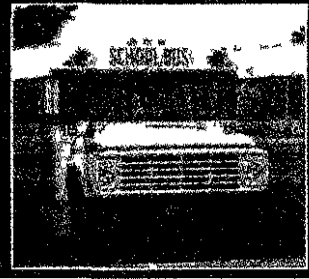


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Feldenkrais helps restore physical activity.

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**rs on stage**  
Plymouth/Canton young stars Kymmie Elliott and Alex Snider will be among the stars when *Goldilocks and the Three Bears* takes to the stage at the Marquis Theatre in Northville next week. Performances are scheduled for Sept. 6-7 and Sept. 13-14. All performances begin at 2:30 p.m. Tickets are \$7.50. The Marquis Theatre is located at 135 E. Main in downtown Northville. For ticket information or group rates call (248) 349-8110.

**Kettle help**  
Even though the season is months away the Plymouth Salvation Army is already looking for help with its Christmas Red Kettle Campaign. The Army has added several new locations this year and depends heavily on volunteers to help staff them. For information on the campaign or to volunteer call (734) 453-5464.

**Baby beauties**  
The Plymouth Jaycees hold their second annual Beautiful Baby Contest for children 36 months and younger during the Plymouth Fall Festival Sept. 5-7 in downtown Plymouth. Anyone interested in entering can call (734) 453-8407 for information on how to enter.

**City meeting**  
The Plymouth City Commission meeting, which normally would have been conducted Monday night, has been moved to Tuesday because of the Labor Day holiday. The meeting takes place at Plymouth City Hall at the corner of Church and Main at 7 p.m.

**Office hours**  
State Rep. John Stewart R. Plymouth Township holds office hours at noon Tuesday at Stewart's Plymouth law office, 1142 S. Main. Joining Stewart will be state Rep. Mike Pumford R. Newaygo, chairman of the corrections committee that provides oversight on the budgets for prisons in Michigan. The pair will meet with Kenneth Burnley, superintendent of Detroit schools at 2 p.m. then will join Reps. Ken Daniels and Artina Tinsley Hardman before the national anthem before the Detroit Tigers game at Comerica Park. For more information call (734) 373-3816.

# District enrollment grows again

BY TONY BRUSCATO  
STAFF WRITER

Student-enrollment figures for Plymouth-Canton Schools will climb for the sixth consecutive year, bringing with it a Catch-22 scenario for district administrators. More students means more foundation grant money from the state.

However, the larger numbers are putting a crimp on space at most school buildings in the district. Preliminary figures given the Board of Education this week show a total growth of 494 students from last year, which will bring in an additional \$1.9 million in state funding, according to Patricia Brand, executive director of business services.

While the early numbers each year always go down as transfers to other districts are finally bookmarked and new students who arrive in the district late are recorded, school officials budgeted for 344 new students this year. 'It's not as conservative as we'd like to be, but if we budget less we scare the bejebees out of people with budget projections,' said Superintendent Jim Ryan.

'The numbers help us, but I think it's going to be a housing challenge in the future, which we hope our bond steering committee is addressing. Of the 15 elementary schools in the district, only two show a population decline. And, of the five middle schools, only one has a student enrollment less

PLEASE SEE ENROLLMENT, A7

## Blackout brought lessons

BY BRAD KADRICH  
STAFF WRITER

The folks who handle emergency management in the Plymouths got some valuable lessons during the great Blackout of 2003. After a debriefing Monday between representatives from police, fire and municipal governments, officials agreed that, while it could have been much worse, things went about as well as anyone could have hoped. There were some glitches, some of which have already been resolved and some which will take time to fix, but mostly people here were happy with the way the community banded together during the crisis. 'We found out the city and township can work together pretty well when it's necessary,' said Chuck Van Vleck, the Plymouth Community Fire Department's Emergency Management Officer. That cooperation was critical, according to Plymouth City Manager Paul Sincock, but not just between governmental entities. The area found a surprising number of private citizens and compa-

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Tanith Belbin and Benjamin Agosto, U.S. World Team members and the highest-ranking members of the U.S. dance team internationally, are among the skaters making the move to the local area for training.

## Olympic training arrives in local area

BY JACK GLADDEN  
STAFF WRITER

World-class skating has arrived in the local area. Or, at least, world-class skate training has arrived. Igor Shpilband and Marina Zoueva, who for several years have coached skaters at the Detroit Skating Club in Bloomfield Hills, have moved to the Arctic Edge on Michigan Avenue in Canton Township. They bring with them some of the best ice dancers in the U.S. and Canada, including Tanith Belbin and Benjamin Agosto, U.S. World Team members and the highest-ranking members of the U.S. dance team internationally. Aaron Wing and Megan Lowe, Canadian World and Olympic team members, as well as other newly formed senior level and high-ranking junior level teams, will also be training at the Canton facility. Gary Clark, skating director for Arctic Arenas of Michigan (which includes the Arctic Pond in Plymouth Township), said the presence of Shpilband and Zoueva at the Arctic Edge has certainly raised the rink's visibility in the skating world.

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# For success, make job hunting a full-time job



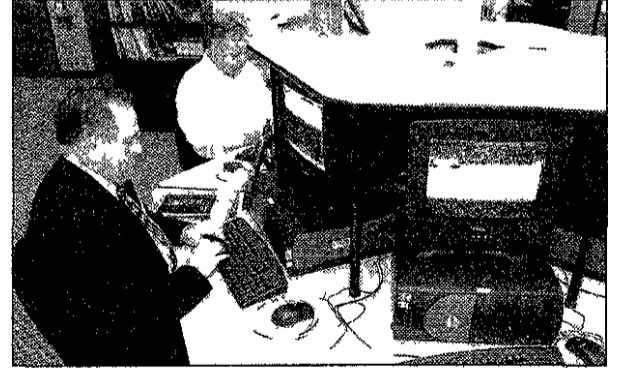
BY KIM KOVELLE AND LAURA COLVIN  
STAFF WRITERS

This is the second in a two-part series on unemployment and job prospects. It was produced by the *Observer Newspapers'* summer college interns.

An accounts manager and salesman of more than 20 years, Jim Coury of Plymouth Township has been applying the skills of his trade to his search for a full-time job since last September. 'Job hunting is the same thing as selling yourself,' said Coury, who was laid off from a part-time sales courier position in early August. He spends his work day pursuing

jobs, sending out resumes and documenting all attempts and interviews. 'It's tough out there. I don't worry about rejection,' he said, estimating that his search has reached more than 300 companies and generated about 30 interviews. 'Make contact with the hiring/purchasing manager (Go) door-to-door.' A staple resource for Coury and others is Michigan Works!, the state-funded public employment agency.

Established in 1987 and now nationally known as a major workforce development association, six area service centers aim to help job searchers with everything from basic technical training to job networking. 'One of the old adages when it comes to the job search is, 'Treat it like a job,' said Paul Eggebrecht, program director for the Michigan Works! branch in



Jim Coury (left) and Tom Lessl use computers at Michigan Works! in Livonia to find jobs.

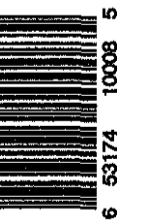
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AROUND TOWN

SCHOLARSHIP DINNER

Madonna University hosts the second-annual Julie Martin Scholarship Award dinner at 6 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 4 in the University Center Dining Room. The award honors 1998 alumna Julie Martin, a student-athlete who died from cancer in 2000.

The event is one of the primary fund-raising vehicles for the Julie Martin Endowed Scholarship for Academic and Athletic Excellence. Its goal is to provide financial assistance to Madonna University student athletes both now and in the future. Cost of the dinner is \$25 per person and all proceeds beyond expenses will benefit

the scholarship fund. For more information or to purchase tickets, contact athletic director Bryan Rizzo at (734) 432-5604 or Dr. Richard Sax, dean, College of Arts and Humanities, at (734) 432-5542. Madonna University is located at I-96 and Levan Road in Livonia.

data and identify intangibles, isolate the effects of the program, convert data to monetary values, tabulate appropriate program costs and calculate the Return on Investment. The workshop costs \$189 for ASTD members, \$239 for non-members. For more information call (734) 455-1185.

ROI SEMINAR

Get ready to learn how to justify a training program or related project by attending a one-day workshop, "Measuring the Return on Investment," presented by International ROI expert Dr. Jack Phillips in Ann Arbor.

The workshop, sponsored by Ann Arbor ASTD, takes place from 9 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. Sept. 8 and includes breakfast, lunch and a book-signing at Washtenaw Community College. The workshop is customized for professionals in the field of training and development, human resources and consultants to emphasize the ROI Process.

Participants will experience application of the ROI Process model in learning how to develop application impact objectives, collect various types of hard and soft

Local printer celebrates 20th year

National Wholesale Printing Corporation in Plymouth celebrates its 20th anniversary with an open house from 7-10 a.m. Wednesday, Sept. 17.

The event will feature the first viewing of a panoramic mural created by Canton artist Bobbie Tallon, as well as a live demonstration of a new Heidelberg five-color press, facility tour, contests and continental breakfast.

National Wholesale Printing is commemorating its anniversary with the sponsorship of a community art project, in conjunction with the Plymouth Community Arts Council. The mural that will be unveiled at the open house will feature scenes from Kellogg Park in Plymouth through the seasons.

The mural will be integrated with artwork by local children. Pictures from the 16 children who won the Youth Art contest sponsored by National Wholesale Printing and organized by the PCAC will also be displayed. The mural and youth art have been compiled into a 16-month calendar, which will be sold as a fundraiser by the PCAC. National Wholesale Printing is sponsoring the printing and graphic design of

the calendar. National Wholesale Printing has added a new offset press to its operation, the capabilities of which will be demonstrated at the open house. Guests will be able to take home a sample poster printed during the event.

"The addition of the five-color press to our business means more options for our customers," said NWP president Brian Marr. "The Heidelberg's versatility and excellent print quality gives us everything we need to respond to our customers' challenging needs."

Celebrating the 20th anniversary of his business means a lot to Marr.

Established in 1983, National Wholesale Printing is a full-service commercial printer that has serviced customers representing various industries, including health care, financial services, manufacturing, and telecommunications.

National Wholesale Printing is located at 41290 Joy Road in Plymouth, just west of Haggerty. For more information on this event, call (734) 416-8400, Ext. 1.

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## OLYMPIC

FROM PAGE A

Igor and Marina are probably among the best in the world," he said, "not just in the United States."

Shpilband and his wife, Veronica, who grew up in Moscow, came to New York in 1990 with the Torvill and Dean Ice Show. The Shpilbands, along with two other skaters and their manager, defected and a few weeks later Shpilband began teaching at the Detroit Skating Club.

Three years ago, he and Veronica became U.S. citizens. Shpilband, who was U.S. Olympic Coach of the Year in 1998, has been working with Belbin and Agosto since that year, when they both came to Detroit to train for the summer at the DSC. That was a training year, but the two blossomed as partners and have been together ever since, under Shpilband's tutelage.

"Ben and Tanith are the highest ranking U.S. team," Shpilband said recently from his new Arctic Edge location. They are probably the most promising team in the world."

And they've got a busy schedule ahead of them.

In a couple of months, there's Skate America,



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Skating instructor Igor Shpilband, who for several years coached skaters at the Detroit Skating Club in Bloomfield Hills, has moved to the Arctic Edge.

Shpilband said "Then two other Grand Prix events, one in Paris and one in Moscow. They'll be in the U.S. Nationals, World Championships, the Tour of Champions. There are a lot of things scheduled."

Shpilband said he decided to move to the Arctic Edge after the DSC did not extend his partner's contract.

"Since she (Zoueva) is not allowed to teach there, I thought it would be better for the children to come here," he said.

He said he and Zoueva settled on the Arctic Edge because "it's a nice facility."

"People have been willing to work with me and find a solution to suit everyone," he said. "It's a great facility. A lot of great coaches work here. I hope bringing skaters like this will draw more interest for the local area."

Clark said he is working to develop a figure skating program for the Arctic arenas generally. In addition to the Canton facility, there's the Arctic Pond in Plymouth Township and the Arctic Coliseum in Chelsea.

"We're trying to develop a competitive program in this environment," he said.

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## Golden times for renovated shopping center

BY JACK GLADDEN  
STAFF WRITER

When Vicki and Jim Chilcoff opened Memory Lane Scrapbooks & Stamps in the Golden Gate Shopping Center on Lilley Road just south of Joy, it was a dream come true for Vicki. She had her own store, where she sold supplies and taught classes in scrapbook making.

That was Nov. 12, 1998. Exactly two months later the dream collapsed, along with the roof on the nearby Canton Coney Island. The date was Jan. 12, 1999.

Although Memory Lane was not damaged by the heavy accumulation of snow that caused the roof to cave in on the Coney Island, other businesses in the south end of the mall were not so lucky.

In addition to the restaurant, Bob's of Canton, the butcher shop/market that had served as the small mall's anchor store for years sustained damage and closed down — as it turned out, never to reopen.

"We were closed for just a day," Jim said. "They cordoned us off to check the roof. But the perception was that the whole mall was closed."

It took 11 months for the rebirth of the south end of the mall to begin. That was when Fred and Mohamad Hussein, owners of Canton Coney Island, opened up a new and expanded version of the restaurant.

I had to borrow money to open up," Fred said. "We were closed for 11 months. It was very hard to recover. But I have a lot of faith in this area, so I decided to come back and continue doing business."

One of the things that was troubling Fred was the fact that Bob's was not going to reopen as an anchor store.

"We helped each other out," he said. "But he had already opened another store in Westland and he couldn't even find a butcher for the Canton store. Much less 50 more employees. We became the



PAUL HURSCHMANN | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Vicki Chilcoff of Memory Lane Scrapbooks & Stamps stands outside her store in the Golden Gate Shopping Plaza on Lilley south of Joy.

anchor for the center.

Still, the Bob's location remained vacant and most of the smaller businesses in the damaged south end of the mall either closed down or moved to new locations.

Those in the north end, including Discount Beverage, a dry cleaners and Memory Lane, depended on a big anchor store to generate walk-in traffic.

Jim Chilcoff said people have come into their store in recent months and said, "Oh, we didn't know you were still here. We thought you were closed."

But in the last year, the mall has added 14 new stores and has only one vacant spot. And that's going to be filled soon by a cellular telephone store, according to Nick Tufenkjan, a jeweler in Bloomfield Hills, who owns the Golden Gate property.

"We lost a lot of tenants when the roof collapsed," he said. "We lost at least half of the tenants. Now we are 95 percent occupied. And we're

getting a lot of phone calls from other people looking for space."

Another grocery store, House of Choice, opened for a short time in the Bob's location, but was not able to make a go of it.

But about a month ago that site became the home of Tuesday Morning, part of a nationwide chain of high-end discount stores. And the other tenants are hoping that serves as a drawing card to the mall itself.

The growing Tuesday Morning chain advertises prices of 50 to 80 percent off normal retail and restocks its stores eight times a year, coinciding, according to store literature, with the retail industry's peak selling seasons.

And at the southeast end of the mall, Blue Willow Auctions, which opened in 2001, draws large crowds to its weekly auctions. It's also open during the day for potential auction buyers to examine the items that will be going up for

sale. Frank Hussein said business at the Coney Island has increased to the point that he is now serving 3,000 customers a week, including 700 Sunday.

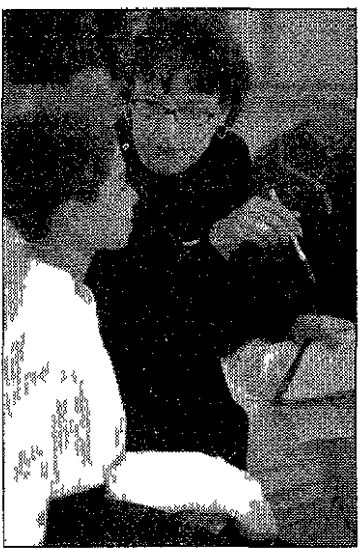
With traditional Coney fare and a limited Greek menu, Hussein touts his Friday fish fry as one of the biggest draws. "In Lent we sold 5,000 pounds of fish in seven weeks," he said. "It's the biggest fish fry in the township."

Hussein and Chilcoff say the small mall with lots of mom and pop stores is almost like family.

"We help each other out," Chilcoff said. "We look out for each other."

And Tufenkjan agrees. "They're wonderful people," he said of his tenants. "I work with tenants like family. I'm there to support them. It's like a family-oriented community center."

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Matthew Ko listens to a post-performance critique from Karen Wolenchak, one of two judges critiquing the performances.

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OBITUARIES

**Arthur Henry Helm**  
 Services for Arthur Helm, 61, of Ann Arbor were held Aug 29 at Westminster Presbyterian Church with the Rev Melissa Anne Rogers officiating. Burial was at Washtenong Memorial Park in Ann Arbor.  
 Mr Helm was born April 7, 1942, in Plymouth and died Aug 27 at home. He was a graduate of Plymouth High School, attended Flint Jr College and Western Michigan University, where he graduated with a degree in business. He was a member of the U.S. Army Reserves from 1960-61 and he worked for Ford Motor Company for 34 years before retiring Jan 1, 2000, from the Michigan Truck Plant in Wayne.  
 He was a longtime resident and member of Colonial Square Cooperative where he was active in his neighborhood and served as the chairman of the 2005 committee from 1991 to his death. He was also a member of Westminster Presbyterian Church, where he had volunteered as a member of the Lock-Up Crew, as a sub-

stitute custodian and most recently as a deacon.  
 Survivors include wife, Eileen (Bier) Helm, children, Gary Helm, Linda (Trae) Helm, Chancellor, Matt T Helm, and Todd R Helm, granddaughter, Jenna J Melton, brother, Donald (Judy) Helm, and sister, Norma (Dean) Helm Hamlin.  
 Memorial contributions may be made to either the church or to the U.S. Olympic Committee, 1 Olympic Plaza, Colorado Springs, CO 80909-5760.  
 Arrangements made by Nie Family Funeral Home.  
**Dr. H. James Veryser**  
 A memorial Mass for Dr. H. James Veryser, 87, of Northville, will be held at 11 a.m. Oct 11 at Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church in Plymouth. Dr. Veryser was born Feb 2, 1916, in Detroit and died Aug 26 in Livonia.  
 Dr. Veryser graduated from Detroit's Eastern High School in 1935. He attended the University of Michigan as an undergraduate student, and later graduated from the University of Detroit Mercy

School of Dentistry. He served in the armed forces as a major in the Dental Corps of the United States Army.  
 A prominent dentist on the east side of Detroit from 1943-1969, he also had a private practice in Ubyly, Mich., which is located in the thumb area. Dr. Veryser was also an adjunct faculty member at the University of Detroit Mercy School of Dentistry. He later retired to Port St. Lucie, Fla., where he spent 18 years with his wife prior to returning to Northville in 1998.  
 He was a life member of the Michigan Dental Association and a member of the OKU National Dental Honor Society. He was also a member of Our Lady of Victory Catholic Church in Northville.  
 Survivors include wife, Shirley, son, Dr. Thomas (Karen) Veryser of Plymouth, grandchildren, Jeffrey (Kiesha) Veryser of Manistee and Renee (Jeremy) Johnson of Royal Oak, and great-granddaughter, Kamryn Veryser.  
 Memorial contributions may be made to the Capuchin Soup Kitchen, 1740 Mt. Elliott Ave.,

Detroit, MI 48207.  
 Arrangements made by Schrader-Howell Funeral Home.  
**Hazel L. Smith**  
 Services for Hazel Smith, 89, of Dearborn (previously of Canton), were held Aug 29 at Vermeulen Funeral Home, Westland with the Rev. Ken Fresh officiating. Burial was at Cadillac Memorial Gardens-West in Westland.  
 Mrs. Smith was born July 28, 1914, in Allentown, Pa., and died Aug 23 in Dearborn. She was an operator.  
 Mrs. Smith was preceded in death by husband, Owen Smith.  
 Survivors include son, Eugene (Suzann) Smith of Charlotte, N.C., daughter, Lois (Frank) Giorgi of Dearborn, son, David Smith of Dearborn, and step-son, Donald (Arlene) Smith of Sarasota, Fla., six grandchildren, and nine great-grandchildren.  
 Memorial contributions may be made to the University of Michigan Burn Center.  
 Arrangements made by Vermeulen Funeral Home.

MILITARY NEWS

**Air Force Staff Sgt. Melissa Caldwell** has graduated from Airman Leadership School at Osan Air Base, South Korea. She is an air traffic control journeyman assigned to Kunsan Air Base, South Korea. Sgt. Caldwell is married to Joseph, the daughter of Sandra and step-daughter of Steven Winn of Flint, and father, Randy VanPetten of Canton. The staff sergeant recently promoted, is a 1997 graduate of Carman Ainsworth High School in Flint.  
 Marine Corps Capt. **Albert**

**M. Kim**, a 1987 graduate of Plymouth Salem High School, Plymouth, recently completed a five-month deployment to Kuwait while assigned to the Marine Corps Reserve's Third Air Naval Gunfire Liaison Company, home based in Terminal Island, California.  
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- Monday, Aug 25 — Residential rescue runs on Southworth, Northville, Eastside, N Territorial, Red Pine and Drury, commercial rescue runs on Ann Arbor Road, Sheldon and Haggerty, industrial rescue run on Sheldon, and vehicle accident rescue run on Beck and CSX
- Sunday, Aug 24 — Residential rescue runs on Haggerty, Filmore and Mill Race, and vehicle fire run on M-14 and Napier
- Saturday, Aug 23 — Residential rescue runs on Maplewood, Terry, and Haggerty, industrial rescue run

- on Sheldon, rescue runs at public buildings on Ann Arbor Road and Main, vehicle accident rescue run on Hines and Wilcox with special wash down
- Friday, Aug 22 — Residential rescue runs on Lakeland, Plymouth Heights Lane, and two on Haggerty, three commercial rescue runs on W Ann Arbor Trail, open burning fire run on Trailwood, vehicle accident rescue run on Haggerty south of Schoolcraft and Beck and M-14, downed wires run on Goldsmith,
- Thursday, Aug 21 — Residential rescue runs on Plymouth Road and Haggerty, rescue run at a public building on Five Mile, vehicle accident rescue run on Sheldon and Ann Arbor Road
- Wednesday, Aug 20 — Residential rescue run on Van Buren, commercial rescue run on Haggerty, and Joy, industrial rescue run on Plymouth Oaks, downed wires run on Haggerty

**LESSONS**

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men who dove in and helped when it became necessary. For instance, Absopure and Plymouth Marketplace chipped in with unlimited supplies of water and other items. "Everyone was part of it," Sincock said. "It took the schools to be in on it with us, and Absopure, and Plymouth Marketplace. We supplied diesel fuel to Northville Township's fire department. Clearly the state wasn't going to give us much help, and the county was swamped with dealing with their things. Locally, we had to get together, cooperate and make it work. We worked with the (township's) staff and they worked with us, and everything went well." One of the biggest concerns was water pressure, particularly in the event of a major fire that didn't happen, although Plymouth firefighters did assist Northville with a house fire. Although the concern was never realized, the township's

lack of water pressure did present potentially the largest problem. "We're planning a second water tower in the west end of the township, and this crisis demonstrated the importance of that," said township supervisor Steve Mann. "Having that extra million gallons or so would have come in handy." The other major problem officials expected to have was with the community's senior population, but, like the others, that one never materialized, either. Initial discussions, according to Van Vleck, was what to do about problems seniors might face, including lack of air conditioning, food, water and power for items such as oxygen machines. "What we found out was they can take pretty good care of themselves," Van Vleck said. "They're much more self-sufficient than we thought they were. Our first discussion was what to do about them, but they were doing fine. We were amazed." The one area Sincock hopes to improve is gaining access to seniors traditionally served

by groups such as Focus HOPE and Meals on Wheels. "We need to gain access to their food delivery lists," Sincock said. "These are seniors with limited ability to leave their homes, and we need to follow up to make sure they have what they need. We're going to partner with the Community Council on Aging to develop something." Many of the issues were small and easily fixed. For instance, the township discovered that only the unleaded pumps at its DPW yard are hooked to the generator. That left fire officials scrambling to find fuel for its vehicles. Van Vleck said the problem has already been fixed. The city needs more portable stop signs. Back-up battery systems need checking. No state of emergency was declared in Plymouth, a step that would have opened the community's Emergency Operations Center. But Mann said it wasn't necessary. "This was a huge crisis, and not just for us," Mann said. "We were doing everything for (residents) we could have done

even if we'd activated the EOC. Our residents handled it well." Mann missed the excitement personally, because he was in Lansing when the power went out. Though some privately criticized him for not returning to Plymouth, he pointed out that he was in constant contact with the township's response team. "I don't believe it would have been any better had I been here," Mann said. "All I would have done was give them the same guidance I gave them on the phone, only I'd have been standing in the same room. We had good people running things here, and I was in constant contact with them."

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# Opportunities in nursing outpace economy

BY LAURA COLVIN  
STAFF WRITER

With baby boomers aging and the need for health care rising, the U.S. is waist deep in a nursing shortage that's predicted to reach epidemic proportions if something isn't done soon.

The good news? In the current job market — best described with words like sluggish, lackluster and dismal — employment opportunities for nurses are expected to remain virtually boundless into the foreseeable future.

After a year on the job as a registered nurse at Garden City Hospital, Traci Whiteman, 24, knows she made the right career choice.

People look up to you and patients love you, she said. People have a lot of respect for nurses, and even if I have a terrible day, I still go home feeling like I made a difference.

Whiteman graduated from Henry Ford Community College with an associate degree in nursing last year, and had no trouble landing her first choice job.

I could have pretty much gone anywhere I wanted, she said.

According to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, the nation will be short about 800,000 registered nurses by 2020. In Michigan alone, an estimated 22 percent shortfall will leave more than 18,000 positions vacant.

As a result of such dire predictions, area hospitals are doing everything possible to entice young people into nursing.

"We've been going into grade schools to provide counselors with information about health care fields

YEAR:	SUPPLY	DEMAND	EXCESS/SHORTAGE	% SHORTAGE
2000	66,452	67,295	-843	*
2005	69,259	70,718	-1,459	*
2010	68,797	74,285	-5,488	-7%
2015	67,186	78,433	-11,247	-14%
2020	64,426	82,729	-18,303	-22.1%

\* No definitive shortage. Estimate is 3% or above.  
Source: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

so they can hopefully inspire students to someday enter the field," said Barbara Kalpa, employee welfare and recruitment representative at Garden City Hospital. They think their best and brightest, the students who excel in math and science, will have to take jobs in computer engineering, but those are the students we're looking for, too.

According to a survey released in February 2002 by the Bureau of Health Professions, Registered Nurses under the age of 30 accounted for only 9.1 percent of the nursing population in 2000, down from 25.1 percent in 1980.

"The average age for nurses today is 45," said Kalpa. With baby boomers retiring soon, we're afraid there won't be enough people to care for us when we need care."

## INCENTIVES

Most employers are more than happy to offer financial incentives to those who do decide on a career in

nursing. Tuition reimbursement and loan forgiveness usually come standard with a job offer. In many cases, the student ends up paying nothing for his or her education.

Additionally, many hospitals also provide services like flexible scheduling, day care, laundry service, on-site vehicle maintenance and other perks for employees.

"We're always looking at what would make us a preferred employer," said Marge Hasler, director of nursing at Botsford Hospital in Farmington. We want to make this an attractive place to work.

But stiff competition among hospitals and other organizations allows qualified nurses to pick from a variety of settings in which to work.

When we get an RN walking through the door we try to line up a job interview the same day," said Ken Antczak, director of human resources at St. Mary Mercy Hospital in Livonia. If everything goes well, we'll make a job offer the same day.

With all the perks of a career in nursing, drawbacks exist as well.



Registered nurse Traci Whiteman gives a patient his meds at Garden City Hospital.

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Many nurses complain about the mountain of paperwork that must be completed for every patient.

If you went to school to become a nurse, you did it because you wanted to take care of people," said Gloria Bruhowzki, RN, administrator and president of United Home Health Care Services Inc. in Canton Township. But as a nurse you spend a good half of your time documenting the care you give.

Burnout is another leading factor of job dissatisfaction, and Therese Jamison, an assistant professor in the College of Nursing and Health at Madonna University in Livonia, warns students they can expect to work very hard.

"The burnout is high because you work like a dog, she said, but some days I'd have done it for free, I have so much fun."

Nurses don't have to work for free, but most think they should be paid more.

According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, the median annual earnings of registered nurses were \$44,840 in 2000, with the middle 50 percent earning between \$37,870 and \$54,000.

"If you're going into a career and you want to be rich, maybe nursing isn't for you," said Mitch Nimmoor, vice president of human resources at Garden City Hospital. But if you want fulfillment, maybe it is.

# Culinary careers gain in popularity

BY KIM KOVELLE  
STAFF WRITER

On an early June afternoon, Certified Executive Chef Kevin Enright stood at the front of a culinary classroom at Oakland Community College.

He was addressing 15 applicants for the OCC Culinary Studies Institute's acclaimed American Culinary Federation/Michigan Chefs de Cuisine apprenticeship program. It's not as restrictive to get in as it is to stay in, said Enright, who has coordinated the program for all of his 19 years at OCC. "It takes a commitment to stay. This is not a recreational program."

Each of those seated brought along, at the very least, a certified check for \$110, high school diploma, documented experience and references, resume and a 150-word essay titled *Why I Deserve a Career in Culinary Arts*.

Those who pass an interview commit to three years of intensive, 40-hour-per-week training at approved restaurants (for 6,000 total hours), as well as several classes.

"Chefs will evaluate you on the job four times per year," Enright said. People who have completed (the program) are excellent material for sous chef, executive chef. You'll all be a little bit different when you come out."

In an era where star chefs such as Emeril Lagasse and Bobby Flay reign on cable food station airwaves, the culinary arts have found more visibility and prestige as a career.

## OPENING UP

According to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, more than 2.8 million held jobs as chefs, cooks and food preparation workers in 2000. Until 2010, these numbers are expected to increase at an average rate of 10 to 20 percent each year.

The composition of the job largely has changed.

It was kind of almost like a burnout profession in the past," said John McCormack, a corporate chef who spent a decade as the Detroit Athletic Clubs executive chef, often putting in 80-hour weeks. "You're seeing a real change in that respect. Employers are becoming more and more cognizant. It's opening up all the time."

"I think the American public in general is becoming more sophisticated and as a result they're expecting higher levels of cuisine than in the past," he added.

Qualified chefs now run the food programs of colleges, hospi-



Neil Justice, 21, of Rockwood Interiors for the culinary program at Oakland Community College Orchard Ridge campus in Farmington Hills.

tal, automotive executive dining rooms and even a string of area nursing homes. Even McDonald's hired an executive chef.

Along with expanded opportunities has come a higher demand for schooling and training.

## NOT A 40-HOUR WEEK

One of the OCC applicants, Neil Rockwood, 21, an English major, has cooked at the Huron River Inn in Rockwood and the Famous Fish Co. in Peachtree, Ga., where 120-hour weeks were nothing odd.

"Everybody in this business knows it's not a 40-hour week," Rockwood said. "You don't make the same money that you would, in say, an engineering job."

But he added that his current post at the Inn was not difficult to land. They were actually dying for help.

Salary varies by location, but the National Restaurant Association's most recent compensation report notes that chefs can make a median base salary of \$35,000.

"Now we're seeing much more professionalism because of the culinary programs," said Doug Gahns, chef instructor and the AFC's Michigan Chef of the Year. Chefs are making great money, increased benefits, good vacation time.

The field is attracting many in the 21-25 age bracket, according to McCormack, as well as career changers.

"I've pretty much cooked for my family all my life," said accountant Stacey Elliott, 31, from Westland. Right now everything is just brand-new. You have to work your way up.

Of the 22 applicants for OCC's program, all were admitted. They will begin their work Sept. 8.

"All of them checked out," Enright said. "We look to have professionals in the food business. You have to treat it with respect."

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## JOBS

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Livonia "You can't rely just on the newspaper, just on the Internet. People have to start looking non-traditionally."

With 25 computers, onsite caseworkers and certified employment interview professionals, job fairs, workshops and the Michigan Talent Bank — an online system that allows job seekers to post and update resumes and employers to peruse them — Michigan Works! helps.

## RIJO

Case worker Robert Rushing works at career coaching and runs seminars. In a Livonia conference room, he wrote on a dry erase board: R-->I-->JO, or Research leads to Interview leads to Job Offer.

"We're just trying to work with developing confidence," Rushing said. "My (goal) is to get you employed with what you have right now."

Emerald Fuller, business service coordinator who works with those in the adjoining Welfare Reform Program, said, "I tell them, I am your employer until you find employment. It gives them practice."

Another avenue is placement agencies that focus on staffing services, from administrative, clerical and industrial work to



Case Manager Robert Rushing speaks to students about how to improve their resumes.

**HELP WANTED**

Madonna University in December with a degree in journalism and public relations. Reporter Kim Kovellev of Livonia will graduate from the University of Michigan-Dearborn in spring 2004 with a degree in journalism. Photographer Liz Orozco of Livonia will graduate from Central Michigan University in spring 2005 with a degree in journalism. They began their internship in May.

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engineering, technical and management.

Kelly Services, a placement company with a branch in Farmington Hills that focuses on human resource solutions, has seen across-the-board employment pick up in July.

"During the past two years, many companies out there have downsized their HR and recruiting. Now it's really kind of hurry-up time for them," said Steve Armstrong, local regional vice president for the Detroit area.

General receptionist and customer service numbers have grown, with many college students working summer hours. Health care, financial services and education, particularly substitute teaching, have also seen increases.

"We're all cautiously optimistic. We've been fooled before," Armstrong said. "It's still a bit more slanted on the employer side, however, we're seeing the balance shift."

## FREE AGENT

Working as a "free agent" allows individuals a unique chance to evaluate the environment, culture and norms of different companies they might like to join.

Manpower, Inc., a staffing agency with about 2,000 placed throughout the area, has seen growing demand through the past year for mortgage, banking, finance and specialty engineering work. "(We're) definitely seeing more positive signs in the

economy and the hiring activity than we have seen in the past couple of years," said Pam Berklich, vice president of the company's Resource Consulting Group.

Kiyana Moy, an HR assistant at Manpower, began as a receptionist and has plans to stay with the company after she earns her business degree at Oakland Community College next year.

There's a lot of room for advancement, said the 22-year-old, who previously worked at other temp agencies. "Most of our positions that are contract, they become permanent. It's something for the time. They make good money."

College career placement offices can also help students with all aspects of the employment search, including assistance in resume preparation and interview skills.

Since companies are getting so many resumes, they're spending less time looking at them," said John Titus, director of career planning and placement at Schoolcraft College in Livonia. They'll just throw your resume aside if it's not presentable, if it doesn't have the information that reaches out and grabs you."

## TAILOR RESUMES

The office advises students to tailor resumes to the specific jobs they are seeking, focusing on skills and qualifications for that particular job rather than treating the resume like a personal biography.

## About this series ...

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# Late MEAP scores hinder planning

BY TONY BRUSCATO  
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Plymouth-Canton Schools curriculum administrators spent much of the past week correcting errors in preliminary Michigan Educational Assessment Program (MEAP) test results issued by the state Department of Education.

Corrections were required by Friday, after which state officials will recalculate the statistics and give the more than 500 Michigan school districts final results for tests given last January and February - nearly five months behind schedule.

School districts were promised a new computer software program bought from Enterprise Computing Services in Atlanta, Ga., would give results within 10 weeks of students taking the tests.

However, glitches in the system precipitated a delay in the final results, keeping school officials from using the much-needed information to produce any warranted changes in curriculum to benefit students.

"It puts us behind the eight-ball," admits Lon Rutkofske, director of secondary education for Plymouth-Canton Schools. "The scores from the year before help build a plan to improve on the areas of weakness. If you don't know the

areas of weakness, it makes it hard to improve.

"It's like sailing a ship without a compass," Rutkofske said. "It prevents you from making good decisions and setting your course, and the MEAP tests help set our course."

The MEAP, a statewide proficiency test, was taken by high schoolers in the spring and by students in the fourth, fifth, seventh and eighth grades in the winter. Students are tested in mathematics, language arts, social studies and science, though only 11th-graders are tested in all four subjects in the same year.

Terry Stanton, public information officer for the Michigan Department of Treasury - which administers the tests - said there have been a couple of different delays.

"There was a delay in January because the contractor didn't get the pre-printed student answer booklets to schools in time," said Stanton. "The biggest delay has been caused by the implementation of a new software package, through which the state school district and administration will be able to review MEAP results and an analysis of those results."

"We hope after corrections are made in the preliminary results, the final results will be available late this week, or the

following week," he said.

Rutkofske said the delays will not only keep the district from making changes in curriculum this year, but also completing the annual report required by the state, which is due Oct. 15.

"It's going to be very difficult for us to do the analysis and get those pieces in place in time to meet No Child Left Behind (federal) and Education Yes! (state) requirements," said Rutkofske. "We'd have to break our necks to get it done."

"Is it fair to ask people to meet unrealistic deadlines when the state doesn't meet its own deadlines?" asked Rutkofske. "I don't think it's fair."

Stanton said that while they work out the bugs in the software, state education officials are hopeful a 10-week turnaround time is in the cards in the near future. But, in the meantime, the current delay isn't much longer than what districts have experienced in the past.

"It's not way outside the norm," said Stanton. "Last year, math and science scores weren't available until September. School districts didn't have time to adjust curriculum then, either. Unfortunately, it's a by-product of the delays."

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## ENROLLMENT

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than last year, as the district has grown to a high of nearly 17,500 students.

"We always have an idea about grades 1-5, but you never know about the kindergarten - who has moved in and who has kids," said Ryan. "In the past, there were concerns about using all the space we have, and I think you can see by the numbers, we're getting close to doing that."

"The other thing that didn't surprise us, in the southwest and southeast portion (of the district in Canton), at Dodson, Eriksson, Bentley and Field the numbers are pretty high."

Dodson, in only its fourth year, is already over capacity with a headcount of 663 students. Bentley, Bird, Field and Tonda are also bursting at the seams with more than 600 students each.

Discovery Middle School, only in its third year, has more students than it was expected to house with 943 students.

However, despite the increase in student population,

the \$5.6 million in budget cuts has forced the district to do more with less.

"We're working with the same number of teachers in the elementary as last year, and servicing more kids in about the same class sizes by making combinations and by using that parameter target of 26 (students per K-2 classroom) on a number of instances," said Ray Bihun, executive director of human resources. "We have the same number of staff at the high school, we're down 2.8 (full time equivalents) at the middle school and we've increased the class sizes there. We're fully staffed in all the classrooms."

The early figures show elementary grades have grown by 209 students, middle school by 102 and the high school complex by 183.

"Looking at what we've had to do this year and the growth we've got, and knowing we're going to have growth again next year, I don't want to be in the same position of having to raise the (K-2 classroom) cap again next year," said Trustee Richard Ham-Kucharski. "Hopefully, we can get some additional projections from the

housing committee to move forward in looking at the future so we don't get stuck with too-full schools."

Ryan said he'll report to the school board on how much space is available at the schools, and give an overall picture about the use of school buildings, at the Sept. 9 regular meeting.

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### A HISTORY OF SCHOOL ENROLLMENT FIGURES

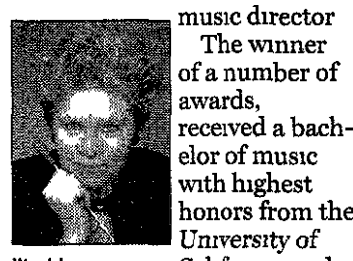
The following are Plymouth-Canton Community Schools enrollment figures for the past nine years.

1994-95	14,970	
1995-96	15,424	+454
1996-97	15,985	+561
1997-98	15,836	-149
1998-99	16,133	+297
1999-00	16,435	+302
2000-01	16,518	+83
2001-02	16,798	+280
2002-03	17,197	+399

source: Patricia Brand, executive director, business services, Plymouth-Canton Schools

# Washburn begins fifth season with symphony

Nan Washburn is beginning her fifth season as the Plymouth Symphony Orchestra conductor and



Washburn

music director. The winner of a number of awards, she received a bachelor's degree in music with highest honors from the University of California and her master's degree in performance from New England Conservatory of Music. She is a professional flutist who began studying conducting in 1984. She con-

tinued her studies with Harold Farberman at the Conductors' Institute in Bard and the Aspen Music Festival. Just this past summer, Washburn served on the faculty at the Conductors' Institute at Bard College in New York.

Washburn is the winner of 15 awards from the American Symphony Orchestra League for adventuresome programming and the 1992 Distinguished Service Award from the New York Women Composers and the 1998 Sonoma County Independent Indy Award. She has distinguished herself as one of the imaginative and dynamic con-

ductors in California. She is also the artistic director and conductor of the symphony in West Hollywood, CA. Washburn has served as principal conductor for the Channel Islands Symphony Orchestra and recently completed her four-year tenure with Orchestra Sonoma. She also has formerly directed the Acalanes Chamber Orchestra, the American Jazz Theater, the San Francisco State University Symphony Orchestra and was for six years the music director of the Camelia Orchestra in Sacramento.

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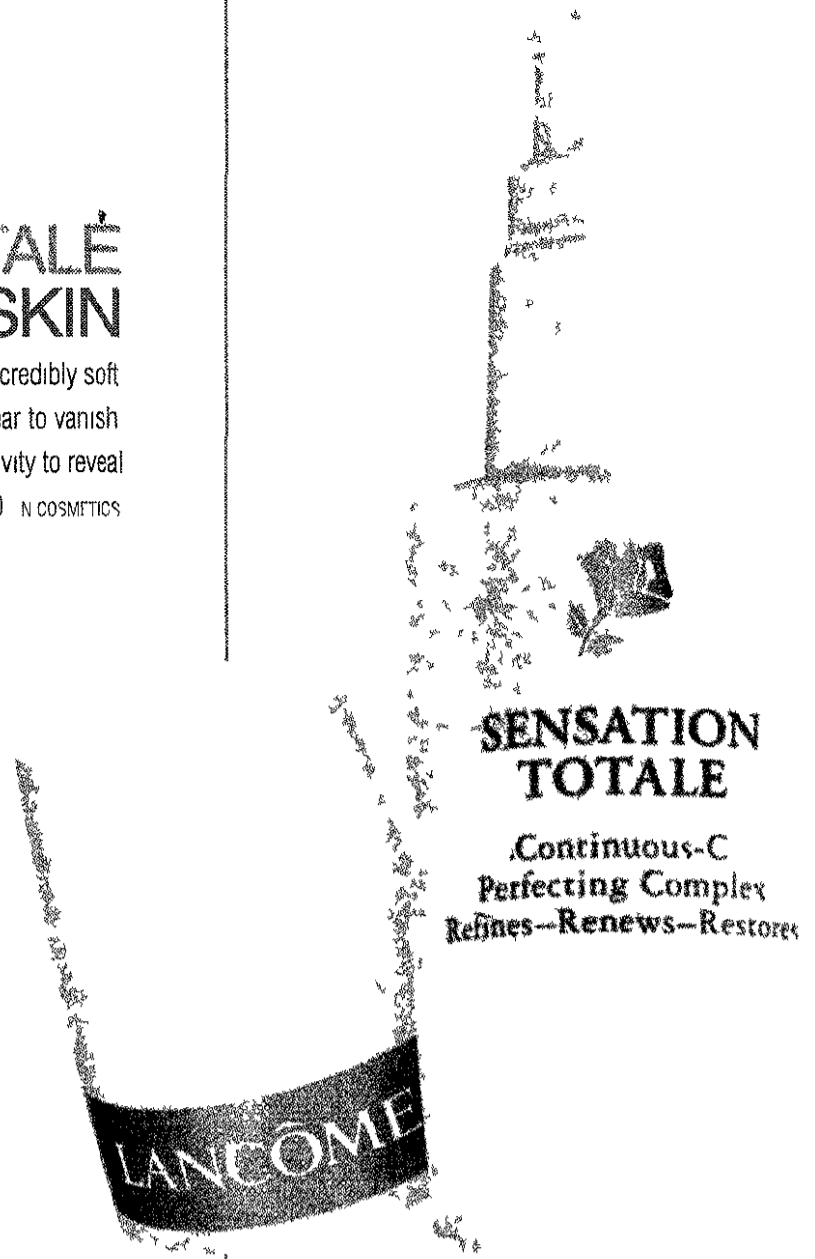
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## Sidelines

### Chiefs 3rd

Canton's boys cross country team competed at the Troy Athens Red Hawk Invitational Thursday and the Chiefs performance was certainly solid if not quite exceptional. They finished third overall in a race won by Athens with 17 points. Berkley was second with 53 and Canton was third with 82. The Red Hawks' Chris Hammer was the overall individual winner in 17:17.

### Another win

It seems Jeff Roth can do no wrong. The Plymouth Salem HS graduate winner of the Michigan PGA earlier this month added to his wealth when he finished first at the Michigan PGA Section CPC Tournament hosted by Roth's home course, Knollwood Country Club, Aug. 25-26. Roth shot a 69 in the opening round and followed that with a 67 for a 136 total and a five-shot victory over John Dalcobbo of Forest Akers. His victory earned Roth the \$1,500 first prize. Dalcobbo collected \$1,100 for second.

# Long passes lift Canton over Pioneer

BY C.J. RISAK  
STAFF WRITER

Other than the opponents being the same, this season-opener was nothing like last year's season-opener.

A year ago Canton began its football season at Ann Arbor Pioneer, and after giving up the ball six times on turnovers the Chiefs managed to obtain a 10-point victory.

On Thursday at Canton, in the first game played on the new synthetic field, it just wasn't the same kind of game. The Chiefs did not dominate offensively — they gained just 10 more yards than the Pioneers — and they couldn't run the ball with ease, slicing through the opposition with no trouble.

But they did almost everything else right. They had no turnovers. They had no penalties. And they did manage to carry over one important factor from 2002 — they won, 28-14.

Pioneer struck first, scoring on a 69-yard pass play from junior quarterback Mike McCoy to senior wideout Allen Kennedy on their third play from scrimmage. But Canton fought back to take a 13-7 lead into halftime, and what turned the tide for the Chiefs wasn't their ground game, but their passing attack.

True, they only threw four passes in the entire game (by the way, Pioneer threw 40). But they completed all four, two going for touchdowns, for a total of 197 yards. And the player on the receiving end of all four passes was Devin Thomas.

Canton coach Tim Baechler

had started the game with 29 runs in the first 30 plays. The game was tied at 7-all — full-back Chuck Schumacher plowed in from 2 yards out to cap a 10-play, 56-yard drive with 7:00 left in the second quarter to knot it — when he started asking himself why he was sticking with his full-T alignment.

"I asked myself, 'Why am I being so stubborn?'" he recalled. "Their corner(back) was still playing right up on (Thomas)."

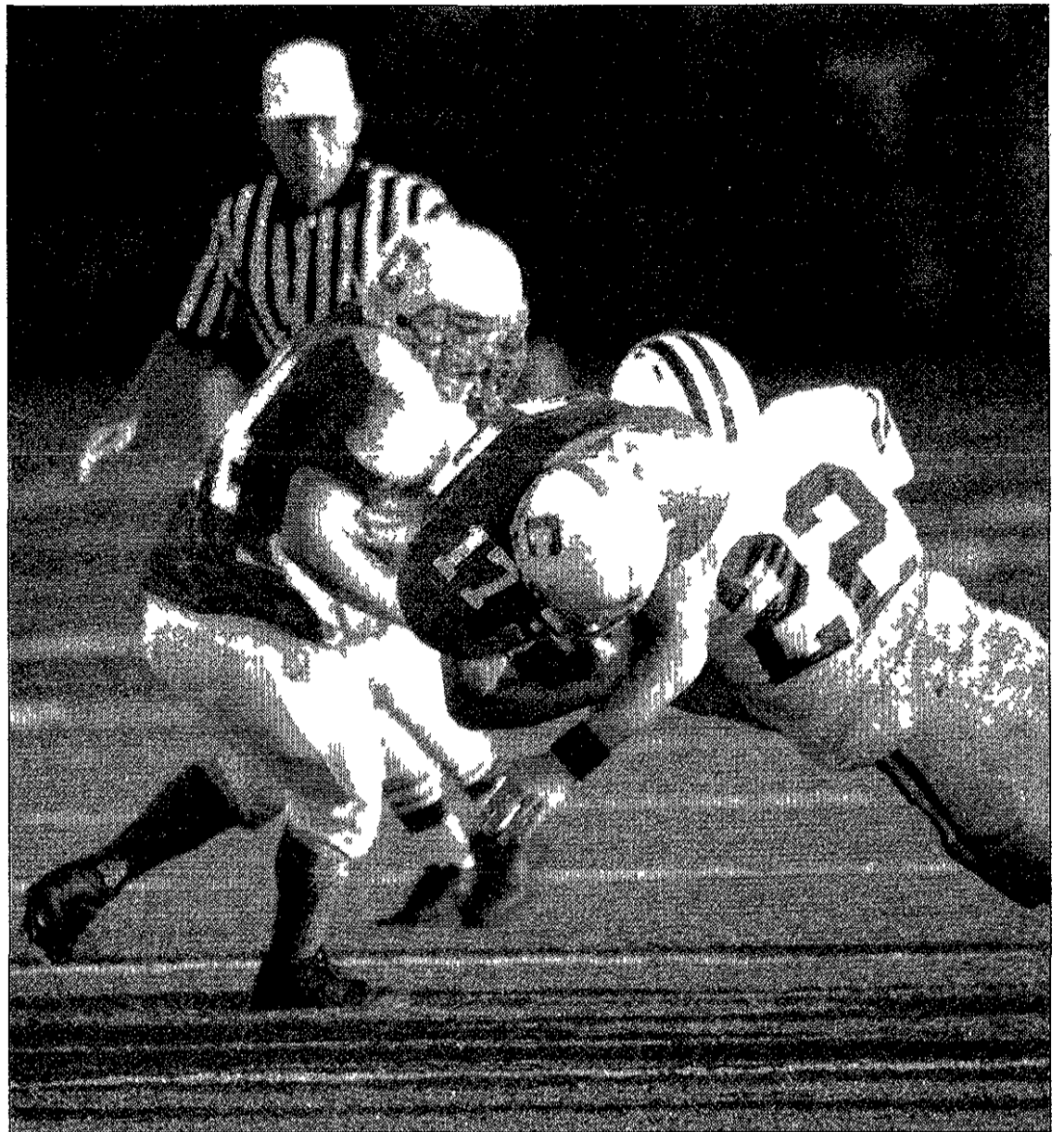
So, on Canton's next possession, facing a third-down-and-11 at its own 8, quarterback Shawn Little dropped back and lofted a pass down the left sideline to Thomas, who was well behind the defensive back. In fact, Thomas slowed down to catch the ball, cut back inside and outran the rest of the Pioneer defense to finish the 91-yard play. The extra-point kick was missed, leaving the score at 13-7.

The Pioneers, led by the McCoy-to-Kennedy combination, did manage to regain the lead on their first possession of the second half. McCoy finished an eight-play drive with a 7-yard TD toss to Kennedy, Jon Sebolt's extra-point kick made it 14-13.

McCoy would throw 40 passes in the game, completing 19, for 286 yards and two TDs. But he would also throw three interceptions, one made by Bryan Sieferd at the end of the first half and two others by Eric O'Shaughnessy to stop second-half drives.

Pioneer's second-half lead

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Canton quarterback Shawn Little (17) is brought down by Pioneer's Ben Porath (22) after going airborne in search of extra yardage.

# An unstoppable threat

## Salem quarterback leads win against Pinckney

Any questions concerning Chris Drabicki's potential as a first-rate quarterback for Salem were answered on his first offensive play from scrimmage Thursday at Pinckney.

On an option play to the left, Drabicki opted to keep the ball and raced 49 yards for a touchdown. Alex Enright booted the extra point, and just 2:19 into the season Salem was ahead 7-0.

It would just continue to get better for the Rocks and worse for the Pirates, finally ending with a bit of history as Salem stormed to a 41-0 triumph in its season-opener. "He had a very nice game, said Salem coach Bob Cummings. "He ran the option well and made some nice decisions early on."

### FOOTBALL

What Drabicki did was take control. Chip Fisher scored on a 1-yard run with 5:05 left in the first quarter and, with Enright's placement, the Rocks lead was 14-0.

That's when Drabicki took complete command. The senior signal-caller threw a 35-yard touchdown pass to Brian Bradley to make it 21-0 with 3:04 to play in the second quarter, then found Kevin Bradley with a 34-yard scoring toss with 3:36 to go in the half to increase Salem's lead to 28-0 at the intermission.

In the third quarter, Drabicki again stepped up. With 5:05 left, on the first play of the Rocks' drive after forcing Pinckney to turn the

ball over on downs, Drabicki optioned left again and went 75 yards for a touchdown. The kick failed, leaving it at 34-0.

Cam Schambre's 2-yard run with 2:33 to play capped the scoring.

Drabicki finished with 183 yards rushing and two touchdowns on seven carries, and he completed 4-of-6 passes for 110 yards and two more TDs. Jeff Lake was the next best ground-gamer for the Rocks, gaining 71 yards on 12 attempts, and Brian Bradley and Kevin Bradley each caught two passes, Brian for 60 yards and Kevin for 50.

"It was tremendous," said Cummings. "The kids played very well. We still had some first-game mistakes, a few

PLEASE SEE SALEM, B5

# Late free throws lead to Salem's downfall

BY TIM SMITH  
STAFF WRITER

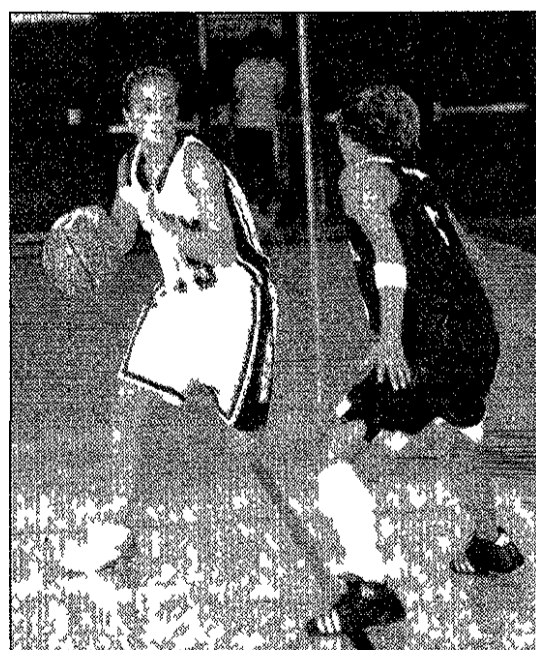
Thursday night's girls basketball opener between West Bloomfield and Plymouth Salem started drearily, with both squads stumbling to get in sync.

There were plenty of missed shots and turnovers during the first half.

But the Lakers and host Rocks turned it around with a playoffs-worthy second half, which went down to the final second before Samantha Mahoney sank two free throws with 0:08 seconds remaining to give West Bloomfield a 48-46 victory.

Those free throws secured a victory for head coach Anne Rexford, who won her first game as West Bloomfield head coach. Rexford, formerly the coach at University of Detroit-Mercy, recently succeeded Pam Mahoney at the Laker helm.

"I told my staff and my players that this was going to be a tough place to play because (Salem coach Fred) Thomann does a great job," said Rexford, shortly after the final



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Salem's Ellen Canale (15) drives against West Bloomfield defender Maria Martin.

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**FREE THROWS**

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buzzer "They've been together, this group, for a long time, and I knew they'd be ready for us and they were"

The winning free throws by Mahoney were set up when three Rocks surrounded the senior guard-forward, who was fouled as she fell backward - still managing to get a shot directed toward the basket

Mahoney's free throws gave her a game-leading 19 points, to go along with seven rebounds and three steals "I felt a little nervous," Mahoney said "But the game was tied and so the worst thing was, we'd be going into overtime"

As could be expected after such a hard-fought contest, both coaches did not have the same view about whether Mahoney actually should have had the chance to go to the free-throw line and decide the game

"She's supposed to get that call," Rexford said "When three people jump on her at the end of the game, she should be going to the free-throw line"

**LOOKING FOR OT**

Her Salem coaching counterpart wasn't so sure

"It was unfortunate that they go to the free-throw line with 0.8 seconds to go in the game," Thomann said "But

what are you going to do? That game should have gone into overtime"

Those free throws capped a frantic fourth quarter, which began tied 35-35

Salem held a 44-41 lead with 3:10 to play, after center Kathy Hammerschmidt collected an offensive rebound and threw the ball into the basket

Following a free throw by West Bloomfield junior Nicole Clark (12 points, 8 rebounds) that sliced the lead to 44-42, Mahoney stole the ball and made two free throws to deadlock the score with 2:22 remaining

Freshman forward Teresa Coppellie (16 points) regained the lead for the Rocks, and Hammerschmidt rebounded a West Bloomfield miss with about two minutes left The Rocks then did a good job of playing keep-away in an attempt to eat up the clock, but then a Salem player was called for traveling

On the ensuing possession for the Lakers, Mahoney again tied the score, at 46-46, with a spinning bank shot in the final minute Senior Jessica Howard made her third key steal of the ballgame with 21.9 seconds remaining, and the Rocks never had another offensive opportunity

Even though the Rocks fell short, Thomann had nothing but praise for how his players battled against a team he said likely is ranked in the state's top five squads as the 2003

season opens

**GOOD SHOWING**

"Even though we turned the ball over a couple times late in the game, I thought we really rallied around it and played the other end pretty doggone well," said Thomann, whose 2002 squad finished 13-9 including a state district semi-final loss to Novi "We defended much better in the second half, we rebounded much better in the second half, we held (them)"

"We put them in a position where they had to make some shots to win the game, and I was extremely proud of the way we played"

Dominant defensively at both ends of the floor was Hammerschmidt, who scored nine points and grabbed 10 rebounds

"In the second half, I thought she really stepped up and played well," said Thomann about Hammerschmidt "That's probably as well as she's played in her three-year varsity career"

Other Salem players to have good openers included Coppellie, who Thomann said made some "great shots," and guard Ellen Canale (15 points) Both Hammerschmidt and Coppellie had good on-floor chemistry, making several crisp passing plays to each other

"They (the Lakers) brought a lot of quickness to the table,"

Thomann continued "They're a veteran team with a great lead player (Mahoney) We stepped on and we really played them tough"

"When you're in that kind of game with that kind of team, somebody's got to lose it and we were unfortunately the ones that lost it But we've established ourselves now as a team that can play with a top-tier team They're probably one of the top five teams in the state, if not one of the top three And I just thought that our kids really did a great job of defending them We made plays and we made shots that kept us competitive in this game"

The first half saw some tentative play, with Salem holding a 9-7 lead after one frame and trailing 22-21 at the half - after a triple by Canale with time running out

"We just had to get a feel for the game (early on), with first-game jitters, especially in the first half," West Bloomfield's Mahoney said "Every time we tried to pull away they came back, too We just had to stay with them and put it away at the end"

West Bloomfield is idle until 7 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 11, when the Lakers host top-ranked Saginaw Arthur Hill Plymouth Salem is back in action at 5:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 4, against Northville in part of a tournament hosted by Novi High School



Salem's Kathy Hammerschmidt tries a shot over West Bloomfield's Randall Hurst during Thursday's season-opener for both teams

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BY C J RISAK  
STAFF WRITER

It's their own fault. Plymouth HS has set its standard in girls basketball. Matching it will border on impossible.

The Wildcats had a first season that was a dribble or two past improbable. Fielding a freshmen-only squad, they played all freshmen teams — and did quite well. In fact, they posted a 20-0 regular-season record before entering the Class D state tournament, losing in the first round.

Winning 20 games in the first season of existence was amazing. And don't expect Plymouth to match it.

The Wildcats will be a solid team once again, under the coaching of Richelle Reilly. But with a beefed-up schedule that includes nine games against varsity teams and a Catholic League A-West junior varsity schedule, wins won't come easily.

"I'm excited about it," said Reilly of the upgraded lineup of opponents. "The competition it provides us will give us incentive to keep working hard, and work hard year in and year out."

"We had a very talented class of freshmen, but we're not resting on our laurels."

It seems they won't have that opportunity.

Kim Olech, a 6-foot post player who was one of the Wildcats' leading scorers and rebounders last season, suffered a knee injury in the second day of pre-season practice.

The extent of the injury wasn't determined, but there is a chance she could be lost for the season.

That leaves Plymouth with "only" Jeanine Moise, another 6-foot sophomore, in the post. Moise and Olech averaged about 15 points a game last season.

"I feel lucky to have a go-to player to go to at all," said Reilly, speaking of Moise. "And we had two. I still feel fortunate to have one."

"We can't feel sorry for ourselves. We have to step up and play. It's obviously a significant loss for us, but we'll be a better program next year because of it."

Moise, who totaled 21 points and 11 rebounds in Plymouth's season-opening win over Dearborn Henry Ford Academy, isn't the only weapon the Wildcats will fea-

## Strong 4th quarter lifts Canton

### BASKETBALL

When Novi extended its lead to five points midway through the fourth quarter, that must've pushed Canton close to desperation. And why not? There were just four minutes left to play and only one of the teams had cleared 30 points.

Which made making up a five-point deficit seem like an uphill struggle. But the veterans on the Chiefs roster had something to say about that.

First they forced a Novi turnover, which senior point guard Rachele Guastella followed up with a three-point basket, trimming the lead to two. A defensive stop by the Chiefs gave them possession again, and a basket tied it at 31 all.

And that's the way it stayed until the final 30 seconds, when Katie Cezat — Canton's returning all-conference player — drove the baseline and was fouled. The Chiefs had thus far done poorly at the line, converting just 6-of-22, but Cezat altered that by making both to give Canton a 33-31 lead.

And that was too big for the Wildcats to overcome. Canton is 1-0, Novi is 0-1.

"We hung in there," said

Canton coach Bob Blohm. "I felt good about it because I thought Novi was a good team. And a good win against a good team is a good thing."

In this seesaw battle, the Chiefs trailed 4-3 after one quarter and led at halftime 16-10. By the end of the third quarter, the Wildcats had trimmed that deficit to 24-23.

"We handled the ball consistently," said Blohm. "That was a good sign. And we rebounded better after the first quarter."

Cezat led the Chiefs with 13 points and 11 rebounds. Guastella collected 12 points, five steals and four assists. Novi was led by Allison Greulich with 11 points.

Defense was a pivotal factor in Canton's win. The Chiefs limited Novi to two baskets in the first half.

"Our defense as a team was really solid," noted Blohm.

**Franklin 34, Plymouth 31:** The Wildcats had three three-point shots in the final seconds but couldn't connect on the

tying basket in a non-league game against the Livonia Franklin varsity squad Friday at Plymouth. The result left both teams with 1-1 records.

"We played hard," said Richelle Reilly, the Plymouth coach. "It was good for us, a good learning experience for us. I was very pleased with the effort."

(Franklin) did a good job taking Jeanine Moise out of the game. Franklin hung in there. I think their experience paid off in the end.

The Patriots led 12-5 after one quarter, but Plymouth stormed back behind Moise with a 12-4 second quarter to take a 17-16 lead into halftime. Franklin outscored the Wildcats 10-6 in the third period to take a 26-23 lead, and two long jumpers by Ashley Bonsall in the fourth quarter helped the Patriots maintain their advantage.

Carly Muncy led Franklin with nine points. Bonsall had eight.

Moise finished with 16 points and 12 rebounds, with 12 of her points coming in the first half.

**Agape 52, Whitmore Lake 45:** A 19-8 fourth-quarter run by Canton Agape Christian allowed the Wolverines to overcome a four-point Whitmore Lake lead and pull away to a seven-point win Thursday at Whitmore Lake.

The host Trojans led 21-20 at halftime, and after three quarters their lead had grown to 37-33. It didn't last, however, Agape outscored Whitmore Lake 19-8 in the final quarter.

Tarah Armbruster paced the Wolverines with 17 points. Emily Tong added 10 points and seven rebounds, with A.J. Kreps contributing seven points and 10 boards.

Canton Agape is 1-1 for the season.

**Ladywood 71, Woodhaven 32:** Three players scored in double figures Thursday as Livonia Ladywood (1-0) cruised to a season-opening non-league victory over the host Warriors.

Jamie Rhodes led the way with 14 points, while Stephame Day and Bethany Jury added 13 and 12, respectively.

Alexis Mathers scored 10 for Woodhaven.

## Chiefs settle for a draw with Pioneers

BY C J RISAK  
STAFF WRITER

Too long. In Canton soccer teams last two matches, it took too long for the Chiefs to get going. And against ranked teams like Novi and Ann Arbor Pioneer, that can be a costly failure.

The 2-1 loss at Novi should have provided enough of a lesson. But on Thursday against Pioneer, a team they beat 2-1 in the Balconi Tournament five days earlier, Canton allowed the Pioneers to dominate the first half.

The result: Pioneers' Mike Cole takes a cross on the right side of the Canton net and bounces a shot that gets behind keeper Steve Mischung and just inside the left post, giving the Pioneers a 1-0 lead with 14:07 left in the first half.

The second half is different. Canton dominates the play, getting several chances, but all the Chiefs can manage is a penalty kick goal by Brad Marsh midway through the second half and a 1-1 draw overall.

Canton, which has played five games in six days, is 2-1-2 overall.

"We played excellent again in the second half, we just didn't get any results," said Canton

### SOCCER

coach George Tomasso, noting several big saves and a shot that went off the inside of the post. "I think our progress is tremendous. The way they've responded, I don't have many problems to fix."

Four of the Chiefs' five matches have been against ranked opponents, so having just one loss (another came in an overtime shootout) isn't too shabby.

And they won't get any breaks in the schedule, either, on Wednesday, Canton resumes its season with a home game against second-ranked Warren DeLaSalle.

**Salem 2, Troy 2:** The Rocks are still searching for their first win of the season. After forfeiting what official-

ly was two wins and a draw at the Balconi Tournament for using a player who wasn't yet eligible, Salem played Warren DeLaSalle to a scoreless tie on Monday, then wasted a two-goal lead against Troy on Wednesday at Salem.

The Rocks are 0-3-2 for the season.

Salem got first-half goals from Steve Gizicki (Ross Heidenreich assisted) and Chris Conlisk (from Eric Vanston) to take a 2-0 halftime lead. But the Rocks couldn't hold it, the Colts got goals in the second half from Steve Givens and Colin Givens to forge a tie.

Tom Huls was in goal for Salem.

**Plymouth 3, Carleton Airport 2:** The Wildcats opened their season at Carleton Airport, spotting the

Jets a 2-0 lead in the first 15 minutes.

"They were tough, they came at us hard," said Plymouth coach Jeff Neschich. "They put a lot of pressure on us and went hard to the ball."

But the kids responded well.

That they did. Jeff Lucco scored an unassisted goal with three minutes left in the first half to make it 2-1 at the break, then Lucco tied it with a goal eight minutes into the second half. Ben Arbitter assisted.

With 15 minutes left, Kevin Swartowski took a pass from Andrew Koet and scored what proved to be the game-winner for Plymouth.

The loss left Airport at 1-1. Nick Sekurk and Robert Lovelace divided time in goal for the Wildcats.

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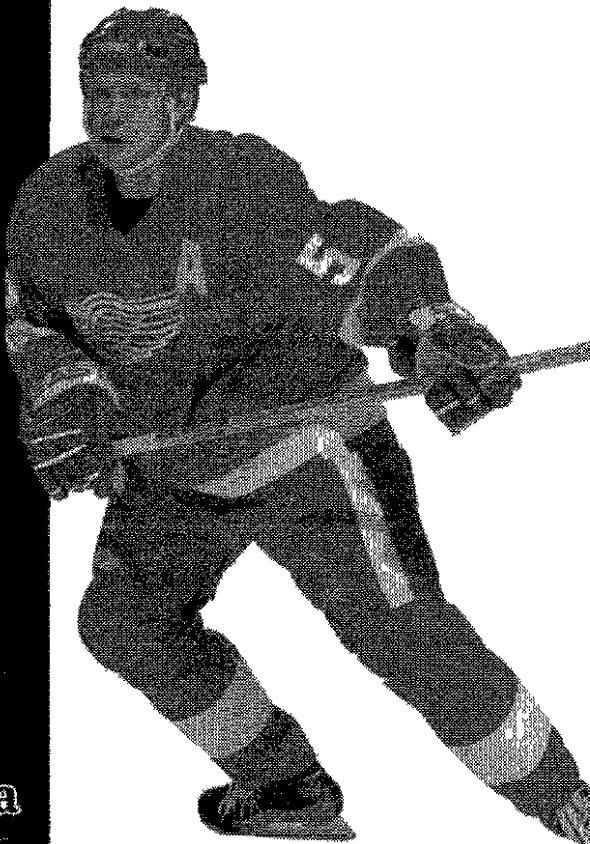
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PLYMOUTH HOCKEY

There will be a meeting for all those interested in being Plymouth HS hockey players at 7 p.m. Wednesday in the Plymouth HS gymnasium...

For more information, contact Plymouth athletic director Terry Sawchuk at (734) 582-5700

FESTIVAL RUN

The Plymouth Fall Festival is sponsoring a 5K run, hoping to add some fun and bring in some money to defray costs.

The run is set for Sunday, Sept. 7, with registration at 7:30 a.m. and the run at 8:45 a.m. The 5K walk will follow at 9 a.m. Awards and a raffle are set for 10 a.m. The run is divided into age divisions...

Race-day registration is \$20 for adults, \$15 for kids 10-and-under. Food and refreshments

will be available for all participants

PCJBA REGISTRATION

The Plymouth-Canton Junior Basketball Association will conduct registration for third-through-eighth grade boys and girls from 6:30-8 p.m. on Aug. 28 and again on Sept. 8 at East Middle School.

Registration fees are 3-6 grades, \$110; 5-6 grades, \$120; and 7-8 grades, \$125. All students in the Plymouth-Canton school district and in Canton Township are eligible.

Tryouts will be conducted prior to team selection in order to equalize teams. Players will play approximately 10 games and a tournament, and can keep their jersey.

Parents interested in coaching should register on the same dates.

FALL SPORTS

High Velocity Sports in Canton will offer the following

activities this fall

Adult indoor soccer: The league will run from Sept. 8 through Oct. 26, with a total of eight games. Cost is \$65 for individuals, \$600 for teams.

Soccer clinics: Instructional soccer clinics are running now through Oct. 24, for those three-years old to adult. There are eight classes for each group, beginning with Small Stars (3-4 year olds with parents).

Check www.hvsports.com for dates and times, or call (734) HV-SPORT for more details.

Roller hockey: This league will run from Oct. 2 through Dec. 23, teams playing 10 games plus the playoffs. Cost is \$135 for individuals (plus a \$20 jersey fee) and \$1,200 for teams.

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SOFTBALL TRYOUTS

Canton/Plymouth Thunderbird Softball Incorporated, a fastpitch softball organization, will have tryouts for four age divisions on Sept. 6 and Sept. 27 on Victory Field at the Canton Softball Center.

The times for the tryouts on both dates are 14-and-under, 10 a.m., 16-and-under, 11 a.m., 12-and-under, noon, 10-and-under, 1 p.m.

For more information, contact the phone numbers listed for the age division: 16-and-under, (734) 737-9968; 14-and-under, (734) 844-2656; 12-and-under, (734) 397-1355; and 10-and-under, (734) 981-7280.

BASEBALL TRYOUTS

The Canton Cardinals 13-and-under travel baseball team will have tryouts from 3-6 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 6 at Heritage Park's Field No. 2.

For more information, call Chris Merandi at (734) 729-0489.

Tryouts for the Pirates and Cardinals 11-year old teams will begin at 9 a.m. Saturday Sept. 6 and conclude at 4 p.m.

Sunday Sept. 7. Interested players must report for tryouts on Saturday.

Players must have a birth date after July 31, 1992 and be a resident of either Canton or Plymouth.

The Pirates participate in the Little Caesars Amateur Baseball Federation and the Cardinals play in the Kensington Valley Baseball League. Both teams participate in a number of weekend tournaments and expect to play between 30 and 40 games during the season, which begins in early May, 2004.

Call Pirates coach Bruce Price at (734) 635-7497 or Cardinals coach Steve Olevnik at (734) 658-7157 for more information.

Tryouts for the Michigan Indians 11-and-under team will be at 11:30 a.m. Sept. 6 and 3 p.m. Sept. 7 at Massey Field, located at Plymouth and Haggerty roads. Those interested in trying out must not be 12 before Aug. 1, 2004.

For more information, call (313) 838-3658 or email at gomundians@hotmail.com

The Canton Mustangs U12 boys travel baseball team will have tryouts from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. this Saturday and Sunday at McClumpha Park.

Please call Jeff Gatt for more information at (248) 752-7376.

The Michigan Wolves travel baseball teams will have tryouts for its 11-and-under and 12-and-under in the weeks ahead. The 12-and-under tryouts will be 4:30 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 7 at Bicentennial Park's Diamond No. 5 in Livonia. For more information, call Tim at

(734) 645-9033

The 11-and-under tryouts will be at 2 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 14 at Bicentennial Park's Diamond No. 5 in Livonia. For more information, call Scott at (734) 422-4576.

A just-forming 11-and-under travel baseball team will have tryouts for its 2004 team from 2-4:30 p.m. Sept. 6 at the Canton Softball Center. The team will play a 24-game schedule, competing in the Kensington Valley League.

For more information, call Alex Grabsky at (734) 323-6142.

Open tryouts for two 10-and-under travel baseball teams will be conducted from 2-4 p.m. on Sunday, Sept. 7 at Fields 1 and 2 at McClumpha Park. Players must be 10 or younger by July 31, 2004 and must be Plymouth-Canton residents or live within the Plymouth-Canton school district. Players should bring their gloves, bats and water bottles to the tryout. For more information, call Glenn Potter at (734) 844-8981 or Jim Belisle at (734) 844-2117.

HOCKEY SIGN-UP

Hockey registration at Skateland West for those 5-17 years old is Sept. 7. Skateland West is located at 37550 Cherry Hill in Westland. Call (734) 326-2800 or email at www.skatelandwest.com.

Items for the Sports Roundup may be faxed to (734) 591-7279 or mailed to the Observer, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI 48150.

PLANNING COMMISSION CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

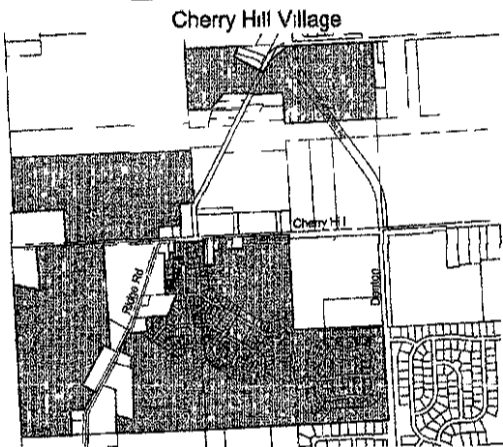
PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON WAYNE COUNTY MICHIGAN

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 September 8 2003 in the Chestnut Room, at Summit On The Park, 46000 Summit Parkway at 7:00 p.m. on the following proposed amendment to the Zoning Ordinance

CHERRY HILL VILLAGE (PHASE 3 & 4) PLANNED DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT (PDD) AMENDMENT NO. 1 CONSIDER REQUEST TO AMEND PDD AS PERMITTED IN SECTION 27.04 OF THE ZONING ORDINANCE INCLUSIVE OF PARCEL NO(S) 071 99 0002 001 071 99 0002 002 072 990005 003 073 99 0002 000 073 99 0005 002 073 99 0009 000 074 99 0001 000 074 99 0002 000, 074 99 0008 709 AND 074 99 0010 705. Property is located south of Saltz and west of Beck Road. (First Public Hearing)

Written comments addressed to the Planning Commission should be received at the Canton Township Administration Building 1150 Canton Center S prior to Thursday September 5 2003 in order to be included in the materials submitted for review

SEE ATTACHED MAP



VIC GUSTAFSON Chairman

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON, COUNTY OF WAYNE, STATE OF MICHIGAN

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON THE ADOPTION OF A BROWNFIELD PLAN FOR CH CANTON, LLC THEATER PROJECT PURSUANT TO AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH ACT 381 OF THE PUBLIC ACTS OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN OF 1996, AS AMENDED

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT a Public Hearing shall be held before the Charter Township of Canton Board of Trustees at 7:00 PM on Tuesday September 23 2003 in the Summit on the Park Banquet Center located at 46000 Summit Parkway Canton Township Michigan 48188 on the adoption of a Brownfield Plan for The CH Canton LLC Theater Project within which the Brownfield Redevelopment Authority shall exercise its powers all pursuant to and in accordance with the provisions of the Brownfield Redevelopment Financing Act being Act 381 of the Public Acts of the State of Michigan of 1996 as amended. The description of the proposed Brownfield property is:

Land situated in the Charter Township of Canton County of Wayne State of Michigan described as follows: The parcel of property having the address of 39535 Ford Road southeast of the intersection of Ford Road and Lotz Road immediately east of Home Depot and south of Gardner White Furniture.

A legal description of the property along with maps and a copy of the Brownfield Plan are available for public inspection at the Township Clerk's office 1150 Canton Center S Canton Michigan. Please note that all aspects of the Brownfield Plan are open for discussion at the public hearing.

Interested person(s) may also direct written comments concerning this issue to the Township Clerk's Office 1150 Canton Center S Canton MI 48188 1699 prior to the time listed above.

Terry Bennett Township Clerk

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David Medley ADA Coordinator

Charter Township of Canton 1150 S Canton Center Canton Michigan 48188 (734) 394-8260

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PLANNING COMMISSION CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

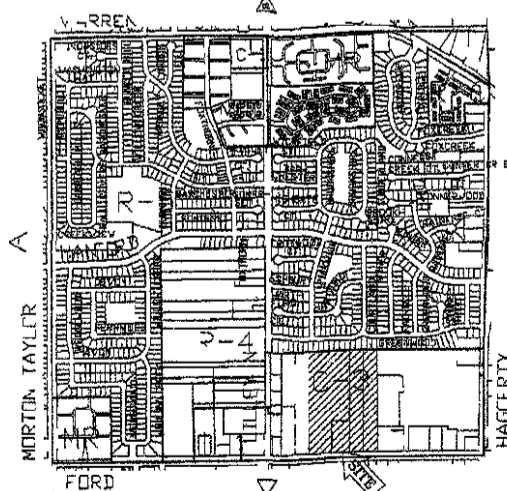
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WILLOW CREEK RETAIL CENTER PLANNED DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT (PDD) - (FINAL PLAN) CONSIDER REQUEST TO ESTABLISH A PDD AS PERMITTED IN SECTION 27.04 OF THE ZONING ORDINANCE INCLUSIVE OF PARCEL NO(S) 044 99 0009 701 044 99 0011 001 AND 044 99 0012 001. Property is located north of Ford between Haggerty and Lilley Roads. (Second Public Hearing)

Written comments addressed to the Planning Commission should be received at the Canton Township Administration Building 1150 Canton Center S prior to Thursday September 4 2003 in order to be included in the materials submitted for review

SEE ATTACHED MAP



LEGEND: NON-CULTURAL DISTRICTS, RESIDENTIAL DISTRICTS, COMMERCIAL DISTRICTS, SPECIAL DISTRICTS. Includes symbols for various zoning types and a north arrow.

VIC GUSTAFSON Chairman

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NOTICE OF HEARING FOR THE LOTZ ROAD PAVING AND DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS (MICHIGAN AVENUE SOUTH APPROXIMATELY 1 660 LINEAL FEET) SPECIAL ASSESSMENT IMPROVEMENT 2003 2 BY THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON CANTON TOWNSHIP BOARD RESOLUTION # 4

TO THE OWNERS OF ALL LOTS AND PARCELS OF PROPERTY ABUTTING THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED PROPERTY Lotz Road from Michigan Avenue South approximately 1 660 lineal feet

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WHEREAS pursuant to the provisions of Act 188 of the Public Acts of 1954, this Board has initiated proceedings relating to the Lotz Road Paving and Drainage Improvements as described herein, and to accomplish this improvement and secure funds therefore by creating said premises into a special assessment district against which there shall be levied special assessments and

WHEREAS this Board having tentatively declared its intention to make such improvements and tentatively designated the above described premises as a special assessment district against which the cost of said improvement is to be assessed and

WHEREAS the Township Board has caused to be prepared plans showing the public improvements the location thereof and an estimate of the cost thereof which have been filed with the Township Clerk, Canton Township Michigan for public examination

Take further notice that the property owners included in the special assessment district have the right to appeal the special assessment levy to the Michigan Tax Tribunal. In order to protest the levy an appearance by the property owner by mail or by an agent of the property owner must be made at the public hearing where the roll is confirmed

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Board will meet on Tuesday, the 9th day of September, 2003, at 7 o'clock p.m. Eastern Standard Time at the Summit 46000 Summit Parkway Chestnut Room Canton Michigan to hear objections to the public improvements and to the special assessment district thereof

ACT 188 PUBLIC ACTS OF MICHIGAN, 1954 AS AMENDED PROVIDES THAT SAID PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS SHALL NOT BE MADE WITHOUT PETITION IF THE RECORD OWNERS OF LAND CONSTITUTING MORE THAN TWENTY PERCENT (20%) OF THE TOTAL LAND AREA IN THE SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DISTRICT FILE THEIR WRITTEN OBJECTIONS THERETO WITH THE TOWNSHIP BOARD AT OR BEFORE THE PUBLIC HEARING ON Tuesday, THE 9th DAY OF September, 2003.

Terry Bennett Township Clerk

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**SALEM**

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penalties, some things we have to work on

The defense — led by senior middle linebacker Mike Kerul — was exceptional, according to Cummings, limiting the Pirates to 116 total yards 70 rushing and 46 passing

‘It was overall good team defense,’ he said ‘And Kerul, our middle linebacker, made the calls’

Oh yes, that bit of aforementioned history After Schambre’s touchdown in the waning seconds, the extra-point kick was booted by Katte Welch She becomes the first female to score a point for the Salem football team

**Plymouth 20, Lumen Christi 12:** In what proved to be a huge season-opener for the Plymouth HS junior varsity team, Anthony Green sacked the Jackson Lumen Christi quarterback on fourth down and-goal at the Plymouth 8 yard line to preserve the victory

According to Wildcats coach Jay Blaylock, the loss was the first for this Lumen Christi team since junior high school

It was a great opportunity for our program to make a statement against a JV program that hasn’t lost in five years, said Blaylock ‘(The Titans) had some awesome skill players It was good to see our kids rise to the challenge Lumen Christi scored first in

the opening quarter but the Wildcats marched right back and got a touchdown from Green on a 3 yard run Quarterback Brent Jones increased Plymouth’s lead with an 18 yard run but the Titans narrowed the gap to a point at halftime with another TD of their own

A 9 yard touchdown pass from Jones to Josh LeDuc in the third quarter gave Plymouth an eight point advantage

Jones left after the next series with a slight concussion Jeff Harrison replaced him and according to Blaylock, did a solid job

This was the type of game you expect to get when you get two good football teams together Blaylock said

**CANTON**

FROM PAGE B1

lasted three plays and 1 21 On a second-and-9 play from the Canton 39, Thomas ran a deep post pattern on the left side snared the pass and ran in for the score He also caught the two-point conversion pass, making it 21-14

The Chiefs defense took control from there, forcing a punt a turnover on downs and three turnovers in the Patriots remaining possessions

‘Our defense stepped up in the third quarter,’ said Baechler taking special note of linebackers Matt Paye and Jake Powers

They weren’t the only ones, however When Little was knocked dizzy on a tackle with four minutes left in the third quarter, backup Dave Neu was called on to replace him Little came back for one series but after getting sacked for a 10-yard loss, it quickly became apparent he wasn’t 100 percent

Neu was back at quarterback when the Chiefs got possession

following a Pioneer punt at their own 8 Six runs got them to the 20, where they faced third-and 12 Neu dropped back and found Thomas over the middle for 41 yards, Thomas fumbling the ball on the tackle but Canton’s Ron Opdyke recovering

Two plays later, Schumacher — who gained 110 yards on 18 attempts — took the ball on a trap play up the middle for 35 yards and a touchdown

The extra point was good, and Canton led 28-14 with 5 58 left

Pioneer didn’t threaten again McCoy fumbling on a sack by Paye (the ball was recovered by P J Caram) and then O Shaughnessy picking off two passes

You take away the big plays by Canton and it’s a tie ball game, said Pioneer coach Chuck White The thing that bothers me about Canton is you make mistakes and it hurts

They make you pay The Chiefs did just that, taking full advantage of four turnovers and three major penalties against the Patriots

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 W.L. Central at Franklin 7 p m  
 Stevenson at Northville 7 p m  
 John Glenn at Canton 7 p m  
 Wayne at W.L. Western 7 p m  
 Luth Westland at Whitmore Lake 7 p m  
 Redford CC vs LaSalle (Ont) Sandwich at RU's Kraft Field (Hilbert) 7 p m  
 Redford Union at Taylor Kennedy 7 p m  
 Garden City at Monroe 7:30 p m  
 Ypsilanti at Thurston 7:30 p m  
**Saturday Sept 6**  
 Clarenceville at Cranbrook 1 p m  
**GIRLS BASKETBALL**  
**Tuesday Sept 2**  
 Howell at Canton 7 p m  
 Luth Westland at Flat Rock 7 p m  
 Det Urban Lutheran at St Katharine 7 p m  
 Dearborn at Thurston 7 p m  
 Garden City at Lincoln Park 7 p m  
 (Liv Public Schools Tourney at Franklin)  
 Clarenceville vs Stevenson 5:30 p m  
 Franklin vs Churchill 7 p m  
**Thursday Sept 4**  
 LPS Tourney at Franklin 5:30 & 7 p m  
 Salem at Novi Tourney 5:30 p m

Dearborn at Canton 7 p m  
 Notre Dame Prep at Ladywood 7 p m  
 Luth Westland at Bethesda 7 p m  
 Newport Lutheran South at St Katharine 7 p m  
**Friday Sept 5**  
 Garden City at John Glenn 4 p m  
 Lincoln Park at Wayne 4 p m  
 Huron Valley Tournament 4:30 p m  
 Clarenceville at Taylor Bapt st 4:30 p m  
 Mich Lutheran at Huron Valley 4:30 p m  
 Brother Rice at Stevenson 5:30 p m  
 Churchill at A.A. Huron 7 p m  
 Crestwood at Redford Union (Hilbert) 7 p m  
**Saturday Sept 6**  
 Salem at E. Lansing Invit 10 a m  
 Mich Lutheran at Luth Westland 11:30 a m  
 Redford CC at Divine Child 2 p m  
**BOYS CROSS COUNTRY**  
**Wednesday Sept 3**  
 Franklin Wayne at W.L. Central 4 p m  
 Thurston at Crestwood 4 p m  
**Thursday Sept 4**  
 Wayne Redford Union at Ypsilanti Inv 4:15 p m  
 Annapolis PCA S field Christian at Luth Westland (Nankin Mills) 4:30 p m  
**Saturday Sept 6**  
 Brother Rice Invitational at Kensington Metropark 9 a m  
 U D Mercy Invitational 10 a m  
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 U D Mercy Inv at Cass Benton 9 a m  
 Dearborn Invitational 10 a m  
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**GIRLS SWIMMING**  
**Tuesday Sept 2**  
 John Glenn at South Lyon 6 p m  
**Wednesday Sept 3**  
 Trenton at Wayne 6:30 p m  
**Thursday Sept 4**  
 John Glenn at Canton 7 p m  
**Friday Sept 5**  
 G P North at Stevenson 6 p m  
**Saturday Sept 6**  
 Mega Relays at EMU noon  
**GIRLS TENNIS**  
**Tuesday Sept 2**  
 Brighton at Canton 4 p m

**Wednesday Sept 3**  
 Woodhaven at Garden City 4 p m  
 Robichaud at Thurston 4 p m  
 Annapolis at Redford Union 4 p m  
 Clarenceville at Wayne 4 p m  
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 John Glenn at Garden City 4 p m  
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**WOMEN'S COLLEGE VOLLEYBALL**  
**Wednesday Sunday Sept 3 7**  
 Schoolcraft at Florida CC Tourney TBA  
**Friday Saturday Sept 5 6**  
 Martin Invitational at Madonna TBA  
**MEN'S COLLEGE SOCCER**  
**Monday Sept 1**  
 Madonna vs Indiana Wesleyan at Livonia Greenmead 4 p m  
**Wednesday Sept 3**  
 Kellogg CC at Schoolcraft 4 p m  
**Friday Sept 5**  
 Madonna vs Rio Grande (Ohio) at Tiffin (Ohio) University TBA  
**Saturday Sept 6**  
 Madonna at Tiffin (Ohio) 1:30 p m  
**WOMEN'S COLLEGE SOCCER**  
**Friday Sept 5**  
 Madonna at Lindenwood (Mo) TBA  
**Saturday Sept 6**  
 Scraft at Jr College Cup (Cincy) TBA  
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**Sunday Sept 7**  
 Scraft at Jr College Cup (Cincy) TBA  
**COLLEGE CROSS COUNTRY**  
**Saturday Sept 6**  
 U D Mercy Inv at Cass Benton 10 a m  
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Homework helps for goose season

Successful early-season goose hunters take care of the business portion of their hunt during the dog-days of summer in August. This is the best time to hunt for likely hunting spots

Southeastern Michigan's flock of resident giant Canada geese remains high despite heavy harvests in recent years. The state Natural Resource Commission, at its meeting earlier this month in Lansing, set the dates for the upcoming early season, which specifically targets that population of resident Canada geese.

The early season will be Sept 1-10 in the North Zone and Sept 1-15 in the Middle and South Zones. The late goose season in southern Michigan will run Jan 3-Feb 1. The regular goose season for the Mississippi Valley Population (MVP) Unit, the northwest two-thirds of the state, will run Sept 20-Nov 6 and Dec 13-19.

In the Southern James Bay Population (SJB) Unit, the southeastern third of the state, the regular season will be held Sept 20-Oct 12 and Dec 13-19. Check the 2003 Michigan Waterfowl Guide for the exact boundaries of these goose management units. The early hunt should be another good one for hunters who do their homework. Sometimes, the toughest aspect of successful hunting is locating a productive place to

hunt, and that must be accomplished before the season starts.

Geese roost on open water and fly out to feed in nearby agricultural fields in the mornings and evenings. It's best to concentrate your efforts on hunting feeding birds rather than roosted birds since once you drive them from their roost they'll likely look for another spot for future roosting.

Now is the time to scout for those productive feeding fields. Drive the back roads near roosting areas early in the mornings and late in the evenings as these two periods are the optimum feeding times for Canada's. The birds won't feed in every field so scouting is paramount to success. You have to know which fields are productive or you could waste a lot of time.

Learn where the birds are feeding and try to get permission to hunt several of these feeding fields. Pay attention to the specific areas in which the birds are feeding in each field. Locating a good field, but setting up at the wrong end of it will lead to a frustrating hunt.

Gaining access to private land isn't as tough for goose hunters as it is for deer hunters since the number of goose hunters is much lower. Since the early goose season coincides with harvest time, consider offering to help bail hay or with other farm chores. Farmers are always in need of a little help with the chores at this time of year and such a gesture will go a long way in opening doors for future hunts as well.

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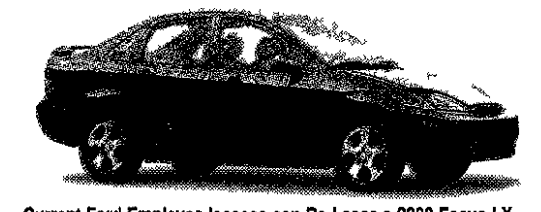
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## When you gotta go ...

have to go potty" Having just returned from a week-long family vacation, I can tell you I've heard those words uttered more times than I care to remember I hear them all the time, of course, but hearing them at home is no big deal. Hearing them when you're on the road, well, you have no idea how stressful the job of accompanying two little girls to the bathroom can be.

Public restrooms are not the most enjoyable places to begin with. Nor are they particularly clean or child-friendly. I like to use them as little as possible and as quickly as possible. But we visit them with great frequency because my children have an uncanny knack for hearing nature call whenever our food has just arrived in a restaurant, or whenever the sign on the expressway reads "Next rest area 67 miles."

"Mom, I said I have to go potty."

"Yes, I heard you the first time. Can't you hold it until I finish my dinner?"

"No. I have to go to the bathroom so bad."

"Yeah, I have to go, too."

Even though I've made it a habit to remind them to go to the bathroom before we head out the door, they almost always need to go at the most inopportune moments. And they wait until the last minute to announce their need to go.

When we were at the Field Museum in Chicago, for example, both daughters suddenly declared their urgent need for a restroom just five minutes before the museum was closing.

I grabbed their hands and we ran down the long corridor to the women's room, only to discover the door locked. With no other bathroom in sight on the second floor, we sprinted down the stairs to the first floor, where I breathlessly asked the security guard where the nearest restroom was. We followed his directions, raced through the crowds, flung open the door to the ladies room with relief - only to discover a long line of females waiting in front of us.

There's also the flip side of the always-having-to-go problem. Convincing them to go when they don't want to. During the trip, I often had to coax my almost 4-year-old to go to the bathroom because she had been traumatized by the phenomenon of automatic flushing toilets.

The first time she was sitting on one when it flushed without warning, it scared the bejeebers out of her. The sudden, deafening roar behind her sent her flying three feet into the air. So naturally, she was suspicious of every new restroom we entered. I, too, kept hoping for the traditional, flush-it-yourself kind of toilets. But when they weren't, I had to be honest with her or I knew her phobia would only get worse.

"Mama, do these toilets flush by themselves?"

"Well, if you go fast, you'll be all done before it flushes," I try to say reassuringly.

"I don't have to go," she insists.

"Erin, I know you have to go. Come on now. If the toilet flushes, it won't hurt you. It's just loud, that's all."

"That's OK. I don't have to go."

PLEASE SEE PAWLIK, C2

Dolly Marzka cuts the hair of Jim Thomas of Jim Thomas Sales in Plymouth. Marzka recently opened Ye Olde Barber Shop at 818 S. Main after 23 years down the street.



## Making the Cut

### Barber builds a life out of making people feel better

BY BRAD KADRACH  
STAFF WRITER

Dolly Marzka was the eldest grandchild in her family and, as such, was afforded a great deal of time spent with her grandmother.

One of her fondest memories is standing behind her grandma, playing with her hair, and thinking about making her look good.

More than 50 years later, and with many rough patches traveled on the road of life, Marzka is still standing behind people, wanting nothing more

than to make them look good.

Only now, and for the last quarter-century, those people are her customers.

Marzka, 58, owns Ye Olde Barber Shoppe, a barber shop she just relocated from her longtime Main Street spot down the road. She has faced - and survived - a battery of obstacles that could make a grown woman weep.

And she wouldn't have things any other way.

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Dolly Marzka cuts the hair of Jim Thomas of Jim Thomas Sales in Plymouth as her grandson Joseph Durham, watches from below.



JIM JAGDFELD | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Kurt Kuban and Jeff Counts work on an upcoming edition of their newest journalistic venture - 'Michigan's Streamside Journal.' It's based in Livonia and targets 'quiet sports' enthusiasts.

## Local journalists dive into new outdoors publication

BY CAROL MARSHALL  
STAFF WRITER

You can take the man out of the newsroom, but you can't always take the newsroom out of the man. Unless, of course, you plopp him in the middle of a trout stream.

The departure from the newsroom - and the news - came easy for Jeff Counts, who along with partner Kurt Kuban published the first edition of "Michigan's Streamside Journal," Volume 1, Issue 1 was released earlier this month.

Counts is the former community editor for the *Canton* and *Plymouth Observers*.

After working in the news business for more than 30 years (including more than a decade at the *Observer*), Counts made good on a promise he had made to himself. He retired early, at the age of 55, and took a year off from working to decide what to do with his life.

What he decided was he wanted to be his own boss. He also decided there would be no better partner in his new venture than Kuban, a resident of Wayne, his former colleague and *O&E* staff writer.

"I'm inventing my own job," said Counts, as he sat at a gingham-covered table in the rustic-themed sun room of his Livonia home.

The magazine's target audience is "quiet sports" enthusiasts - those who enjoy fly fishing, canoeing and kayaking, snowshoeing and bird hunting, as well as outdoor photography and other outdoor pursuits.

"What I kept hearing when I was thinking about what I wanted to do was that other publications - big outdoors magazines - don't really care about the Midwest, let alone Michigan. I was doing freelance work and as soon as I said I was working on a piece about Michigan, I could almost hear their disinterest," said Counts. "That told me Michigan readers need something that's geared toward them and their interests."

And so far he's right. Response to the magazine has been incredible, Counts said, and he and Kuban are encouraged their publication will not only survive, but thrive. "My goals aren't really all that lofty for the short term," Counts said. "This year I'm hoping to print it on a different stock of paper and make it big enough to get a staple in it."

Kuban's aspirations are a little grander, and he admits it would be ideal for him to work at outdoor writing full-time. "Everyone dreams of own-

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Thankfully, I no longer have to accompany my 7-year-old into the stall, though I still have to explain certain intricacies of public restrooms. The art of mastering different locks, for example, is still a problem for her at times. I have to show her how the lock works by sliding the bar up and down, or to the right, or clockwise around, etc. As an emergent reader, she's also a bit confused by restroom rules.

"Mom, it says not to flush toilet paper down the toilet."

What? I follow her inside the stall and read the sign "Honey, it says not to flush paper towels or sanitary products. Of course you can flush toilet paper."

Both of them ask endless questions and seem genuinely intrigued by something as mundane as a public restroom.

"Mom, what's this bar for?"

It's for someone who uses a wheelchair.

"What's this little box for?"

Garbage.

"But why is it in here?"

"I'll tell you when you're older."

"Mom, look at this baby changing table. Did you used to change my diaper on this when I was baby?"

Yes. That very one.

"Mom, look at this soap. It's green! And it's foamy. Isn't that cool?"

"Uh-huh."

"Hey, Mama, look! This bathroom has pink paper towels just like the ones at the dentist's! Meanwhile, I am trying to get

them to wash and dry their hands as fast as possible so we can get back to eating in the restaurant. Amid their endless banter, Ern is sticking her head in front of the hand dryer so her hair will blow out. Eileen is singing along with the piped-in music, pretending she is holding a microphone and dancing in front of the mirrors.

"Keep your voices down," I say. "Come on, let's go."

We return from the bathroom and I plop myself down in front of my cold food. The girls tell my husband all about the pink paper towels, the foamy soap and other fascinating details.

"And Daddy, the toilets don't flush by themselves!" Ern reports gleefully.

"Cool." Dad just nods and keeps eating. He's clueless about the ordeal I have to endure every time I step foot in a restroom with the girls.

"You know, we should have had boys," I tell my husband in an effort to gain some sympathy. Then you would have to deal with all the bathroom duties.

"Oh, come on," he says. "It can't be that bad."

Suddenly Ern squirms in her seat. "Mama, I have to go potty again."

I put my fork down with a sigh and take her hand. "You have no idea," I tell him as I head back to the restroom. "You just have no idea."

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ing their own business, and outdoor things have been my hobby for a long time, so this is my dream, Kuban said. "And it sounds crazy but publishing our own magazine was logical. In today's world, publishing just isn't that difficult anymore."

The hardest part for Kuban is the time it takes to live the dream.

A full-time reporter, and a

new father, taking the time to research, write and edit is overwhelming at times.

"It's just crazy. Sometimes I think I'm going to jump off a bridge if I don't prioritize, he said. Often he's still got his mind on a fast-flowing trout stream, and his fingers on a computer keyboard until 3 a.m."

The magazine's stories range from the history of the now-extinct Michigan grayling, to a feature on a northern Michigan fish hatchery, to writer Stacy Jenkins' tale of a day spent at an outdoorswoman workshop.

It takes time, attention to detail, and patience to pull it together, but Counts and Kuban hope their efforts will pay off.

"Of course everyone wants to make a living, but I also want to make a difference. We can really be a voice of the hunting and fishing community in Michigan," Kuban said.

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**Golden Griffiths**

David and Marie Griffiths of Canton celebrated their 50th anniversary Aug 15, 2003. They were married at the Manor Park Baptist Tabernacle on Aug 15, 1953, in England. They moved to the Detroit area in 1954, David arriving first on the Queen Mary. David was a tool-and-die maker at Livonia Spring and Bumper Chevrolet. Marie worked at Michigan Social Services. They had three children: Pamela, Patricia, and Andrew.

The children and grandchildren had a party July 26 celebrating their anniversary at Pat's home in Sterling Heights. Many special friends were able to attend, including Bill and Milie Talbot of Livonia. Bill was the best man in David and Marie's wedding, and he and Milie moved to the United States from England as well. Bill and David have been friends since they were 6 years old.



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**INTERNATIONAL LITERACY DAY STUDENT CONTEST**

Students—we know that returning to school consists of a few words that many of you wish you did not have in your vocabulary, but International Literacy Day reminds us that we should be thankful that we can read and write.

International Literacy Day has been held annually on September 8th since 1967 to focus attention on the need to promote worldwide literacy. It is estimated that 875 million of the world's adults do not know how to read or write (nearly 2/3 of this number are women) and that more than 110 million children lack access to education.

To participate in celebrating International Literacy Day, the Oasis Golf Center and the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers in Education Program are teaming up to invite you to write a story or submit an editorial cartoon per the subject matter and directions below.

**ESSAY** Write an essay about what reading and writing mean to you—for your school work, personal life, future, etc. Please limit this to 250 words or less.

**NEWS STORY** Write a special news story about the world losing all of its written documents except for that day's newspaper. Include the who, what, where, when, and why and of course, what the results would be of such a catastrophe. Please limit this to 250 words or less.

**EDITORIAL CARTOON** Draw an editorial cartoon featuring no words but which conveys the message of what it means not to know how to read or write. Please use black ink only.

**How does the contest work?**

- The contest will have one first place winner per category and one honorable mention per newspaper in each of our 4 categories:
  - a Grades 2-3 b Grades 4-6 c Grades 7-9 d Grades 10-12
- Judging will be based on, but not limited to, the following criteria where applicable:
  - a Originality b Creativity c Design d Grammar e Spelling Accuracy
- All entries must be mailed to The Observer & Eccentric Newspapers and received no later than **Tuesday, September 2nd** to:
  - Oasis Golf Center/O & E International Literacy Day Contest  
PO Box 51908  
Livonia, MI 48153-5908
- Winners' names and contest entries will appear in the Thursday, September 11th issues of the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers.
- There will be 4 movie tickets and Oasis Golf Center Mini-golf admission for 4 given to each of the winners in each of the 3 categories in each of grade groups for a total of 12 prizes. First Place and Honorable Mention winners will each be given a certificate of award. The best overall composition or cartoon will be awarded a \$100 Savings Bond in addition to their regular prize.

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Attached is my entry for the Oasis Golf Center/O&E International Literacy Day Student Contest. I am submitting:

Essay  News Story  Editorial Cartoon

Grade Category:  Grades 2-3  Grades 4-6  Grades 7-9  Grades 10-12

Student's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

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Was this part of a class project?  Yes  No

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BARBER

FROM PAGE C1

'LOVE WHAT I DO'

I love what I do," the effervescent Marzka said. I can't imagine doing anything else. How do you explain it when it's part of who you are? Why is the sky blue? There's no way to explain it so someone could understand it.

But that's OK with Marzka, because she understands it. Raised in a tiny home in Roseville with her grandparents, Marzka remembers riding to the barber shop with her grandfather a couple of times a week.

That feeling - and her grandmother's insistence that "I would cut hair" - came pouring back to Marzka as she aged. By the time she was 34, Marzka had been married, divorced and was struggling to raise three children.

Health issues forced her to accept welfare, and she'd been doing that for two years when her epiphany came.

I went to my caseworker and said, "I don't want to live like this any more. I want to go to barber college." Marzka remembered she said, "You mean beauty school, and I said, 'No, barber college. I wanted to cut hair. It's something that's inside of me, that I was born with."

So, at age 34, Marzka was back in school, learning to be a barber. She said she was terrified, sitting in school with 17- and 18-year-old kids.

She says the owners saw enough gumption in her to sell her a 1974 Ford Fairlane for \$1, so she could be sure of reliable transportation to and from school. They also allowed her to sweep floors to earn extra money, which she combined with a government grant that also paid her \$111 a week while she attended school.

KIDS DID FINE

She worried about her young children. But on her first day, she got an indication of how they'd adapt.

My kids were latchkey kids before it became fashionable, Marzka said. I kept telling them it was going to be difficult, but in the end we'd have a better life. On my first day, they made me my favorite meal - a pork and bean sandwich with onions. Her kids are now her pride.



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Dolly Marzka puts some finishing touches on the hair of Jim Thomas. Marzka says she's a 'naturalist' who 'cuts by feel.'

Eldest daughter Amy moved away from home at 18, worked her own way through college, and now teaches in the Livonia school system. Twins Joe and Judy, 35, have also carved out niches for themselves. Joe does staging and sound systems for concerts and Judy, after dabbling in hair for a bit, is now a stay-at-home mom.

As she finished barber college, Marzka wondered about making a living, but the owners had an answer. A shop in Canton needed help. Marzka, who lived in Warren at the time, had no clue where Canton was. When the owners said, "It's over by Plymouth," Marzka had to have a friend show her how to get there.

After apprenticing for two years and three days, Marzka talked a banker into loaning her the \$2,000 she needed to buy her own shop.

"This was 1978, when a woman couldn't even get credit, let alone a divorced woman with no skills," Marzka said. "I'll be forever grateful to that man."

SETTING UP SHOP

She set up at 917 Main St., and stayed there until June, when her children helped her move into the bigger space. They did nearly all the renovation, a familial construction crew that worked hard enough to allow Marzka to close her old shop on a Saturday, and open in the new location by Tuesday.

Regardless of where she sets up shop, Marzka has her customers following her.

She does a good job, she's a caring person and she'll do any-

thing she can to adjust her schedule to fit yours," said Jim Anulewicz, Plymouth Township's director of municipal services who has been a Marzka client for some 10 years. She is truly a good-hearted person.

The new site is four times larger, according to Marzka, who says she'll hire a new barber "as soon as I can find one." Until then, the self-described "naturalist" will do what she's always done, what she's always loved.

How many people can say, when they go to work, that they're doing what they absolutely love to do? Marzka said. "A haircut is a psychological lift. You get a bad haircut, and you're bummin'. When they leave my chair, they look good, so they feel good."

Not only has she run her own business for a quarter-century now, Marzka also dedicates other parts of her life to her community. She's a former Fall Festival board president. She's heavily involved in, and extremely proud of, her Scottish heritage, which has her dedicated to the annual Highland Games. She also travels to nursing homes and the homes of shut-ins and invalids, "because they like to look good and feel good, too."

A few weeks ago, Marzka couldn't help but be touched when her own granddaughter stood behind her, playing with her grandmother's hair, trying to make her look good. Life had come full circle.

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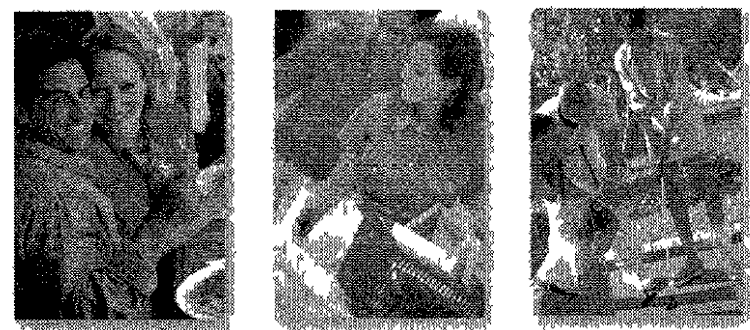


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**Beautiful Baby Contest**

The Plymouth Jaycees will be holding its second annual Beautiful Baby Contest for children 0-36 months during the Plymouth Fall Festival Sept 5-7 in downtown Plymouth. Anyone interested in entering can call (734) 453 8407 for information on how to enter.

**Move-A-Thon**

Habitat for Humanity hosts a Move A Thon fund raiser from 4-6 p.m. Sunday Sept 14 at Heritage Park. Participants can ride, walk, scoot, run or blade through Heritage Park and raise money for Habitat. Call (734) 459 7744 for pledge forms and information.

**Auditions**

Auditions for Halloween Patch will be held at the Marquis Theater in Northville at 6 p.m. Sunday Sept 7. Auditions are for children 8 to 16 years old. For further information call the Marquis Theatre at 135 E. Main Street in downtown Northville at (248) 349 8110.

**Basic Skills Skating Lessons**

The City of Plymouth Recreation Department is having evening general registration from 6-8 p.m. Thursday Sept 11 at the Plymouth Cultural Center. Learn to skate at every level from beginning to advanced freestyle. Call (734) 455 6620 for more information.

**Fashion Show Boutique**

The Redford Suburban League is looking for crafters for its 30th annual fashion show boutique scheduled for Wednesday Oct 22 at Burton Manor in Livonia. Crafters can reserve space by calling (734) 591 9167.

**Fitness**

The Taoist Tai Chi Society is forming new beginner classes in Livonia starting at 7 p.m. Monday Sept 8. Day classes begin at 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. Wednesday Sept 10 and at 1 p.m. Thursday Sept 11. Fees vary. For more info call (248) 332 1281.

**Craft Show**

The Treasure Chest Craft Show sponsored by The Village Painters will be held from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday Sept 6 and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday Sept 7 at Central Middle School in Plymouth. Admission is \$1 and includes raffle of three hand-painted furniture pieces. For information call (734) 753 5232.

**Craft and Home Show**

Delta Kappa Gamma's 17th annual

craft and home show will be held from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday Oct 18 at West Middle School. Call (734) 844 1707 for more information.

**Cider Mill**

Plymouth Orchards and Cider Mill open from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. seven days a week through mid-November. Call (734) 455 2290 for further information.

**Learn to Skate**

Arctic Edge Ice Arena in Canton is offering a fall Learn to Skate program for various levels of instruction. Call (734) 487 7777 for more information.

**Senior Golf Special**

Fox Hills Golf and Banquet Center is offering a Senior Special of 18 holes of golf any weekday Monday through Friday before noon. The cost is \$25 with cart. Offer good through Nov 30.

**Entertainment books**

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

**Divorce Recovery Workshop**

To help people thinking of divorce in the process of divorcing, divorced or separated, to heal and grow, being held 7-9:30 p.m. Thursdays through Sept 25. A different topic will be discussed each week. Held at Forum Room of First Presbyterian Church of Northville.

**Chorus Auditions**

Plymouth Community Chorus will be starting its 30th year this fall. Open auditions will be held at 7 p.m. Tuesday Sept 2 at Hillside Middle School in Northville. Auditions will continue by appointment only on Sept 9, 16, and 23. For more information call (734) 455 4080.

**Caregivers Conference**

For seniors or anyone meeting the needs of older adults, qualified professionals will speak, answer questions, provide helpful materials and advice. Taking place at the Plymouth District Library 6-8:45 p.m. Thursday Sept 25. Call (734) 453 1234 Ext. 236 to pre-register.

**Farm Tours**

Cobblestone Farm Museum is open for tours Memorial Day weekend through the end of September, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday and 1-4 p.m. Sunday. Group tours by appointment year-round. Call (734) 994 2928 for further information.

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**Preschool Programs**

Head Start programs are available for 3- and 4-year olds offered by Starfish Family Services, a learning environment preparing children for kindergarten. Michigan School Readiness Program for 4-year olds is also available. For either call (313) 541 4340 or (734) 326 6271.

**School Registration**

Music matters at the School for the Performing Arts in Ann Arbor, and registration for summer camps, classes and lessons has officially begun. For further information call (734) 995 4625 or log on to the school's Web site at www.spa.aao.org for a complete listing of classes and camps.

**Preschool Registration**

Willow Creek Co-Op Preschool is accepting registrations for the 2003-04 classes for 3- and 4-year olds. Morning and afternoon sessions available. Call Mary Anne Bourgeois at (734) 844 7515 for more information.

**Inline Roller Hockey Leagues**

Skatin Station II in Canton is accepting registration. One game a week. Call (734) 459 6401 for more information.

**Preschool Registration**

The Plymouth Salvation Army is opening registration for its preschool programs for fall 2003. The 3-year old program is on Tuesday and Thursday and the 4-year old program runs Monday, Wednesday and Friday. For more information call Peggy at (734) 459 1358 or (734) 453 5464 Ext. 25.

**Fish Fry**

Fox Hills Golf & Banquet Center is again hosting an All You Can Eat Friday night fish fry or pasta dinner at the Fox Classic Clubhouse from 5-9 p.m. The cost is \$8.75 per person.

**Nursery Co-op Registration**

Plymouth Children's Nursery Co-op registration has begun for the 2003-04 school year. Openings for 3-4 year olds, various class times and days. Call Nola Wellman at (734) 453 0595 for information.

**Storytime**

Peggy Price Heiney presents a special story time for children ages 5-7. Stories, creative dramatics and book selection round out this monthly session at the Plymouth District Library. Registration is required. Call (734) 453 0750 for further information.

**Plymouth Symphony**

Plymouth Symphony League is launching the 2003 Greater Detroit Area Entertainment Book Sale. The cost is \$30. Place your order at the Plymouth Symphony Office or call Mary Thomas at (734) 453 3016.

**Free Blood Pressure Screening**

Free blood pressure screenings will be taken at the Plymouth District Library 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. on the third

Wednesday of every month. No appointment is necessary. Call (734) 453 0750 for further information.

**Recreation Registration**

The City of Plymouth is now taking registration for its classes for all ages. Classes include gymnastics, dance, core body exercise, tots jump a rama, taekwon do, personal development, aerobics, clogging, senior trips and programs and much more. Call (734) 455 6620 for more information.

**CLUBS**

**Kiwanis Evening Club**

Meetings are held at Station 885 at 6:30 p.m. each Tuesday. Visitors are always welcome. For more information contact Charline Miller at (734) 455 4782.

**Mothers & More**

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

**Exchange Club of Canton**

Meetings are held the second and fourth Monday at Palermo's Restaurant in Canton.

**P/C Vietnam Vets of America**

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**BNI Plymouth II**

The Plymouth Chapter II BNI Group meets Wednesdays at 7 a.m. at Denny's Restaurant located at I-275 and Ann Arbor Road. We are actively looking for new members. Please call (734) 459 5696 for further information.

**West Suburban Stamp Club**

Meetings are 8 p.m. the first and third Fridays at the Plymouth Historical Museum, 155 S. Main in Plymouth.

**BWP**

The Plymouth Business and Professional Women's Club meets the third Monday of each month at 6:30 p.m. at the Atlantis Restaurant on Ann

Arbor Road. Guests are welcome. For more info and dinner reservations contact Mary Brooks at (734) 420 0320.

**SEPAAC**

Open to all residents of the Plymouth Canton community as well as school staff and administrators. SEPAAC (Special Education Parent Advisory Committee) meets every second Monday of the month from 7-9 p.m. at Discovery Middle School in Canton. For additional information contact Rich Ham Kucharski (734) 844 1714.

**MOPS-Plymouth**

The MOPS group is now enrolling for fall. Relaxing fun time for moms while the kids ages 0-5 enjoy program of games, stories, singing and play. Meets first and third Fridays of the month from 9-11 a.m. at Lake Pointe Bible Chapel, 42150 Schoolcraft Plymouth. Call (734) 420 0515.

**Colonial Kiwanis of Plymouth**

The Kiwanis Club of Colonial Plymouth meets at noon Thursdays at Ernesto's, 41661 Plymouth Road, Plymouth. Guests are welcome. For information call Ernie Hughes, membership chairman, (734) 414 0400.

**MOPS-Westland**

The group is looking for moms who are interested in meeting with other mothers for encouragement, teaching support and friendship. Meetings are the first and third Fridays of each month from September through May. Child care provided for ages birth to 5 years. Call (734) 728 2600 for more information.

**La Leche League**

Breastfeeding information and support group meets on the second Wednesday of each month at 10 a.m. For more information and meeting locations, please contact Michelle at (734) 397 0197.

**Canton Rotary Club**

The Rotary meets at noon on Mondays at the Roman Forum in Canton on Ford Road. All guests are invited to join in for lunch for more information on the community and international service projects for more information e-mail Mary Beardsley at ExecSec@rotary6400.org.

**Astronomy Discussion**

Plymouth Library offers a free monthly Family Astronomy Discussion Group from 7-8 p.m. for both individuals and families with children 6 years and older. Door prizes, slides, video and handouts. Call Mike Best at (734) 459 2378.

**MOMS Club**

A local chapter of the MOMS Club welcomes interested at-home mothers in the Canton/Westland area to meet the third Tuesday of each month. MOMS Club offers weekly activities, play groups, community service opportunities and more. For more information contact Wendy at (734) 394 2542.

**Plymouth Canton Jaycees**

Looking for people 21-39 interested in making friends, helping with good causes and having a good time. The Jaycees meet at 7:30 p.m. every second Wednesday of the month at the Plymouth Township Clerk's office. Call (734) 453 8407 or show up at the group's monthly meeting.

**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 p.m. The club serves Canton, Northville, Plymouth and the Livonia 13th District. For further information call Becky Tavarozzi at (734) 398 5845.

**BNI**

The Canton II Chapter of Business Network International (BNI) meets 7-8:30 a.m. every Wednesday at Atlantis Restaurant, 39500 Ann Arbor Rd, Plymouth. The Laurel Park Chapter meets 7-8:30 a.m. at Archie's Family Restaurant on Plymouth Road east of Merriman Livonia. The Plymouth I Chapter meets every Thursday at the Plymouth Cultural Center, 525 Farmer Plymouth. The Livonia Chapter meets 7-8:30 a.m. at Senate Coney Island on Plymouth at Stark Livonia. Call the BNI regional office at (810) 323 3800.

**Mothers of Multiples**

The Plymouth Canton Mothers of Multiples Club meets 7 p.m. the third Monday of each month. Call Ann Davis at (248) 449 9337 or email to pcmoms@hotmail.com.

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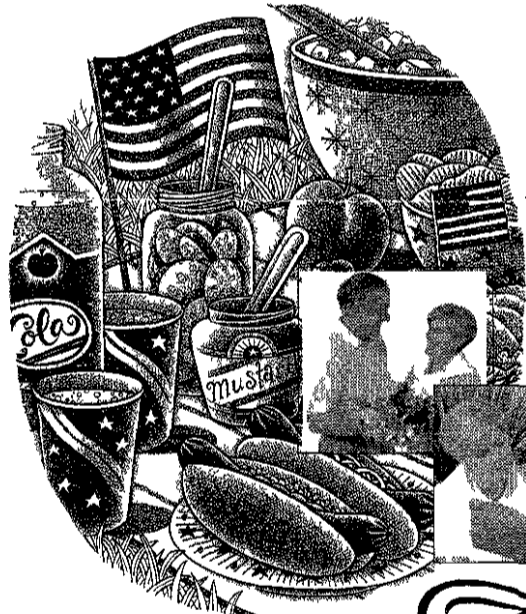
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## Rx briefs

### ■ Sleep, menopause

Menopause Support & Information Group discusses sleep and the latest research on Hormone Replacement Therapy 7 p.m. Wednesday Sept. 3 in Marian Women's Center West addition classroom 2 St. Mary Mercy Hospital 36475 Five Mile Livonia No charge Call (734) 655 1100

Topic includes an excerpt from *The Wisdom of Menopause* by Dr. Christiane Northrup. Enhancing Midlife Sleep. Insufficient sleep increases our levels of cortisol, corticosteroids and catecholamines, stress hormones that over time can throw off our hormonal balance.

### ■ Red Dress event

The Red Dress Project, a national exhibit featuring the work of top fashion designers to help increase awareness of heart disease in women, makes a stop at the Ministrelli Women's Heart Center 4 p.m. Wednesday Sept. 3 at Beaumont Hospital 3601 W. 13 Mile west of Woodward Royal Oak. No charge. Reservations required for lecture: Heart Disease Doesn't Care What You Wear. Call (800) 633 7377.

The event includes the exhibit of a collection of red dresses created by designers.

## Feldenkrais helps restore motion to muscles

Wouldn't it be wonderful to get up in the morning without pain and stiffness? Don't you wish you could move with the fluidity and flexibility you had when you were 20? And then you say to yourself, "Pain, stiffness, and awkward movement are just part of getting older."

Well, Marjorie Levine, a Guild-certified Feldenkrais practitioner, would beg to differ.

She would tell you about Moshe

Feldenkrais, a physicist, engineer, and martial artist, who used his scientific training to study the relationship between how we move and how we think, feel, act, and learn. The result of his investigation is The Feldenkrais Method, with the motto, "Less Pain, More Gain."

According to Moshe, "The aim is a body that is organized to move with minimum effort and maximum efficiency, not through muscular strength but increased consciousness of how it works."

Marjorie learned the power of his method in 1990 when she began taking a Feldenkrais class to cope with psoriatic arthritis. Because she found it so marvelous for reversing the effects of her arthritis, Marjorie started to incorporate Moshe's principles into her practice of occupational therapy.

In her practice, Marjorie worked with a man who suffered a stroke. When he came to Marjorie, he walked with a cane and complained of a painful right side. After nine months of Feldenkrais movement education, he no longer complained of pain. In addition, he was able to stand alone with no support, take food out of his refrigerator, pivot in place, and put it in the sink, actions he couldn't do before Feldenkrais.

### OLD MUSCLE HABITS

After this powerful demonstration Marjorie says she was hooked on how

the easy, comfortable movements of Feldenkrais help people rediscover their inborn capacity for coordinated physical action. Because it helps individuals overcome old muscle habits and limitations, Feldenkrais can decrease pain and strain in the neck, back, spine, and knees. Based on her positive experiences, Marjorie enrolled in the almost 1000 hours of in-depth training required for certification in the Feldenkrais Method.

According to SenseAbility newsletter, Feldenkrais benefits persons at any age. Practitioners of this method have aided very young children (ages six months to three years) with cerebral palsy and other movement disorders. Such children learn to climb stairs, feed themselves, and discover all the movements they need for daily life. Feldenkrais has also helped young mothers recover from childbirth and senior citizens with Parkinson's disease find easy movements to complete activities of daily living.

Marjorie has worked with adults who testify to the benefits of personal Feldenkrais movement education. They tell her, "Thanks a million for helping unlock my back. I'm no longer at the mercy of my aches and pains." After a single session retraining my elbow, I can lift a gallon of milk with no pain.

A woman in the Feldenkrais class Marjorie teaches at Henry Ford Community College wrote to say, "I didn't think anything was happening. We were just lying there moving ever so slightly. After several weeks, however, I noticed that the pain in my knee and leg were gone."

### HELPED TRIATHLETE

Triathlon competitor Sharon Starika de Moyano could serve as a poster athlete for the benefits of Feldenkrais. Hit by a truck in 1984, she suffered a broken shoulder, pelvis, leg, and ankle and endured nine surgeries in a year to repair the damage inflicted by the accident. Her doctors said she probably would not be able to run again. Feldenkrais proved the doctors wrong. Only three months after beginning



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Guild-certified Feldenkrais practitioner Marjorie Levine (background) of Southfield instructs Sandy Landau (middle) of Beverly Hills and Mary Royle of Southgate on Feldenkrais movements.

Feldenkrais movement education, Sharon resumed running. She eventually shaved 20 minutes off her pre-accident time for a 26-mile marathon!

Any individual who engages in physical activity that requires flexible or repetitive movement can benefit from Feldenkrais. Dancers, athletes, and musicians often participate in Feldenkrais classes to improve their professional performance, enhance their breathing, and avoid muscle strain. Even amateur skiers, golfers, and tennis players find that the gentle movements of Feldenkrais help them improve in their sport and avoid injuries.

Feldenkrais offers health advantages for office workers too. They learn to prevent the backaches, headaches, and wrist pain associated with long hours at their computers. Discovering how to sit properly and use the mouse close to the body brings support to a person's spine for better posture, fewer aches, and less stress.

If you are ready to say, "Sign me up to lose my pain," contact one of these local facilities to enroll in a Feldenkrais class that begins in September. Call for start

dates and fees:

- Center for Lifelong Learning, Henry Ford Community College, Dearborn Heights. Tuesdays, 6 and 7:15 p.m. Thursdays, 1 p.m. (313) 317-1500
- Costuck Center, Farmington Hills. Wednesdays, 9:30 a.m. (248) 473-1830
- Grosse Pointe War Memorial. Saturdays, 10 a.m. (313) 881-7511
- Person Center, Livonia. Thursdays, 7 p.m. Fridays, 10 a.m. (248) 476-2598
- Plymouth Cultural Center. Thursdays, 7:30 p.m. (734) 455-6620

For more information about Feldenkrais or to find Michigan practitioners who provide individual Feldenkrais consultations, go to the Web site [www.feldenkrais.com](http://www.feldenkrais.com). The flexibility you restore will be your own!

Sandy Baumann has a master's degree in biochemistry and is the author of *Feed the Brain for Learning* (See [www.FeedYourBrain.org](http://www.FeedYourBrain.org)). She is teaching *Feed the Brain for Learning* at the Center for Lifelong Learning in Dearborn on 9:30 a.m. to 12:40 p.m. Sept. 27 and Oct. 3. Call (313) 317-4111 for a flier.

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**MEDICAL DATEBOOK**

**SEPTEMBER**

**Hunger Within Workshop**

Twelve week workshop offered by Preventive Cardiology Services part of the Cardiovascular Center at University of Michigan Health System starting Sept 3 and Sept 4 at Domino's Farms Ann Arbor. Class is led by Marilyn Migliore author of *The Hunger Within: A 12 Week Self Guided Journey from Compulsive Eating to Recovery*. Workshop explores core reasons for overeating, identifies triggers and helps break the cycle of emotional eating. To enroll call (734) 998-6000 Ext. 258.

**Sleep and Menopause**

Menopause Support & Information Group discusses sleep and the latest research on Hormone Replacement Therapy 7 p.m. Wednesday Sept 3 in Marian Women's Center West addition classroom 2. St. Mary Mercy Hospital 36475 Five Mile Livonia. No charge. Call (734) 655-1100. Topic includes an excerpt from *The Wisdom of Menopause* by Dr. Christiane Northrup. Enhancing Midlife Sleep: Insufficient sleep increases our levels of corticosteroids and catecholamines, stress hormones that over time can throw off our hormonal balance and depress the immune system.

**Life Line screening**

Residents can be screened to reduce their risk of having a stroke at the Life Line Screening to be held at the Livonia Family YMCA 9 a.m. Sept. 6. The site is located at 14255 Stark Road in Livonia. For more information regarding the screenings or to schedule an appointment call 1-800-643-6188. Pre registration is required.

**Westside Weight Control Support**

The group holds its second meeting 5 p.m. Tuesday Sept 9 at New Horizons Medical Center 19335 Merriman Livonia. For more information call (248) 474-4900 or (734) 729-3729. The group is intended mainly for people who previously had or are scheduled for or interested in the Lap Band or other bariatric surgery. Everyone with an interest in weight control is welcome to attend, but the primary goal is to provide support for people who have had or are considering some type of bariatric surgery.

**PACE exercise program**

PACE (People with Arthritis Can Exercise) is an exercise program for people with arthritis. Participants go through a series of gentle movements and activities designed to decrease pain and stiffness while increasing flexibility, muscle strength and range of motion. University of Michigan Health System occupational therapists, physical therapists and rheumatology nurses lead the evening classes 5-6 p.m. Monday and Wednesday Sept 8 to Oct 15 at Turner Resource Center 2401 Plymouth Road and 6-7 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday Sept 9 to Oct 16 at the Pulmonary Rehabilitation Program Brayton Building 250 W. Eisenhower Parkway. The cost is \$36. Preregistration is necessary. Enrollment limited. To register call (800) 968-3030.

**CFS/Fibromyalgia Support Group**

Guest speaker is Dr. Mazy Gillis, Ph.D. from Henry Ford's Sleep Clinic, who discusses Pain and Sleep 7 p.m. Thursday Sept 11 at Livonia Civic Center Library 32777 Five Mile. For information about the group call (248) 346-3164 or visit the Web site at www.geocities.com/LivoniaCFSFMS.

**Tri-County Celiac Support Group**

Meets 7 p.m. Friday Sept 12 in a new place: First Presbyterian Church of Farmington 26155 Farmington Road. For more information call (248) 647-0076.

**Fibromyalgia Workshop**

Dr. Kramer will give a free workshop that reveals the shocking truth behind what can be causing Fibromyalgia, which is often misdiagnosed and misunderstood 7 p.m. Wednesday Sept 17 at the Carl Sandburg Library in Livonia. Dr. Kramer is a member of the National Wellness Foundation. Seating is limited. To register call (248) 426-0201.

**Women and Herbs**

Naturopath Mary Born leads the class 6:30-8:40 p.m. Wednesday Sept 17 at Center for Lifelong Learning, Henry Ford Community College 22586 Ann Arbor Trail at Warren Dearborn Heights. Symptoms such as night sweats, mood swings, menstrual cramps, depression or PMS stem from imbalances in the body. Discover natural ways to support your health at every stage of life. Cost is \$21-\$11 for materials due to instructor. To register call (313) 317-1500 by Sept 15 or go to www.hfcc.edu/CL2.

**Think Trim**

Workshop 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Saturday Sept 20 at Schoolcraft College 18600 Haggerty Livonia. Cost is \$59. Call (734) 462-4413. For information on program and cassette tapes call (248) 828-7333.

**Eating for learning and memory**

Why does a high protein breakfast improve concentration and achievement at school and work? Does eating fish fight Alzheimer's and ADHA? Biochemist Sandy Baumann gives the answers 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Saturday Sept 27 and Oct 4 at Center for Lifelong Learning, Henry Ford Community College 22586 Ann Arbor Trail at Warren Dearborn Heights. Cost is \$57. Includes

Baumann's book *Feed the Brain for Learning*. To register call (313) 317-1500 by Sept 26 or go to www.hfcc.edu/CL2.

**UPCOMING**

**Walk for Hope**

City of Hope's Walk for Hope to Cure Breast Cancer, an annual leisure walk to raise money in support of lifesaving breast cancer research, treatment and education programs at world renowned City of Hope Cancer Center takes place 9 a.m. (8 a.m. registration) Saturday Oct 4 at the Detroit Zoo 8450 W. 10 Mile Royal Oak. Participants raise donations by using sponsor forms and asking family, friend and co-workers to sponsor their walk or run. Minimum pre-registration donation is \$25 adults, \$15 children. \$30-\$20 children on the day of walk. To register form a team or for more information on sponsorship opportunities call (800) 732-7170 or register online at www.walk4hope.org.

**Natural FaceLift**

Learn how to use your fingertips to perform accupressure techniques that ease frown lines and crow's feet 9:30 a.m. to noon Saturday Oct 18 at Center for Lifelong Learning, Henry Ford Community College 22586 Ann Arbor Trail at Warren Dearborn Heights. Cost is \$24. To register call (313) 317-1500 by Oct 16 or go to www.hfcc.edu/CL2.

**ONGOING**

**Alliance for the Mentally Ill**

The Wayne/Westland chapter, a self-help and advocacy group for relatives and friends of the mentally ill, meets 7 p.m. the first and third Thursday of the month at the Kay Beard Building 30712 Michigan Ave. between Henry Ruff and Merriman Westland. For more information call (313) 562-8498 or (734) 326-4866. All are welcome.

**Self-help groups**

Anyone seeking information on a variety of self-help groups may visit the Michigan Self-Help Clearing House at the Michigan Protection Advocacy Service Web site: www.mpas.org. If you have a disability rights issue, contact the MPAS at (800) 288-5923.

**Medicare counseling**

Senior citizens with Medicare questions and concerns can get assistance through Beaumont Hospital's Department of Older Adult Services. The department's staff of trained volunteers can provide counseling on Medicare long-term care insurance and plans that supplement Medicare. Call toll-free Sen or Resource Line at (800) 328-2241 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. weekdays for an appointment.

**Small steps help get weight down**

BY DR. PETER A. MCCULLOUGH  
CORRESPONDENT

Most people have a good sense when they have become too heavy. If their bathroom scale hasn't broken the news, their waistbands surely will!

On a more scientific basis, if your body mass index is greater than 25 or if your waist measured at your belly button is greater than 40 inches in a man or greater than 35 inches in a woman, you can be considered overweight. Another way to think about it is if you are less than 6 feet tall (which applies to most of us) and weigh more than 200 pounds, you are overweight and probably obese.

With this revelation, what are the first steps to getting things back on track? As with all lifestyle changes, it pays to take small steps. Incorporate one of the suggestions below and once you feel that it's become a part of the healthier you, pick another one to work on.

The first step would be to change your approach to food,

from thinking about it as a completely unrestricted bonanza, to approaching it in a more carefully thought out way every day. It helps to think of wise food choices as a necessary component of good health. Everyone wants to be healthy, right? This makes choosing healthy food a positive step, and works better than focusing on the negative aspect of not being able to eat the foods you've become accustomed to. In the long run, those foods are hurting you.

Cutting out fast foods will go a long way toward making your overall food choices healthier. Virtually all fast foods, no matter what you buy, work to keep you fat or make you fatter. Eliminating them may mean packing your lunch every day instead of going out to eat. It also means planning for dinner when you get home from work as opposed to ordering something out.

The next step would be to change from drinking regular soft drinks to diet forms of pop. Or better yet, switch to drinking water. You should

drink 64 ounces of water per day, or a cup every two-three hours. When you let yourself get thirsty, your body turns on conservation mechanisms to retain fluid and fat tissue.

The final initial step will be to begin to push away those sources of sugar, fat, and refined carbohydrates that are making you fatter every day and contributing very little in terms of good nutrition and promoting health. Yes, that's right, if it is loaded with sugar, fat, or refined carbohydrates, it is making you fat, no matter how much of it you are eating.

You may ask, wow, with those restrictions, what can I eat? In future columns I will explore in detail the healthy and safe sources of protein, complex carbohydrate, and fiber which can be fun, satisfying, and very effective in losing weight and keeping it off permanently.


Dr. Peter A. McCullough is chief of Beaumont Hospital's Division of Nutrition and Preventive Medicine and medical director of the Beaumont Weight Control Center.

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**EVENTS**

- Single Place Ministry**  
SPM of First Presbyterian Church in Northville is offering a Divorce Recovery Workshop to help people thinking of divorce in the process of divorcing divorced or separated to heal and grow. Seven Thursday evening meetings discussing a different topic each week. Through Sept 24 from 7:30 p.m. at Forum Room of First Presbyterian Church.
- Single Adult Ministries**  
Single Adult Ministries of Ward Evangelical Presbyterian Church invites singles to join more than 500 single adults 11:30 a.m. every Sunday in Knox Hall for fellowship and encouragement. The Rev. Paul Clough delivers messages to help equip you to maximize your singleness and relationship with God. Coffee, doughnuts and conversation. SPM has a program and activity for every age group and life situation. For more information or to have a newsletter sent, call the SPM office at (248) 374 5920.
- Classic Senior Singles**  
Bible Study at 10 a.m. Thursdays in Room C307.
- Single Parents**  
Wednesday evening program 7:30-8:15 p.m. in the Single Point Office.
- Walking Club**  
Single Point Ministries of Ward Evangelical Presbyterian Church offers a walking club. It meets in the hospitality area in the Grand Mall 6 p.m. Tuesdays and Wednesdays and walks are outside rain or shine. Open to all fitness levels.
- Bible Study**  
All members are invited to the learners Bible study class 7:30 p.m. Thursdays in room A101.
- Book Discussion Group**  
MSP's book discussion group meets 7:30-8:30 p.m. the second Monday of each month at Borders Books in Farmington Hills. Borders will offer a 10 percent discount on all titles chosen for discussion.
- Selective Singles Social and Travel Club**  
For people 35 years old and up. Activities include dinners, dances, cards, camping, theater, sports, travel. To learn more about the club, call (248) 435 5320 or go to www.ssstc.org.
- Fun & Fine Dining Parties**  
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- Euchre**  
From 6:30-9:30 p.m. every Monday at the newly remodeled Main Lounge at Drakeshire Lanes, 35000 Grand River Ave. just east of Drake in Farmington Hills. The cost is \$5 for members, \$6 for nonmembers. Everyone is welcome.
- Co-Ed Volleyball Lessons**  
Volleyball lessons are back by popular demand. The lessons will run for eight weeks. Lessons will be given by a professional instructor at Harding Park in Ferndale. RSVP by mail or a meeting.
- West Side Singles**  
Dances to be held every Friday night at Burton Manor, located on Schoolcraft service drive just west of Inkster in Livonia. The dances are open to the public. Doors open from 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. 25 years of age and older. Dressy attire required. Held in nonsmoking ballrooms with a disc jockey and budg et bar. Admission price is \$4 before 8:30 p.m. and \$6 after 8:30 p.m. For information, call Anita at (734) 981 0909.
- Bethany Suburban West**  
Sundays 10 a.m. breakfast at Redford Grille, corner of Five Mile and Beech Daly. Optional Mass at St. Aidan's at 11:30 a.m. on Farmington north of Six Mile.
- Tuesdays Coffee & Conversation at Thomas Family Dining at 33971 Plymouth Road, Livonia, between Stark and Farmington roads at 6:30 p.m. Monthly meetings are 8 p.m. the third Saturdays at St. Kenneth Church Hall 14951 Haggerty between Five Mile and Schoolcraft. Dances are on the first Saturday of every month at St. Robert Bellarmine Church gym, corner of Inkster and West Chicago in Redford. Doors open at 7 p.m. dance from 8 p.m. to midnight. Cost is \$9 and Dick Gerathy is the disc jockey.
- Refreshments  
Monthly dinner at 7 p.m. Aug 7 at Hopes Fish and Chips on Joy Road between Inkster and Middlebelt in Livonia.

# Parenting expert releases CD presentation of advice

A dynamic presentation for parents is now available on one information packed CD.

This fun, hghtheaded, and powerful presentation helps parents put a stop to constant arguments over messy bedrooms, poor homework habits and other persistent problems. Marilyn Suttle, popular parenting expert, gives parents tools for dealing with difficult situations with kids. "Problems aren't necessarily bad," Suttle says. "When children are given math problems

to solve in school, it gives them an opportunity to grow. Problems at home can be seen the same way. We grow as human beings when we solve problems in ways that leave everyone's dignity intact."

By using a step by step approach, kids learn to express themselves and listen to their parents point of view, without shutting down. Children have an amazing capacity to solve problems when they are approached with this method.

Suttle's live recording is filled with real-life examples and easy-to-use steps for solving persistent problems. These strategies draw out positive behaviors in kids of all ages. It gives parents communication skills that strengthen family relationships. Parents learn how to express anger and frustration in ways that get results without doing damage to a child's self-worth.

Many of the typical ways parents deal with problems leave kids feeling angry and resentful.

That hostility creates even bigger problems. By applying problem solving strategies, kids become part of the solution instead of being seen as the problem.

Suttle has a passion for helping people improve relationships with positive communication skills. She presents parenting, work/life balance and self-esteem workshops and writes the Parents Corner column for the Observer-Eccentric newspapers.

She is a professional member of the National Speakers

Association and the Alliance of Work/life Progress. Ten percent of the profits of this CD will be donated to the Farmington Youth Assistance.

For further information or to order the CD, visit www.SuttleOnline.net or send a check for \$19.95 plus 6 percent tax (Michigan only) and \$4.50 shipping to Suttle Enterprises, 22203 Antler Drive, Novi, MI 48375. For more information, contact Suttle at (248) 348-1023 or MsSuttle@aol.com.

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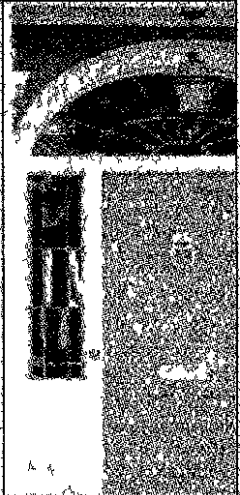
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## New homes stress tradition and green landscape

BY BARRY JENSEN  
 CORRESPONDENT

A traditional community is going up near New Boston - Canterbury Gardens is a development of 64 houses on 67 acres next to the North Branch of Swan Creek in Huron Township. The developer is Mel Beloviz of Copper Creek Development Corp., based in Canton.

Copper Creek's other projects have included the Meadows of Canton, Copper Creek Condominiums, also in Canton, and the Whispering Winds condominiums in Livonia.

Canterbury Gardens bills itself as a "traditional neighborhood community." That means, sales manager Cary Beloviz explained, that all the houses are freestanding. All have a covered porch in front to encourage neighborliness. Most of the attached garages are in the rear.

The community has sidewalks to encourage foot traffic. The typical lot is 70 feet by 120 feet, so it is not too far from the house next door. The 14 houses that do not have rear-access garages have side-access garages and are on larger lots.

"We have a natural area, including several acres of trees," Cary Beloviz said. In the northeast corner of the subdivision is the creek. In addition, the developer put in a Wetlands Mitigation Area. State law does not require the wetlands area, but developer Mel Beloviz likes natural development.

"The wetlands mitigation area helps to build a nice community, too," Cary Beloviz said. "We have

all kinds of birds out there, including blue herons.

The first model to go up will be the three-bedroom Nottingham. This two-story house has a wrap-around covered porch on the front and side. The exterior is brick with some Hardi-Plank. The Nottingham has 2,980 square feet of space. The house has a lot of space on the first floor, divided among the living room, family room, library or guest bedroom and the nook, which is off the kitchen.

The master bath is the gem of the master suite, Cary Beloviz said. He described the bath as a "his-and-hers" master bathroom. On either side of the see-through fireplace are separate doors into separate bathrooms with separate sinks and commodes. In between the his-and-hers bathrooms - and accessible from both sides - are a Jacuzzi big enough for two and a shower. Each bathroom has its own walk-in closet.

Two other bedrooms are on the second floor. A separate full bathroom serves those two bedrooms. The second floor also has a 12-foot by 14-foot bonus

room that can be used as a second-floor study or home office. The first-floor laundry links the garage with the kitchen. The kitchen is built around a large island with eating space. The Nottingham has a three-car garage as standard. The base Nottingham costs \$375,000.

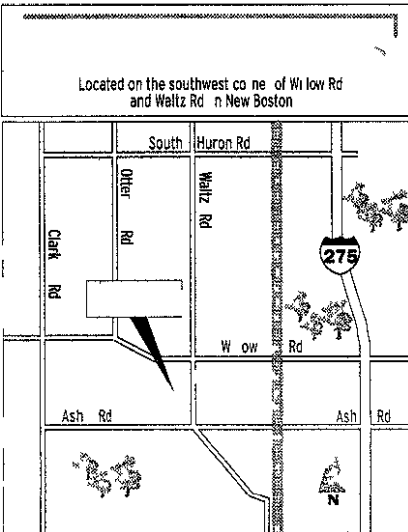
The other model will be The Essex, a two-story, 2 1/2-bath house with a first-floor master bedroom. The Essex also has a covered, wrap-around porch on the front and one side. The kitchen adjoins the dining room. The first-floor laundry serves as a mud room, linking the garage with the rest of the house. The master bedroom has its own bathroom and walk-in closet. The bathroom has twin sinks, a tub and a separate shower. The second floor has two bedrooms, with an optional third bedroom. That floor also has a loft area and another full bathroom. With three bedrooms, the Essex has 2,200 square feet of space. With an additional bedroom, the Essex has 2,450 square feet. The base price Essex is \$335,000 with three bedrooms, \$345,000 with four bedrooms.



Canterbury Gardens bills itself as a 'traditional neighborhood community'

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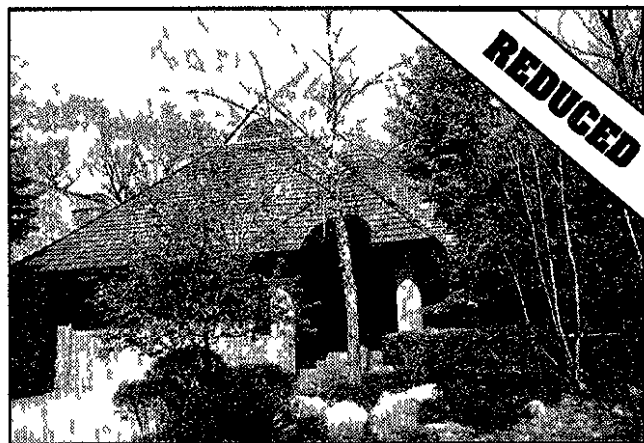
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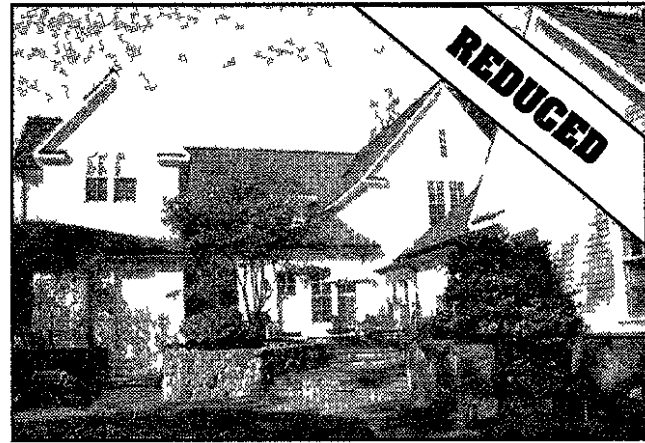
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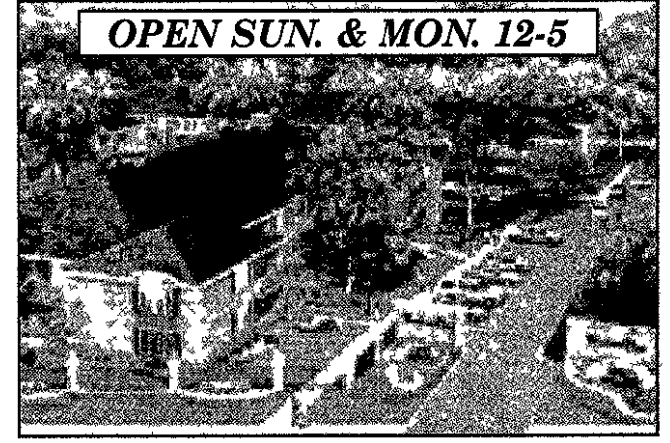
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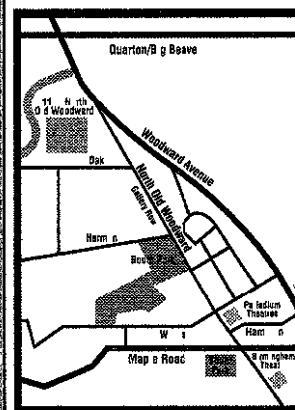
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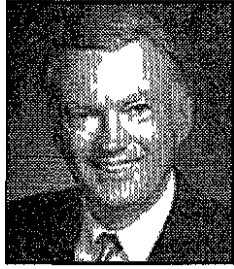
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Thomas Ervin Let's Talk About Real Estate

"The First Offer May Come Too Soon"

As hard as it may be to understand the title of this article, your first offer on your home may come too soon. After 32 years spent in the real estate business, I have seen many mistakes made by both home buyers and sellers.

One of the most costly mistakes, however, occurs when a seller receives an offer shortly after putting the house on the market. Because this offer came so easily and so quickly, the typical seller does not appreciate it nearly as much as if it came after five long months on the market.

So, he or she decides to play hard ball with the buyer because the seller feels there will be plenty more if this one doesn't go together. Although this seems logical, it is usually the last offer to come along for a good long time.

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Because this early offer catches the seller by surprise, he or she usually counters. The offer at full price or makes some other unacceptable demand upon the buyer and the buyer backs out. This unfortunate scenario is very common and very costly.

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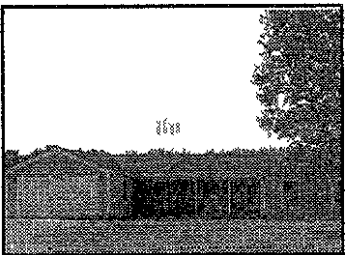
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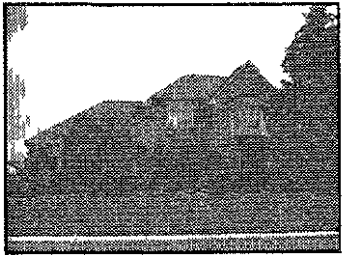




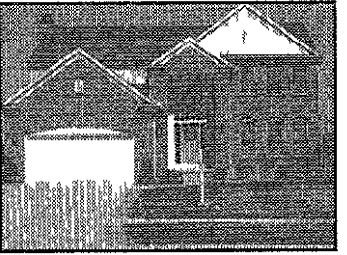
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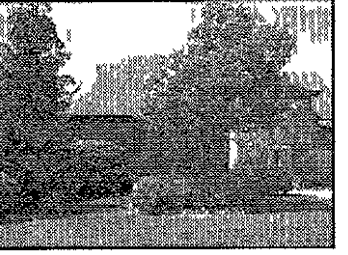
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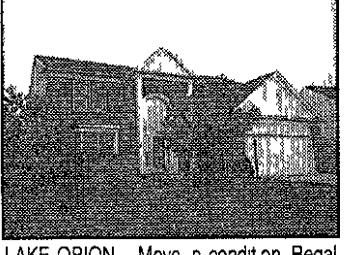
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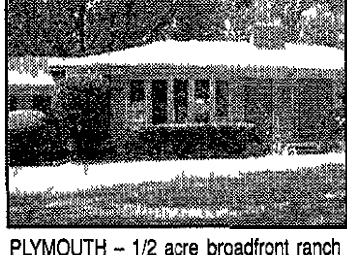
**FABULOUS 4 BEDROOM COLONIAL** – Master suite cathedral ceiling Jacuzzi & separate shower. Many windows add brightness to home. Butler's pantry between dining room & kitchen. Great location in popular suburb. Great for kids. Daylight basement. Many unique features. \$310,000 (60FA) 248 363 1200



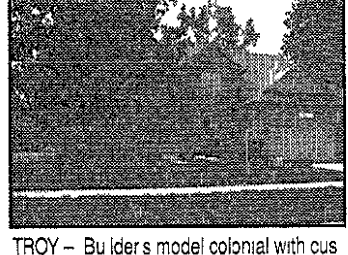
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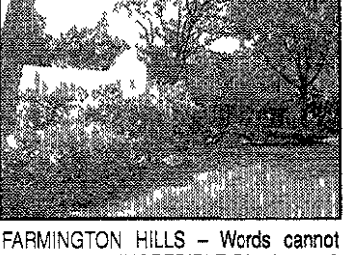
**PLYMOUTH** – 1/2 acre broadfront ranch. Curb appeal + finished walk out. 3 bedrooms 2 baths dining room family room living room fireplace deck. 2 car attached garage. All appliances mature trees private updated throughout. \$283,300 (15BRD) 734 455 5600



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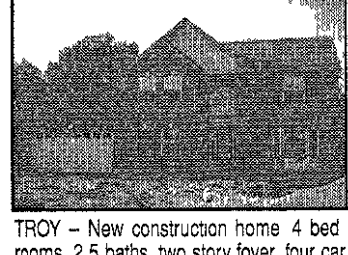

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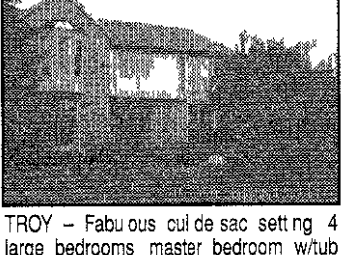
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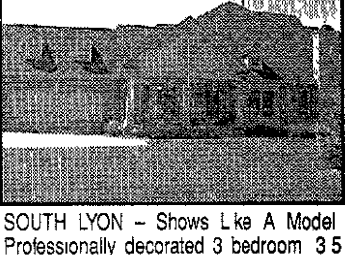
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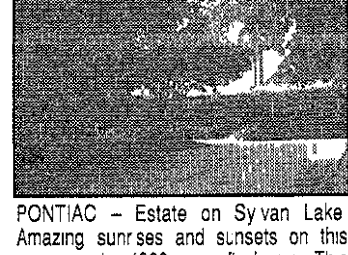
**TROY** – Fabulous cul de sac setting. 4 large bedrooms master bedroom w/tub and shower formal living room dining room and library w/bookcase. Updated kitchen huge FR w/cath ceilings newer carpet and paint. Basement & garage. A great home in a great area. w/Troy Schis. \$518,000 (54ODE) 248 642 8100



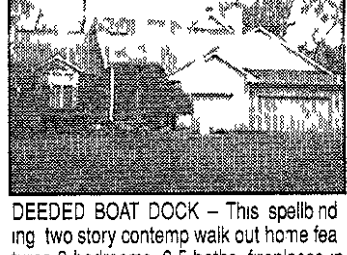
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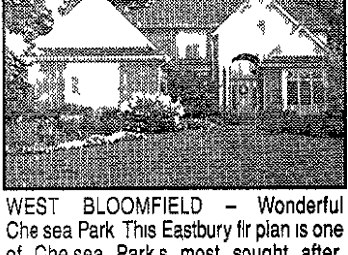
**DEEDED BOAT DOCK** – This spellbinding two story contemporary walk out home features 3 bedrooms 3.5 baths fireplaces in master bath living room and lower level also includes ceramic tile throughout. Two car attached garage and many more amenities. Must see. \$499,500 (13WOO) 248 363 1200



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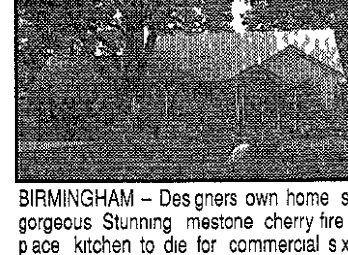
**TROY** – Fabulous 4 bedroom 3.5 bath home on park like setting. Updated kitchen w/granite counters hardwood floors in foyer hall & kitchen. Professionally finished basement w/room kitchen & bath. Master w/WIC jetted tub and separate shower. Pride of ownership shines. Don't miss out. \$415,000 (33BYW) 248 642 8100



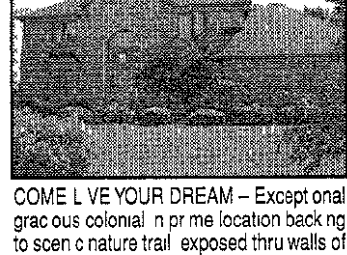
**WEST BLOOMFIELD** – Wonderful Chesea Park. This Eastbury floor plan is one of Chesea Park's most sought after. Includes 4 bedrooms 3.2 baths 2 staircases FR is 2 story w/gorgeous view of the woods 2 story Fieldstone fireplace finished w/w kitchen bathroom workout area. \$685,000 (48PEM) 248 349 5600



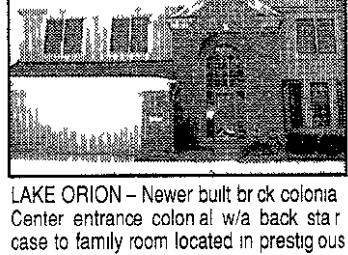
**SOUTHGATE** – A Perfect 10! 4 bedroom cape cod w/2.5 baths 2 car attached garage basement w/glass blocks master bedroom w/full bath & Jacuzzi tub. Great room w/fireplace dining room cedar deck brick paver walkway CA sprinklers. Gorgeous gorgeous throughout! \$282,500 (25MOR) 734 455 5600



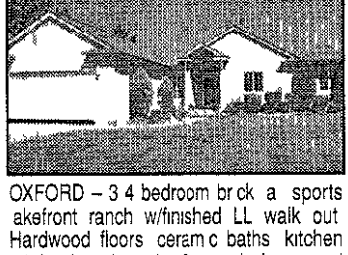
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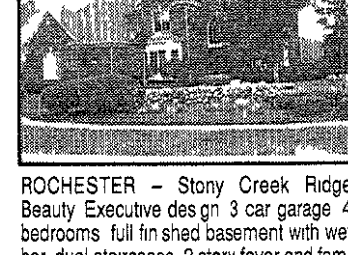
**OXFORD** – 3 4 bedroom brick a sports lakefront ranch w/finished LL walk out. Hardwood floors ceramic baths kitchen w/island and nook 6 panel doors and master bedroom suite w/WIC and whirlpool tub. Vaulted ceilings fireplace dock sandy beach and LL garage for boat. \$400,000 (15JOH) 248 642 8100



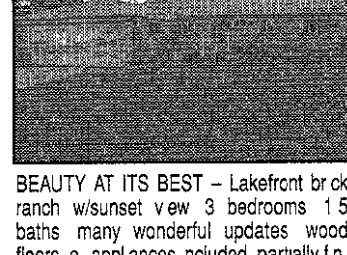
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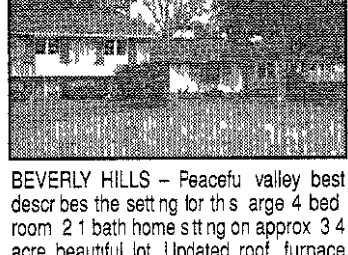
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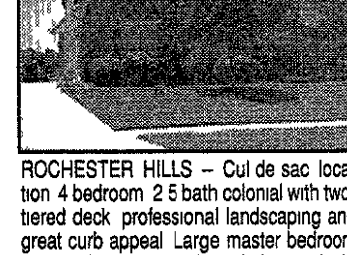
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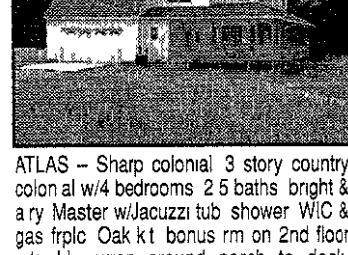
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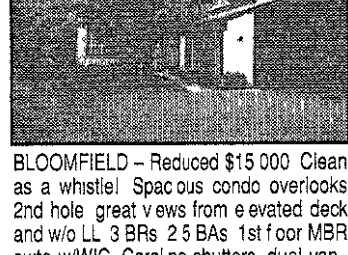
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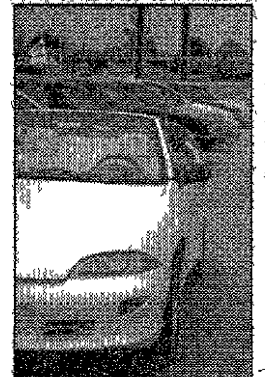
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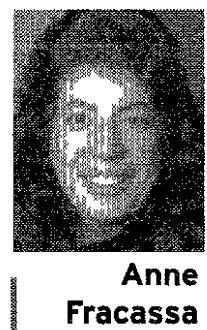
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BY ANNE FRACASSA  
AVANTI NEWS FEATURES

My Aunt Barb has been talking about the new Lincoln Aviator every since it was introduced a couple of years ago. She wants one and she wants one badly.

Her husband my Zio Alfredo treated himself to a Ford F 350 the day he retired. I'm by any means not taking that away from him. He worked like a horse his whole entire life toiling to send his four beautiful girls through parochial school, then college. Life wasn't easy for him for sure.

So when I got a chance to drive the Aviator this week a week that a family bridal shower was to happen and I was sure to run into her - I brought it along for the ride. Of course, seeing it in person made her want one even more.

I know your uncle would tell me to go out and buy one in a heartbeat, but it's still a little pricey she pondered. He wouldn't ever deny me something like this. I would just like to have something to go out in rather than a truck. And therein lies the rub.

Aviator is by no means, a truck. This is a luxury sport utility vehicle at its very best. From comfort, to design, performance and versatility, the Aviator is what you're looking for in a luxury SUV.

It has a third row folded down, you'll garner about 40 cubic feet of cargo room. With the second gone as well you'll increase that to 70 cubic feet. Only the Acura MDX can beat that. What I liked the most is the ease of operation to put those seats down. Just a flick of the wrist and you're done.

Drivers will find more than adequate room no matter how tall you are. There are adjustments for the steering wheel, to the six-way power seat, to the height adjustable safety belts to the adjustable brake pedals. No matter your size you'll find comfort somewhere in between all the adjustments.

Throughout the interior you won't be disappointed. This is truly Lincoln all the way. Curves are everywhere -- but they're soft curves accented by very tasteful wood trim.



**2003 Lincoln Aviator. Vehicle class: Sport-utility vehicle. Power: 4.6-liter V8 engine. Mileage: 13 mpg city, 18 mpg highway. Price as tested: \$52,000**

All of the interior lighting is white LED, which lends itself to a really pleasant view all around.

There are two trim levels of the Aviator to choose from, Premium and Luxury. Both have a major list of standard equipment and convenience features.

The electronics climate control has controls mounted on the steering wheel for added comfort and to keep your eyes on the road. There are also climate control systems for the second and third row passengers. Power windows come all they way down at the touch of one button on the driver's side. AM/FM/cassette/CD sound system also has controls on the steering wheel.

Here's something that came in handy during the dog days of summer -- the Aviator has cooled driver and passenger seats. They can also be heated in the winter. No more sweaty backs when getting out of the car on a hot day.

In the rear seats, there's a DVD entertainment system that comes out of the headliner to keep the munchkins outta your hair. It comes with wireless headphones and remote control, so you don't have to be bothered in the least. Let 'em go to it. Just don't involve me.

The Aviator's drivability is superb in every way. It rides and handles like a passenger vehicle, but it's high enough

about the ride and handling. It was, at least, a Lincoln "experience." At most, a luxury tuned vehicle at its very, very best.

Under the hood you'll find an all-aluminum 4.6-liter V8 with dual overhead cams, four valves per cylinder and variable length intake runners that promise -- and deliver -- 302 horsepower. With a maximum towing capacity of 7,300 pounds, the Aviator can pull just about anything you can throw it.

Safety issues are all there, including dual-stage air bags, belt pretensioners, side curtain air bags, tire pressure monitoring system (it'll even tell you if the spare is low on air) and the optional Advance Trac system that helps the driver correct and oversee and under steer problems they might encounter in their journeys.

There's also the standard anti theft security system, battery saver and laminated front-door glass that prevents easy smash-and-grab thefts.

I like the new Lincoln Aviator a lot. It's got a price that's out of the range of most, but what you get for your dollar is still a great value. I say go get yourself one.

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**NOVI** Thurs & Fri 9 9am 41262 Marks S/9 Mile E/Meadowbrook. Many household items. Some furniture. Tools clothing

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**PLYMOUTH Multi family garage sale!** Sept 4 5 & 6 9 5pm 225 Farr

**REDFORD** Sept 5th & 6th Fr & Sat 8 5 18529 Danby S off 7 Mile & 5 blocks E of Inkster. Many household items

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IT'S GOT TO BE ME!!!! 45 yrs old female seeking non smoking male for a break from my full time college studies I love nature so anything that takes me out doors is the way to win my heart Looking for that someone 44 52 Christian man is a must!!!! Ad# 450813

EXPLORE THE POSSIBILITIES 51 yrs old Hi I'm a teacher with the summer off enjoy my new found spare time I enjoy hiking trails traveling in Michigan and abroad playing flute in local groups singing in the church choir going to wine tastings and learning about pairing foods with wines and just sitting on my back deck enjoying the breeze watching the soy beans grow in the farmer's field behind my house Ad# 465509

ACTIVE ATTRACTIVE & ADVENTUROUS 49 yrs old 49 year old 5 4 red head who enjoys many things is looking for an honest intelligent & stable man for a long term relationship I enjoy concerts art fairs gardening dancing golf cooking fine dining trips motorcycles horses and almost anything else Ad# 446504

CALL ME! Single black female 43 I am a nurse and I love to have fun Looking for a single male 18 99 who is mature Ad# 465602

AN OPEN BOOK Funny caring outgoing SWF 24 55 190 lbs Enjoys drawing writing poetry sports and long walks Looking for a loving SWM 23 24 6+ brown/black hair preferred Ad# 468472

LOOKING FOR ME WELL YOU FOUND ME! 19 yrs old I am a SWF seeking a SWM that is outgoing and caring I am 5 8 and about 185 I have light brown hair and brown eyes Ad# 449904

NEW MOM JUST BROWSE 29 yrs old New mom in March just kind of browsing to see what's out there Browsing cuz I'm not sure that there are decent men out there who would be interested in a new mother Ad# 445753

CHRISTIAN WOMAN 48 yrs old Christian woman who enjoys going to Church camping long walks bike riding spending time with family and friends Ad# 463094

DO YOU LIKE TO WALK IN THE RAIN 32 yrs old SWF 32 hard working shy at first dedicated ad Likes to spend time reading working around the house and spending time out doors Looking for someone to spend time with and get to know Ad# 448396

MISUNDERSTOOD 31 yrs old I love to read fiction and non fiction books Visiting historical places or just going to museums I love to cook and experiment how to prepare different foods I also enjoy walks in nature and along beaches listening to nature In addition I love to watch movies and to cuddle up on the sofa Ad# 459335

A TRUE ROMANTIC SWF 48 5 3 Auburn hair brown eyes vivacious outgoing and bubbly Enjoys playing bridge travel dining movies quiet times and more Seeking a SWM 48 60 who is tall well educated sincere and has a great sense of humor Ad# 466339

NO PLAYERS REAL MEN ONLY 28 yrs old Hello I am a single mother who is looking for that right person to be with I am a honest sweet loyal loving caring thoughtful creative intelligent woman I have a lot of likes I enjoy being outdoors in warmer weather I enjoy anything to do with water Ad# 468225

BACK IN THE DATING SCENE 44 yrs old Hi I like to do a variety of interests I like to bowl go to movies casinos karaoke or just spending time at home What I'm looking for in a man is honesty sense of humor hardworking Someone who has his head on straight and who is not afraid to take a chance and who can commit to one person and who knows what they want out life Ad# 450580

ARE YOU READY FOR THIS!!! 24 yrs old Hi I'm a 24 year old dental assistant and student I just moved back to MI after four years in the Air Force I'm looking for someone to spend my free time with Ad# 465761

LOOKING FOR RESPECT Trustworthy SWF 35 5 1 red hair hazel eyes one daughter Enjoys bking swimming boating and ong walks Looking for a sincere fun loving SWM 30 45 Ad# 468064

HONEST & FAITHFUL 52 yrs old I'm 52 I don't smoke or drink attend church Love family children and more Looking for a gentleman who has a good personality likes just one woman in his life Lets see where our first meeting takes us and go from there Must be between 50 60 in age no more than 190 lbs Ad# 449335

READY FOR SUMMER FUN 32 yrs old Well here's the scoop about me I'm a firm believer that honesty is the best policy and speaking my mind are paramount in any healthy relationship/friendship! I LOVE to have fun and tend to get along with every one I'm very outgoing (sometimes a little too) and promise I will do whatever I can to always make you laugh! I consider myself a laid back and relaxed Ad# 450845

HELLO 38 yrs old Hey!! What's up fellows this is a first for me but us that you know am a single (never been married) woman looking to meet some new people hopefully make some new friends and have some fun enjoy being out long walks movies sportng events concerts and such yet on the other hand I enjoy being inside relaxing with a good book or a good movie playing cards with friends and/or family having a good time Ad# 447257

CONVERSATIONALISTS SWF 48 5 7 with a slim build and light brown hair Interests are walking hiking diving out movies the water and much more Looking for a tall SWM 42 57 who is easy going with similar interests Ad# 465565

LEAVE ME A MESSAGE! SWF 34 5 5 brown hair and eyes 120 lbs N/S down to earth humorous and honest Seeking a SWM over 34 for a possible relationship Ad# 421180

CUTE BLONDE WIDOW I'm 5 105 lbs 58 romantc secure SF seeking a nice looking male 5 7 to 6 slim to medium build who enjoys dancing golf live theater and good conversation Macomb County Ad# 403562

ROMANTIC WALKS SBF 30 5 8 sexy and attractive Interests are basketball football playing pool the beach and more Looking for a SWM 28 40 who is honest romantic funny and open minded Ad# 459756

HONEST & SINCERE SWF 49 5 5 brown hair and blue eyes Outgoing and shy My hobbies are outdoors antiques and cooking Looking for a SWM 49 57 honest and enjoys outdoor activities Ad# 458615

ANYONE HAVE FUN ANY MORE?? 34 yrs old I love to have fun have a great sense of humor Ad# 449439

CONVERSATIONALIST SWF 53 5 4 114 lbs with blonde hair Interests are the stars antiques shopping reading plays and much more In search of a SWM over 43 who is honest and sincere for friendship first Ad# 451146

PRETTY & PLAYFUL SWF 42 5 4 with short auburn hair and blue eyes Enjoys time with her children biking walking and much more Looking for a N/S SWM 40 48 who is fun loving good natured and enjoys kids Ad# 450939

EASYGOING & HUMOROUS SWF 55 semi retired enjoys the outdoors Florida con certs walking reading etc In search of a SWM under 68 who has time for a relationship with a great sense of humor Ad# 450241

SEEKING FRIENDS MAYBE MORE 30 yrs old things I like are bowling music snowmobiling local tracks boating (with someone who has a boat) fishing being outside swimming snowmobiling Ad# 450482

FAMILY / FRIENDSHIP ORIENTATED 36 yrs old SWF 36 5 8 looking for someone that is honest respectful caring open trustworthly and with a sense of humor Ad# 447918

DO YOU LOOK LIKE KEN? Fun SWF 57 enjoy walking boating motorcycles dancing love kids I'm very family oriented and get along with all types of people Looking for a SWM 45 65 to go out to dinner with and see where it goes from there Ad# 450091

CONTACT ME A S A P I Attractve divorced white female 50 professional col lege degree petite 5 1 weight proportionate opt mistic Enjoys exercise opt certs sports Seeks professional divorced white male 45 to 55 no beard or mustache Ad# 403954

ARE WE COMPATIBLE? Divorced professional female petite 50 5 1 active sense of humor Enjoys exercise good conversation movies concerts animals Seeks male counterpart physically active easygoing sense of humor non smoker professional no beard or mustache Ad# 403957

WHERE ARE YOU? 50 yrs old divorced WF 5 2 110 lbs blue eyes brown hair Enjoys musc concerts outdoors Harley's the Red Wings dancing etc Searching for a honest loyal SM to enjoy life someone who wants to casually date and has a sense of humor Ad# 403942

LOOKING FOR MY FROG 52 yrs old I'm single looking for a honest loving open minded man that doesn't play games m into the outdoors and fam y have fun with friends Ad# 448893

READY TO GET OUT AND HAVE SOME FUN!! 37 yrs old SWF/37 have friends of all ages Most are older I love summer car shows the beach camps fires walking in the woods up north casinos am independent my only son is 18 have my own house and a full time job Looking for someone to have some fun with Ad# 448863

ONE OF A KIND 50 yrs old Auwwwwww!!! I'm bored! Would like to meet a well rounded easy going gentleman to enjoy life is little surprises with I can be active and can be lazy I am down to earth enjoy life family and friends I like clean cut men a good sense of humor honest easy caring and a bit on the crazy side personalities Ad# 448867

WHERE HAVE ALL THE GOOD MEN GONE 47 yrs old I'm very outgoing love to dance go to the movies dining out and having fun I've been single for 8 6 years Ad# 449042

PRETTY GOOFY SWF 19 with a good sense of humor enjoys life loves to laugh camping the beach and is easy to get along with Looking for a SWM 31 37 who's fun to be with honest respectable caring and enjoys children Ad# 448703

LETS HAVE FUN 37 yrs old I'm easy going down to earth type person I enjoy camping and all things involving in that rollerblading hanging out with friends and just kicking back sometimes I also enjoy all types of music Ad# 449241

GIRL INTERRUPTED 37 yrs old seem to have lost the years of my life which were meant for meeting marriage and raising children Would like to get started now Ad# 448896

DINNER FOR TWO SWF 68 5 5 with blonde hair Interests are painting traveling quiet evenings at home the outdoors dancing and much more Looking for a SWM 60 72 who is fun loving and outgoing Ad# 449628

HOPELESS ROMANTIC 51 yrs old Somewhat shy enjoys reading walking out doors church and christian music Seeking SWM who is kind & honest with a sense of humor to share good and bad times with Ad# 448318

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LOOKING FOR AFFECTION Professional N/S S/D DWFF 45 with no children enjoys dining out movies concerts walking bking etc Searching for an affectionate communicative SM 35 55 who is honest with a great sense of humor and sim lar interests Ad# 449437

FUN & ENERGETIC SWF 38 5 5 blonde with blue eyes and wears glasses Enjoys walking reading bowling fishing camping NASCAR & playing with her cat Seeking a SWM 35-45 who is humorous honest sincere energetic likes to have fun but has a serious side Ad# 449267

FIND OUT MORE TODAY!!! SWF 59 5 6 slender brunette with short brown hair and hazel/green eyes Enjoys sailing power boating golfing fine dining tennis and much more In search of a honest loyal trustworthly N/S SWM 59 75 Ad# 449205

SUNNY DAYS Pretty long brown hair 37 divorced white woman employed with two children Enjoys camping outdoors and bowling Looking for white man 32 45 with similar interests Ad# 429358

I MAY BE THE ONE SWF 52 enjoys gardening the outdoors camping hiking movies theater con certs cooking and entertaining Looking for SWM 48 63 who wants to invest time in building a relationship with me Ad# 443461

SEEKING A TRUE GENTLE MAN SBF 26 5 10 150 lbs dark complexion Seeking a SM 22 35 who is humorous kind cons derate and goal oriented Ad# 446975

RECIPE FOR LOVE Christian WWWW 68 5 5 blonde hair N/S N/D Enjoy my grandchildren boating church flea markets cooking Looking for that special SWM 68 or older who has similar interests Ad# 446467

WHERE HAS ALL THE GOOD TIMES GONE? 51 yrs old I am a 50 yr old male soon to be 51 And I'm wondering why I can't meet someone who likes to have fun or just hang out watching TV or getting a cup of coffee somewhere I enjoy football driving around with the top down on my convertible and just lying by the pool reading a book Ad# 450942

TIME TO GET BACK TO DATING 45 yrs old well I'm new to this tired of the club scene and all the games I think that I have reached a juncture in my life to find a compatible partner I am an honest man down to earth looking for the same Someone who will stand by me as I would them through the good times and the bad Ad# 448075

R U MS RIGHT? 31 yrs old Hello here is a little more on me I'm very honest and do not play games I enjoy concerts movies bowling golf sports NASCAR and romantic dinners at home I'm very easy going and like to laugh and have a good time Ad# 449700

LOVELY MALE 24 yrs old In search of a female to love Single white male 24 years old 5 9 brown hair brown eyes I enjoy spending time with my son outdoor and indoor activities in search of single white female ages 18 30 who is honest and caring Ad# 466015

AWAITING YOUR RESPONSE SWF 23 yrs old seeking SBM 20 30 who is not into playing games If this is something you want then contact me! Ad# 443897

COFFEE? SWF 47 5 8 blonde hair blue eyes fun and outgoing Enjoys movies walking the outdoors and more Seeking a SBM 40 60 who is well established trustworthly honest and considerate Ad# 443926

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SWCM SEEKS SWCF 42 yrs old thanks for consid ering my profile I'm 42 divorced 6 3 190 lbs and a couple of years or so into mate searching If you are a Christian (born again/true believer) no older than 18 don't have or want children preferably of athletic build or at least quite fit/without a weight problem (sorry that as tactful as I get I would be interested in corresponding with you Ad# 449025

THAT SPECIAL SOMEONE SWM 23 5 10 185 lbs with a so d blue interests are romantc dinners breakfast n bed sports and more n search of a SWF over 18 who is all about having fun Ad# 465707

LOYAL & COMMITTED SBM 32 committed looking for his soulmate He is hard working easygoing fun loving and romantic Enjoys romantic dinners time with special some and much more She should be a SAF 24 37 who loves to cuddle Ad# 465699

LOOKING FOR THAT SPECIAL SOMEONE! 39 yrs old I'm 39 years old and 6 feet tall I'm very active and stay in good shape I like spending time with family and friends I like to have a good time doing just about anything as long as it's with someone I care about Ad# 466756

SEPARATION PERMANENT STARTING DATING 62 yrs old I'm 62 years young and retired I have a 21 year old stepson that does not live with me I work out every day I like racket sports and canoeing I bought a set of golf clubs at an estate sale and will be trying that sport I'm open to new interests I'm honest I cook and love kids Ad# 449334

1 GOOD WOMAN 43 yrs old Has the key to my heart Hi I'm looking for the woman who has the key to my heart and not afraid to use it Ad# 461694

TOGETHER FOREVER SWM 37 5 6 with a mediu m build short brown hair enjoys hunting fishing camping NASCAR cuddling movies and much more In search of a SWF 28 45 who is easy to get along with enjoys kids and has similar interests Ad# 465587

LOVER NOT A FIGHTER SEM 50 170 lbs hazel blue eyes blond hair nice and friendly My hobbies are cooking baseball swimming and walking Looking for a SEIF over 18 who is attractive and fit Ad# 463016

FUN & HUMOROUS SWM 39 5 9 blue eyes light brown hair has a great sense of humor outgoing and honest Enjoys biking music the outdoors good conversation and more Seeking a SF 21 42 who is a N/S open minded spontaneous outgoing humorous and loves music Ad# 464214

HI LADIES 39 yrs old Hello ladies I like to have fun love go camping and fishing I love the out doors My friends tell me that I am outgoing and fun to hang around Well that's about it Ad# 454714

GOOD ATTITUDE SWM 51 brown hair brown eyes fun generous kind and easy going Enjoys dining out long walks music and playing softball Seeking SWF 35 50 who has a good attitude s loving caring and under standing Looks are not important Ad# 462894

GET TO KNOW ME Honest caring respectful intelligent SBM 23 6 1 goatee beautiful smile Looking for an attractive exciting interesting SF 18 30 Ad# 468064

HONEST & CARING SWM 24 6 1 160 lbs with brown hair and considered to be very outgoing honest and caring Looking for a SF 26 32 with similar qualities Ad# 459774

A MATCH MADE IN HEAVEN SWM 36 5 180 lbs sandy brown hair green eyes Outgoing funny honest hard working and likes to have fun Self employed looking for a SWF self motivated hard working likes to have fun and who is secure Ad# 458314

BODY BUILDER Humorous SWM 36 6 2 well built seeking a musc lar/fit SF over 25 Ad# 407684

FUNNY & SENSITIVE SWM 53 5 7 with strawberry blond hair and blue eyes Interests are cooking walking children gardening and much more Looking for a SWF under 55 who has similar interests and doesn't pay games Ad# 457095

ROMANTIC GENTLEMAN SBM 21 5 8 with dark brown eyes Interests are basketball making music and much more In search of a sweet and romantic SF 19 29 who has a great personality Ad# 454154

ROMANCE 65 yrs old I am 6 feet tall & weigh 187 lbs I retired from a Fortune 500 Company in November 1994 then I taught people how to drive until April 1997 I have been retired since April 1997 I am looking for a lady between 50 & 70 for a long term relationship Ad# 446091

EASYGOING 47 yrs old Young looking average slender build quiet person until you know me I like bowling golf movies videos at home I am an easy going person who enjoys walks and keeps to myself Ad# 447119

LOOKING FOR COMPANION SHIP SBM 38 6 1 230 lbs with light skin and green eyes Interests are computer games long walks sporting events and much more Searching for a height/weight proportionate SOF 26 38 who is fun spontaneous with similar interests Ad# 449995

STOP LOOK & CALL! DWJM 49 medium build enjoys the outdoors home cooking and more Seeking a SWF 45 52 who is seeking a long term relationship Serious replies only no games please Redford area Ad# 411537

TIRE OF BEING ALONE SWM 49 hard working 5 8 175 lbs Seeking a SWF 45 48 who is easygoing intelligent and fit for a long term relationship in the Redford area only Ad# 406401

LOOKING FOR THE RIGHT GIRL 24 yrs old I'm looking for the right girl It seems to be pretty hard to find a good girl these days Ad# 447140

SPICE UP YOUR DAYS Professional SWM early 50's drug/disease free looking for a SF who is looking for a long term relationship Ad# 449910

EDUCATED PROFESSIONAL SWM 45 5 8 fit light brown hair blue eyes Looking for a passionate compassionate professional SWF 28 45 Ad# 449863

TIRE OF DATING SCENE? Funny outgoing SWM 40 6 masculine build light brown hair Enjoys camping working on cars and having good times Looking for a SWF 32 41 with looks charm and goals Ad# 449202

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HAPPY & CHEERFUL SBF 37 5 11 with brown eyes and a beautiful set of lips Enjoys cooking dining out shopping and much more In search of a SBM under 50 who is honest trustworthly funny caring and loving Ad# 449074

50/50 SWF 48 attractive intelligent loving and dedicated Seeking a SWM 44 60 who is sincere intelligent humorous N/S and honest for a ong term devoted relationship Ad# 448774

ARE WE COMPATIBLE? SBF 32 mother of 2 working part time and going to school part time Enjoys reading writing poetry and more Seeking a SBM 40 60 who is kind and compassionate If you are that special guy leave a message! Ad# 446605

NOTHING VENTURED NOTHING GAINED 47 yrs old I am 47 years young 5 5 blonde attractive professionally employed female who is looking for an unattached single male for friendship and possible more Ad# 446329

2 IS BETTER SWCF 49 5 6 blonde hair brown eyes organized intelligent and pleasant Enjoys the ater travel music and more Seeking a SWM over 46 who is loyal down to earth and not into games Ad# 446995

OLD FASHIONED LADY SWF 65 enjoys children but has none of her own yard sales movies dining out and more In search of an attractive nicely dressed SWM 49 70 who has a good sense of humor Ad# 426634

A GOOD FRIEND SBF 25 6 1 167 lbs attractive outgoing and enjoys life Seeking a SWM who is fun independent and friendly for a friendship first Ad# 444021

GOOD INNER SOUL Honest sincere 32 SWF dark hair brown eyes 5 2 outgoing strong willed caring Enjoys spending time with my son gardening festivals walking Looking for an employed SM who is honest sincere humorous looking to settle down and likes children Ad# 445709

OUTGOING & FUNNY SWF 22 5 5 with blonde hair and green eyes Interests are camping playing pool nights out on the town and much more In search of a SWM 21 35 who is honest caring down to earth and likes to have fun Ad# 445038

LOOKING FOR YOU Missng the richness of a good relationship Enjoys travel or just staying at home all types of entertainment Loves to dance walking in the woods or on the beach Loves to laugh and wants someone to laugh with me SWF 56 Ad# 406107

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HI HOW ARE YOU DOING I AM FINE 23 yrs old Looking for honest nice looking gal that likes to have fun and go out to the movies or clubs Ad# 448862

MONOGAMOUS SWM 50 160 lbs 6 salt and pepper hair pleasant outgoing and fun loving Enjoys boating skiing fishing and more Seeking a SWF 45 50 who is attractive 5 4 5 8 communicative and enjoys life Ad# 448302

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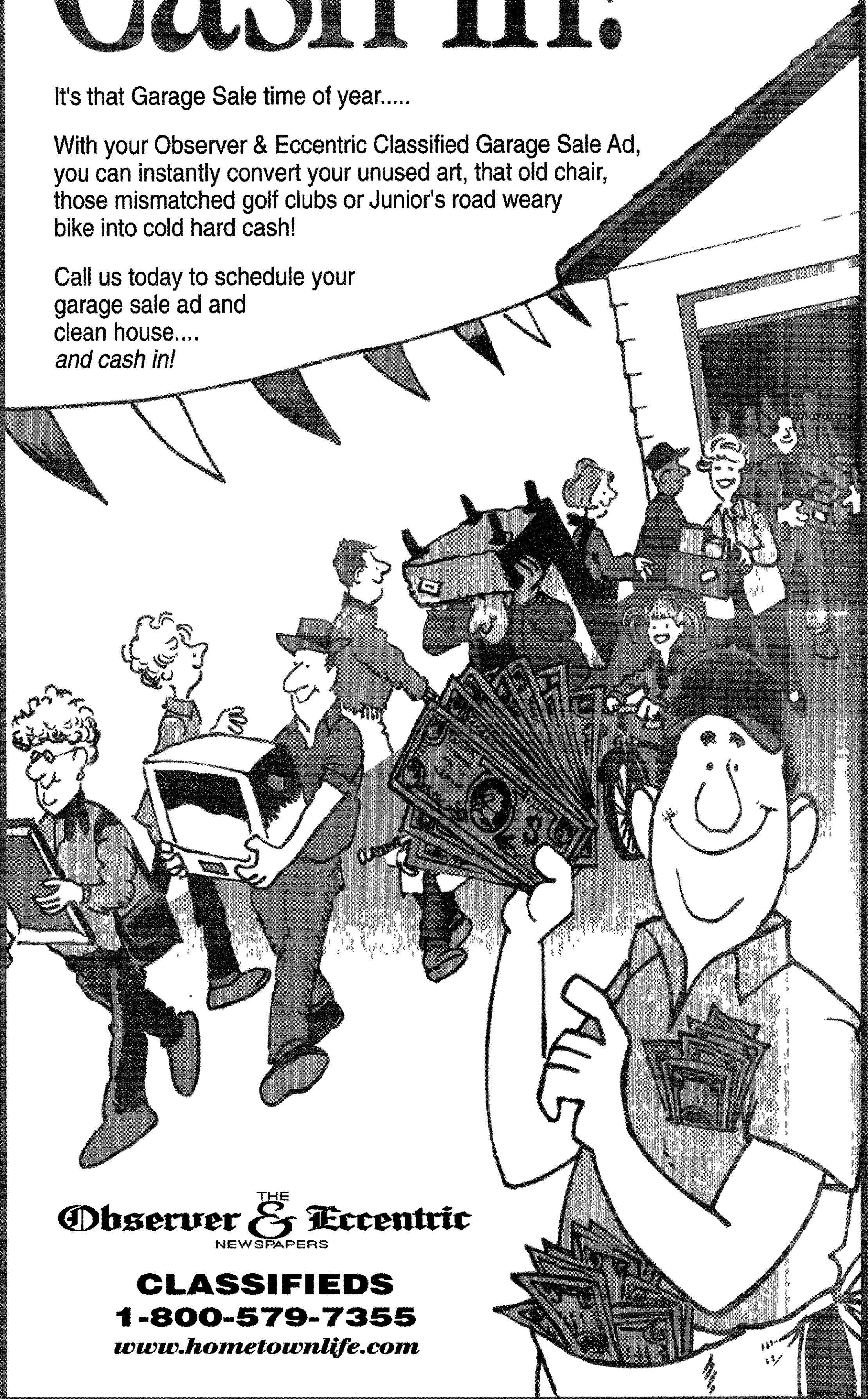
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<b>A-PLAN</b>	<b>A-Plan</b>	ZERO DOWN	\$221** PER MONTH	\$871 DUE AT SIGNING
<b>\$11,820!</b>	<b>Everyone</b>	ZERO DOWN	\$252** PER MONTH	\$1021 DUE AT SIGNING

### 2003 Ranger 4x4 Super Cab XLT



TAKE A LOOK AT THE FEATURES ON 2003 RANGER 4X4 SUPER CAB XLT  
Auto 4.0L Four Door Sliding Rear Window Speed Control Tilt Wheel Power Windows Power Locks Keyless Entry, Air MP3 Audio Player

MSRP \$24,790	<b>39 MONTH LEASE WITH RENEWAL</b>			
<b>A-PLAN WITH RENEWAL</b>	<b>A-Plan</b>	ZERO DOWN	\$217** PER MONTH	\$1146 DUE AT SIGNING
<b>\$17,071!</b>	<b>Everyone</b>	ZERO DOWN	\$248** PER MONTH	\$1196 DUE AT SIGNING

### 2003 F-150 Super Cab XLT!



TAKE A LOOK AT THE FEATURES ON 2003 F 150 SUPER CAB XLT!  
Auto Trans Air, Power Windows, Power Locks, Speed Control Tilt Wheel, Captain's Chairs, Keyless Entry Sliding Rear Window, Dual Media, Bedliner

MSRP \$27,010	<b>24 MONTH LEASE WITH F150 RENEWAL</b>			
<b>A-PLAN WITH F150 RENEWAL</b>	<b>A-Plan</b>	ZERO DOWN	\$240** PER MONTH	\$1,169 DUE AT SIGNING
<b>\$17,057!</b>	<b>Everyone</b>	ZERO DOWN	\$271** PER MONTH	\$1219 DUE AT SIGNING


### 2003 T-Bird Convertible



TAKE A LOOK AT THE FEATURES ON 2003 T-BIRD CONVERTIBLE  
Shadow grey, black accent pkg heated seats keyless entry, power windows, locks, seats Audiophile sound system power tilt telescoping steering wheel dual auto temp air (Std) 3131

MSRP \$38,515	<b>39 MONTH LEASE</b>			
<b>A-PLAN</b>	<b>A-Plan</b>	ZERO DOWN	\$430** PER MONTH	\$1,100 DUE AT SIGNING
<b>\$33,426!</b>	<b>Everyone</b>	ZERO DOWN	\$475** PER MONTH	\$1,150 DUE AT SIGNING

### 2003 Taurus SES 4 Door!



TAKE A LOOK AT THE FEATURES ON 2003 TAURUS SES! FREE MOONROOF  
Spoiler, Console Power Windows, Power Locks, Power Seat, Speed Control, Tilt Wheel, Six Disc CD, Adjustable Pedals, Keyless Entry

MSRP \$22,135	<b>39 MONTH LEASE WITH RENEWAL</b>			
<b>A-PLAN WITH RENEWAL</b>	<b>A-Plan</b>	ZERO DOWN	\$195** PER MONTH	\$1189 DUE AT SIGNING
<b>\$16,057!</b>	<b>Everyone</b>	ZERO DOWN	\$226** PER MONTH	\$1239 DUE AT SIGNING


### 2003 Escape XLT 4X4!



TAKE A LOOK AT THE FEATURES ON 2003 ESCAPE XLT!  
Auto, Air, Power Windows, Locks, Direct Seat Perimeter Alarm Tilt Wheel w/Speed Control Privacy Glass, Remote Keyless Entry (Std) Cover

MSRP \$24,690	<b>39 MONTH LEASE WITH RENEWAL</b>			
<b>A-PLAN WITH RENEWAL</b>	<b>A-Plan</b>	ZERO DOWN	\$287** PER MONTH	\$1040 DUE AT SIGNING
<b>\$19,485!</b>	<b>Everyone</b>	ZERO DOWN	\$318** PER MONTH	\$1070 DUE AT SIGNING

### 2003 Explorer XLS Sport 4 Door! 4X4



TAKE A LOOK AT THE FEATURES ON 2003 EXPLORER XLS SPORT 4 DOOR! 4X4  
Sport Package, Privacy Glass, Aluminum Wheels, Power Windows, Power Locks, Speed Control, Tilt Wheel, Dual Media, Step Bars, Keyless Entry

MSRP \$30,375	<b>39 MONTH LEASE WITH RENEWAL</b>			
<b>A-PLAN WITH RENEWAL</b>	<b>A-Plan</b>	ZERO DOWN	\$241** PER MONTH	\$1230 DUE AT SIGNING
<b>\$20,991!</b>	<b>Everyone</b>	ZERO DOWN	\$272** PER MONTH	\$1280 DUE AT SIGNING

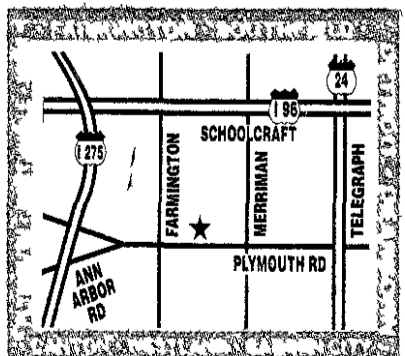
### 2003 Windstar SE!



Only \$15 more per month for Video Entertainment System  
XLT Auto Trans Air Power Windows Power Locks Speed Control Tilt Wheel, Captain's Chairs Keyless Entry, Adjustable Pedals

MSRP \$29,915	<b>39 MONTH LEASE WITH RENEWAL</b>			
<b>A-PLAN WITH RENEWAL</b>	<b>A-Plan</b>	ZERO DOWN	\$233** PER MONTH	\$1252 DUE AT SIGNING
<b>\$19,034!</b>	<b>Everyone</b>	ZERO DOWN	\$264** PER MONTH	\$1302 DUE AT SIGNING

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