached cushion backing is cheaper and easier to put down, but isn't recommended for stairways. Since you want a long, narrow runner, you may be able to buy remnants of high-quality carpeting at much less than the going rate for a room-size

The runner need not be one length. Two or more sections can hide the seam under the tread nosing where it will be unnoticeable.

Remember, the pile on each piece should always lie facing toward the bottom of the stairs. Both ascending and descending, the pressure of your foct is mostly toward the tread nosing, so unless the pile faces the same way, wear will be excessive - perhaps doubled.

Feel pile direction by running your hand lightly across the carpet.

The most common method for carpeting a stairway with a closed wall on one side and open balusters at the other is to roll both edges under.

Allow about one inch from the wall with 1-1/4 inch roll under at the edges. If your carpeting won't unravel at a cut edge, you can butt it against the sidewall without roll-

Determine the total length of the runner by measuring one tread and one riser, wrapping the tape measure around the nosing and holding it against the riser below the tread with your thumb.

Add one inch to allow for the thickness of the padding under the carpet. Multiply this figure by the number of steps. Remember to allow extra carpeting if your runner is in two or more sections, since each section must join under a tread nosing.

To get width, measure from the wall to the base of the balusters, or whatever portion of the step you will be covering. Add 2-1/2 inches for rolling the edges under 1-1/4 inches for each side. Since you will probably need to trim at least one edge along the runner's length, allow an additional inch for this.

If your carpeting has irregular edges, be sure you have enough material to trim the full length of both sides straight.

Measure a stairway with a landing as if the landing were one deep step. Ideally, cover the landing and the first riser above it with

If you can't, include the riser with the steps above it. Winder steps - wedge-shaped steps that turn a corner -- require carpeting about 50 percent wider than a straight runner, and waste considerable material.

You need a separate piece for each step and the riser above it. The pile on each tread must be at right angles to the nosing and facing downstairs.

If your stairs have been carpeted, remove old nails or tacks and any quarter-round trim or molding, check treads and risers for looseness and secure any that need it using glue and 8d finishing nails.

Refinish the parts of the treads and risers that will show before putting down carpet-

Easy ways to cut energy bill

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Reduce the temperature of your water heater to 120 degrees. You'll save energy and avoid scalding your hands.

Install an insulating blanket around your water heater. It will pay for itself in a vear or less.

Use energy-saving settings on refrigerators, dishwashers, washing machines and using the dishwasher's heater. Clean or replace your home's furnace,

air-conditioner, and heat pump filters to improve air flow. Seal up the largest air leaks in your home-the ones that feel drafty or whistle on

■ The worst energy-drainers usually are holes in walls to accommodate pipes and

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It's another refinance boom. And, as with every refinance boom two things happen, more people want new mortgages and are prepared to to lay out cash for them and more mortgage companies spring up to take that cash. While most will provide reasonably priced products that work. too many don't. The problem for consumers is that they can't tell difference until they are committed. No pun intended.

This week The Meyers Report begins a new series of the "rules" for wise mortgage hunting and what can go wrong is you choose badly.

(RULE #1) PICK THE LENDER . RIGHT FIRST. Before you look for the lowest interest rate, choose a lender that you know will be there at the closing table with enough money to close, at the promised rate and with the promised closing costs. "You also want to know that, in the event of problems, the lender will be there when you need them today, tomorrow and next year," said Peter Boomer, vp/regional manager for Chase Manhattan Mortgage.

(RULE #2) CHOOSE THE RIGHT MORTGAGE PRO-GRAM. All mortgages are not alike. Even in the computer age. we are still unique. Some of us need smaller down payments, or higher income ratios to qualify. Perhaps you need to rehab or upgrade your new dream house to increase its value. Different lenders have different programs to meet those needs. Choose the lender who has the best program for you. If the lender is honest.

the mortgage rate will be competitive and the fees will be relative-

(RULE #3) THE TRUST RULE. Don't just follow the lowest rate advertised. The wise borrower should first find out if, "they can trust the loan officer and their their company? And, can they help you?" Unless you are absolutely assured of a yes to both of those questions, the lowest advertised interest rates are irrelevant, or worse, dangerous to your financial health.

But there is a problem with Rule #3, the trust rule. There is no local, state, or federal agency



that will tell you if a lender is in trouble, has numerous complaints against them or is under investigation for anything, even criminal activity. "We are prohibited by law

from releasing any information about any mortgage licensee who has complaints against them or is under investigation. We can release information only if there is an indictment, conviction, revocation or surrender of licenses, because only at that point is the issue public record," said Dea Brennan, a director of mortgage

banking for an Office of the Commissioner of Banks and Real Estate

The sad fact is this: A state license to do business in a state is no guarantee of performance, strength or integrity. However, banks, thrifts credit unions, and insurance companies are heavily regulated and routinely examined by state and federal agencies, such as the FDIC, the U.S. Controller of the Currency and the SEC if they are publicly traded. The longer a company is established, the more it is tied

into the community and the more it must be responsive to good and bad press.

Our advice for consumers: Stay with name brand lenders, who have been around for a long time. These companies have a lot to lose if any of their employees behaves badly. They also have the financial strength to correct mistakes made by their employees, others do

Does this mean that al! mortgage brokers are bad? Absolutely not. Just be sure to know with whom you are dealin and know what is a fair price, including closing costs. Above all, remember, if the offer is too good to be true, be very carefull.

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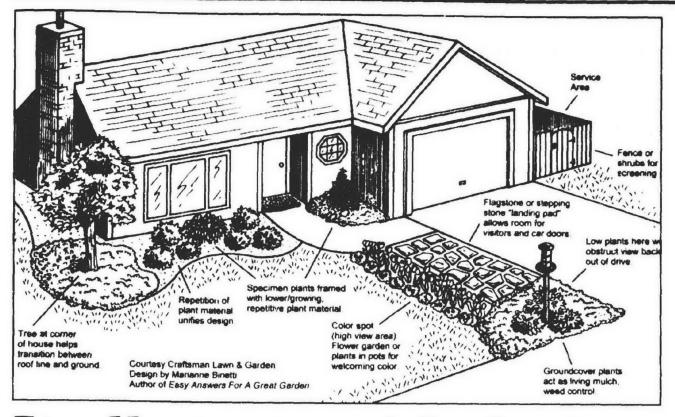
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It all starts with design

Owners of new homes commonly ask how to simplify landscaping projects. Begin with a design - the easy answer to landscaping success.

Usually, the best approach is to hire a professional landscaper or knowledgeable local nursery to draw up the design, according to Bob Misevich, Sears buyer of non-powered lawn and garden equipment.

"A well designed and maintained landscape can provide years of family enjoyment and add 15 percent or more equity to your property's value," says Misevich. "With a design in hand, many homeowners can complete most of the initial work and upkeep as a do-it-yourself project."

Public, Private Areas

For example, the accompanying drawing by Marianne Binetti, author of Easy Answers for a Great Garden, shows a design for the public area of a home on a typical suburban lot.

The public area is that part of your property regularly seen by guests and passers-by. Trees should frame the house, and an attractive arrangement of shrubs and other foliage should be planted along the foundation.

The foundation planting should accent your home's entrance, but not

appear overgrown or cluttered. Repetition of plant material helps to declutter the overall look.

Also, plants need to be in proper scale with your house. Choose compact or dwarf shrubs for small houses.

Using slower-growing, disease-resistant plants specific to your climate cuts down on maintenance. This is where your local nursery can help with specific recommendations

Your landscape also requires private space with quiet retreats, pleasant views and recreation areas. Every home also has service areas containing such necessities as garbage cans, air conditioners and firewood that need to be screened from view.

Extension of house

Think of your landscape as an extension of your home's interior. Look at the views from each window as you develop a design with your landscaper.

Walk over your property, noting both its good and bad features. Where are drives, walks and utilities located? Do you want to modify the way sun and wind strike the house by planting shade trees or windbreaks? Would you like to accentuate some views and hide others?

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Consider how your family will use the property. Do you need an open, grassy recreation area? Would you like to have a patio or deck? Is anyone in your family allergic to plants, pollens or insects? Will you plant flower beds

or a vegetable garden? How much time are you willing to spend on yard maintenance?

Soil composition and sun exposure are crucial. Put the right plants in the right place, with drought-resistant plants in hot spots and shadelovers on the north or dark side of the house.

Basic tools

Quality tools make do-it-yourself landscaping projects fun growing experiences. Sears, which sells tools with both fiberglass and hardwood handles, suggests beginning with a round-point shovel or spade, bow rake, trowel, pruner and wheelbarrow or garden cart.

A round-point shovel should be the first garden tool you purchase. It has a curved blade, usually 8-1/2 in. wide and 12 in. long, attached to a long handle. Its primary purpose is to cut roots and break topsoil. Round-point shovels also come with shorter handles and D-shaped grips.

A strong, rectangular blade with a rolled top for footing makes the spade ideal for digging, cutting, trenching and turning soil. It has a short handle and D-shaped grip for good leverage.

General purpose garden spades are equipped with flat or slightly curved blades, 7-1/4 to 8 inches

wide, and 12 inches long. A treeplanting spade has a 16-inch-long tapered blade with a wide footrest on top. The blade is slightly curved for digging holes to plant trees and shrubs.

The bow rake has a long handle and 14 to 18-inch steel head with tines for breaking up soil. It's used for separating roots and loose stones, spreading heavy or loose material and leveling topsoil for seeding.

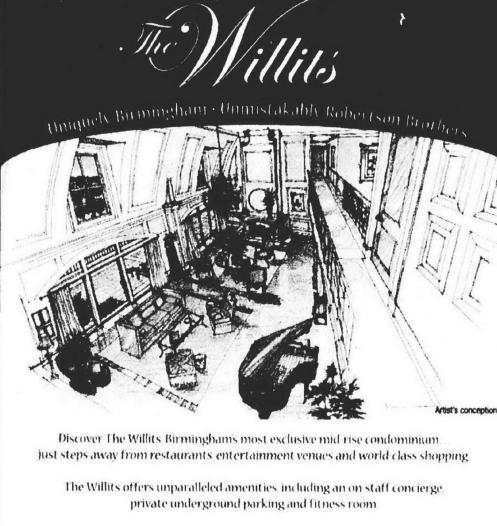
■ A trowel is essential for digging small holes, planting flowers and container gardens, moving soil and transplanting. It has a narrow, V-shaped blade of stainless steel, aluminum or resin plastic, attached to a short handle.

Pruning Trees, Shrubs

In mature landscapes, you'll need to prune spreading or low-branched trees and shrubs that block walks and infringe on patios and decks. Plantings also should not block outdoor lights or obscure the house.

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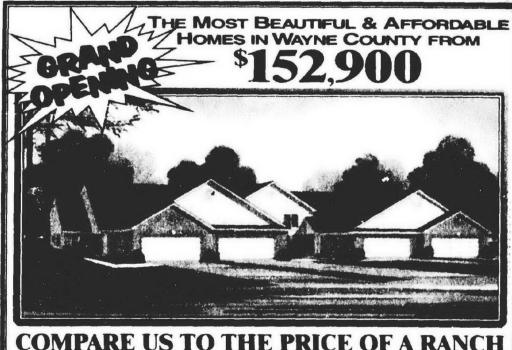
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An attic fan uses 370-watts per hour and costs about 3 For an attic fan to work most efficiently, all the windows in the house should be open.

The open windows will avoid a back draft on the water heater flame that could start a fire in your house.

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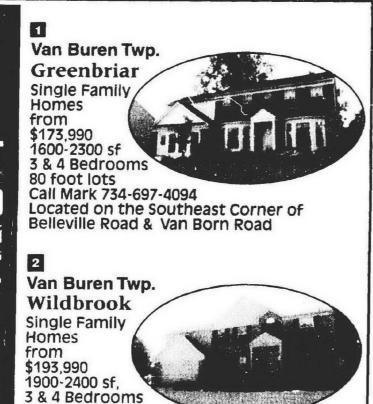
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humidity. A constant level of humidity will result in more efficient operation of the cooling system.

If you have questions or comments regarding this column, or would like me to discuss a particular energy subject, give me a call at my toll-free number, (877) 349-4130.

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amount of routine maintenance is required to keep your deck structurally sound, safe and looking its best. While other types of lumber may have been used,

But as with most parts of your home, a certain

chances are your deck is built of either cedar, redwood or pressure-treated yellow pine. These are the most commonly used materials because they

> are resistant to rot and insect damage. When exposed to the elements for extended periods, however, any wood will show signs of weathering. Even if the deck was originally treated with a stain or preservative, this treatment eventually needs to be renewed.

> The first thing to do is inspect the surfaces of the deck and railing for excessive splintering. If splintering is a problem, sanding the surface is the simplest solution.

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Use a belt sander to smooth the boards on the deck surface. Sand only in the direction of the grain, and keep the sander moving evenly to avoid gouging. Finish with a sanding block to remove roughness and hazardous slivers.

You'll find many stains and sealers designed specifically for your deck. Several manufacturers offer products called deck brighteners (actually bleaches) which remove stains and weathering from the wood Apply these products according to the

manufacturer's directions, usually with a stiff bristle brush, and rinse off thoroughly before applying any top coat. Be sure to wear gloves and eye protection when using these

Sealers protect your deck from moisture and are available clear or tinted to act as a stain. Sealers need to be renewed periodically to offer continuous protection.

Stains are offered in a range of opacities for either hiding the grain completely, or allowing it to be visible. When it comes to choosing a stain and sealer for your deck, check that the products are compatible and that they're suitable for the type of wood your deck is made with.

After a new deck has been exposed to the weather for a year or so, shrinkage of the lumber can cause nails to pop up above the deck surface.

If the boards are still flat, reset the nails slightly below the deck surface using a nailset or punch which matches the size of the nail heads

If the deck boards have cupped due to drying, there are several ways to approach the problem. If the cupping is not too severe, first remove the nails with a pry bar. Then, install galvanized decking screws to pull the board flat. If the board is too severely cupped for this technique, use a pry bar to remove the board. Then use a circu-

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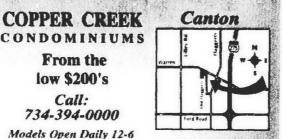
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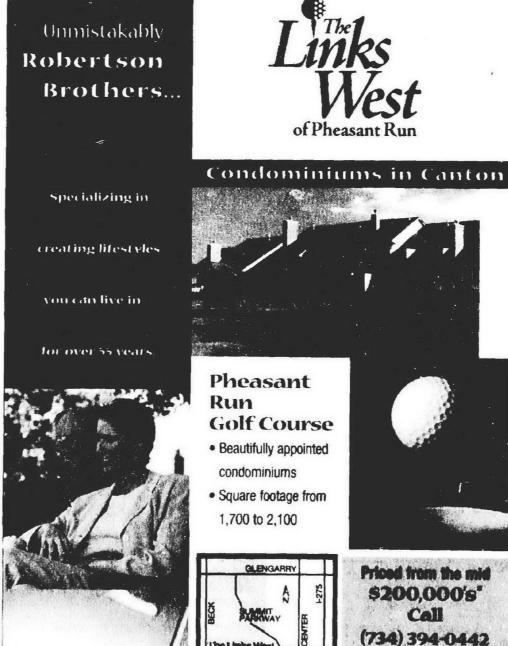
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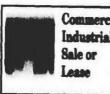
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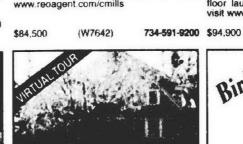
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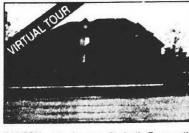
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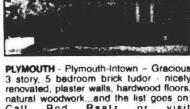
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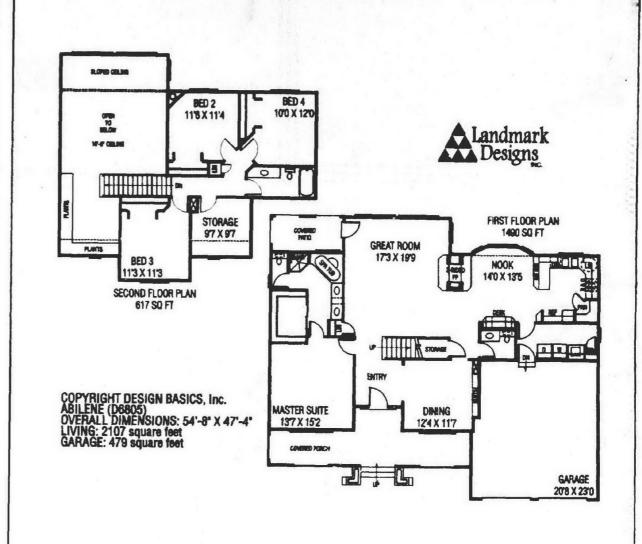
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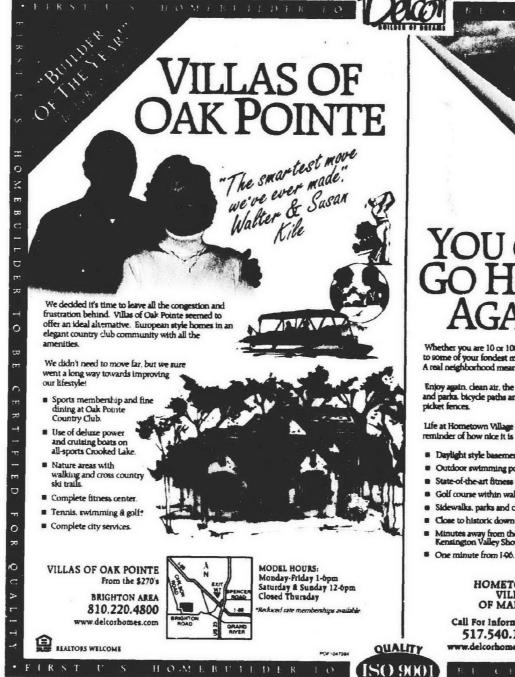


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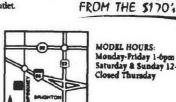
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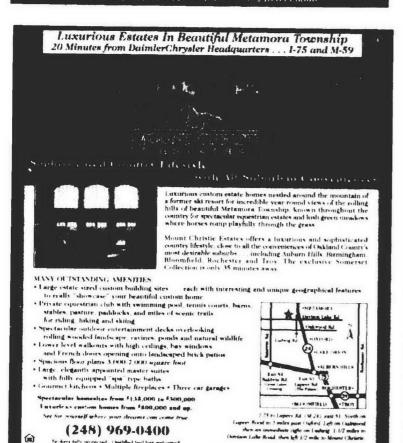


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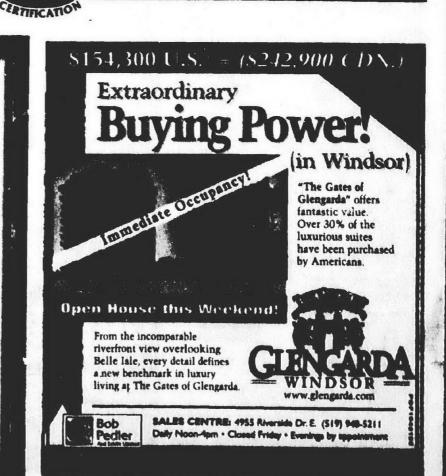
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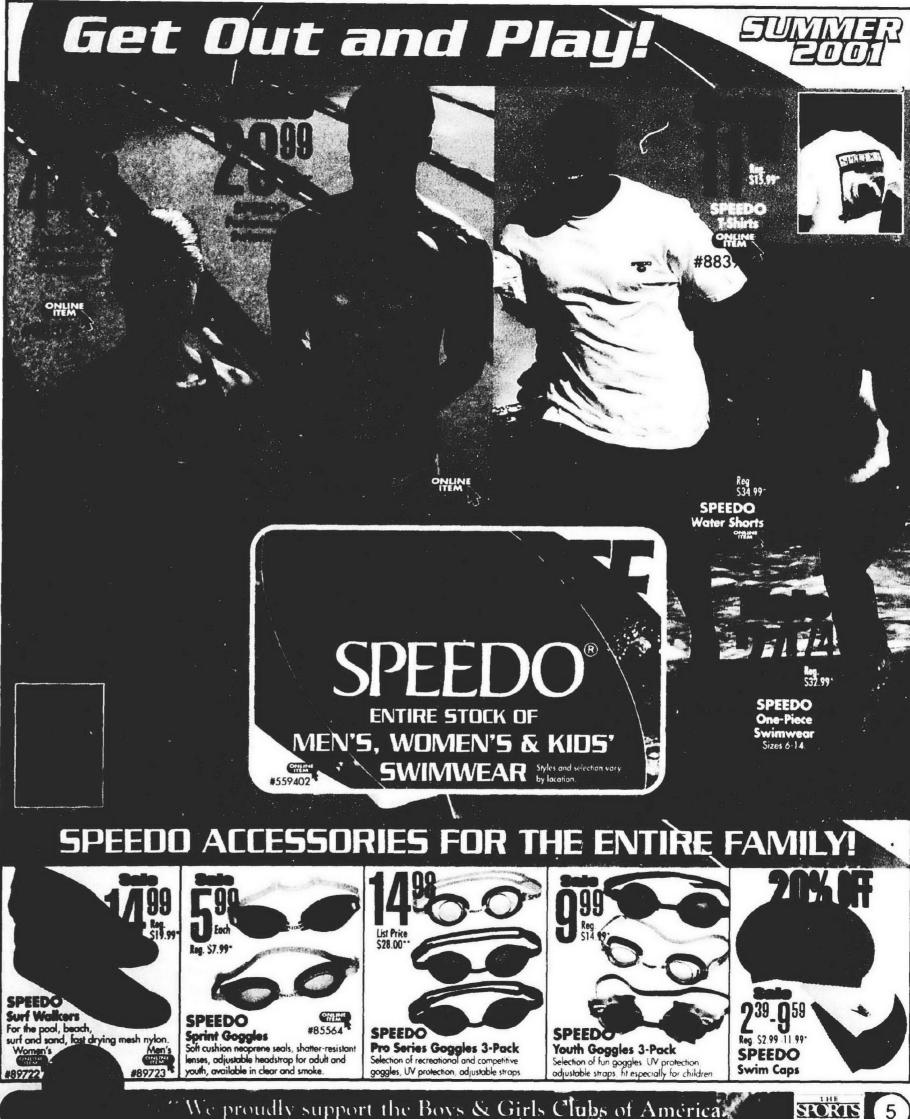












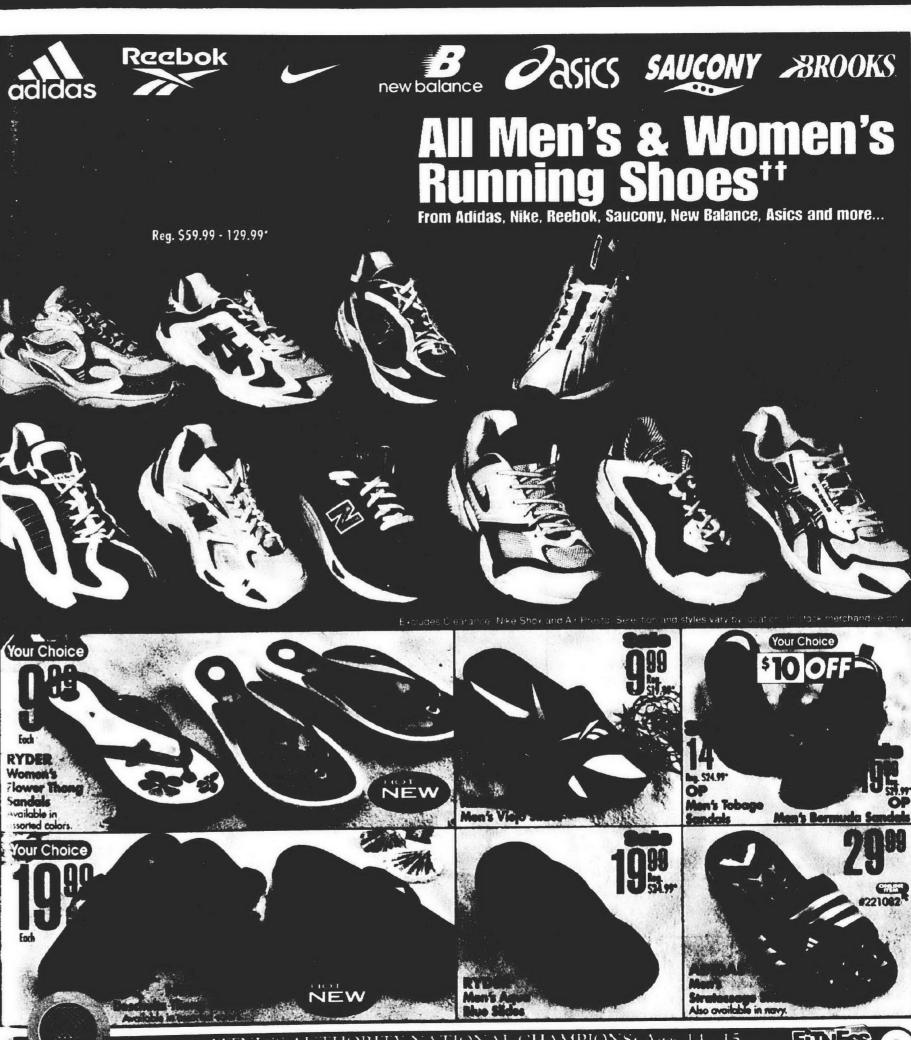




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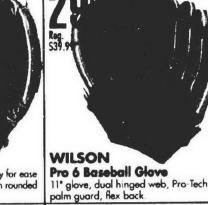




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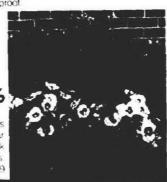
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