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Blues Traveler keyboardist Ben Wilson honed his talent in his hometown of Ann Arbor

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Michigan produces 250 million pounds of tart cherries a year.

Collectible sale

The Plymouth Historical Museum sponsors a collectible book and magazine sale from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. July 10-11.

It's a sale of historical and collectible books and magazines from local collectors and duplicates from the museum's collections. Subjects include early history books, Michigan history, military history, Native American history, antiques and collecting, *Life* and other magazines from the 1930s to the 1980s. For information or to donate books for the sale, call the museum, (734) 455-8940

Scottish honor

Caitlin Campbell, the daughter of Jack and Cindy Kopenski of Plymouth, earned a \$225 Scottish Arts scholarship to attend



the Mid-Michigan Highland Dance Academy in Alma this summer.

The scholarship was awarded by the St. Andrew's Society of Detroit, a Scottish benevolent society to assist Caitlin in improving her skills as a Highland dancer. The academy is a three-day intensive course of study with world class instructors. The program was initiated in 1994 by society member William H. Kincaid, who has directed it ever since, last year, the society renamed the program in his honor.

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Non-appointment ruffles feathers

BY BRAD KADRICH
STAFF WRITER

When Supervisor Steve Mann announces his candidate for appointment to the Plymouth Township Planning Commission at the July 13

board meeting, he won't be reappointing former commissioner James Karell. Karell, a former Green Meadows subdivision resident whose term expired June 30, will be replaced by Janice Litwin, who currently resides in

Green Meadows, the subdivision that abuts the condo development going up where Sunshine Honda used to be. And Karell, appointed by Mann some three years ago, isn't too happy about it. He said he was informed by Mann June

25, just five days before the expiration of his term. Karell, who has had concerns about Mann's leadership style, said he thinks the move is entirely political. "Lately, the township has been run 'my way or the

highway," said Karell. "If you disagree with (Mann), you're told to stop or you suffer the repercussions. I do think this is because I don't agree with him, and I've been vocal about it."

PLEASE SEE TOWNSHIP, A5



PHOTOS BY TOM HAWLEY | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Stu Rockafellow Amateur Radio Society members Chuck VanVleck of Plymouth (foreground) and Dan Wysner of Milan reach someone from North Florida at the beginning of the radio operators field day at Plymouth Township Park Saturday afternoon

Riding the (radio) waves

Amateur society hits the right frequency in 2-day event

BY BRAD KADRICH
STAFF WRITER

Results aren't in yet, but members of the Stu Rockafellow Amateur Radio Society of Plymouth feel like they had a pretty good weekend.

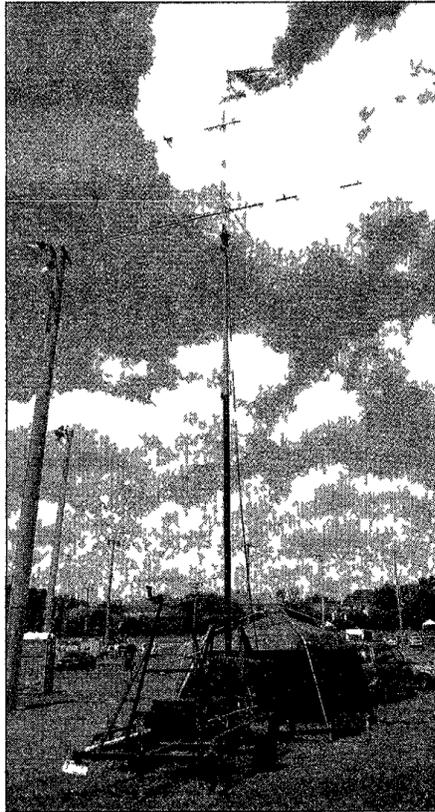
Some two dozen of them were out at Plymouth Township Park Saturday and Sunday, taking part in Field Day 2004, a nationwide competition of sorts sponsored by the American Radio Relay League in Hartford, Conn. The idea: Prove you can set up a field operation and establish communications that can be used in an emergency.

"It went really well," said Chuck VanVleck of Plymouth, who's been a

Stu Rockafellow member for some six years. "There are clubs all over the country involved, and it's a kind of contest to see which club can get the most points."

VanVleck said the idea is two-fold: Demonstrate to the community the club can set up in the field, and get the radio club some practice setting up, "just in case the local government needs us to get on the air doing communications."

The object of Field Day, according to club officials, is "to work as many stations as possible on any and all amateur bands and in doing so learn to operate in abnormal situations in less than optimal



Some two dozen Stu Rockafellow Amateur Radio Society of Plymouth operators showed up for the radio operators field day Saturday at Plymouth Township Park

PLEASE SEE RADIO, A8

Burger benefits from solid reputation

BY BRAD KADRICH
STAFF WRITER

Ron Semel has sampled many of the items on the menu at downtown Plymouth's Box Bar.



But Semel, a West Bloomfield resident who works at Visteon in Plymouth, generally returns to his favorite menu item, the Box Burger.

Apparently, he's not alone. The Box Burger was named the town's best burger in a recent "Best

PLEASE SEE BURGER, A5



MONICA FOUTS | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

A mushroom bacon cheeseburger waits to be served at the Box Grill. The sandwich was voted Plymouth's 'best burger' in a recent readership survey.

No flyover, but parade, picnic return for 4th

BY BRAD KADRICH AND TONY BRUSCATO
STAFF WRITERS

Folks in Plymouth never seem to mind getting up early for the 7:30 a.m. start of the annual Good Morning USA Fourth of July parade through downtown Plymouth.

Apparently, though, F-16 pilots aren't morning people. Although U.S. Air Force officials granted approval of a request to provide a flyover for the parade, organizer Fred Hill said no flights are scheduled that early in the morning, so no flyover will take place.

"We had it one other year, and it would have been a little extra icing," Hill said. "But we're going to have plenty of icing anyway."

Main Street will be closed from the railroad tracks near Theodore all the way south to Ann Arbor Road for Sunday's parade.

Despite the lack of the flyover, Hill said the parade will feature a number of new entries. The Aces High Monster Truck team will roll in with an 11,000-pound, steel-bodied 1972 Chevy El Camino, which sits 14 feet tall.

"Everybody will move out of your way, that's for sure," Aces High driver Shelley Kujat said. "Tying up the truck (changing the tires) before the parade will be a show in itself."

The tires are 6 feet tall and weigh 1,200 pounds apiece, and Kujat climbs them like a mountain climber to get to the cab. The 1,300-horsepower, small-block engine will probably drink every bit of the 60 gallons of alcohol injected fuel it carries.

It's the only fire-breathing monster truck in the world because the exhaust headers do emit three-foot flames," said owner Ron Kujat. "We'll tone it down as much as we can because at 7:30 in the morning we don't want to wake up all of Plymouth."

Hill said many of the old favorites are back — including the Fifth Michigan Regiment Band, the 24th Michigan Infantry with its tattered flag and rifle salute, Steve King and the Dittles, Plymouth singing sensation Sarah Lenore and the high school band — among the 80-plus entries in this year's parade.

There are sure to be plenty of goose bumps," Hill said. Once again, Hill's Bleacher Creatures will be seated at Penniman and Main with a prime time seat and a July Fourth bag of goodies. Seats are available for \$10 by calling the Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce at (734) 453-1540.

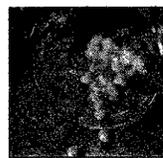
Following the parade, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., is the annual Plymouth Township picnic at township park.

A staple for years, the picnic offers a family event that draws thousands of people from all over the area. It features an inexpensive meal, games for both young and old and a family atmosphere its organizers say is hard to beat. This year's event features the return of a hot air balloon sponsored by Re-Max, which provides an opportunity for youngsters to get a ride. Also on hand will be the Plymouth Community Fire Department and the Plymouth Township Police Department, each with vehicles and equipment available for hands-on demonstrations.

"Where else can you bring three or four thousand people out to have a great time with their families?" said township Treasurer Ron Edwards, who organizes the event. "It's always a great time."

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New methods



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Experts suggest alternatives to hormone replacement therapy

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Artists drawing up plans for Cherry Hill show

Local artists are encouraged to submit their work for the Cherry Hill Invitational Fine Arts and Antiques Show Sept 18-19 in Cherry Hill Village

Oil, water and acrylic paintings are just some of the types of art that will be displayed and judged at the Cherry Hill Village schoolhouse. Artists must submit three slides or photos of their work by July 14 to be considered for one of the show's 50 exhibition spots.

It's really an ideal location for a fine arts show," event organizer Joyce Murphy said. Displays will be set up around and inside the schoolhouse. Several pieces may be at the new Village Theater, too.

Canton's Leisure Services Department and Beechwood Inc are sponsoring the show, which is in its first year. The public is invited to attend the Cherry Hill Invitational from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Saturday, Sept 18, and on Sunday, Sept 19, from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Admission and parking will be free," said Murphy.

Besides paintings, graphic arts, glass, ceramics, photography, jewelry and sculptures will be displayed at the fine arts show. Murphy said a number of antique pieces will be shown as well.

Several kinds of art will not be accepted for the show: Dried flower arrangements, knit work, pressed flowers, poured molds, manufactured goods, pre-manufactured wearable art, including T-shirts, will not be accepted. Mass produced paintings, woodwork, jewelry, post and note cards are also not acceptable. Best of Show awards will be given to artists producing 2-D and 3-D pieces. A Best of Show will also be given to the top antique. All pieces displayed in the Cherry Hill Fine Arts and Antiques Show will be available for purchase, Murphy said.

The Cherry Hill Village schoolhouse is located at the corner of Cherry Hill and Ridge roads. For more information or artists wishing to apply to the show, contact Krs Darby at (734) 398-6598.

CHICKEN BARBECUE

The Mayflower Lt Gamble VFW Post 6695 host a chicken barbecue from noon-4 p.m. in the back yard of the VFW Post, 1426 S Mill.

The \$6-per-person cost buys the diner a half-chicken, baked potato, cole slaw and a roll with butter.

Proceeds will benefit the VFW scholarship funds.

40TH REUNION

Organizers are busy working on the 40th-year reunion for the class of Detroit's St Andrews High School Class of 1964, and they're looking for Plymouth-Canton residents from that class.

The reunion is slated for 2-8 p.m. July 25, at the pavilion in Beverly Park in Beverly Hills, Mich. The reunion is a picnic, so participants should bring their own food and drink. There is no cost to attend.

Beverly Park is located on 13 1/2 Mile between Southfield Road and Evergreen. For more information, call Paul Schwab, (248) 559-4535.

NEWS BRIEFS

MEDICAL CAREER

Caleb James of Taylor, a sophomore at Plymouth Christian Academy, recently enrolled in the National Youth Leadership forum on Medicine, which takes place in Washington, D.C., July 18-27.

Caleb joins 350 high school students from around the



James

country who demonstrate academic excellence, leadership potential and an interest in a career in medicine.

The forum will introduce Caleb to a variety of concepts in public health, medical ethics, research and general practice, and will include site visits to medical facilities and clinics.

Caleb is class chaplain at PCA, where he has lettered in soccer, cross country and track, and has played junior varsity basketball. He has maintained a high honor roll status by carrying a 3.89 grade point average. He participated with the 2003 Plymouth Canton robotics team, where he received the creativity award.

concert Thursday in Kellogg Park. Forty Civil War soldier re-enactors in uniform, with muskets, will perform drill routines during the Civil War medley.

The event will be followed by an ice cream party at the Plymouth Historical Museum, where free ice cream cones will be handed out courtesy state Rep. John Stewart and his wife, Beth, the director of the museum.

FULBRIGHT AWARD

Jane Raven, a teacher at Elmira Free Academy (NY) High School and a 1994 graduate of Canton High School, has been awarded a Fulbright Teacher grant to teach in Mexico, the U.S. Department of State and the J. William Fulbright Foreign Scholarship board announced recently.

Raven attended Albion College, then received a master's degree in Second Language Education in May from the State University of New York. She currently lives in Ithaca, NY.

Recipients of Fulbright awards are selected on the basis of academic or professional achievement, as well as demonstrated leadership potential in their fields. Fulbright grantees are among more than 30,000 individuals participating in U.S. Department of State exchange programs each year.

PAWS WITH A CAUSE

Dogs (and their owners) are being invited to join Paws with a Cause for its fourth-annual Laps for Learning PAWS Walk set for 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, July 24, in Kellogg Park.

The 1.5-mile walk, sponsored by IAMS, is open to all, with or without the family dog, and will wind its way through accessible, tree-lined city neighborhoods.

Registration starts at 10 a.m. All dogs must be on a leash, under control at all times and have proof of current rabies vaccination. Children 14 and younger must be accompanied by an adult. The Plymouth Canton Civitan Club kicks off the event with an all-you-can-eat breakfast (\$6 for adults, \$3

for kids) at the Masonic Temple.

For more information, flyers or pledge sheets, contact Sue Brooks at Paws with a Cause by e-mail at pawsssemisue@yahoo.com or by calling (248) 693-9789.

POETRY CONTEST

The International Library of Poetry has announced \$58,000 in prizes will be awarded this year in the International Open Poetry Contest. Poets from the Plymouth area, particularly beginners, are welcome to try to win their share of more than 250 prizes. Contest deadline is Sept. 30. The contest is open to everyone, and entry is free of charge. To enter, send one original poem, any subject and style, to The International Library of Poetry, Suite 19920, 1 Poetry Plaza, Owings Mills, MD 21117. The poem should be 20 lines or less, and the poet's name and address should appear at the top of the page. Entries must be postmarked or sent via the Internet by Sept. 30. Poets may also enter online at www.poetry.com.

KIWANIS BREAKFASTS

The Kiwanis Club of Plymouth-Canton Breakfast sponsors a series of pancake breakfasts at the Masonic Temple in downtown Plymouth to raise money to support its projects, and the breakfast Saturday is a special one. Father's attending Saturday's breakfast get their tickets for \$1 off. Breakfast is served from 8-11 a.m. July 10, Aug. 7 and Sept. 4. Cost is \$6 for adults, \$3 for children 6-12. Children age 5 and younger served free.

Proceeds from the breakfasts — which include all-you-can-eat eggs, pancakes, bacon, sausage, biscuits and gravy and coffee, tea or juice — support community activities such as an annual scholarship, sweat suits for First Step, Bentley Elementary School read-along, church directories for area hotels/motels, Halloween Costumes for hospitalized children, Youth Leadership Canton and Leadership Plymouth.

The Masonic Temple is located at 730 Penniman

KIDS' FINE ARTS CAMPS

Youngsters get a chance to cartoon, draw and paint at the Plymouth Community Arts Council during a Visual Arts Camp July 19-23.

Young artists ages 7-14 will create fun individual and group artwork with pencil, pen, paint and pastels from 10:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. each day and host their own "opening exhibition" on Friday afternoon. The August 9-13 workshop will offer the challenge of sculpture. Carve plaster, play with clay and make paper and sand casts just for starters. Kids should bring a lunch. The cost is \$125 for PCAC members, \$140 for nonmembers. To register or for more information, call (734) 416-4278.

PATRIOTIC PERFORMANCE

The 110-member Plymouth Community Band performs a patriotic music salute to veterans and members of the Armed Forces during a 7 p.m.

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Frame of mind

Plymouth shop gives owner new picture of life

BY TONY BRUSCATO
STAFF WRITER

A short time after getting married, Al Larson of Plymouth and his wife, Jan, were working on their new home "I was moping around one day and my wife gave me a picture and told me to get it framed," said Larson. "A couple of weeks later, she gave me another picture and told me to get it framed."

"I worked in a frame shop in college, and the idea was in my head," he said.

"I worked for Manufacturers Bank, and I wanted to get out of the rat race," remembers Larson. "I wanted to be my own boss." And, today he is Larson is celebrating his 30th year as owner of

Frameworks on Penniman in downtown Plymouth, which has designed and framed more than 300,000 pieces and has grown to three retail locations, including Canton and Livonia.

"I still enjoy coming in every day," he said. "The best is when someone brings in a family heirloom and we can turn it into something they're thrilled about, something they couldn't even imagine. Whether it's a needlepoint or a special piece of art a child has done, it's just a neat feeling."

Larson said the past 30 years have seen a lot of changes in the framing business. "It used to be people were just happy to find someone who could frame something for them," Larson said. "Now, it's a fashion type of business. So, you've got to have all the latest innovations in framing, and have something for everybody."

That includes more than 3,000 frames to choose from. "We never have enough samples," said Larson. "There's always something new coming out." Larson



MONICA FOUTS/STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Al Larson and his son, John, sit in the colorful lounge area of their store, Frameworks. The Larsons are celebrating 30 years of business.

said that while 90 percent of his business is framing, the rest deals with custom restoration of photographs and digital imaging, which is fairly new.

"We've been working on digital imaging, where people will bring in a photograph and blow it up, then cut it out to make a life-size stand," he said. "We can also have an artist draw from the photograph image and print it on canvas. We can take regular photographs and digitally change it to give it an Andy Warhol look, or even take a photo and make it into a watercolor," he said.

Larson credits his son, John, for spearheading the digital imaging products at Frameworks. The initial start up was about \$25,000 for equipment, such as scanners, printers and computer systems," said John Larson. "We have to keep updating."

"We're also in the process of building a new Web site so other galleries, on a national level, can sell our services," he said. "We get a lot of business from artists

for fine art reproduction."

One of the proudest moments for Al and his son was the marketing of a unique photo of the American flag by renowned Detroit artist Ameen Howram. A copy is on display in the White House, after being presented to President George W. Bush when he visited a Southfield school in 2001. "Bush went to only five schools in the whole country, and the photographer's wife just happened to work at that school, and we were working on trying to get the photo in Bush's presence," said Al Larson. "It just all came together."

As for the future of Frameworks, John Larson said they want to be known as a creative art gallery.

"Not only a place where people can have things framed, and where they can find artwork, he said, "but an extraordinary place where people can come visit and recognize as one of the leading art galleries in Michigan."

Coke pact fizzles, city moves to Pepsi

BY TONY BRUSCATO
STAFF WRITER

The city of Plymouth is expected to take the Pepsi challenge.

City commissioners are expected to vote in favor of Pepsi over Coca-Cola at Tuesday's city commission meeting, as the Joy of Cola means joy for the budget.

A new five-year vending machine contract will mean Pepsi, Mountain Dew and Gatorade products will replace Coke, Diet Coke and Sprite at city facilities.

"It's the incentive programs that pushed Pepsi over the top," said Steve Anderson, deputy recreation director, who opened bids from Pepsi, Coca-Cola, Absopure and U.S. Coin. "Pepsi came in with the best overall bid, plus a \$10,000 upfront signing bonus."

Anderson said Coke offered \$10,000, but it was spread over five years.

Along with a 41-percent take on gross sales, which amounts to \$12.30 per case for the city, Anderson said incentives made the deal with Pepsi particularly attractive.

"Pepsi is also going to give a rebate of 75 cents per case toward arena advertising on the dasher boards" on the Plymouth Cultural Center's ice arena, said Anderson. "If we sell 2,500 cases, that would mean an additional \$2,000 back to the city. They also offered the same deal for youth sports."

"Pepsi will also do four promotions a year in the vending machines throughout the city, putting stickers on bottles for free open skating at the Cultural Center," he said.

Pepsi will also spend \$500 to convert current Coke signage, which will mean the addition of clocks throughout the arena, concession and locker room areas at the cultural center.

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Steve Anderson
deputy recreation director

The bottom line, according to Anderson, is the city should increase its take from vending machine sales from about \$14,000 annually to approximately \$20,000.

"The money will go into the recreation budget to provide recreational services to the city," said Anderson.

City Manager Paul Sincock is pleased the city's vending machines will have a new look.

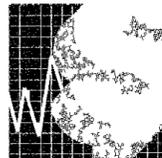
"It's been five long years, said Sincock of the Coke contract. "We weren't happy with their service because they were slow at servicing and filling the machines."

"We're like Disney World downtown and the machines don't work," he said. "It cost both them and us money. I'm very disappointed in (Coke's) performance."

The city currently has 10 vending machines at the Cultural Center, plus others at the Municipal Services offices, City Hall and Kellogg Park. There are discussions about adding machines at Massey Field and some soccer fields.

"Coke told us the Cultural Center was the largest seller of Coke products for a single sheet ice arena," said Anderson. "We think this new contract is a win-win for Pepsi and us."

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Freudenberg earns industry honors Township accepts bond bid for hall

In recognition of its world-class excellence in quality and delivery, Freudenberg-NOK has earned 12 customer awards for its 2003 performance.

According to Richard E. Allen, CEO of Manufactured Products for Freudenberg-NOK, these awards serve as a testament to the company's commitment to customer satisfaction and the importance placed on continuous improvement.

It is a great honor to be recognized by our automaker and tier-one supplier customers for providing quality products and service," said Allen. "We make every effort to not only meet, but exceed, our customers' expectations and these awards clearly demonstrate that we are accomplishing that goal.

Five of the company's facilities earned awards from Nissan Motor Co. The Nissan

Quality Master Award was presented to Freudenberg-NOK's Cleveland, Ga., Milan, Ohio, and Morristown, Ind. manufacturing facilities, as well as the company's minority joint venture, Vibration Control Technologies (VCT), facility in Ligonier, Ind.

The award is based on year-long evaluations of the supplier's systems, incoming quality, response time, cost reduction capability, design support, timely shipments, product performance and complexity, warranty and the automaker's own vehicle evaluation system. Only suppliers that achieve a score of 85 or higher on a 100 point scale are recognized with the award.

In addition, Nissan honored the VCT facility and Freudenberg-NOK plants in Morristown, Ind., and Lagrange, Ga., with its Zero

Defects Award. This award is presented to suppliers that ship fewer than five defective parts per million in a year's time.

VCT also earned two awards from Honda of America - the Honda Quality Performance Award and the Honda Delivery Award. The quality award is reserved for suppliers who achieve consistent quality levels as measured by parts per million, while the delivery award is presented to suppliers who eliminate errors and wasteful effort, including miscounts, label mistakes, untimely deliveries and mixed parts.

The company's Bloomington, Ill. facility - which houses Flexitech, another Freudenberg-NOK joint venture that manufactures automotive brake hoses - was also a recipient of the Honda Quality Performance Award.

The Scottsburg, Ind. facility, which produces brake sealing products, earned the Ambrake Quality and Delivery Award. The facility was also a nominee for the Elizabethtown, Ky.-based supplier President's Award.

Finally, Aisin USA presented Freudenberg-NOK's Cleveland, Ga. facility with its Master Supplier Award. The manufacturing plant provides engine oil seals to the automotive supplier.

Founded in 1989 with its North American headquarters in Plymouth Township, Freudenberg-NOK General Partnership is a joint venture between Freudenberg & Co. of Germany and NOK Corp. of Japan.

For more information, visit the Freudenberg-NOK web site at www.freudenberg-nok.com

Township accepts bond bid for hall

BY BRAD KADRICH
STAFF WRITER

There's no turning back now on the new township hall project in Plymouth Township, at least not without financial consequences.

The township board Tuesday voted unanimously (with one abstention and one trustee absent) to accept a bid from Banc One Capital Markets, Inc., to sell \$6 million in municipal bonds to finance half of the projected \$12 million cost of the new hall.

Banc One offered the lowest interest cost, 4.520437 percent, of the 12 bids opened Tuesday afternoon by township officials and their financial advisors. Some 26 firms partnered to form the 12 bids.

Interest on the bonds will range from 3.5 percent in the first year to 4.85 percent in 2025.

"I think this is a very favorable bid," said township supervisor Steve Mann. "We're on track to start a very important project."

Only one local firm - New Liberty Bank - submitted a bid. New Liberty's bid came in second, at 4.53 percent. According to township treasurer

er Ron Edwards, state law dictates the low bid be accepted.

The sale comes on the heels of a AA rating given the project by Standard & Poor's, which issued a report basing the rating on access to the greater Detroit metropolitan area employment base, strong economic indicators including high income levels and a large and diverse tax base, a strong financial position with large reserves, and low debt.

Bob Bendzinski, owner of Bendzinski & Co. municipal finance advisors, said much of S&P's impression came from the fact the township's household income is 178 percent of the national average, while per capita income is 172 percent.

"They issued an excellent rating with a stable outlook," Bendzinski told the board. "It means they were very comfortable giving you that rating."

It's the second major step forward for the township hall project. Last month, the board hired A3C Architects of Ann Arbor to do the architectural design work on the project. A3C staffers have already met with township officials and department heads.

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ON STAGE

Here are the concert schedules for the Friday night and Wednesday afternoon concert series in Plymouth's Kellogg Park.

Music in the Park is presented Wednesday afternoons at noon by the Plymouth Community Arts Council.

The Music in the Air series is presented Friday evenings by the Downtown Development Authority. Those start at 7 p.m.

MUSIC IN THE PARK

- July 7 - Josh White Jr
- July 14 - Gemini
- July 21 - Marc Thomas &

Max the Moose

- July 28 - Guy Lous and Chautauqua Express
 - Aug 4 - Hometown Kids concert with Phoenix and the Celebration Youth Orchestra
 - Aug 11 - Harpbeat
 - Aug 18 - Elmo Thumm
- The concerts, sponsored by New Liberty Bank, start at noon. For more information on the concerts, call the Plymouth Community Arts Council at (734) 416-4278.

MUSIC IN THE AIR

- July 2 - Red, White, Bluegrass & Blues An American Music Celebration,

featuring the Cass Avenue Ramblers, followed by Harmonica Shah & Howard Glazer.

July 9 - No concert because of Art in the Park.

July 16 - The Warren Commission, featuring vocalist Suzy Marsh, fresh from her Detroit Music Awards nomination as Best Female Jazz Vocalist.

July 23 - Steve King & The Ditties. Veteran Oldies King provides a great evening of family entertainment.

July 30 - Thornetta Davis for blues and R&B. Aug 6 - King Sweat, playing R&B, classic soul and

some rock-&-roll.

Aug 13 - Bobby Lewis & The Crackerjack Band. The final appearance by The CJB at Music in the Air, as the Dean of Detroit Rock & Roll retires this year.

Aug 20 - Impact 7 revue-style show featuring music from Motown to Earth, Wind & Fire.

Aug 27 - Pamela Ransford & The Plymouth Guitar Band.

Sept 3 - September Surprise featuring mystery guests.

The concerts, sponsored by Community Financial, start at 7 p.m.

Physical Therapy UPDATE
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POLING DATA

If hiking is a part of your summer exercise regimen, you may want to walk with a hiking pole. Research shows that these extended walking sticks which resemble extended skis, can actually help reduce the risk of overuse injuries. To assess the effectiveness of this regard, researchers asked subjects to walk on an inclined treadmill with a backpack that carried a load equal to about one-third of their body weight. As the researchers measured the subjects exerted on their hiking poles took longer strides and fewer steps. This served to reduce the energy absorbed by leg joints. The poles also helped reduce the load on the muscles and

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Johan Cornuth, PT



Mark Mijnsbergen, PT



Bob Schoemaker, PT

License suspended after conviction for fraud

The Michigan Department of Community Health has summarily suspended the dentistry license and the dental hygienist license of Karen Lynne Smereck because of a felony conviction in the Third Judicial Circuit Court in Wayne County.

On Dec. 12, 2003, Smereck was convicted of Medicaid Fraud-False Claim and was sentenced to six months probation. Smereck failed to report her conviction to the

community health department, as required by the Public Health Code.

On June 17, the community health department issued an order immediately suspending Smereck's licenses, according to the Public Health Code, which provides for the mandatory summary suspension of a health professional's license upon the conviction of a felony. An administrative hearing will be scheduled to address the status of Smereck's licenses.

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FOR THE RECORD

FIRE RUNS

The Plymouth Community Fire Department responded to the following runs between June 23-29.

Tuesday, June 29 - Residential rescue runs on F, on Burning Tree and on Plymouth Road, industrial rescue runs on Halyard and on Port, rescue run to a public building on Farmer. Rescue run on Main, commercial rescue runs on Ann Arbor Road and on Five Mile. Vehicle accident on northbound I-275 south of Ann Arbor Trail, vehicle fire on Ann Arbor Road.

Monday, June 28 - Downed wires at Northampton and Joy, residential rescue runs on Bradley Court and on Pine. Vehicle accidents at Sheldon and Five Mile at Ann Arbor Road and Haggerty and at Sheldon and M 14 commercial rescue runs on Main and on Northville Road.

Sunday, June 27 - Residential rescue runs on Northville Road, on Sheridan, on Haggerty, on McClumpha and on Crestwood, vehicle accident at Ann Arbor Trail and McClumpha, investigation on Powell.

Saturday, June 26 - Commercial fire on Ann Arbor Road, residential rescue runs on Main, on Wing, on Penniman, on Northville Road and on Greenview.

Friday, June 25 - Investigation on Main, vehicle accidents at Main and Linden, on Hines west of Haggerty and on Junction, residential rescue runs on Pepperidge and on Northville Road.

Thursday, June 24 - Residential rescue runs on Oak, on Newporte and on Mill, industrial rescue run on Sheldon, commercial rescue run on Sheldon.



For the Record appears in every edition of the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers. Complete paid obituaries can be found inside today's At Home section in Passages on page C5.

Wednesday, June 23 - Residential rescue runs on Clemons on Mill on Robinwood and on Northville Road. Vehicle accidents on Ann Arbor Trail west of Beck and on westbound M 14 west of Sheldon. Rescue run on Plymouth Road at Eckles.

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MILITARY NEWS

BASIC TRAINING

Air Force Airman 1st Class Alexander D. Stamp graduated from basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio, Texas

During the six weeks of training, the airman studied the Air Force mission, organization, and military customs and courtesies, performed drill and ceremony marches, and received physical training, rifle marksmanship, field training exercises, and special training in human relations

In addition, airmen who complete basic training earn credits toward an associate degree through the Community College of the Air Force

Stamp is the son of Diane Stamp of Pennman Ave., Plymouth, Mich

ROTC SCHOLARSHIP

John L. Moore of Plymouth has been awarded an Air Force ROTC (Reserve Officer Training Corps) college scholarship The cadet was selected on the basis of comprehensive tests scores,

high school scholastic achievement, school officials evaluations, extra-curricular activities, and community involvement

The scholarship is designed to cover the cost of tuition, textbooks, laboratory and incidental fees, and a non-taxable monthly stipend during the school year

Upon graduating from college and completing the ROTC program, the cadets are commissioned as second lieutenants in the Air Force The new lieutenants select and enter various career fields to train as pilots, navigators, engineers, medical, personnel, business management fields, and special operations

Moore is the son of Eric N and Kim J Moore of Adams St., Plymouth, Mich

He is a 2004 graduate of Canton High School

GRADUATED

Air Force Cadet Timothy M. Hughes has graduated from the U S Air Force Academy, Colorado Springs, CO The graduate received a bachelor of science degree

and was commissioned as a second lieutenant

Senior cadets have the opportunity to serve as academy cadet officers who provide leadership, motivation and direction for the cadet wing and demonstrate effective officership in support of unit mission objectives

The academy is a four-year military institution of higher learning that develops and inspires new air and space leaders with a vision for the future The curriculum provides instruction, education, training and experience in academics, military training, physical and athletic conditioning, and spiritual and ethical development to all cadets They graduate with the knowledge, character and skills essential to meet the leadership challenges of the 21st century for future career officers in the U S Air Force

The new lieutenants go on to serve as pilots, navigators, engineers, maintenance officers, professionals in various technical fields, and some attend medical or graduate school with special scholarships, while others go directly to non-rated Air Force-wide assignments

The officer is scheduled to attend intelligence training school at Goodfellow Air Force Base, San Angelo, Texas

Hughes received a degree in foreign area studies, western Europe concentration with a minor in French

The lieutenant is the son of Patrick and Mary Hughes of Ferncliff Ave., Royal Oak, Mich

His sister and brother-in-law are Sharon and Michael Samulski of Canton



The Plymouth YMCA's annual Father's Day run through the streets of Plymouth drew a record crowd of more than 1,000 runners

Record crowd for annual YMCA run

Before firing up the barbecues and opening gifts, more than 1,000 people began their Father's Day celebration by lacing up their running shoes

A record 1,072 runners took to the streets of Plymouth for the 25th-annual YMCA Father's Day Run June 20

"This event has become a family tradition for so many," said Plymouth Family YMCA Executive Director Gna Peterson

Dads, moms, sons and daughters of all ages participated in a variety of races — from the diaper dash to the MDG (Morse Dental Group) Triple, for those brave enough to run all three races (the mile, 5K and 10K)

Loc Performance, the event's platinum sponsor, is one of the many organizations and individuals who made this event a success Proceeds from the run support the annual YMCA Strong Kids Campaign, which helps ensure all children can participate at the YMCA

To volunteer, contribute or for more information, contact the Plymouth Family YMCA at (734) 453-2904



The YMCA's Father's Day run didn't just attract the dads, plenty of kids took part, as well

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH LEGAL NOTICE

CLOSE OF REGISTRATION FOR THE AUGUST 3, 2004, PRIMARY ELECTION

PLEASE NOTE that Tuesday July 6, 2004, is the last date to register for the Primary Election to be held on Tuesday, August 3 2004 Registration for Township electors will be taken at the Office of the Township Clerk, 42350 Ann Arbor Road Building 3 or at any Secretary of State Office The phone number of the Township Clerk is 354 3224 The office of the Clerk is open from 8 00 a m to 4 30 p m, Monday through Friday If a resident is unable to register during those hours, a call to the Clerk's Office can set up a convenient time for the resident

MARILYN MASSENGILL, Clerk
Charter Township of Plymouth

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BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS MEETING NOTICE CITY OF PLYMOUTH, MICHIGAN (734) 453-1234

A regular meeting of the Board of Zoning Appeals will be held on Thursday July 1 2004 at 7 00 P M in the Commission Chambers of the City Hall 201 S Main Street Plymouth MI to consider the following items

- Z 04 14 1041 Linden Non Use Variance Requested Rear Yard Setback Variance Zoned R 1 Single Family Residential Applicant Garrett & Sheila Kazanowski
- Z 04-15 391 Maple Non Use Variance Requested Rear & Front Yard Setback Variance Zoned R-1 Single Family Residential Applicant Max & Julie Courtney

All interested persons are invited to attend

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act the City of Plymouth will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services, such as signers for the hearing impaired and audio tapes of printed materials being considered at the meeting/hearing, to individuals with disabilities Requests for auxiliary aids or services may be made by writing or calling the following

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH REQUEST FOR AN INDUSTRIAL FACILITIES EXEMPTION FOR LOC PERFORMANCE PRODUCTS, INC. TUESDAY, JULY 13, 2004

PLEASE TAKE NOTE that a public hearing will be held on Tuesday July 13 2004 during a regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Plymouth to consider a request from Loc Performance Products Inc for a twelve year Industrial Facilities Exemption for new machinery and equipment to be installed within their facility located at 13505 Haggerty Road Plymouth Township Wayne County Michigan

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

The public hearing commencing at 7 00 p m will be held in the Meeting Room at Plymouth Township Hall 42350 Ann Arbor Road Plymouth Michigan 48170 on Tuesday July 13 2004 during the regularly scheduled Board of Trustee Meeting Telephone number 734 354 3224

MARILYN MASSENGILL Clerk
Charter Township of Plymouth

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

PROPOSED ACTION Request Approval of Zoning Variance Requests
DATE OF HEARINGS- TIME OF HEARINGS Thursday, July 8, 2004 5 00 p m
PLACE OF HEARINGS Plymouth Township Hall, 42350 Ann Arbor Rd

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Zoning Board of Appeals of the Charter Township of Plymouth will hold public hearings at 5 00 p m on Thursday July 8 2004 to consider the following variance requests

- 1 Application No 1366 - Dean & Lorraine Gardner 9629 Southworth Tax ID #78-060-02-0037-000

The existing primary residence has a front yard setback of twenty nine point eight (29 8) feet With the proposed eight (8) foot front porch addition the front yard setback would be twenty one point eight (21 8) feet The applicant is requesting a front yard variance of three point two (3 2) feet

- 2 Application No 1367 - Mr & Mrs James Frederick 8818 Rocker Ave Tax ID #78-061-02-0073-002

The existing non conforming residential property has a rear yard setback of twenty two point one (22 1) feet With the proposed variance the rear yard setback would be eleven point one (11 1) feet The applicant is requesting a variance for rear yard setback of thirty eight point nine (38 9) feet

- 3 Application No 1368 - Kathleen M Baigrie 42032 Brentwood Tax ID #78-017-05 0102-000

With the proposed twenty four (24) foot x twenty two (22) foot detached garage addition, the proposed side yard setback would be three (3) feet The applicant is requesting a side yard setback variance of two (2) feet

- 4 Application No 1369 - Leslie & Joanne Campbell 45626 Turtlehead Ct N Tax ID #78-053-01-0408-000

The existing residential property has a rear yard setback of fifty (50) feet With the proposed twenty one (21) foot x six (6) foot kitchen addition the rear yard setback will forty six point eight (46 8) feet The applicant is requesting a building height variance of three point two (3 2) feet

- 5. Application No. 1370 - Mark Kesson 15047 Lakewood Tax ID #78-017-06-0370-002

The existing non conforming residential property has a rear yard setback of forty six point eight (46 8) feet With the proposed sixteen point six (16 6) foot addition the rear yard setback would thirty nine point seven (39 7) feet The applicant is requesting a rear yard variance of ten point three (10 3) feet

- 6 Application No 1371 - Fran & Steven Kleabir 11946 Appletree Tax ID #78-032-02-0012-000

The existing residential property has a rear yard setback of fifty (50) feet With the proposed family room addition the rear yard setback would forty two (42) feet The applicant is requesting a rear yard variance of eight (8) feet

- 7. Application No 1372 - Ed Jonik 11370 Parkview Tax ID #78-063 02 0027-000

The existing non conforming primary residence has a front yard setback of twenty five (25) feet With the proposed twenty one (21) foot x six (6) foot front porch addition the front yard setback would be twenty two (22) feet The applicant is requesting a front yard variance of three (3) feet

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the proposed variance requests may be examined at the Plymouth Township Building Department Plymouth Township Hall during regular business hours from 8 00 a m to 4 30 p m Written comments will be received prior to the meeting and may mailed to the Plymouth Township Building Department 42350 Ann Arbor Road Plymouth, MI 48170 or call 734-354-3208 The meeting will be held in the Meeting Room at Township Hall which is located in Building One at 42350 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth

RAYMOND STURDY Secretary
Zoning Board of Appeals

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH BOARD OF TRUSTEES - REGULAR MEETIN TUESDAY, JUNE 22, 2004

Supervisor Mann called the meeting to order at 7 00 p m and led in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag All members were present

Mrs Massengill moved to approve the agenda for the June 22 2004, Board of Trustees Regular Meeting as submitted Seconded by Mr Edwards Ayes all

Mrs Massengill moved to approve the Consent Agenda for the June 22, 2004, Board of Trustees Regular Meeting as submitted Ayes all

Paul Schultz, a resident of Corinne Street recommended merging the City of Plymouth and Plymouth Township for cost savings, including expanding their City Hall rather than building a new Township Hall

Mr Mann noted that liabilities would be incurred for the Township residents such as increased water and tax rates

Mike Blaes presented a petition from his fellow residents of Corinne Street, requesting the closing of the street because of excess traffic and safety hazards

Mr Mann responded that the street closures are part of the Township's plan for the corridor and are a priority that is already being studied Public Services Director Anulewicz anticipated a recommendation would be made to the Supervisor within the next two weeks regarding the street closings

Mr Mann opened the Public Hearing regarding the request from Material Sciences Corporation, for a twelve year Industrial Facilities Exemption for a facility located at 46900 Port Street, Plymouth Corporation Park at 7 15 p m There being no comment from the public the hearing was closed at 7 16 p m

Mr Edwards moved to approve Resolution No 04 06 22 27 granting the request from Material Sciences Corporation for a twelve (12) year Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate for a leased facility with speculative building status located at 46900 Port Street Plymouth Township Wayne County Michigan subject to the submission of all required materials and said application being reviewed by the Township Attorney Seconded by Mr Munfakh Ayes all on a roll call vote A copy of the Resolution is on file in the Clerk's office for public perusal

Ms Arnold moved to approve the appointment of Douglas G Jaskierny to the Charter Township of Plymouth Downtown Development Authority with term expiring on February 12, 2005 Seconded by Mr Herriman Ayes all

Mr Edwards moved to approve the appointment of Ron Kasperski to the Charter Township of Plymouth Downtown Development Authority with term expiring on February 12 2006 Seconded by

Mrs Massengill Ayes all
Ms Arnold moved to approve the reappointment of Ray Sturdy Jr to the Plymouth Township Zoning Board of Appeals as the Planning Commission liaison term ending June 30 2007 Seconded by Mr Edwards Ayes all

Mrs Massengill moved to approve the first reading of Ordinance No C 2004 02 amending MCL 436 1701 "Furnishing Alcohol to a Minor Ordinance" pursuant to a change in State Law Seconded by Ms Arnold Ayes all A copy of the Ordinance is on file in the Clerk's office for public perusal

Mr Mann said the architectural firm A3C met with department heads seeking preliminary information regarding the Township Hall

He informed the Board that Tuesday June 29 is the date for the sale of the bonds A Board meeting will be called late afternoon that day to accept the bids

The 4th of July parade is scheduled with Board members walking alongside the Township float The picnic follows at Township Park

Mr Curmi had questions regarding the hiring of a temporary employee in the Building Department and hiring a new firefighter

In answer to Mr Munfakh's question Mr Edwards noted the bond rating would be available on Wednesday

Mr Curmi also had questions regarding the lighting audit the status report on recycling prior to asking for bids on the next contract, the emergency sewer repair and resulting policy change and physically checking on Detroit's emergency preparedness with regard to water and sewer functions

Mrs Massengill moved to adjourn the meeting Supported by Ms Arnold Ayes all

The meeting was adjourned at 7 44 p m

Marilyn Massengill Clerk Steven Mann Supervisor
Charter Township of Plymouth Charter Township of Plymouth

The foregoing is a synopsis of the minutes of the Plymouth Township Board of Trustees meeting held on June 22 2004 The full text is available in the Clerk's Office for public perusal The minutes will be submitted for Board approval at the next regular meeting held on July 13 2004

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District, state treasury meet over bond issue

BY TONY BRUSCATO
STAFF WRITER

Plymouth-Canton School officials met with representatives from the state Department of Treasury this week to present plans for a \$108.9 million bond issue in September.

"The application is probably a much thicker because there's documentation for every building and what we plan to do with it," said Patricia Brand, executive director of business services, after the meeting. "I don't feel there will be any issue for final approval."

Brand met with Cathy Clark, the auditor for the school bond loan section of the state Treasury Department.

"She looked at all the numbers and items going into it, all the enrollment projections, the proposed millage language, as well as current and projected outstanding debt," said Brand. "She actually went out and looked at some buildings to verify that we need to do what we claim."

If all goes well, the bond issue will go before Plymouth-Canton school district voters on Tuesday, Sept. 28, according to Brand.

"We'll take this document to the board July 6, and then back to the state treasury," said Brand. "The state will have 30 days to give a final stamp of

approval, and the board could pass a resolution calling for the election at its Aug. 10 meeting."

The bond issue will include \$91 million for district-wide repairs and renovations, nearly \$14 million to construct a new elementary school in southwest Canton, and \$12.5 million for the most immediate fixes at Central Middle School.

The elementary school will use the same blueprint utilized at Tonda and Dodson, but will be larger to accommodate 750 students. It will be built on property the district purchased for \$1.2 million at Cherry Hill and Denton roads in Cherry Hill Village. District officials said it could take up to two years to construct the building after approval from voters.

The bonds are expected to be sold in two phases because most of the planned work won't be accomplished within the three-year IRS guideline. According to Brand, the upside for taxpayers will mean the actual millage levied will be lower than anticipated.

"The taxpayer is paying less interest because we're doing it in two series, thereby lowering the interest cost," she said.

According to figures from Brand, the proposed bond issue would cost the owner of a \$235,000 home an additional \$47 annually in taxes.

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Thirty-something Glenn grad picked for movie

BY SUE MASON
STAFF WRITER

When the movie *Synergy* hits movie screens in 2005, look closely. When Dennis Quad and Topher Grace are shooting baskets, you'll see former Westland resident Dean Parker.

Parker, a 1982 graduate of John Glenn High School, will appear in the film in which Quad plays a middle-aged ad executive faced with a new boss who's nearly half his age.

"There's a corporate takeover and they bring in a younger crowd," said Parker. "We end up playing basketball and it's sales vs. the evil corporate people."

Parker was picked out of an audition of 180 people to be in the game. He credits growing up in the era of the Detroit Pistons' Bad Boys for helping him get the part.

"That and being able to play basketball at my age," said Parker, a thirty-something.

VARIED ROLES

It's just one of several films he's had small parts in since his move to Hollywood at age 28. He has played a cab driver in The '70s mm-series, has been in films like *The Scout* and has done stand-in for John Goodman in *The Flintstones*. In fact, a quick glance at



Dean Parker

Parker and you'd think you were looking at Goodman.

"I've done every football movie that's been made," he said. "I'm getting in on the remake of *The Longest Yard* with Chris Rock and Adam Sandler that starts production in July."

Having a build like Goodman has worked against Parker at times. He was going to be in Sylvester Stallone's *Demolition Man*, but, he said, his 6-foot-3, 225-pound size worked against him. He was too tall for Stallone.

Parker's original intention was to become a sports broadcaster and do baseball play-by-play. Instead, he ended up bouncing around places like Jamaica and Hawaii and became a jack-of-all-trades.

He happened to live in Miami when his sister called to see if he was interested in

being an extra for *Beverly Hills 90210*. He was working for Northwest and as fate would have it, lost his job with the airlines within two weeks of the phone call.

He decided to give Los Angeles a chance and flew out there where he started doing non-union extra work for minimum wage. A month later, he auditioned for *The Flintstones* and got his Screen Actors Guild card in 1993.

He's done a lot of stand-in work, where he walks through a scene "so the star doesn't get sweaty in their makeup." His two big jobs right now are *Joan of Arcadia* and *Cold Case*.

"They keep me busy, but I'm at that point in my life where I can be selective," he said. "I've been in the business for awhile and have developed a reputation for doing a good job."

Since going to Hollywood, Parker has done more than 100 movies and 300 to 400 television shows. He has been on *The Fresh Prince of Bel-Aire*, played a kidnapper in *Profiler* and had a bit part in *The Majestic*. In *Synergy*, he plays one of the head sales people and sits in the first chair in meetings about the takeover.

"I'm one of the more senior people and the only one who's not super famous who's on the team," he said.

TRAVELING MAN

At one point, Parker took two years off and went to Taiwan to live after getting frustrated with his career path.

"I needed a break, I was tired of L.A.," he said. "I hooked up with an agent over there and worked liked crazy doing game shows and ads. They love to bring Americans in and make fools of them. I even wore a Velcro suit and stuck to the wall."

Parker says he's making a living in Hollywood where only one-10th of the top 1 percent of SAG members make more than \$100,000 a year. Only 5 percent make over \$10,000 a year, he said.

Parker has friends who have been doing extra work for 40 years and some are making a decent living. It's possible to make a decent living and by getting a decent part in a film and receiving residuals.

"People think it's glamorous, but they're sadly mistaken," he said.

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON ACCESS TO PUBLIC MEETINGS

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

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Charter Township of Canton, 1150 S. Canton Center Road
Canton, MI 48188
(734) 394-5260

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON NOTICE OF CLOSE OF REGISTRATION FOR THE AUGUST 3, 2004 PRIMARY ELECTION

Notice is hereby given that July 6, 2004 is the last day registrations can be accepted in order to be eligible to vote in the Primary Election to be held on Tuesday August 3, 2004. Registrations will be accepted at the Township Clerk's Office, 1150 South Canton Center Road between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. Registration can be made at any Secretary of State Office or State Designated Agency. Persons with special needs who are unable to register in the above mentioned manner are urged to contact the Clerk's Office at 734-394-5120. Mail in registration will be accepted postmarked by July 6, 2004.

Terry G. Bennett
Clerk

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS AGENDA JULY 8, 2004

Notice is hereby given that there will be a meeting of the Zoning Board of Appeals THURSDAY, July 8, 2004 AT 7:30 PM. The meeting will be held at the Summit on the Park located at 46000 SUMMIT PARKWAY CANTON, MI 48188. The following Agenda will be discussed:

Pledge of Allegiance to the flag

Roll Call: Randy Blaylock, Jim Cisek, Cathy Johnson, Phyllis Redfern and Steven Johnson

Acceptance of Agenda

1. Stephen Francis of Richard Connor Riley & Associates LLC, 30150 Telegraph Road Bingham Farms, MI 48025 representing T-Mobile USA of T-Mobile, 12170 Merriman Road Livonia, MI 48150 for property located at 42709 Proctor Road appealing Article 6.00 Section 6.02 S.2 relative to fencing Article IV, Section 78.95, and Article V Section 5.02 D.2 relative to pavement of the driveway servicing the mechanical unit Zone R.5 residential Parcel 090 99 0006 711 (Planning) RECONSIDERATION OF THE ITEM FROM JUNE 10, 2004.

2. John Lapointe of Atwell Hicks Inc., 6303 26 Mile Road Suite 100 Washington MI 48094 representing Tracey Rust of Life Time Fitness 1700 Haggerty Road, Canton, MI 48188 for property located at 1700 Haggerty Road Canton MI 48188, appealing Zoning Ordinance Article 2.00 Section 2.14, 2d, trash removal and collection Zone C.3 Parcel 050 01 0001 000 (Planning)

3. Robert Randall of Tony V's Sunrooms & Spa, 20330 Hall Road, Clinton Twp MI 48038 representing Peter Weber 45056 Turnberry Ct Canton MI 48188 for property located at 45056 Turnberry Ct appealing Zoning Ordinance Article 2.00 Schedule of Regulations Section 26.02 rear yard setback requirement in order to construct a sunroom Zone Residential Parcel 086 03 0144 000 (Building)

4. Kenneth Mustams, 44650 Geddes Canton, MI 48188 for property located at same address appealing Zoning Ordinance Article 26.00 Schedule of Regulations, Section 26.02 setback requirements Zone R.2 Parcel 133 02 0072 000 (Building)

5. Metro Group Architects of Panera LLC, 6710 Clayton Road, Richmond Heights MO 63117 representing Joe Hochendoner of Metro Group Architects, 338 S State Street Ann Arbor, MI 48104 for property located at 41950 Ford Road Appealing Chapter 102 Article 1 Section 102.1 definition of a wall sign and Article 2, Section 102.35 (1)(a) square footage requirements Zone C.3 Parcel 044-99 0010 704 (Building)

(Approval of June 10 2004 Minutes)

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MEETING NOTICE TOWNSHIP BOARD, CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON COUNTY OF WAYNE, STATE OF MICHIGAN

At the regular meeting of the Township Board of the Charter Township of Canton Michigan to be held on July 13 2004 at 7:00 o'clock p.m. Eastern Daylight Time at 46000 Summit Parkway Canton Michigan the Township Board will consider a resolution awarding the sale of the Township's \$4,100,000 Special Assessment Bonds Series 2004 which Bonds pledge the Township's limited tax full faith and credit.

This notice is given pursuant to the requirements of Section 308 Act 34, Public Acts of Michigan 2001 as amended.

TERRY G. BENNETT
Township Clerk

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON REQUEST FOR BID

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Charter Township of Canton 1150 Canton Center S Canton Michigan will accept sealed bids at the Office of the Clerk up to 3:00 p.m. July 15TH 2004 for the following:

WELCOME TO CANTON SIGNS - CONSTRUCTION

Bid forms may be picked up at the Finance and Budget Department counter or you may contact Mike Sheppard at (734) 394-5225. All bids must be submitted in a sealed envelope clearly marked with the proposal name, company name, address and telephone number and date and time of bid opening. The Township reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals. The Township does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age or disability in employment or the provision of services.

TERRY G. BENNETT, CLERK

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Charter Township of Canton 1150 Canton Center S Canton Michigan will accept sealed proposals up to 4:00 p.m. Thursday, July 22 2004, for the following:

FY 2005-2009 CONSOLIDATED PLAN

Specifications are available at the Finance and Budget Department and questions directed to Mike Sheppard at (734) 394-5225. All proposals must be submitted in a sealed envelope clearly marked with the proposal name and telephone number and date and time of proposal opening. The Township reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals. The Township does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age or disability in employment or the provision of services. This project is funded by federal grant funds and compliance with all applicable federal laws and regulations is required.

TERRY G. BENNETT, CLERK

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Charter Township of Canton, 1150 Canton Center S Canton Michigan will accept sealed proposals up to 4:00 p.m. Thursday July 22 2004 for the following:

VENDING MACHINES FOR ADMINISTRATION BUILDING

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TERRY G. BENNETT, CLERK

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MEETING NOTICE TOWNSHIP BOARD, CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON COUNTY OF WAYNE, STATE OF MICHIGAN

At the regular meeting of the Township Board of the Charter Township of Canton Michigan to be held on July 13 2004 at 7:00 o'clock p.m. Eastern Daylight Time at 46000 Summit Parkway Canton, Michigan, the Township Board will consider a resolution awarding the sale of the Township's \$2,500,000 Limited Tax General Obligation Bonds, Series 2004 which Bonds pledge the Township's limited tax full faith and credit.

This notice is given pursuant to the requirements of Section 308 Act 34, Public Acts of Michigan 2001 as amended.

TERRY G. BENNETT
Township Clerk

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STORAGE USA

Notice is hereby given that on (July 19 2004) Tate & Co Auctioneers Executive Administrator for Storage USA will be offering for sale under the judicial lien process by public auction the following storage units. The goods to be sold are generally described as household goods. The terms of the sale will be cash only. Storage USA reserves the right to refuse any and all bids. The sale will be at the following location: Storage USA 6729 CANTON CENTER RD CANTON, MI 48187 AT 12:30 PM.

B 44 Caron Robb Fernmos Furniture Dresser Dining Chairs
D 136 Carol Panik Household furniture
F 209 Brian Waskienewicz Tools Wood bedroom set, 10 speed bikes
C 88 Geraldine Givens Freezer household
D 118 Debra Morgan Cages misc furniture

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Shurgard Storage Centers

Notice is hereby given that the following units will be sold to the highest bidder by way of open auction on 07/09/04 at approximately 9:00 a.m. at the following locations:

Shurgard of Canton
2101 Haggerty Rd
Canton MI 48187
734-981 0300
Unit 4066 household
Unit 4232 household
Unit 4244 household
Unit 6052 household
Unit 9054 household

Shurgard of Canton South
45229 Michigan Ave
Canton MI 48188
734 398 5416
Unit 1015 household
Unit 4109 household
Unit 5036 household
Unit 5251 household

Shurgard of Walled Lake
1901 East West Maple Rd
Walled Lake, MI 48390
248 669 4020
Unit 1134 household
Unit 3030 household
Unit 3031 household
Unit 3045 household
Unit 4006 household
Unit 4048 household
Unit 5004 household
Unit 7031 household

Shurgard of Dearborn
24920 Trowbridge
Dearborn MI 48124
313 277 2000
Unit 1116 household

Shurgard of Westland
36001 Warren Rd
Westland MI 48185
734 326 6000
Unit 4020 household

Shurgard of Ann Arbor
2500 So Industrial Hwy
Ann Arbor, MI 48104
734 972 2212
Unit 1061 household
Unit 2012 household
Unit 3051 household
Unit 4098 household
Unit 5045 household
Unit 8007 household
Unit 8025 household

Shurgard of Livonia
30300 Plymouth Rd
Livonia MI 48150
734 522 7811
Unit 2017 household
Unit 3097 household
Unit 4044 household

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9300 Pelham Rd
Taylor MI 48180
313 292 2950
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Unit 7067 household
Unit 9018 household
Unit 9022 household
Unit 9066 household

Shurgard of Plymouth
41889 Joy Rd
Canton MI 48187
734 459 2200
Unit 1009 household
Unit 3020 household
Unit 4042 household

Shurgard of Sthfld @ Telegraph
24200 Telegraph
Southfield MI 48034
248 208 9000
Unit 1027 household
Unit 1082 household
Unit 1096 household
Unit 1131 household
Unit 2001 household
Unit 2040 household
Unit 2051 household
Unit 2166 household
Unit 2175 household
Unit 2187 household
Unit 3024 household
Unit 3026 household
Unit 3040 household
Unit 3053 household
Unit 3070 household
Unit 3133 household
Unit 3164 household
Unit 3248 household
Unit 3249 household

Shurgard of Southfield
19350 W 8 Mile Rd
Southfield MI 48075
248 357 1137
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Unit 1054 church pews
Unit 1079 household
Unit 1143 auto frame
Unit 1169 household
Unit 1197 household
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Unit 2109 household
Unit 2126 household
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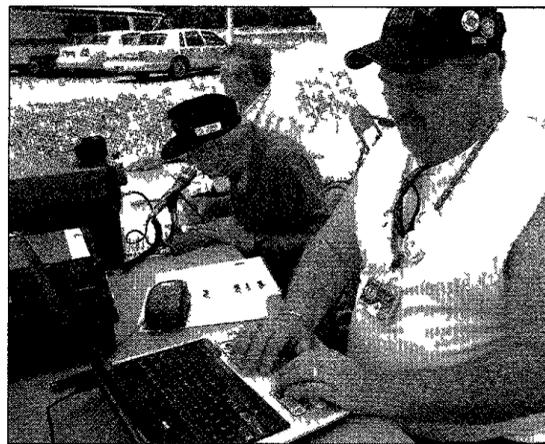
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conditions. A premium is placed on developing skills to meet the challenges of emergency preparedness as well to acquaint the general public with the capabilities of Amateur Radio.

Operators got points for various accomplishments, such as being set up in a public place, using a generator vs in-wall electricity and the number of contacts made. VanVleck said some participants were in and out, while others made a two-day stay of it.

It's a success when you can set up and your antennas work and the radios work, and by how many contacts you made," VanVleck said.

The Stu Rockafellow Amateur Radio Society, which meets the third Tuesday of every month, makes its communications abilities available for weather alerts, Halloween



TOM HAWLEY | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Don Quarles (right) of Wayne president of the Stu Rockafellow Amateur Radio Society, logs in the name of the person Dave Walker (behind) of Taylor has contacted at the radio operators field day at Plymouth Township Park. In the back is Rodney Deyo of Westland.

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Country singer Josh Gracin (right) of Westland signs autographs for a group of young fans including (left to right) Katie, 10, and Megan Thornberry, 16 Brittan Lincoln 13, of Westland and Tiffany Pope, 14, of Livonia. The girls arrived at 4 a.m. to be first in line when Gracin returned home Saturday to promote his debut, self-titled CD.

Local 'American Idol' contestant returns

BY CHRISTOPHER J. BROOKS
STAFF WRITER

Hundreds of fans waited patiently to see their former *American Idol* superstar in a line that crawled down the southeast side of Kmart's parking lot.

The line grew to a staggering 600 people around 11:50 a.m., and ahead of the pack was 16-year-old Westland resident Megan Thornberry.

Thornberry had been in line since 4 a.m. because "I love him, and I saw him on *American Idol*."

"He" is Josh Gracin. Gracin, 23, who competed for a music recording deal on national television, returned Saturday to his hometown of Westland to thank his supporters.

"I'm a firm believer in you can't have a career unless you have fans," Gracin said.

Around 11:55 a.m., Gracin was in the back of the store greeting a few fans who were chosen to meet him before his autograph signing began. Outside, fans began moving slowly in a line that doubled

the perimeter of the store. "Oh my God, he's so hot and he's right there," said Jessica Rhodes, a Dearborn resident. Rhodes, 16, was one of 20 people who, as part of Gracin's promotional "street team," met him up close.

Gracin appeared at Kmart, 165 S. Wayne Road, to sign autographs on his debut, self-titled album and anything else fans could carry.

After seeing Gracin, Thornberry had two pictures signed and said she couldn't explain how she felt after hugging him.

"I can't believe it's over already. I want to go see him again," said Westland resident Brittan Lincoln, 13.

Lincoln and Thornberry did not sleep the night before because they wanted to be first

in line to see Gracin. Kmart anticipated an increase in *Josh Gracin* album sales Saturday by obtaining 2,300 copies.

"Most of the kids had their CDs with them, so it didn't really affect our sales," said Elaine Brazell, Kmart assistant manager. Still, the store sold some 400 CDs. After Gracin finished signing autographs, around 5:45 p.m., the store was left with 1,900 copies, Brazell said. Those who bought the CD at Kmart received a trucker hat with Gracin's name on it.

"It's so country and it's awesome," said 17-year-old Dearborn resident Christina Rosenbergh, whose birthday was special Saturday because she met Gracin.

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REUNIONS

As space permits, the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers print without charge announcements of class reunions. Send the information to Reunions Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI 48170. Please include the date of the reunion, one contact person and a telephone number.

REUNIONS

Winship School (Detroit)

Class of 1960-66. A class reunion is being planned for Sept. 4, 2004. For information, call Shirley Katz Kaplan at (248) 557-6532. E-mail: scshooles@ameritech.net

Belleville High School

Classes 1960 through 1969. A Sixties Blast II is being planned for Saturday, Sept. 25, 2004, at Crown Plaza Detroit Metro Airport. For more information, call Belleville High at (734) 697-9133.

Belleville High School

Class of 1979. A 25-year reunion is planned for Aug. 21, 2004. For information, call Jeanne at (734) 461-1861.

Belleville High School

All Classes. An all-class reunion is planned for Sept. 18, 2004. For information, call Millie Baker at (734) 633-5231.

Berkley High School

Class of 1954. A 50-year class reunion is planned for Sept. 25, 2004, at the Royal Oak Elks. For more information, call Pat Brennan Pahlak at (482) 398-4641 or Audrey (Auman) Cowles at (248) 541-7313.

Birmingham High School

Class of 1954. A reunion is planned for Oct. 22, 2004, at the Troy Marriott. For more information, call Joan Gassaway Berndt at (248) 335-7160 or joangob.lue@aol.com.

Brighton High School

Class of 1984. The class of 1984 is planning the 20-year reunion on Aug. 7, 2004. For more information, call Sally Rector Langley at (517) 505-4970.

Cabrini High School

Class of 1984. If you're interested in working on the 20-year reunion, please contact Debbie (Scott) Paulus at (734) 737-9743 or Laurie (Marra) Makavewicz at (734) 981-7263.

Center Line High School

Class of 1974. Center Line High School's Class of 1974 30-year reunion takes place Saturday, Oct. 16, at the Ford Conference & Event Center in Dearborn. Tickets are \$80 per person, which includes appetizers, strolling supper, open bar, entertainment and valet parking. For more information, call Karen Hudak Miller at (248) 569-7739 or e-mail her at Kare156@aol.com.

Canton and Salem

Class of 1994. A 10-year reunion is planned for Nov. 26, 2004, at the Doubletree Hotel in Novi. For more information, call Julie at (810) 227-4671 or e-mail Pcep1994@yahoo.com.

Clawson High School

Class of 1979. A 25-year reunion is planned for Oct. 9, 2004, at Knights of Columbus Hall in Clawson. For more information, call Tina (Robinson) Ulmer at (586) 530-8699.

Cody High School

Classes of 1950-1959. The class of 1957 has invited other interested friends from all the 1950s classes. Being held at 7 p.m. Oct. 9, 2004, at Fox Hills Golf and Country Club near Plymouth. Cost is \$75 per person, which includes sit-down dinner, open bar, music and many surprises. Call for more info on golf and reservations at the Hilton Garden Suites. For further information, call Loretta (Muciek) Nedwick at (800) 859-9502 or Leania (Nizio) Rourk at sarge51060@aol.com or (248) 486-7333.

Class of 1963 and 1964

A 40-year reunion will be Saturday, Sept. 25, 2004, at Ypsilanti Marriott at Eagle Crest, 1275 S. Huron, Ypsilanti (734) 487-2000. Doors open 6 p.m., dinner 7 p.m. \$60 per person includes dinner/dancing, memory book, cash

bar. Send check or money order to Cody Class Reunion, c/o Phil Varlone, 22911 Sheridan, Dearborn, MI 48128. 2801. For more information, e-mail the reunion committee at 6364Comets@comcast.net.

Class of 1974

A 30-year reunion is planned for Saturday, July 31, 2004, at Laurel Manor in Livonia. For more information, contact www.cody74.com.

Cooley High School

Class of 1954. A 50-year reunion is planned for Saturday, July 17, 2004, at Livonia Marriott (not Courtyard) located at Six Mile Road and I-275. A reception will be at 6 p.m. with dinner at 7:30 p.m. An informal gathering will be held on Friday, July 16, in a hospitality suite at the Marriott. A bus tour of Cooley High School is also in the planning stages. Call Daneen (Stark) Gallo at (734) 462-2786.

Crestwood High School

Class of 1984. A 20-year reunion/golf outing is planned for July 24, 2004. For more information, e-mail crestwood1984@netscape.net.

Dearborn High School

Class of 1954. A 50-year reunion is planned for Saturday, Aug. 7, 2004. For information, call Helen Kramer Turchan at (313) 565-4816 or Sally Hicks Williams at (734) 464-8263.

Dearborn High School

Class of 1974. A 30-year reunion is planned for Saturday, Aug. 7, 2004, at St. Mary's Cultural Center, 18100 Merriman, Livonia. Looking for classmates. Please pass the word. Contact Ann Kennedy Hutchins at (734) 591-6866.

Dearborn Lowrey

Class of 1954. Now organizing. Call Fay (Bolton) Reeves at (248) 349-2094.

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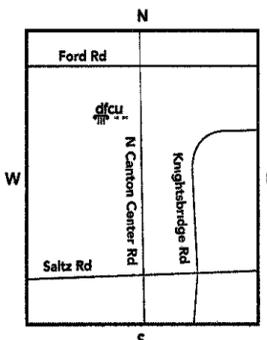
Class of 1964. A 40-year reunion is planned for Friday, Nov. 26, 2004, at The Barrister House in St. Clair Shores. For more information, contact Joel Pumphrey at (248) 879-5978 or mkrause@net.ex.com.

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OUR VIEWS

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Fireworks-related injuries are most commonly associated with bottle rockets, sparklers and firecrackers A 1999 Consumer Product Safety Commission study found that one-third of fireworks-related injuries were caused by firecrackers

And fireworks-related injuries most frequently involve hands and fingers, eyes and the head and face More than half of the injuries were burns, contusions and lacerations were the second most frequent injuries

And fireworks also can cause life-threatening residential fires, which may explain why fire officials have been cautioning people about the use of fireworks for many years Their mantra has been that if it explodes, let the professionals handle it But that has not stopped people from putting on their own backyard displays

So this holiday, we encourage readers to play it safe, but if you plan to use fireworks, follow the law Know what you can and can't set off in your own back yard

Not too sure? State Attorney General Michael Cox has a hint If it makes a loud bang or leaves the ground, it is illegal Specifically, illegal fireworks include cherry bombs, firecrackers, M-80s, bottle rockets, Roman candles, Silver Salute or M-100s and M-250s and M-1000s (quarter stick), which are large versions of the M-80 and M-100

But if you must use fireworks, the CPSC recommends that you always read and follow label directions, use fireworks only outdoors, always have water, like a garden hose or bucket, handy, never re-light a "dud" and, if you're the shooter, always wear eye protection and never have any part of the body over the firework

The Fourth of July is a day of celebration, so go ahead and celebrate, but just play it smart when it comes to fireworks

Attorney General Michael Cox has a hint: If it makes a loud bang or leaves the ground, it is illegal.

Protesters show patriotism isn't easy

When perennial political candidate Mario Fundarski flew the American flag upside down to protest the war in Iraq, counter-protesters stopped by to wave flags of their own

And someone allegedly shot out a window in his Novi home

Michael Moore's latest documentary about the war in Iraq is called *Fahrenheit 9/11*, which he says is the temperature at which freedom burns Science fiction author Ray Bradbury has demanded an apology from Moore for "borrowing" the title from Bradbury's classic *Fahrenheit 451*, and Republicans are complaining that the film and its promotion may violate presidential election laws

In the growing uncertainty over the gathering storm in the Middle East, you have to wonder, who are the patriots here?

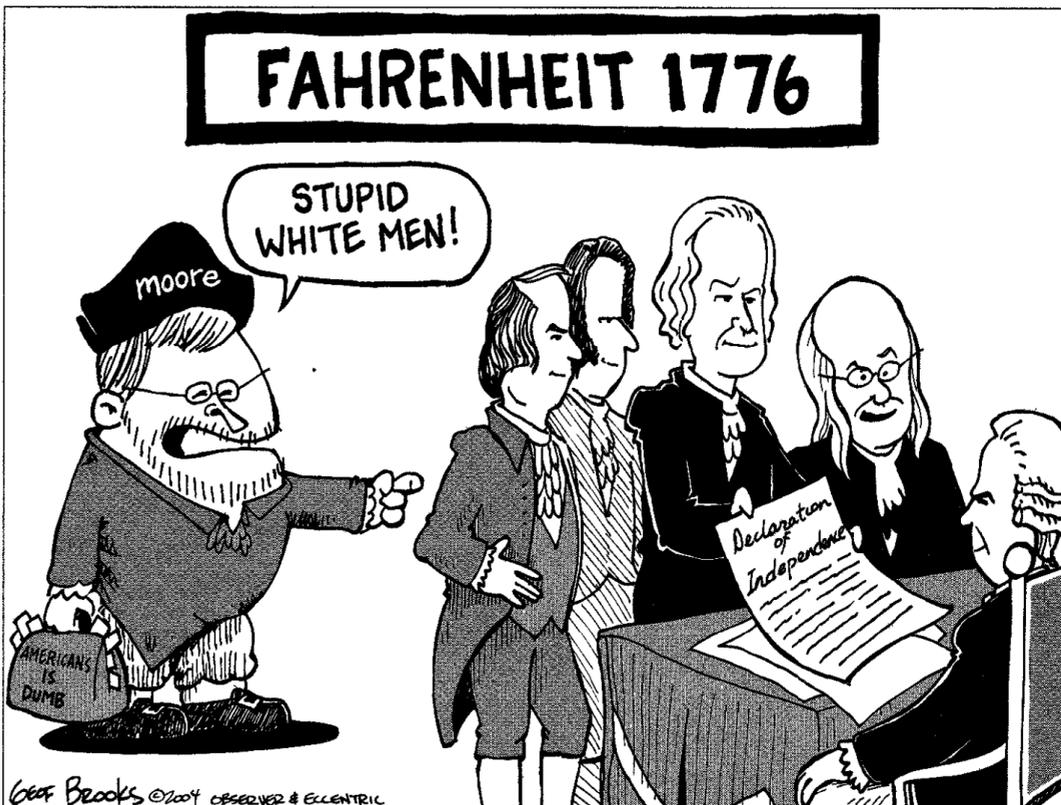
Love of country has had a resurgence in America since the Sept. 11, 2001, bombing of the World Trade Centers and the war on terror

Some would argue people like Fundarski and Moore are trying to erode the foundations of this new patriotism, stirring up trouble for the sake of calling attention to themselves and their causes We believe the freedom to protest government actions, however disturbing those protests might seem, lies at the heart and soul of what it means to be an American

Patriotism is defined as the "love of and devotion to" ones country It's not enough to feel patriotic or to judge another American's patriotism by your own moral standard Love and devotion require thought and action to become truly meaningful

This is not the time for lock-step loyalty or blind faith Whether we agree or disagree with the Bush administration's policies, every American must defend one of the most precious freedoms we have the right of free speech

Moore and Fundarski may ruffle a few feathers, but as we celebrate the independence won by our founding fathers and mothers, they also remind us that true patriotism — American patriotism — is never easy, but always well worth the fight



Just dessert

I drove my wife to her last school board meeting (June 22) I wanted to be there to honor her success That was the agenda item listed for this last school board meeting of the 2003-04 year It has been a long eight years, but a good eight years

We drove up Morton-Taylor to Plymouth and the Board of Education building, a road that didn't exist eight years ago I asked Liz, Do you remember your first board meeting?

"Not really," she replied "I was a bit nervous I didn't know what to expect

Eight years and four school superintendents later, that new road was very familiar to her Tough issues were tackled Three new buildings built Labor relations improved with strikes being a distant memory Current President Judy Mardigan put together a long list of board accomplishments that would make anyone proud, especially her husband Though not done single-handedly, it took a whole board and a superb administration, yet I would say without Liz's leadership, many of those things would not have happened

Driving away from that last meeting, I said, "Shouldn't we celebrate with a little something? Let's go back to..." and Liz finished, "Applebee's" I had another place in mind Don't you remember, you took me there eight years ago when I won the board election the first time?

Oh, yes Now I remember We were relishing in the victory, even though the newspaper didn't back her Our waitress, a neighbor over the back fence, wasn't even aware of the school board election that day Now she discovered a "normal" person was elected to serve on the Board of Education She didn't grasp what that would mean to us, to herself, or for this community

And so we went back to Applebee's for "just dessert" We were seated next to a long table circled by 20 or more young women Probably all were students or recent graduates of the Plymouth Canton Community Schools We didn't recognize one of them They were a sharp bunch of young people Not loud or boisterous — just neat alert citizens of our community and obviously having a great time As the waiter handed out their checks I overheard him say, "You were all so well-behaved, thank you"

I doubt the nearly 18,000 students in this school district will ever notice, nor long remember, that a woman named Elizabeth, my wife, passed through their school system and made a huge difference beginning with PTO at Eriksson in 1982 We were just ordinary people sitting next to a representative group of students in the restaurant No fanfare, no glory, but nonetheless, things eight years later are very different in how this school district does its business

When I went to vote in my precinct a couple of weeks ago, I was voter No. 53 Only 60 people voted there that day Four people worked a very long day for those 60 votes Based on figures in the newspaper the week before, my one vote cost the school district nearly \$7

Few people really noticed who was running in the election this year Not many took the time to invest a few min-

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utes to be informed to show that they care enough to make a difference by going out to vote The future education of 18,000 students was determined by a meager handful of voters

Liz left the board in good hands and with some very solid policies in place Things probably have not been better for our schools in the 23 years we've lived in this community, but with so few voting it would take only a few hundred people to rally behind the wrong kind of leaders to upset the system as it stands Apathy is a poor excuse for not getting involved and stepping to the plate to make a difference I got my wife back but she never left me It has been a joy to watch her grow in experience and influence change without a lot of fanfare She set out to do her part She has done it and I'm proud to be known as her husband

David H. Givens
Canton

No need for 3 ADs

The three athletic director salaries and benefits cost the school district approximately \$375,000 annually at the current salary and benefit ranges The state may pull an additional \$28 per pupil from the revenue resulting in approximately \$475,000 less in revenue for the district

Whether this state cut occurs shouldn't matter on the vote for the recall of the three athletic directors

We have two situations illustrated One you can react to and have a positive impact for the students in the district and the state situation which is out of your control Before you vote to recall all three ADs, then open a salvo accusing the state of shortchanging the district, I ask you to consider your individual motivation on this vote

Are you motivated by catering to the self-interest needs of a select few employees because of promises to protect their jobs? Does voting for the recall of the three ADs serve the needs of the thousands of residents, taxpayers, parents and students who believe your mantra of "For the kids" etc?

I recommend one AD, at a salary not more than the highest-paid teacher salary, and three administrative assistants, paid to handle the scheduling for the three schools

At the very least, the board should "pay back" the district taxpayers for the blunder in paying an AD for a full year before the school was opened

A few years back I attended a school board meeting held at Central Middle School The teacher union leadership led a major protest of the meeting with signage stating "treat teachers with dignity and respect" Several union members who spoke to members of the public opposing the union view were monitored and called in the evening by the union leadership and told to stop contact

The issues involved medical insurance and the focus was the raising of prescription co-pays from \$5 to \$10 Hello!!!! Real world!!!!

This vote to not recall three ADs is your chance to treat the parents, students and taxpayers with dignity and respect Try it for a change and quit hiding behind this "for the kids" mantra

which has been used as a cover at times to really mean "for the employees and the union" Truly mean "for the kids" and act accordingly

For those of you inclined and who plan on voting for the recall of the three ADs, do not allow your voices to be heard in opposition to state funding afterward You will be hypocrites Voting to spend money we don't have on positions of questionable need then blaming the lack of revenues is like starting a fire and blaming the fire department for not arriving on time

Tom Kalis
Plymouth

Drum corps wonderful

It was a wonderful evening! A light breeze blew through the Plymouth-Canton Educational Park Varsity Stadium, excitement filled the air as the crowd took their seats, and the lights illuminated the field

No, I am not talking about a varsity football game in the fall I am talking about the Drum Corps International Summer Music Games at the Park sponsored by the Plymouth-Canton Music Boosters This spectacular event came to the Plymouth-Canton area June 22

The Summer Music Games brought together members of the Plymouth-Canton community and other local communities, drum corps enthusiasts, members of the Plymouth-Canton music programs and their parents and the talented young adults performing in the participating corps

Is there a better way to spend a beautiful summer evening than listening to the spectacular sounds of these young brass and percussion musicians enhanced by the brilliant color guards and intricate, sometimes dizzying drill? I don't think so and thanks to the superb efforts of the Plymouth-Canton Music Boosters and the staff of the Plymouth-Canton music program, this was one of those evenings

Thank you for all of your time and hard work to support not only this activity, but each and every high school music student who has ever participated and will participate in the music programs

Melissa D. Francis, esq.
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Cherry Commission could help solve education woes

Last week we had headlines about Michigan's roads (much rougher than virtually any other state — surprise, surprise) shootings in Detroit at the fireworks festival, passage of a bill to increase cigarette taxes, quarrels between Gov Jennifer Granholm and the GOP-dominated state Legislature, and so forth.

Yada, yada, yada. Virtually ignored by the news media in this porridge of long-term insignificance was a story that could have profound impact on Michigan over the next decade. Granholm appointed a commission charged with finding ways to double the percentage of Michigan citizens who get post-high school credentials as a way to spark economic growth.



Phil Power

"From top to bottom, Michigan's economy is becoming more infused with jobs that are knowledge-based and require a higher level of technical skill than what a student can receive in high school," Granholm said. "As a state, we must instill in young people that a college education or vocational training is a life necessity."

Serving on the Cherry Commission (so named because it will be chaired by Lt. Gov John Cherry) are 40 distinguished Michiganders with credentials ranging from university president (U-M's Mary Sue Coleman) to labor leader (Lu Battaglieri, president of the Michigan Education Association). It includes a corporate heavy (Gail Torreano, president of SBC Michigan) and a community college president (Paula Cunningham of Lansing Community College).

"When I graduated from high school, you could take your high school diploma to any factory and get a good paying job," said Cherry, who is 53. "Today, advanced manufacturing jobs require something more, making it imperative that we increase the number of citizens who attend college or vocational schools."

What's really going on, of course, is that Michigan's economy is moving away from its metal-bending base of heavy manufacturing and into a quite different mix of agile manufacturing and design, health science, high tech and services. To make this transition, brains need to replace brawn.

And that requires a radical shift in the skill sets of the workforce. Today, approximately one quarter of Michigan's adult population has a post-high school credential of some kind. That's a substantially smaller proportion than can be found in other higher-tech states that compete with us. Moreover, while some 90 percent of high school students express an interest in post-secondary education, only around 40 percent actually go on to college or vocational school. And only 18 percent

graduate with a bachelor's degree within six years. This was a good time to name such a commission. Faced with crushing state budget deficits over the past three years, state support for colleges and universities has fallen from the merely inadequate to the absolutely miserable. Universities, reeling from cut-backs in state support nearing the 20 percent mark, are cutting staff, increasing class size, eliminating some courses and losing the competition for talented researchers and teachers.

Meanwhile, some of our competitor states — Indiana and North Carolina, in particular — are sharply increasing their outlays for higher education. There are many reasons for this excruciating failure of far-sighted public policy. Part of it is the result of the Legislature's longstanding knee-jerk preference for short-term cost-cutting over long-term investing in Michigan's economic future. Part is the result of a long-term failure of colleges and universities to set out a compelling case for increased state support — a failure amply demonstrated when Granholm asked audiences around Michigan what parts of the state budget should be cut.

Another portion of the problem comes from a quirk in the way state budgets are structured, so that the higher education portion of the general fund is being squeezed out by the very rapidly growing categories of corrections — prisons, etc. — and Medicaid. And part of the trouble is simply the inertia of past cultural assumptions about post-high school skills.

Cherry had it dead on when he told me, "The real issue, ultimately, is that the future of any state or community is underpinned by the investments they are prepared to make in the education of their citizens. The real point of the Commission is to change how Michigan citizens culturally view higher education."

I'd add a further point. The massive changes now rippling through our economy offer a powerful force to transform the skills basis of the Michigan economy. The vision here is to create a seamless system of lifelong investments in human capital, beginning with very early childhood development, continuing with K-12 schools, moving on to vocational schools, community colleges and universities and ending with a system of skills training and retraining for those now in the labor force.

If you're looking for a way to transform Michigan's economy into a national powerhouse again, this is it. And the Cherry Commission represents a possible pivot point.

The Commission starts its work in July and is to deliver its report by Jan. 1, 2005. Stay tuned.

Phil Power also will be serving as a member of the Cherry Commission. He also was a member of the Commission on the Future of Higher Education appointed by Gov James Blanchard in 1983 and a former regent of the University of Michigan. He welcomes your comments on this and other columns either by phone at (734) 953-2206 or by e-mail at ppower@homecomm.net

Michigan voters liked Bill Clinton, forgave his sins, admired his work

You won't find this in Bill Clinton's autobiography (*My Life*, Knopf, \$30), but I once got to help put words in the nation's most famous presidential mouth.

During the last summer of his presidency, Bill Clinton decided to award the Presidential Medal of Freedom, the nation's highest civilian award, to a dozen or so dignitaries, from John Kenneth Galbraith to George McGovern. Among them was Millie Jeffrey, a longtime labor and Democratic Party activist.

Somehow the White House found out I knew her well, and asked me for help drafting Clinton's remarks at the award ceremony. What I wrote was instantly forgettable, but what happened next went a long way to illustrate his appeal.



Jack Lessenberry

Millie was somewhere short of 5 feet tall, and was within months of 90, a number higher than her weight. When the very tall president bent over to put the medal around her tiny neck, she reached up and whispered earnestly in his ear.

The president looked startled, then delighted — and threw his head back and roared. What was going on? Later, Millie told me "I just said, 'Mr. President, many of us think if you were the candidate this year, you would be re-elected.'"

Not only was that exactly what the president wanted to hear, it was almost certainly true — and it was even more true in Michigan. Nobody ever remarks on this, but when Bill Clinton first ran, the automobile state had become something of a reliably GOP state in presidential elections.

Michigan had voted Republican five straight times, and hadn't gone for a Democrat since Hubert Humphrey in 1968. But Clinton smartly reversed that, winning easily in 1992 and taking Michigan by a landslide four years later, holding Bob Dole to an abysmal 38 percent.

Four years later his would-be political heir, Al Gore, again won Michigan fairly easily, despite controversial stands on automobiles and the North American Free Trade Act. This year, if the contest stays close, John Kerry ought to eke out another Michigan win.

If he does, he probably has Bill Clinton to thank. Say what you will about him, but there is no denying that yes, Clinton did polarize the nation. But that probably helped him in Michigan, where a majority of Michiganders were more on the former president's side of the cultural divide — or just liked him anyway.

African-Americans seemed to love him in a way they have never loved a politician before.

They felt he understood them. Many really did feel that in a sense he really was the 'first black president.'

Ordinary white people may have joked about Clinton's famous too-earnest "I feel your pain," but many of them also believed that.

And though they were more than a little disgusted over his behavior with Monica Lewinsky, most Michigan residents seemed willing to forgive their "Saturday Night Bill." At the scandal's height, Frank Kelley, the state's longtime attorney general, told me it was simple: "We'll write off all the people with perfect marriages and take the rest."

There may have been something to that. Though he seldom got credit for it, Clinton seemed to talk about his own faith more than most presidents, and to spread references to God through his speeches like ketchup.

Republicans in Michigan as elsewhere, misread the public mood on Monicagate. What the voters wanted was for Bill to come clean, be humiliated, do penance and get back to work. He did all that, even as his enemies sought to drag the nation further through the messy sexual details.

Michigan voters, by sizable margins, preferred Bill Clinton to his enemies. So did the nation, and so he survived. Yet at a sad price. Twelve years ago, I saw Clinton speak on a variety of issues, and was blown away by his intellectual power and grasp of issues.

Ten years ago I would have hoped that when his memoirs were published, Clinton would be on talk shows explaining how his administration succeeded in realigning labor to compete in the age of globalization, and how he redefined our role in the world as the first president since the fall of the Soviet empire.

Instead, this week we watched this man who had so much promise discuss getting in touch with his inner child, sleeping on the couch, and family therapy sessions. During the worst of the Monica wars, I talked to Frank Kelley, who knew and revered Clinton's old hero, President Kennedy.

JFK was no saint, I observed. What would he think of all this?

"I know exactly," Kelley told me. "He's sitting up in heaven right now, looking down and saying, 'Poor Southern boy. I had just as much fun as you did, but I knew how to handle it.' The rules were different then, but when it mattered most, JFK had self-discipline. The bright boy from Arkansas did not."

And how much we lost as a result we may never know.

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Democrat Fundarski hopes to attract conservative voters

BY HUGH GALLAGHER
STAFF WRITER

Democrat Mario Fundarski admits he has more in common with Republican U.S. Rep. Thaddeus McCotter than he does with Phil Truran, his opponent for the Democratic nomination to face McCotter in November for the 11th Congressional District seat. But Fundarski believes his position as a conservative will help him win the Tuesday, Aug. 3, primary by drawing Republican support. He said he will then be the only choice for Democrats in the general election. McCotter is running unopposed for the Republican nomination.

"The reason I can get the nomination is that the majority of people in the 11th District are conservative," Fundarski said in a meeting with *Observer* editors.

This will be Fundarski's third attempt to win a Congressional seat. Four years ago, he challenged then-Democratic Whip David Bonior and two years ago he ran against Sander Levin. Last year, Fundarski moved to Novi specifically to run against McCotter. Earlier this year he lost a bid to serve on the Novi Board of Education.

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"I have more in common than my primary opponent," Fundarski said. "My opponent and I really have nothing in common except we're both union people. He's liberal. I don't believe Mr. Truran in any way represents the values of this district."

Truran is president of Communications Workers of America Local 4013. He also lives in Novi.

Fundarski said he's asked for McCotter's support in the primary and has asked to speak to Republican groups about his candidacy. He said that since there is no contest for the Republican nomination, many Republicans might be interested in crossing over to vote for him.

Fundarski, 59, has a degree in education from Michigan State University, served two years in the Navy and worked as a foster care worker with the state of Michigan. He served as a union steward while working for the state.

Since 1992, Fundarski has operated a Polish-American matrimonial service which helps American men find Polish brides. He met his own wife in Poland.

His wife, Grazyna Rtaj, died last year of pancreatic cancer. The couple had been married 10 years.

Fundarski was previously known as Mario Fundaro, but he said he changed his name out of respect for Polish culture.

"I fell in love with the people of Poland and the culture of Poland," he said.

Among his conservative credentials, Fundarski said, he is 'pro-life' and is also a member of the National Rifle Association and the Gun Owners of America. Later in the interview he said he has never owned a gun.

"Obviously I'm not for gay marriages," he said. He said he will be running ads critical of Truran's views on gay issues.

OPPOSES WAR

One issue on which Fundarski said he differs with McCotter is on the war in Iraq. He said he belongs to two anti-war groups and has displayed signs opposing the war. Last year he displayed, for



Congressional candidate Mario Fundarski shows a photo of the cruiser U.S.S. Boston, on which he served for two years.

one day, an Iraqi flag atop a flagpole with two upside down American flags underneath and a POW flag.

"I have flown the American flag with honor, I'm a veteran," he said. "One of the most patriotic things a person can do is show the government your views on policies."

He said protesters picketed his house, threw rocks through his windows and directed bright car lights at his house at night.

Fundarski said he has visited

the Middle East on several occasions and even attended a birthday party for Saddam Hussein in Tikrit in 2000 in support of lifting sanctions against the country.

"We're not standing for anything. Those people don't want freedom or democracy," he said.

Fundarski said he is also opposed to American assistance to Israel.

Fundarski opposes making last year's tax cuts permanent and supports Democratic pres-

idential candidate Sen. John Kerry's position on revising tax cuts to benefit middle- and lower-income groups.

In 1999, Fundarski made news when he was arrested and charged with stalking former Red Wings hockey player Vladimir Konstantinov.

Fundarski said he never threatened or stalked Konstantinov, who was paralyzed in a car accident in 1997 following the Red Wings' Stanley Cup victory.

Fundarski said he sent a letter protesting Konstantinov's selection as grand marshal of the Mount Clemens Thanksgiving Day Parade to the parade chairman.

"Vladimir Konstantinov was a brutal Communist, a member of the Communist Party. Vladimir was also on the Red Army hockey team," Fundarski said.

News reports at the time said Fundarski threatened to shoot anyone who stopped him from blocking the parade. He said he didn't make a threat and has never owned a gun.

Fundarski was found not guilty of misdemeanor stalking.

Fundarski said he has leased office space in Westland and will be campaigning in the heavily Democratic southern part of the 11th District.

Schoolcraft College board acts to fill vacancy

The Schoolcraft College Board of Trustees is taking applications to fill the vacancy on the board following the killing of Richard DeVries in June.

A suspect in the killing, Jamaal Lamar Coney, is in the process of being extradited to Livonia to face murder charges.

The deadline for applications is July 26. Applications are available from the Office of the President, Room 190, Administration Center, at Schoolcraft College's Livonia campus between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

The board will interview candidates in early August, and the new member will be seated at the board's Aug. 25 meeting. The term for this appointment expires June 30, 2005. The next board election will be in mid-2005.

To be considered a candidate for the position, persons must be registered voters and residents of the Schoolcraft College district, which includes the Plymouth-Canton, Garden City, Livonia, Northville, Clarenceville and part of the Novi school districts. The seven-member board meets

once a month, with members serving six-year terms.

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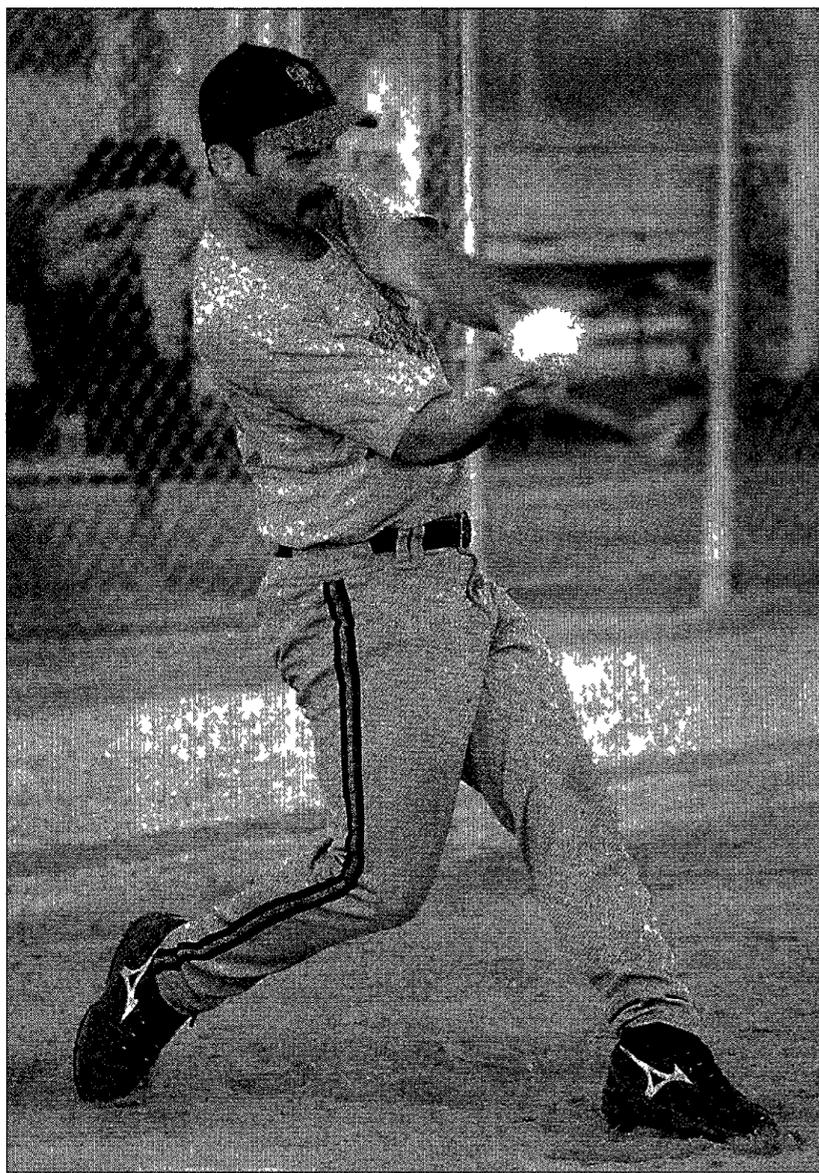
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Ron Miller connects with a pitch during a game Monday night at the Canton Softball Center. Miller is one of thousands of players who make the weekly trek during the summer to the facility located on Michigan Ave.

Softball Center offers players a top-notch facility

BY ED WRIGHT
STAFF WRITER

Visit the Canton Softball Center on any given evening during the summer and you're just as likely to see a 6-year-old T-ball player lugging his mitt and bat through the front gate as you are a 70-something slow-pitch softball player carrying his equipment bag to his car.

"One of the best things about our facility is that we cater to a broad range of people," said Ann-Marie Carravallah, recreation coordinator for the CSC. "We host everything from T-ball leagues to 65-and-over softball leagues. We feel good knowing that lifetime memories are made at our facility – whether it is at a local little league game or a national World Series game. We do our best behind the scenes to make the softball center a great place to play and visit."

Located on 70 acres south of Michigan Ave. between Canton Center and Beck roads, the CSC offers 12 lighted, fully enclosed fields, a nine-station batting cage, a restaurant and playscape. Field-wise, it is one of the largest softball centers in the state.

On weekends during the summer, when it is hosting a state or national softball or baseball tournament, the facility's population exceeds that of some small towns in Michigan.

"When we host the 13-and-under USSA baseball World Series later this month (July 18-25), there will be teams coming in from all over the country," Carravallah said. "For a lot of families, it is their summer vacation, so we try to put together events that make it a special time for them. We organize events like opening ceremonies, welcoming parties and home run derbies to make sure their trip is a memorable one."

"We have received a lot of positive feedback from people who have attended the tournaments we host. Most of them refer to the fact that the softball center is clean, the staff members are friendly and the fields are easy to get to. We're also chosen to host tournaments because we're close to several major freeways, we're close to the airport and people from out of state like to visit this area because there is so much to do."

Carravallah said the CSC staff deals with very few confrontational problems, especially considering the number of games played each night combined with the fact that many of the players are highly competitive.

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Sidelines

Tennis tryouts

Tryouts for the Salem girls tennis team will be held beginning Monday, Aug. 9, at the Salem High School tennis courts 9-11 a.m. Tennis camp will be held 9-30 a.m. to noon at the Huron Valley Tennis Club the week of Aug. 16.

To register for the camp, call (734) 662-5514. For more information regarding tryouts, contact coach Lin Ware at (734) 453-0669 or e-mail thewarehouse@comcast.net.

Whaler moves

The Plymouth Whalers recently made some office promotions in their front office.

Long-time radio play-by-play voice Pete Krupsky has been hired as the team's new director of communications. Krupsky, 52, will continue broadcasting for the hockey club, compile the team's game-night press notes and oversee the team's Web site (plymouthwhalers.com) and publications.

"It's great to be part of things," Krupsky said. "We've built an excellent product in Plymouth. The team's following continues to grow every season, not only with our long-time, hard-core fans, but with new fans, too."

Krupsky has been working for the Whalers since the team was formed in 1990 as the Detroit Compuware Ambassadors. He has been involved in every radio broadcast the team has had, becoming the Whalers' lead voice in the 1991-92 season. Before joining the team in 1990, Krupsky was the play-by-play voice of the University of Michigan-Dearborn Wolves from 1988-90.

Also promoted within the Whalers' front office was Doug Peacock, the team's new group ticket sales and community relations coordinator. Peacock, 25, graduated from Livonia Stevenson High School and is a 2002 graduate of Ferris State University. Peacock interned at the University of Michigan-Dearborn sports information department before joining the Whalers in the Compuware Sports Arena box office as the team's group sales director at the beginning of last season.

Racing results

Paul Hahn had a solid night Saturday at Flat Rock Speedway, as the Farmington Hills driver finished third in the 100-lap Arca Lincoln Welders Truck Series feature race. Hahn also came in fifth in the 25-lap Street Stock feature – as Canton's Justin Schroeder was fourth and Redford's Jim Selmi was 22nd.

Selmi did win his heat race in Street Stocks, while Livonia's James Pankow was fourth in the C-Main. Chuck Pankow (Livonia) was also 12th in the 20-lap Figure 8 race.

Former Salem star inspires MSU

BY ED WRIGHT
STAFF WRITER

COLLEGE SOFTBALL

From pinch runner/bullpen catcher to starting catcher for the Big Ten champion Michigan State University softball team – Salem graduate Amy Szawara's 2004 season had "Rudy" written all over it.

"Rudy" was the dramatic 1993 movie that documented the path of a walk on Notre Dame football player who persevered through several hardships before finally working his way into a Fighting Irish game in the mid-70s.

Szawara's season may not be worthy of a movie, but her determination was inspiring to her teammates and followers of this year's MSU softball team, who knew a good underdog-beats-the-odds story when they saw one.

Last year, my freshman season, I made the team as a walk-on, but I was a pinch runner and bullpen catcher," Szawara said. "Even though I only got into games to pinch run, I loved every

minute of it.

"When this year started, as far as I knew I was going to be doing the same thing. But the girl who started last year graduated, and then the starter this year hurt her knee, so I became the starting catcher about half-way through the season.

Szawara made the most of her opportunity, playing solid defense behind the plate, and delivering a few clutch hits for the NCAA tournament-bound Spartans.

"I was pinch-hit for a lot right after I started catching because when I was a pinch runner and bullpen catcher, I didn't even take batting practice," she explained. "Then when I did get to hit, it was usually in bunt situations. When I finally got my first hit of the season (a double) against U of D, the crowd went crazy. It was a great feeling."

The difference between high school and collegiate softball is immense, Szawara said.

"In high school, the best pitchers probably throw about 55 (miles per hour), while in college, the best pitchers throw about 65," she said. "Plus, the college pitchers have a lot of movement on their pitches. Catching is more difficult, too, because the coach expects you to block everything."

At 5-foot-6, 115 pounds, Szawara was the smallest starting catcher in the Big Ten.

"Most of the other catchers were closer to 170 (pounds)," she said. "But that didn't stop her from making a few Sportscenter-caliber plays. Against Michigan, a girl tried to score from third against us," Szawara recalled. "She was a pretty big girl, too. When I caught the ball and tagged her out, she tripped over my leg, fell and dislocated her shoulder, but I hung onto the ball."

Rudy would have been proud.



Canton resident Nathan Perkovich (left) was drafted in the eighth round of Sunday's National Hockey League player draft by the New Jersey Devils. Perkovich played high school hockey for Redford Catholic Central.

Canton skater drafted by New Jersey

BY PAUL BEAUDRY
STAFF WRITER

At the beginning of this school year, Nathan Perkovich was hoping to help Redford Catholic Central to a sixth-straight state hockey championship, get through his senior year and maybe take his hockey career to the next level.

Fast forward to Sunday. Perkovich, coming off a season with the Cedar Rapids RoughRiders of the United States Hockey League, got a phone call he was waiting for – but could not have expected in September – informing him that he was an eighth-round draft choice of the New Jersey Devils.

"I got the call and it was pretty nice," said the Canton resident. "They congratulated me, told me that I was drafted by them and that they'd send me a package this week. They didn't tell me what was in it, so I have no clue."

PLEASE SEE PERKOVICH, B2

Wayne's Wakefield is named top coach

BY BRAD EMONS
STAFF WRITER

Tom Wakefield has accomplished a great deal in his four-plus seasons as Wayne Memorial High baseball coach.

Though just 29, Wakefield earned his second district title to go along with the Western Division crown in the Western Lakes Activities Association in 2004.

Before joining the WLAA, Wakefield also guided Wayne to a pair of Mega Conference-Red Division crowns and took his 2002 squad to the Division I regional final.

This year's Wayne squad started slowly, but wound up 20-12 overall, losing their final game in the regional semifinal to host Allen Park, 4-3, in eight innings.

"The worst thing you can say about a team is that they have potential," Wakefield said. "Our guys finally realized what it took to

BASEBALL

win. Instead of losing the close games like we did early, we learned how to win and we gained confidence from that."

The future appears bright for the Zebras, who lose only two seniors to graduation. "That last game was heartbreaking, but we proved our worth as a team by coming back from a 3-0 deficit and sending it into extra innings," Wakefield said. "We gave ourselves a chance to win the regional and hopefully we'll learn from that going into next year."

For his efforts this season, Wakefield was named Observer Coach of the Year in baseball.

Wakefield played high school baseball at Taylor Baptist Park Christian where he helped the Wildcats to their first-ever district title. He went on to pitch at Spring Arbor University where he compiled a 28-15 career mark, including back-to-back seasons of 11-3 and 10-3 (his sophomore and junior years). He was named Spring Arbor's Senior Athlete of the Year and was earned NAIA Pitcher of the Week recognition twice. He also was selected National Christian College Athletic Association All-America twice.

Before going to Wayne, he served as a graduate assistant coach at Spring Arbor while pitching coach at Madonna University.

See All Area baseball squad on page B4

Northville Solstice runs draw international talent

BY BRAD EMONS
STAFF WRITER

The Fifth Third Bank Solstice runs Saturday morning in Northville not only attracted top area talent, but international stars as well.

Former two-time University of Arkansas All-America track and cross country performer Silverus Kimeli, a native of Eldoret, Kenya, but now residing in Oklahoma City, Okla., won both the Mustang Mile, and the 5-kilometer (3 1 miles) event.

Coming off a fifth-place finish with a time of 18 minutes and 29 seconds in the 4-mile Steamboat Classic in Peoria, Ill., Kimeli started off the day by winning the mile, Michigan's fastest certified mile course with a net elevation drop of 200 feet, in 4:02, two seconds ahead of Mike Irwin of Ann Arbor and Ovidiu Olteanu of Wixom.

Just a half-hour later under ideal racing weather, the 24-year-old Kimeli took the 5K race in 14:18, finishing ahead of the Rochester duo of Marty Rosenthal and Nick Allen, who clocked times of 14:30 and

FIFTH THIRD BANK SOLSTICE 5-KILOMETER RUN/WALK
June 26 in Northville
TOP MALE FINISHERS
Overall 1 Silverus Kimeli (Oklahoma City Okla.) 14 minutes 18 seconds 2 Marty Rosenthal (Rochester) 14:30 3 Nick Allen (Rochester) 14:43
Masters 1 Dave Furey (Ann Arbor) 16:24
Ages 1-8 1 Sammy Meisel (Novi) 28:11 2 Benjamin Wright (Farmington Hills) 29:20 3 Shamus Bruen (Northville) 35:31
9-14 1 Lukas Barnes (Novi) 19:39 2 Doug Williams (Ann Arbor) 19:44 3 Douglas Rodd II (Fenton) 20:22
15-19 1 Matt Gillespie (Livonia) 16:44 2 Dan Horgan (Farmington Hills) 17:03 3 Clark Paciorek (Novi) 17:15
20-24 1 Kyle O'Brien (Royal Oak) 14:55 2 Don Wilkins (Woodhaven) 14:57 3 Steven Crane (Ypsilanti) 15:09
25-29 1 James Lander (Royal Oak) 14:51 2 Adam Wheeler (Westland) 16:19 3 Alexander Kdvey (Ypsilanti) 18:12
30-34 1 Ovidiu Olteanu (Wixom) 15:37 2 Matt Schroeder (Royal Oak) 16:04 3 Marvin Neiman (Dexter) 16:54
35-39 1 Benjamin Greinke (Livonia) 17:16 2 Vincent Jesudowich (Northville) 17:52 3 Tom Kerns (Northville) 18:41
40-44 1 Eric Stuber (Lansing) 16:48 2 Andy Muckon (West Bloomfield) 16:55 3 Todd Kelly (Troy) 17:30
45-49 1 Jerome Meredith (Ann Arbor) 18:02 2 Pat Working (Northville) 18:12 3 Doug Vandervoort (Novi) 18:47
50-54 1 John Tarkowski (Garden City) 17:51 2 Doug Soltz (Allen Park) 18:52 3 Rick Straub (Northville) 19:27
55-59 1 Paul Deladurantaye (Riverview) 18:10 2 Dale Yagiela (Northville) 19:53 3 Jerome Mittman (Northville) 21:55
60-64 1 Brian Gale (Northville) 20:25 2 John Waller (Ann Arbor) 22:44 3 Edward Nelson (Ann Arbor) 23:44
65-69 1 James Natherley (Burton) 21:51 2 Jerry White (Dearborn Heights) 24:17 3 Ed Torrance (Saline) 25:11
70-74 1 Darrel McKee (Harrison Township) 25:46 2

14:43, respectively. Kimeli averaged a 4:37 per mile en route to the win.

RACE RESULTS

Harrison Hensley (Pinckney) 31:39 **75-99** 1 Ed Allen (Northville) 31:20 2 Joe Thornburg (Troy) 36:32
TOP FEMALE FINISHERS
Overall 1 Denisa Costescu (Wixom) 16:37 2 Laurel Park (Ann Arbor) 17:59 3 Kristie Kieffer (Sterling Heights) 18:05
Masters 1 Nancy Schubring (Novi) 19:09
Ages 9-14 1 Elaina Sekuloski (Novi) 22:42 2 Jennifer Buckingham (Novi) 23:16 3 Maureen Gibbs (Ottawa Lake) 23:50
15-19 1 Heather Sirko (Livonia) 19:06 2 Patti Ramos (Novi) 20:53 3 Meghan Bannatz (Novi) 21:05
20-24 1 Vicki Pals (Canton) 18:59 2 Ruth Cook (Royal Oak) 19:22 3 Lauren Yagiela (Northville) 20:15
25-29 1 Alicia Piet (Royal Oak) 19:47 2 Jennifer Hampton (Novi) 20:41 3 Lisa Silverson (South Lyon) 23:10
30-34 1 Patricia Murray (Livonia) 18:39 2 Jodi Sandvik (Walled Lake) 22:25 3 Dianna Banks (Ann Arbor) 23:53
35-39 1 Kathy Rink (Clarkston) 18:53 2 Lenon James (Westland) 20:56 3 Carol Westphal (Detroit) 21:20
40-44 1 Sandra Haras 20:33 2 Jenni Everal (Taylor) 22:37 3 Renee Dalgleish (Walled Lake) 23:50
45-49 1 Joan Mathews (Maumee Ohio) 21:43 2 Carol Brockschmidt (Canton) 23:33 3 Joyce Segedi (Canton) 24:45
50-54 1 Donna Olson (Canton) 21:53 2 Joanie Rogucki (Pinckney) 23:56 3 Jill Monette (Northville) 26:17
55-59 1 Shirley Torrance (Saline) 26:28 2 Mary Vincent (Ann Arbor) 26:58 3 Suzanne Eyer (Plymouth) 28:48
60-64 1 Jane Zbinden (Toledo Ohio) 31:58
65-69 1 Merton Knight (Madison Heights) 26:53 2 Margo Hershberger 45:03
70-74 1 Betty Dunlap (Goodrich) 38:03
MUSTANG MILE
TOP MALE FINISHERS
Overall (under 40) 1 Silverus Kimeli (Oklahoma City Okla.) 4:02 2 Mike Irwin (Ann Arbor) 4:04 3 Ovidiu Olteanu (Wixom) 4:04 4 Don Wilkins (Woodhaven) 4:06 5 Jeff Christian (Beaverton) 4:34 6 B.J. Ricketts (Novi) 4:39 7 Don Jackson

A total of \$6,000 in prize money was offered between the two events, which drew a

total of 668 participants. Wixom's Denisa Costescu, 28, took the women's 5K title

in 16:37 (5:21 per mile). Ann Arbor's Laurel Park, 41, was second in 17:59 and Kristie

Kieffer, 22, of Sterling Heights placed third in 18:05.

Area age-group winners included Matt Gillespie (Livonia), male 15-19 (16:44), Heather Sirko (Livonia), female 15-19 (19:06), Vicki Pals (Canton), female 20-24 (18:59), Patricia Murray (Livonia), female 30-34 (18:39), Benjamin Grenke (Livonia), male 35-39 (17:16), John Tarkowski (Garden City), male 50-54 (17:51), and Donna Olson (Canton), female 50-54 (21:53).

The top three females in the Mustang Mile were 14-year-old Sarah Mills of Newport, 6:00, 12-year-old Victoria Church of Livonia, 6:39, and 44-year-old Cathy Paynter of Northville, 6:42.

Livonian businessman Gary Deschenes, 40, who pledged \$1 for every runner who placed ahead of him in the Mustang Mile, wiped out his original 8-minute goal by finishing 37th in 7:05 right alongside his brother Craig.

On behalf of the Foresters, Deschenes cut a check for \$500.

See top age group finishers on page B2.

Scero's 4 goals not enough for Wildcats

Cantons Brandon Scero scored four goals and added an assist Tuesday night in Metro Summer Hockey League action, but his effort wasn't enough to produce a victory for his Wildcats, who tied the first-place Falcons, 8-8.

The MSHL is based at the Suburban Training Center in Farmington Hills.

Maxsym Starchenko paced the Falcons with two goals and an assist.

The Falcons are now 4-0-1 while the Wildcats are 2-2-1. **Wolverines 11, Warriors 5:** The Wolverines improved their record to 4-2 with a comfortable six-goal victory over the 3-2 Warriors. Derek Patrosso led the winners with a hat trick and three assists. Craigen Bauldry (Salem High School) added a pair of goals. Jason Moul and Matt Krug both found the net twice for the Warriors.

Broncos 23, Bulldogs 5: Teddy Theodoroff tallied two goals and nine assists, leading the Broncos to a lopsided victory. The winners improved their record to 4-1 with the win. The Bulldogs, who got a goal and three assists from Adam Griffin, fell to 0-4-1.

Falcons 8, Huskies 4: The Falcons won the early battle for first place thanks to a four-goal outburst in the third period. Mark Nebus had a pair of goals for the winners and added an assist. Brett Blatchford scored twice, while Jordan Collins, Justin Laut, Zeyad Kassem and Shawn Anderson had one each. Kurt Kivisto led the Huskies with a three-goal night, while Eric Heltunen had a goal and

an assist. Jake Archer got the win in goal for the Falcons, while Joe Rutherford and Rob Wagener shared time in goal for the losers.

Spartans 9, Lakers 7: Justin Minnini's hat trick helped the Spartans to the win. Joe Tome kicked in with a pair of goals and an assist, while Matthew Ferris, John Maley, Joel Keuhn and Jeremy Majszak had one each. Adam Krug also had a hat trick to pace the Lakers, while Jason Bloomingburg, Nick Jardine, Stavros Paskaris and Reece McCabe (Canton) had one each.

Stephen Yu (Garden City) got the win in goal for the Spartans while Lanny Jardine and Matt Howard shared the loss for the Lakers.

Warriors 19, Redhawks 5: A nine-goal outburst in the second period proved to be the difference.

Jason Bloomingburg and Brent Cooper had five goals and four assists each, while Adam Krug had three goals and three assists. Bill McSweeney (Redford) kicked in with a goal and four assists, James Ciotti and Brandon Vacca had a goal and two assists and Steven Kuza, Justin Jagusz and Mike Ganzak had a goal and an assist.

Jeff Kraemer, Joe Vincent, JC Valasquez, Todd Bentley and Paola Decina scored for the Redhawks.

Bernie McDonnell and William Wood were in goal for the Redhawks, while Jimmy Spratt and Chris Bahash shared the win for the Warriors.

PLYMOUTH VOLLEYBALL

The Plymouth Volleyball Camp for grades 6-10 will be from 1:30-4:30 p.m., Monday through Wednesday, July 26-28, at the high school.

For more information, call Kelly McCausland at (734) 454-0704 or e-mail bigu016@yahoo.com

WILDCAT GOLF OUTING

The Plymouth Wildcat football golf outing is scheduled for July 31 at Hickory Creek Golf Course, located at Napier and Ford roads. Registration is from noon until the 1 p.m. shotgun start.

Cost is \$100 per golfer, \$50 for dinner only. There will also be games and drawings. Money and entry information may be sent to PHS Football Golf Outing, 47450 Wallingford Ct., Canton, MI 48818.

BASEBALL SCHOOL

The Doyle Baseball School, will return to Plymouth Christian Academy for two sessions this summer, from July 5-9 and July 12-16. Baseball and softball players between six and 16 years old will be instructed in hitting, throwing and fielding from 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. each day during the five-day school.

Doyle Baseball, now in its 23rd year, conducts satellite schools all over the country and in Canada. More than 500,000 players have received instruction at the school, including several pro players. Tuition is \$95 per player for payments received before June 18, \$115 for those received after that date. To register call PCA's Sandy Murray at (734)

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459-3505, ext. 117, until July 10. After that, call PCA baseball coach Don Shumaker at (734) 416-0513.

GOLF INFO

Tryouts for Madonna University's men's and women's golf teams will be at noon on July 26 and at 10 a.m. on Aug. 6 at Whispering Willows, located at Eight Mile and Newburgh in Livonia.

Scholarships are still available for both teams. For further information, call coach Bill Durham at (734) 564-5267 or contact via email at billdurham@pga.com.

Crystal Mountain Golf School is now offering lessons for all levels of golf talent at Fox Hills Golf Course in Plymouth. For more information, log on at www.foxhills.com or call (734) 453-7272.

SOCCER SIGN-UP

The city of Plymouth Recreation Department will be taking fall youth soccer registration from 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday throughout the month of June at the Recreation office, located at 525 Farmer in Plymouth.

All first-time registrations require a birth certificate. The fee for those competing in under-six through under-eight divisions is \$60 for city of Plymouth residents and \$85 for non-residents. For under-nine and older divisions, the cost is \$65 for city of Plymouth residents and \$95 for non-residents.

For further information, call the Recreation Department at (734) 455-6620, or check its website at www.ci.plymouth.mi.us.

COACHES WANTED

Plymouth HS currently has coaching openings for the following athletic teams: girls cross country, boys cross country and girls/boys diving.

Anyone interested in these positions should contact Plymouth athletic director Terry Sawchuk at (734) 582-5700, or stop by the Plymouth athletic department, located at 8400 N. Beck Road in Canton to pick up an application.

WATER EXERCISE, CHALLENGE

The City of Livonia Department of Parks and Recreation will hold its River Challenge classes at 6 p.m. Wednesdays and 8 a.m. Saturdays, along with its Deep Water Exercise classes 10 a.m. Tuesdays and Fridays at the Community Center Aquatics pool.

The River Challenge class is a 50-minute class (Webbed water gloves provided. You must wear your own water shoes to each class.)

The Deep Water Exercise class will provide effective resistance to strengthen and tone the upper and lower body, as well as an abdomen workout to achieve greater flexibility. It is also therapy for sports injuries.

Swim ability is not necessary. Water jogging belts are available, or you can bring your own. You must wear your own water shoes to each class. For more information, or to register, call (734) 466-2925 or visit www.ci.livonia.mi.us.

BENEFIT GOLF OUTING

There will be a golf outing to benefit the Plymouth High School athletic department

Sunday, Sept. 12, at Hickory Creek Golf Course, located at Napier and Ford roads in Canton. The event, a four-person scramble, will kick off with an 8 a.m. shotgun start.

For \$100, participants will receive 18 holes of golf with a cart, a t-shirt, snack at the turn and a steak dinner following the golf.

There will be longest-drive, closest-to-the-pin and skins competitions available to the golfers.

For more information, contact Plymouth Athletic Director Terry Sawchuk at (734) 582-5700.

JOHN GLENN REUNION

Westland John Glenn will stage a football reunion for all former players and coaches, Friday, Saturday, Oct. 1-2.

A schedule of events includes meeting at halftime for the football homecoming game (Oct. 1), as well as an informal dinner (Oct. 2) at the Wayne-Ford Civic League Hall.

The cost for the weekend is \$20 per player (includes awards, hall rental, refreshments, and picture CD of the reunion).

For more information, e-mail Mark Jennings at mjenning@twiml.com.

STEVENSON GRID REUNION

Livonia Stevenson High School plans to stage a 40-year football all-player reunion, Friday, Sept. 10, during its game against Livonia Churchill.

For more information, call coach Tim Gabel at (734) 744-2660 or e-mail tgabel@livonia.k12.mi.us. You can also visit http://shs.freewebspace.com.

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"People would be surprised at how few fights and disturbances we have out here," she said. "I attribute a lot of this to

our umpiring crew, which is really our front-line staff. We've had very few incidents for the most part because the ump's do a nice job of keeping things under control."

Upcoming events this summer at the CSC include the USSSA Boys National 13-

and-under World Series, the ASA Girls National 9-18 Compuware Softball National Tournament and a Muscular Dystrophy Association charity event that will feature firemen playing softball to raise money for the MDA.

PERKOVICH

FROM PAGE A1

Perkovich - a 6-5, 190-pound forward - has advanced quickly through the hockey ranks. As a sophomore at CC in the 2001-02 season, he played sparingly. That changed as a junior as he played on the top three lines in helping CC to its fifth-straight Division I title.

And he was all set to play for CC this year, starting school there and playing for the Michigan Stars all-star team, based out of Troy, prior to the Shamrocks season. The Stars played in three tournaments before Perkovich got a call.

"While I was playing for the Stars, (Cedar Rapids coach Mark Carlson) offered me a roster spot," said Perkovich. "I went to a tourney in Minnesota

and played well. A couple weeks later I got the call."

The decision didn't come without great angst.

"I would have still played for CC," said Perkovich. "I was still going to CC. My parents (Danny and Jeanette) and I did some deep thinking about it and the feeling was that I had the opportunity to go play there so I should."

So after the first quarter at CC, Perkovich joined Cedar Rapids - hooking up with former teammates Brandon Naurato and Andrew Eggert. In 35 games, Perkovich had a goal and seven assists with 23 penalty minutes.

"The biggest surprise was all the exposure I got," said Perkovich, who wound up with a diploma from Cedar Rapids Kennedy High School instead of CC because of the move. "I wouldn't have that if I wasn't

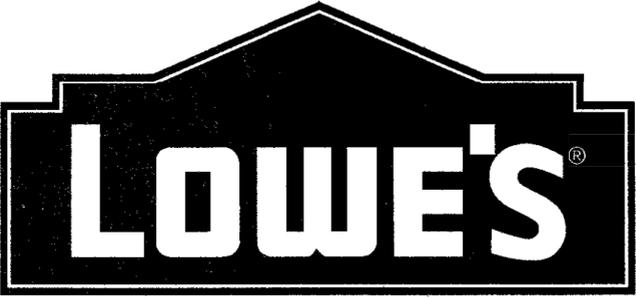
playing in the USHL right now."

Even though he'd love to have the opportunity to play in the Devils organization right now, he knows it's down the road. He'll return to Cedar Rapids next year and plans on playing college hockey - preferably at either Michigan State or for Livonia native Bob Daniels at Ferris State.

"We'll have to see what happens. It all depends on how I play next year," said Perkovich. "I have so much to improve on and I need to get bigger. I may be 6-5, but I think I'm not done growing. I don't even have any facial hair yet. They draft you because they think you have potential to improve. It's up to you whether or not you make it."

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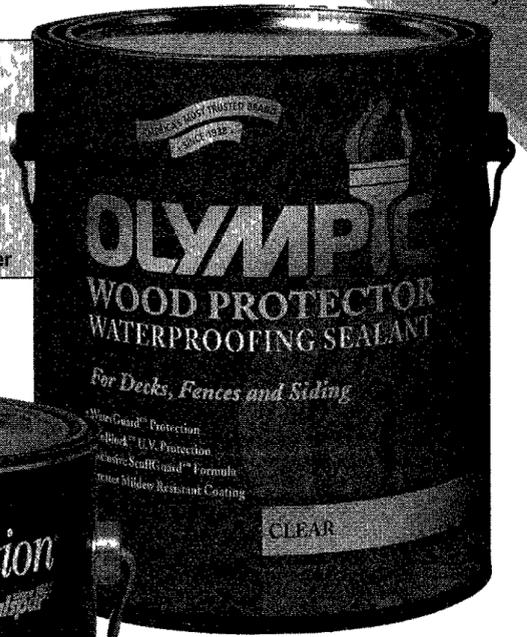
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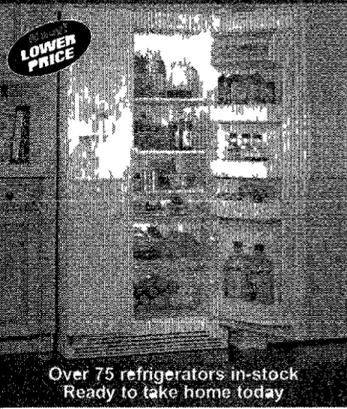
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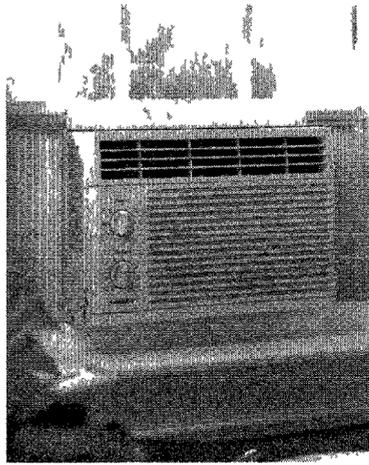
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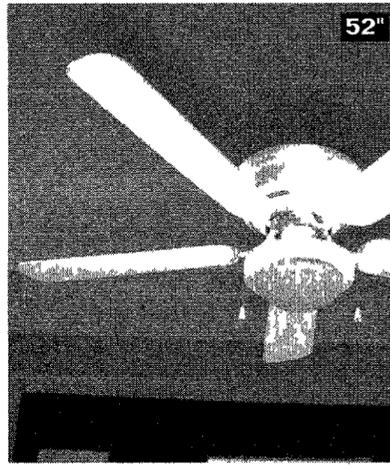
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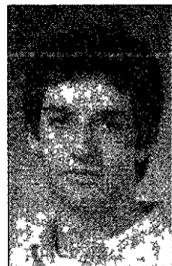


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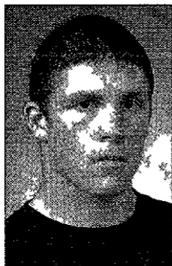


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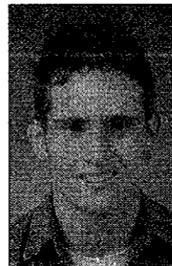
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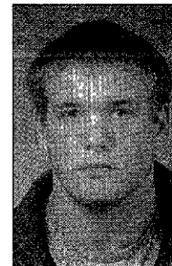
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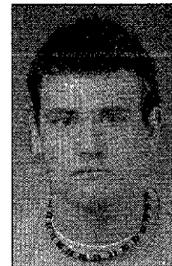
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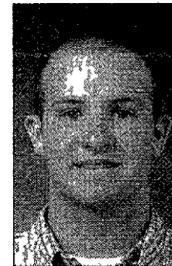
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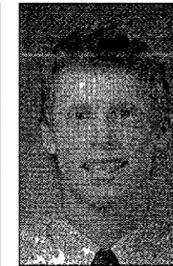
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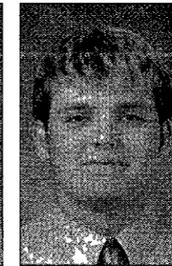
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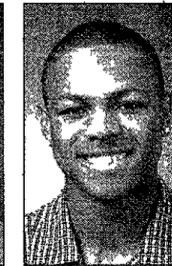
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FIRST TEAM

Mike Monterey Sr. P. Redford CC: Monterey was perhaps CC's best all-around player this season as the Shamrocks advanced to the Division 1 semifinals. The senior had a 6.1 record with three saves and an earned run average of 2.01. Through the districts, he struck out 60 and walked just 22 in 52 1/3 innings. He also played shortstop when not pitching and hit .247. He was our top pitcher and did a great job, said CC coach John Salter of his all-Catholic selection. He had excellent control all season and also played solid defense. One of his best games was a no-decision against Brother Rice with one earned run in eight innings.

Jeremy Jammick, Jr. P. Wayne Jammick: an All Western Lakes selection finished with an 8.1 record with a 2.25 ERA. He finished with 67 strikeouts in 59 innings despite missing 10 days in the middle of the season with a hyper-extended elbow. Jeremy always had the ability; it was just a matter of confidence, Wakefield said. This year he threw harder and developed a change-up. Jammick, who also played infield, hit .301 (.28 for 93) with a team-high 10 doubles. Offensively he hit for more power, Wakefield said. He was our number four hitter and he came through in clutch situations. He came through with some big hits for us at the end of the season.

David VanDusen Sr. C. Redford Union: VanDusen had never been behind the plate prior to this season, but made the most out of it. He had 31 RBIs, hit .426, had 39 hits with 5 doubles and three triples and earned all Mega White and All District honors. He was our best overall player, said RU coach Mike Taylor. He plays all nine positions well and moved to catcher without any prior experience. Basically he was our overall offensive leader and best defensive player on the field. VanDusen will play next season at Madonna University.

Eric Vojtkofsky Jr. C. Redford CC: Vojtkofsky started slowly thanks to an injury suffered during the wrestling season. But he finished strong and was a big part of CC's playoff drive. He did a great job catching, especially in the state tournament, said Salter of the junior who also saw quite a bit of time at first base. I don't think a ball got by him in the last 10 games or so. He's solid behind the plate and had a good season offensively. If you have a good defensive team, you've got to be strong at catcher. Vojtkofsky hit .375 with 40 RBIs and had three homers with five doubles. What's most impressive was his .982 fielding average and his striking out just seven times through the districts.

Aaron Ciborowski Jr. C. Plymouth Christian: Ciborowski was a force at the plate for the Eagles this season, hitting .596 with seven homers and 32 RBIs. An excellent defensive player, he played catcher and shortstop. Aaron was the kind of player this year that other teams would intentionally walk rather

ALL-OBSERVER BASEBALL TEAM

FIRST TEAM

P-Mike Monterey Sr. Redford CC
P-Jeremy Jammick Jr. Wayne
C-David VanDusen Sr. Redford Union
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C-Aaron Ciborowski Jr. Ply Christian
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Inf-David Mintz Sr. Canton
Inf-Xander Younce Sr. Liv. Churchill
OF-Otis Young Jr. Liv. Franklin
OF-Drew Amble Sr. Redford CC
OF-Steve Cox Sr. Salem
OF-Brian Alpert Sr. Liv. Stevenson
Utility-Dave Clendenning Jr. Wayne

SECOND TEAM

P-Bobby Henderson Jr. Redford CC
P-Jon Leins Jr. Liv. Franklin
C-Clint Serna Jr. Wayne
C-Billy Burton Sr. Westland Glenn
1B-Jeremy Fick Jr. Garden City
1B-Jeff Moore Jr. Liv. Franklin
1B-David Hillson Sr. Redford Union
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Inf-Dan Walsh Jr. Wayne
Inf-Ryan Walker Sr. Luth. Westland
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than face him with men on base, said PCA assistant coach Don Shumaker. Aaron was our clean-up hitter and he delivered some clutch hits at key times for us. Defensively, he was extremely versatile as well. He could play almost anywhere on the field.

Ryan Gallagher Sr. 1B. Redford CC: While Gallagher's hitting was solid, a team-leading .432 average with 13 doubles, a homer and 18 RBIs through the districts, his fielding was just as impressive at .990. He also earned all-Catholic honors.

He plays a lot of positions well, said Salter. He's probably our best defensive player and did an excellent job at first base and at catcher. He can hit some of the better pitchers around.

Some guys fatten the run average against lesser pitchers. Ryan can hit the good ones. Whoever gets him in college will get a good all-around player.

David Mintz Sr. Inf. Canton: Mintz enjoyed a stellar senior season, hitting .423 with two home runs, 12 RBIs and 14 stolen

bases. He compiled a .536 on-base percentage and a .947 fielding percentage. His efforts earned him all-conference and all-district accolades.

Our team had a tough year, but Dave was one of the bright spots, said Canton coach Scott Dickey. We played an extremely tough schedule, which makes his stats even more impressive. He was a great leader for the team and he did a heck of a job under some adverse conditions. When the injuries to our team suffered, it's so easy to see him go.

Xander Younce Sr. Inf. Liv. Churchill: In 30 games, the senior shortstop/catcher/pitcher batted .422 (.38 for 90) with 11 doubles and 24 RBIs en route to All Western Lakes honors. He also had a slugging percentage of .544 and an on-base average of .519 while stealing nine of 10 bases.

As a pitcher, Younce went 5-6 with an ERA of 6.21 in 48 innings pitched. He struck out 36 and walked 18.

Xander was our best player, he did every thing for us, Churchill coach Ron Targosz said. Whether he was pitching, catching or

playing shortstop, he never complained. He always worked hard.

Targosz said Younce is undecided between Adrian College or Bowling Green State University.

Otis Young Jr., OF. Liv. Franklin: The junior emerged as Franklin's top offensive threat, leading the 20-9 Patriots with a .386 batting average (.33 for 83) with nine doubles, two triples and two homers.

The All Western Division and All District pick had a slugging percentage of .614 and an on-base average of .485.

He filled in at shortstop for us this year and started playing well, so we kept him there, Franklin coach Paul Newitt said. He also played second base, but his best position is outfield. He was a solid defensive player for us.

Otis has a lot of speed and he's very athletic. He hit well the first three quarters of the year before tailing off a little at the end. Both his homers were inside the park. He hits to the right side well, too. That's why he batted second for us.

Drew Amble Sr., OF. Redford CC: Amble was a solid player who spent most of the season with a bad shoulder, corrected by surgery on Monday. Still, Amble was second on the team in hits, had a .397 batting average with four homers, 22 RBIs and three doubles through the districts.

He had a great offensive season for us, leading off and getting on base a lot for us, said Salter. He had some solid power and played well in the outfield, even with an injured throwing arm.

Steve Cox Sr., OF. Salem: The three-year varsity starter capped a brilliant career by hitting .378 with six home runs, 37 RBIs and 27 runs scored. Cox, who started 83 consecutive games in center field for the Rocks, broke the all-time Salem career hits record with 121. He earned All-District and All-WLAA recognition for his efforts.

Brian Alpert Sr., OF. Liv. Stevenson: The senior outfielder batted .384 (.33 for 86) with eight doubles and 11 RBIs.

He had a slugging percentage of .570 and an on-base average of .469 en route to All-WLAA honors and All-District honors. He also successfully stole 10 of 13 bases.

The team's MVP also made academic All-State as recognized by the Michigan High School Baseball Coaches Association.

Alpert will enroll in the University of Michigan's School of Engineering and work on the baseball team.

Dave Clendenning Jr., Utility. Wayne: The under-batted team best (.402 (.39 for 97) with nine doubles and 25 RBIs).

As a pitcher, the All Western Lakes pick finished with a 9-4 record with 96 strikeouts in 76 innings. He walked just 25 and had an ERA of 2.76.

Last year Dave was just a hard thrower but he matured this year into a pitcher and knew how to approach a game, Wakefield said. He used his off-speed stuff and was effective versus the good teams.

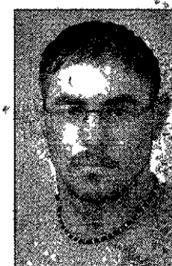
Offensively, he was solid all year long. We could count on him to get two hits in just about every game.



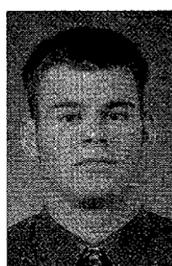
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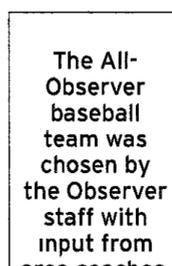
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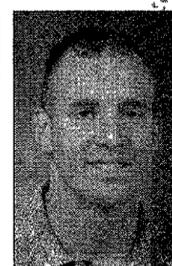
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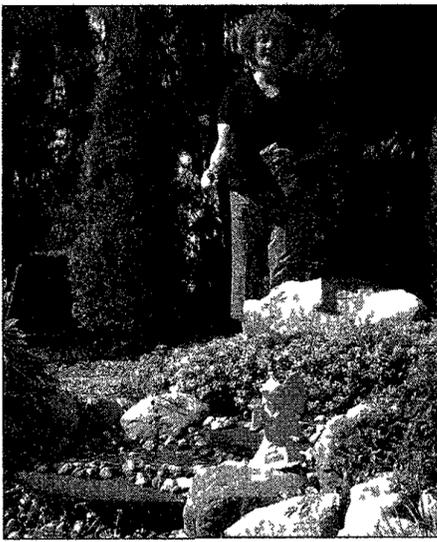
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Rita Gamlin feeds the fish in her garden that will be featured on a garden tour

Nurturing the spirit

Walk features beautiful, relaxing paradise

BY MARY KLEMIC
STAFF WRITER

"I'm a nurturer," Rita Gamlin said. She's a nurturer as an assistant teacher at Brookfield Academy. And she's a nurturer in her backyard garden, one of six that will be featured on the Troy Garden Walk Wednesday, July 14.

The garden itself nurtures the spirit as well, with the beautiful plants and lovely elements Rita and husband Tom Gamlin have placed around the site. In the 20 years they have lived at the house they have planted and maintained a restful paradise. The Gamlins' yard has a variety of "gardens," areas with different plants and features.



This is one of the trees from Rita and Tom Gamlin's bonsai dish collection

TROY GARDEN WALK

What: The Troy Garden Club's 30th annual Garden Walk featuring six beautiful gardens around Troy, and a boutique and raffle at the Troy Historical Museum gazebo, 60 W. Wattle's.

When: 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. and 6-8:30 p.m. Wednesday, July 14.

Tickets are \$10. Tickets are available in limited numbers at Telly's Greenhouse (248) 689-8735, the Troy Historical Museum, (248) 524-3570, Wilkop Landscaping (248) 828-0030 and Uncle Luke's Feed Store, (248) 879-9147 or by calling the Troy Garden Club at (248) 879-8621.

Flowers at the site include sweet woodruff, pulmonaria, phlox, myrtle, sedum, hibiscus, Shasta daisies, hostas, silver lace vine and Alexander's lysimachia. There are delicate corydalis and majestic delphiniums.

"I love them all," said Rita Gamlin, who participates in Troy's plant exchange every year.

"I love sharing with neighbors and friends."

A slate path leads to the back yard. A topiary made from an old tree trunk is one of the accents. Nestled among the gently sloping landscape is a water garden. Tom Gamlin dug out shrubs and installed the water garden himself. The water softly trickles down tiers to a pond, where fish are kept all year (a cover protects them in winter, a bubbling mechanism keeps the water from freezing).

Lilies and water forget-me-nots are among the plants

Another pond is on the lower yard, with water flowing over smooth stones under the gaze of statuary.

In a dappled area are such flowers as Chinese lanterns and bleeding heart. Several dishes hold Tom's bonsai garden.

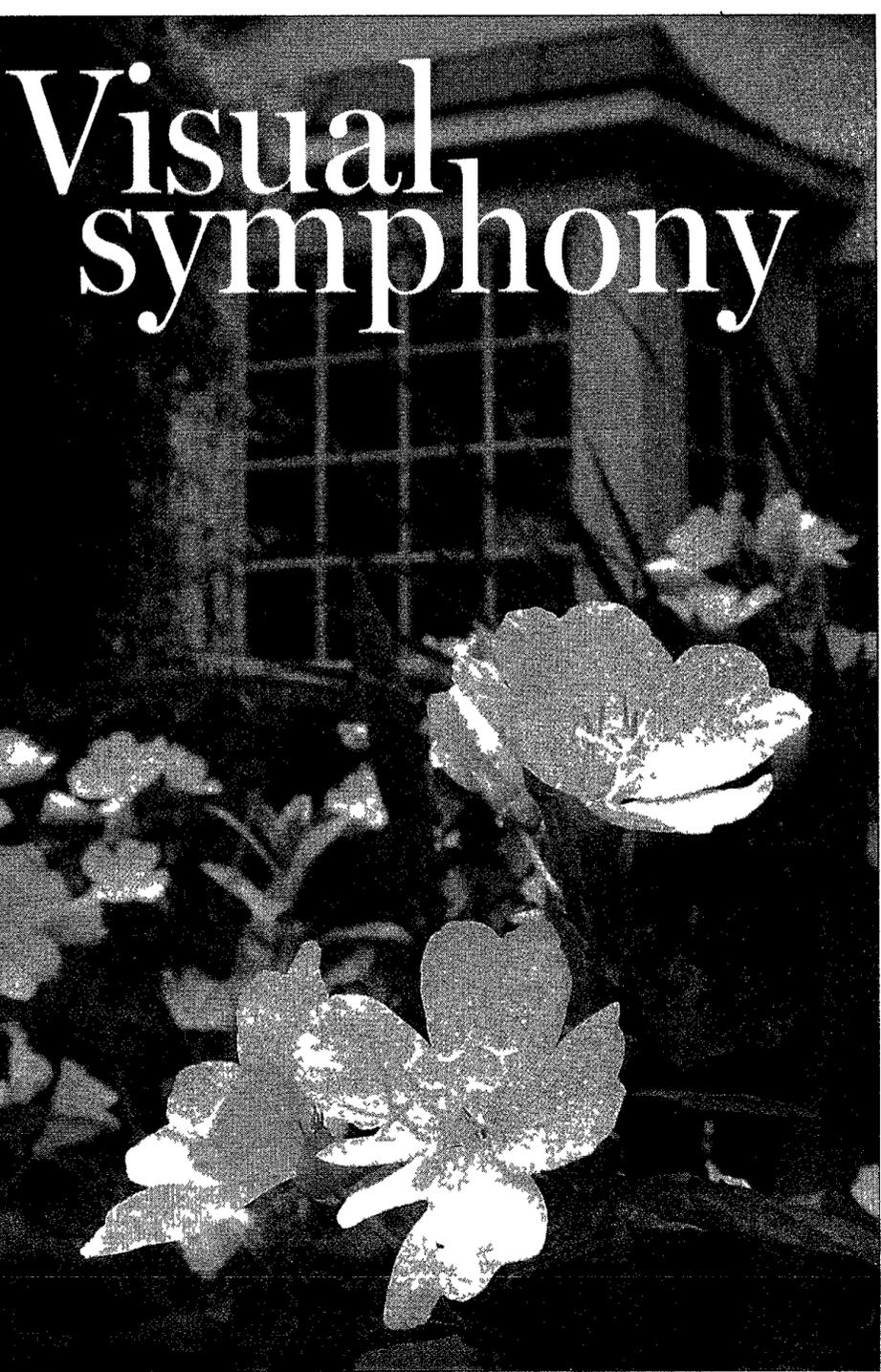
A tiered sun garden runs along one side of the yard, wooden planks adding rustic accents to the colorful display. Pink peonies, purple iris, fuchsia and Stella D'oro lilies are among the blooms that add various hues to the scene.

Across the yard is a shade garden, bordered with bright impatiens.

"We call this the garden of optimism," Rita said with a smile.

Begonias and trillium are among the flowers. Forsythia form a wall of yellow in the spring. Rita Gamlin is looking forward to the garden walk.

"Anyone who will listen, I will talk about my plants."



Buttercups are a sign of the season

Eight private gardens open for tour

BY MARY KLEMIC
STAFF WRITER

Gene and Donna Hartwig's garden is a harmonious display that could get you humming or singing.

"Country Gardens" may be one of the tunes that come to mind, and not just because of the English-style plantings that abound.

Different joys are continually in bloom in the 3/4-acre garden, which borders on two streets in Bloomfield Hills.

"Every time of the year there's something different that comes up," Gene said.

The garden's storybook charms will be on special view Sunday, July 11, when it will be one of eight private gardens in the area featured in the Open Days program.

The program, by The Garden Conservancy, is an opportunity for the public to visit exceptional private gardens. Open Days are sched-



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Gene Hartwig tends climbing roses on a trellis

uled around the country, March to October this year.

Proceeds support The Garden Conservancy's national preservation work as well as local not-for-profit organizations designated by individual garden hosts. (See related items.)

ENGLISH LOOK

The Hartwigs bought their house 20 years ago. It was built in 1953

by the Awreys, the bakery family. The original low, Indiana limestone wall put in by the Awreys is still there, encircling a large central lawn.

"The vista look is very English," Donna said. "We have tried to maintain that."

Wildflowers are a major part of the spring garden.

"I love the soft colors,"

PLEASE SEE GARDENS, C3

OPEN DAY

What: An opportunity for the public to visit eight private gardens in Beverly Hills, Bloomfield Hills and White Lake.

When: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, July 11, rain or shine. Where: Start at the Hartwig Garden, 1320 Covington Road in Bloomfield Hills. Covington Road runs north and south between Telegraph and I-75. The address is just south of 16 Mile (16 Mile is Quarton west of Woodward and Big Beaver Road east of Woodward).

Admission: At the Hartwig Garden, buy the 2004 Open Days Directory Midwest Edition for \$5. The soft-cover directory includes directions to the other gardens and a coupon for one free garden admission. It is also sold in book stores. Admission is \$5 to each garden.

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If you're one of the many readers who don't have an outdoor garden, but do enjoy indoor gardening, "this one's for you."

There are many lovely plants that add beauty to the home. Some of them flower and the blooms can be used to coordinate the colors in a room.

I have been enjoying the pink blooms of Rhododendron simsii, or florist azalea, sent to me by my New York son. This was a perfect Mother's Day gift, as it was blooming when it arrived.

Azaleas like bright, indirect sun when they are blooming and medium light when they aren't.

To prolong flowering, keep pots in cool surroundings (46 to 61 degrees). When the temperature reaches 70 degrees, the leaves and flowers tend to drop off.

These woody shrubs need lots of humidity, so indoors the pots should be set in a cache pot filled with damp peat or oasis. Water often but don't flood the plant.

Water and soil must be lime-free. At this time of year, continue to fertilize twice a month through September.

Many potted azaleas are set in a soil-less mix, so it is necessary to fertilize regularly. This

tends to raise the pH, if too "sweet" or alkaline, pH 7.0 or higher, the leaves will turn yellowish between the veins.

To avoid this, make regular applications of fertilizer for acid-loving plants. Or this old-fashioned trick will work: Mix 1 teaspoon cider vinegar in 1 quart water and apply it to the soil monthly, or as indicated by the leaf color.

If you follow these directions, it's a good bet that you can enjoy your plant for several years.

It is recommended that you repot every two to three years after flowering. Use a growing medium made up of one part lime-free organic soil, two parts peat and one part coarse sand. Use pure peat every other time you repot.

BOOKS

An interesting and most informative book, Dear Dirt Doctor by Howard Garrett (University of Texas Press, \$16.95), contains many questions about gardening the natural way. Garrett answers with straightforward information.

It's a must-read for those who use organic methods (or who want to).

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Bonsai: Grow Your Own Bonsai from Cuttings, Seeds

and Saplings, Werner M. Busch (The Lyons Press, \$18.95 paperback), gives excellent information on the subject.

Line drawings, photos and easy-to-follow directions for 30 deciduous trees, conifers and shrubs are used to explain the craft. All the steps necessary to be successful are included here. I like it.

Also from Lyons, The Gap in the Hedge, Charles Elliott (\$25), contains short stories and remembrances about gardening in England. I always enjoy his books, they're funny, serious and poignant. Keep it near an easy chair to read at your leisure.

Two books are from Timber Press: Pulmonarias and the Borage Family, and Tree Bark: A Color Guide.

Pulmonarias and the Borage Family, Masha Bennett (\$39.95), is fully illustrated to show the beauty of these flowers.

The family is large and includes such flowers as gromwell, languid-ladies and other lesser-known plants, as well as familiar ones such as comfrey, that can be used in many areas of the garden.

Bennett gives excellent advice for growing the various species and details biology, ecology and cultivation of more than 200 species and hundreds of varieties.

The author's enthusiasm is catching and detailed. We learn that pulmonarias are among the few perennials



The pink blooms of Rhododendron simsii or florist azalea, add beauty to a room.

capable of surviving under black walnut trees.

Tree Bark: A Color Guide, Hugues Vaucher (\$39.95), illustrates the rich variety of colors, patterns and textures of bark with more than 550 photos.

As you're out and about, take a moment to really look at the diversity of trees and the beauty of the bark. There's a lot to learn here from how bark is formed, the structure and function of bark as well as the ethnobotany of these tree "wrappings."

A most interesting book, The Gardener's Atlas: The Origins, Discovery and Cultivation of the World's Most Popular Garden Plants, Dr. John Grimshaw (Firefly Books Ltd., \$22.95, paper), will provide a wealth of information and enjoyment.

The book shows where 20 plant families originated and how and why they were transported to foreign lands, cultivated, hybridized and further dispersed, until the present day where they flourish far from their native lands.

For instance, accompanying the daylily. During the 20th century, breeders have improved the wild Hemerocallis fulva, or "ditch lilies," from eastern Asia and transformed their colors from the wild plants' yellow and orange.

The maps will guide your way.

Marty Figley is an advanced master gardener based in Birmingham. You can leave her a message by dialing (734) 953-2047 on a touch tone phone. Her fax number is (248) 644-1314.

GARDEN WALK CALENDAR

Northville: The Gardens of Northville 11th annual Garden Walk 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Wednesday July 14. Sponsored by the Country Garden Club of Northville. Six gardens will be featured from pristine and expansive to quaint countryside. In Mill Race Village the Cady Inn will be a farmhouse kitchen where complimentary homemade delicacies and lemonade will be served. Enjoy music as you browse through plants and garden items offered by local vendors. Raffle tickets will be available at Mill Race Village the day of the walk.

Tickets sold in advance only \$10 available at Gardenviews 202 W. Main

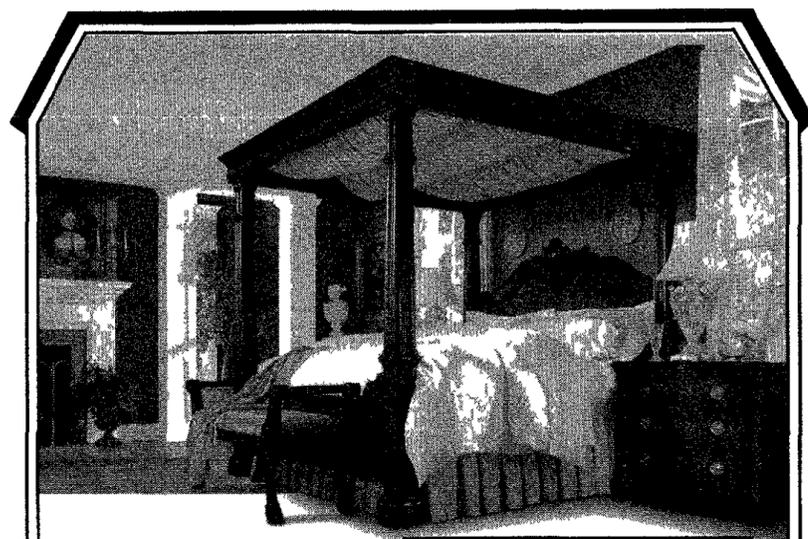
Coventry Gardens: The first Coventry Gardens Neighborhood Garden Walk 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday July 17 north of Five Mile and west of Farmington Road in Livonia. Ten lovely gardens will be featured. Tickets are \$5. Call (734) 421-0478 or (734) 422-1289 for information.

Huntington Woods: The Seed and Sod Garden Club of Huntington Woods will present a Summer Garden Tour noon to 5 p.m. Sunday July 18.

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(248) 398-2004. Shelby Township: Garden Walk 2004 presented by the Shelby Gardeners Club will take place noon to 8:30 p.m. Thursday July 22 rain or shine. Proceeds benefit public garden projects. Tickets are \$8 in advance \$10 the day of the event. Advance tickets are available at the Shelby Library and Parks and Recreation Department or by sending a check to the Shelby Gardeners Club P.O. Box 183324 Shelby Township 48318 before Monday July 12. The walk will start at Heritage Gardens Shelby Township Municipal

Building 52700 Van Dyke (Jack Millard Boulevard) south of 24 Mile. For information call Ann at (586) 731-9367 Jan at (586) 781-2821 or Sonja at (248) 651-9180. Garden City: The Garden City Garden Club will host the 11th annual Garden Walk 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday July 24 rain or shine. The self-guided tour will feature seven beautiful gardens including four ponds. Refreshments will be available along with a bake sale at one home. For information call Paula Reich at (734) 525-2524 or Cheryl Guck at (734) 525-7299.



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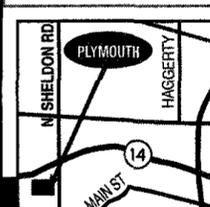
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GARDENS

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Donna said
Like a house with different rooms, the welcoming garden features different areas. There are sun and shade perennial gardens, a conifer garden, and an area where the Hartwigs are trying to develop rhododendrons.

A sitting area called a 'secret garden' is bordered on one side by trees with low branches that look easy to climb and features paths of pine needles.

"As gardeners you never sit down," the Hartwigs said, laughing.

Forsythia, trillium, Jack-in-the-pulpit, anemones, hoyas, bougainvillea, buttercups, roses and hellebores make appearances. Wild ginger peeks out from a patch of green, inspiring Donna to call the ginger the 'petticoat' of the garden. Rabbits got into the cotoneaster. To keep them from getting into various types of lettuce, Gene Hartwig put the lettuce in large pots. The different shades and textures of the lettuce make an attractive arrangement on steps.

Climbing hydrangea, clematis, porcelain berry and other vines are displayed, as well as ivy to cover a brick wall. A variety of hostas can be seen, including a miniature hosta that serves as a border.

And there are mature trees, elegant and stately, such as maple, spruce, Korean boxwood, and six white pines that Gene says are among the largest in the area. Tall, slender sweetgum trees stand in a line



BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

A "secret garden" is a favorite spot for Donna and Gene Hartwig.

Japanese flowering cherry trees, at least 60 years old, come back every year, their branches holding a graceful pose throughout the months.

The weeping cherry are absolutely magnificent in the spring when they're flowering," Gene said.

The couple's joy of gardening is infectious. As they recently took visitors around their garden, the Hartwigs were delighted at the sight of a bright yellow tree peony glowing among the foliage.

The Hartwigs will place plants in various ways. "You can move plants around easier than you can furniture," Donna said.

The creative couple has an artistic touch. Accent pieces in their garden aren't limited to art and sculpture. Other examples are smooth rocks that Donna finds, and a boot abandoned by a workman that now serves as a container for hens and chicks.

Neither Gene nor Donna is a

professional gardener. He's a lawyer, she's in real estate, with the firm of Weir Manuel Snyder and Ranke. The company has won the Marshall Fredericks award for community involvement.

Donna Hartwig was involved in starting the environmental center in Birmingham, and worked to save Adams Woods. She gave presentations on composting at schools.

The Hartwigs compost yearly. They built their own composting bin in one area of the yard. Pruning is also important, they say. Pruning is a great part of gardening, Donna said.

"We put out six or eight big bags (of prunings) every week," Gene said. Every window of the home has a view of the beautiful garden. The house features a courtyard.

Gene and Donna Hartwig look forward to sharing their garden. The Open Days program combines their love of gardening with their love of community.

Area Open Day gardens display wide variety

Other Michigan gardens in the Open Day program July 11 are:

■ Tom and Joe Grinnan, Beverly Hills — The more formal front gardens and pond were designed to play off the symmetry of the stone colonial home. The waterfall, pond and plantings in the back were designed in more natural shapes to blend with woods and foliage. Open Day proceeds will be shared with the Women's National Farm and Garden Association.

■ Aerie Gardens, Bloomfield Hills — The site is on a 5 1/2-acre hilltop vista that includes 2 1/2 acres of woods and a small pond and stream. Wetland, woodland, waterfall, hillside, sun and shade gardens are connected by paths, trails and stone stairways. Sculptures by Marshall

Fredericks are incorporated into the gardens. Open Day proceeds will be shared with the Cranbrook House and Gardens Auxiliary Endowment Fund.

■ Brookside Gardens, Bloomfield Hills — Visitors to the beautiful, peaceful site feel in harmony with its flowers, shrubs and trees. The perennial garden blooms in varying colors and aromas each month.

■ Kathryn M. Gossett, Bloomfield Hills — The garden is in a French form. Small gardens are on each side of the house.

Formal statues, and plantings of hedges and vines, are also featured.

■ Jack Krasula, Bloomfield Hills — The garden, in a 4 1/2-acre setting, includes more than 150 different conifers,

more than 500 hostas and paths throughout raised beds.

■ Mike and Debbi Bovio Garden, White Lake — Nestled within native oak woodlands, the garden surrounds a 30- by 70-foot pond with dozens of aquatic plants.

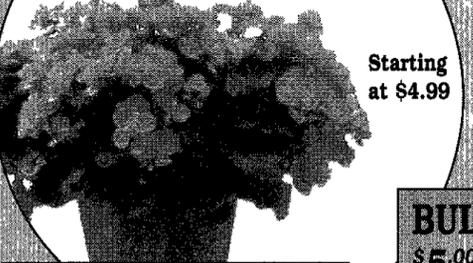
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■ Playing in the Dirt by Karen Piccinato, White Lake — Piccinato, who has given a talk to the Farmington Garden Club, plants 60 flats of flowers every year.

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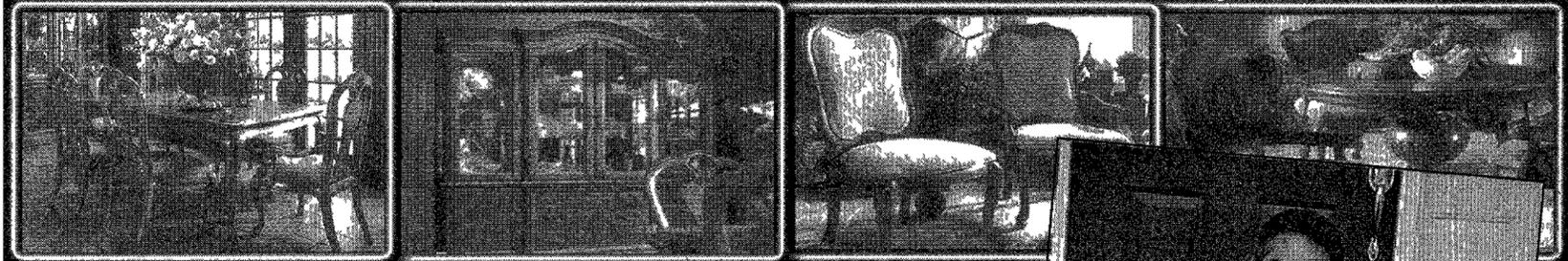
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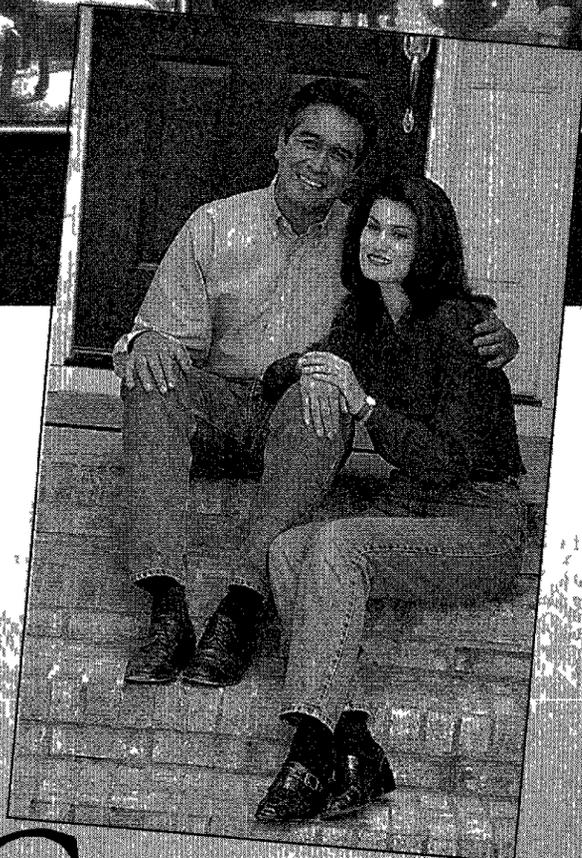
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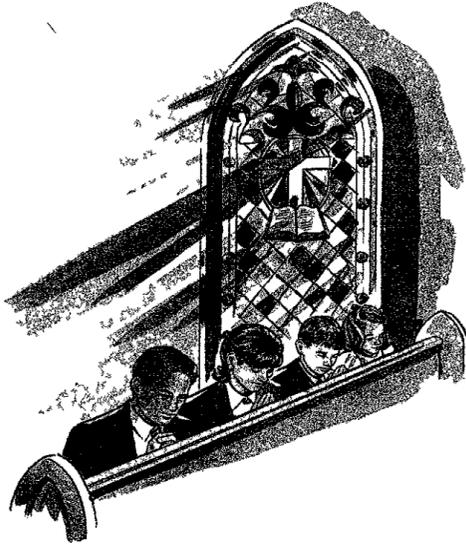
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God Hears Our Prayers

It's Easy To Criticize... Offering constructive criticism to others can be beneficial but only if the other person is receptive to our comments. In teaching situations or during on-the-job training, constructive criticism is usually necessary to instruct and help a person develop a trade or vocation. However, correcting someone, even in a kind or skillful manner, can be very challenging since we are never sure how the individual may react. Many friendships and families have been destroyed because someone has been overly critical of another person's words or actions. Knowing when we should offer our comments can also be difficult, and we should be fairly certain that our comments are truthful and necessary. It often seems so easy to criticize others because we mistakenly believe that we are without fault or are such experts on most everything. The Bible tells us that we look at the speck in our brother's eye but we pay no attention to the log in our own (Luke 6:41). Faultfinding and being overly critical of others, especially behind their backs, are wrong and can become habit forming. However, kind words are good for the soul and help to build a person up.

The way of a fool is right in his own eyes, but a wise man listens to advice. RSV Proverbs 12:15

Creative planning stretches your entertainment dollars

Our household budget is tight. What kind of inexpensive family activities and dates with my husband can I plan?

It will take creative planning to minimize the amount of money you spend on entertainment.



Domestic Planner

Diana Koenig

A substantial portion of money is spent on pleasure in today's society. Even in two-income families it can be difficult to maintain a high standard of living. A movie and dinner for two puts extra pressure on the family budget.

First, decide what activities you enjoy doing. Consider trying something new, especially if what you like is expensive. People are reluctant to try new things, yet many times when we make changes we are pleasantly surprised at the results.

Decide how much money you will spend on entertainment. On payday, put the money in an envelope labeled "entertainment." Use two separate envelopes—one for the family, and one for you and your spouse.

Choose a variety of activities or focus on a specific area. Favorite activities may fall into one of the following categories: fine arts, sporting events, physical activities, social activities, intellectual activities.

Some people prefer indoor activities while others enjoy spending time outdoors. You may have to compromise to accommodate the needs of everyone in the household.

After identifying your areas of interest, spend time scouting for coupons and free admissions. Look for coupons in the mail or your local news paper. The radio announces events and discounts.

Inquire at your local city hall or chamber of commerce for upcoming events in your area. Buying a membership or season pass to popular local

attractions is worthwhile if you plan on attending the activity numerous times.

Many cultural, educational and entertainment venues offer free or discounted admissions on specific days. Others are always free but require reservations.

Investigate the possibilities. If you plan ahead, you should rarely have to pay full price for any activity. Establishments that want your business usually offer incentives.

Arrange for a family meeting to discuss entertainment options. Give your family choices after you have gathered the information. Compare everyone's schedule and then take a family vote. Write on your calendar the place, time and cost of your social event.

INEXPENSIVE IDEAS

- Fine arts
- Visit the museums in your area
- Some operas offer discounted or free seats
- During the warmer

months, look for free concerts in the park.

■ Performances of church or high school choirs are usually free.

■ View educational television shows on the arts.

■ Rent a movie at your local video store. Wait for the \$1 rental instead of paying for a new release.

■ Plays performed at high schools or colleges are inexpensive yet often more entertaining than the professional versions.

■ Attend professional sporting events and sit in the inexpensive seats, or take advantage of free or discounted promotional tickets offered by businesses or with products.

■ Attending a high school or college game can be fun and inexpensive.

■ Physical activities

■ Hike on trails or strike your own path through the woods. Make sure you aren't trespassing.

■ Swim in pools, or better yet, in a lake or river.

■ Sign up for a volleyball, softball, basketball or soccer league. If there isn't a team in your area, help organize one.

■ Use coupons for sports that cost money such as golf, skiing, bowling, miniature golf and amusement parks.

Remember gift certificates for your favorite sports activity when you write birthday or Christmas suggestions.

■ Social activities

■ Look for "buy one-get one free" restaurant coupons.

■ Arrange for a game night with friends and ask everyone to bring a snack to share.

■ Plan a potluck dinner where each guest brings food to share.

■ Join a church or club. Many of the planned activities would be free.

■ Volunteer in an area of your interest. Besides meeting new people, you will get to do something you like for free.

■ Progressive dinners are fun. Eat each course of the meal at a different house.

■ Join a "game" group that meets on a regularly scheduled

day to play bridge, bUNCO, or pinochle.

■ Take a picnic lunch to a park.

■ Intellectual activities

■ Check the library for chess clubs or literary societies.

■ Read a book on a park bench.

■ Attend free lectures at churches and universities.

■ Enjoy a poetry reading at a coffee house. Better yet, bring something to contribute!

■ Join a discussion group.

■ Get involved with the local historical society.

TODAY'S REFRIGERATOR

BULLETIN:

The best entertainment is spending time with the people you love, not spending a lot of money!

Send your questions and success stories to **Diana Koenig**, P.O. Box 1702, Manchester, MO 63011. E-mail: dianakoening@hotmail.com or visit www.domesticplanner.com

RELIGION CALENDAR

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

JULY

Carillon Series

10 a.m. and noon Sundays, July 4, 11 and 25, and Aug. 1, 8 and 15, at Kirk in the Hills, 1340 W. Long Lake Road, Bloomfield Hills. Call (248) 626-2515.

Lava Lava Island

Vacation Bible School, 5:30-8:30 p.m. Monday, Thursday, July 12, 15, and VBS, 5:30-7:30 p.m. and closing program, 7:30 p.m. Friday, July 16. Luau follows with ice cream games and fun at Hosanna Taber Lutheran Church & School, 9600 Levee, east of Inkster, north of West Chicago, Redford. Call (313) 937-2233.

Summer Series

ADD/ADHA: The Latest Research Findings, Defining diagnoses and treatment of ADD/ADHA. Recognize common myths and understandings about this condition.

Transforming the Difficult Child: Raising a child with discipline and love and what to do after the child behaves positively. Utilizing the Nurtured Heart approach in parenting a child with challenging behavior. 7-9 p.m. Wednesdays, July 14 and 21, in the Msgr. Alex Burnett Activity Center at St. Aidan Parish, 17500 Farmington Road, between Six and Seven Mile, Livonia. Call (734) 425-5950.

Vacation Bible School

SonGames, 6:30 p.m. Monday-Friday, July 19-23, at St. Damian Catholic School for ages 3-12. Cost is \$15 per child. To register, contact Carol Nellus at (734) 721-4758.

King's Brass Concert

Tim Zimmerman and The King's Brass, 10:45 a.m. Sunday, July 25, at Calvary Baptist Church, 43065 Joy, Canton. For more information, call (734) 455-0022.

SonGames

Vacation Bible School for age 4 through grade 6, graduates, 9:15 a.m. to noon, Monday-Friday, July 19-23, at Plymouth Baptist Church, 42021 Ann Arbor Trail. Program includes Bible stories, songs, crafts, snacks and puppet shows. Closing program and carnival, 6 p.m. Sunday, July 25. No charge. For information, call (734) 453-5534 or visit www.plymouthbc.org.

Sports Camp

Begins with a Bible study followed by instruction in various sporting activities and participation by children age 4 through sixth grade, 7:30-9 p.m. Wednesdays through Sept. 8, at Harvest Ministries Church, 23233 Drake, Farmington Hills. Call Bob Trejo for information, (248) 478-1511.

CBC Day Camp

Began Monday, June 14, and continues for 11 weeks. There will be fun field trips, Christian based lessons and lunch provided daily. The cost is \$160 per camper each week. Camp is limited to the first 14 campers and there is a \$25 deposit due in order to hold the camper's spot for each week. Camp hours are 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. with pre-care (8-9 a.m.) and post-care (4-5

p.m.) available for an extra \$35. To register or for more information, call camp director Ethan Allen at (734) 306-2391.

Addiction No More

Do you have any addictive behavior problems: drugs, alcohol, overeating, gambling, etc.? Come to the meeting, 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, in Room 202 at Detroit World Outreach, 23800 West Chicago, Redford. For more information, call (313) 255-2222, Ext. 244.

Sunday Summer Worship

Continues Sundays at 9:30 a.m. through Sept. 5, Wednesdays at 7:30 p.m. at Antioch Lutheran Church, 33360 W. 13 Mile at Farmington Road, Farmington Hills. A contemporary Praise Forth service takes place every fourth Sunday. Visitors always welcome. Antioch Lutheran Preschool starts its 2004-2005 program year for 3- and 4-year olds on Sept. 13. Spaces still available for new enrollees. Call (248) 626-7906.

UPCOMING

Heroes of the Bible

For preschool through fifth grade, 9 a.m. to noon, Monday-Friday, Aug. 2-6, at Wellspring Church, 36350 Eight Mile, Farmington Hills. Call (248) 442-0412.

Spirit Days

5-8 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 7, and 10 a.m. to noon, Sunday, Aug. 8. Spirit Days will explore the life and worship of Christians around the world at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, 26212 W. Six Mile, Redford. Light meals each evening with worship and activities.

Call (313) 537-3778.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter

A weekend experience for married couples to improve their communication skills, learn the value of intimacy and renew their love for each other. Will take place Friday-Sunday, Sept. 10-12, at St. John's Family Life Center, 44011 Five Mile, Plymouth. There is a \$50 registration fee. For more information or to register, call (248) 528-2512 or (810) 286-5524, or visit the Web site at www.rc.net/detroit/wmwe.

Noah's Ark Christian Preschool

Strong academic program in a fun, loving Christian environment at First United Methodist Church, 3 Town Square, Wayne. Call (734) 595-6002. Students are taught phonics, Bible verse, sign language, numbers and letter recognition, craft and songs. Morning and afternoon sessions available for fall 2004-2005. Cost is \$30 a week for three day program, \$20 a week for two days.

Fall Boutique

Saturday, Oct. 23, at St. Robert Bellarmine (St. Jude Circle), West Chicago and Inkster roads. Table rental is \$25. Call Nancy at (313) 93701741 or Joan at (313) 937-1670.

Crafters wanted

Currently accepting applications for the Christmas Craft Show, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 4, at St. Thomas & Becket, 555 S. Lilley, Canton. Interested crafters, call Gloria at (734) 673-6061.

HOME CALENDAR

Meadow Brook Hall

Meadow Brook Hall, on the Oakland University campus in Rochester, offers a variety of tours and delicious food. Meadow Brook Hall's Thoroughly Modern Tulle tour showcases Matilda Rausch Dodge Wilson as a modern and progressive woman beyond her time. All three levels of Meadow Brook Hall are included on the 1 1/2 hour tour, which takes place 10:30 a.m.-noon, 1:30 p.m. and 3 p.m. daily. Admission is \$15, free for ages 2 and under. The general tour at Meadow Brook Hall includes the main and entertainment levels of the house. Tours last approximately 45 minutes and take place 11:15 a.m., 12:45 p.m. and 2:15 p.m. daily, now to Labor Day. Admission is \$12.50, free for ages 2 and under. The new Garden and Architectural Tour explores the gardens of Meadow Brook Hall and amazing architectural structures surrounding it. Tours are available 12:45 p.m. Monday-Sunday, now to Labor Day. Admission is \$8, free for ages 2 and under. Knoke Cottage has undergone some renovations to ready itself for the summer months. New landscaping provides the perfect setting to enjoy a

lemonade and cookie stand, oversized tic-tac-toe game and croquet on the lawn outside the cottage. Inside the cottage, children can enjoy an activity center and kid-friendly music. Meadow Brook Hall's Cafe Cappuccino is the perfect place for a refreshing mid-afternoon snack. Open 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. seven days a week, now to Labor Day, Cafe Cappuccino offers snacks, sandwiches and popular summer beverages and cocktails. Inspired by luxurious picnics of old, full-service summer lunches with champagne are served 12:30-2 p.m. daily on the sun porch. Reservations are required for summer lunches. Cost is \$55 per person, \$50 for members. All proceeds from Meadow Brook Hall programs support its preservation and interpretation. For more information, call (248) 370-3140 or visit www.meadowbrookhall.org.

Antiques market

The 2004 Utica Antiques Market will take place Saturday, Sunday, July 10-11, at the Knights of Columbus Grounds on 21 Mile, 1 mile east of Van Dyke Road in Utica. Hours are 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. July 10, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. July 11. The market will

take place rain or shine. Admission is \$5 for adults, free for ages 12 and under. Parking is free. Food and beverages will be available on site.

For information, call (800) 645-6466. The Utica market brings together more than 200 dealers from all over the country, specializing in pieces from all periods for the serious collector or the novice. Numerous experts will appraise pieces on site. Now in its 18th year, the event is the largest open air market of its kind in southeastern Michigan. It is recognized throughout the Midwest for the great variety, quality and affordability of the antiques and collectibles. The market has a beautiful setting, lakeside on the tree-lined Knights of Columbus grounds.

If you have an item for the calendar, please submit it at least two weeks in advance of the date it should be published. Send to Ken Abramczyk, At Home Editor, Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft Road, Livonia, MI 48150, or e-mail kabramczyk@oehomecomm.net.



ANN McDONALD TOULMIN

Age 77 of Bloomfield Hills, MI, died June 28, 2004. Preceded in death by her husband Harry A. Toulmin, Jr. in 2000. She was a member of the Tau Beta Association, the Birmingham Community House Senior Women's Club, the Village Club and was a longtime traveler with the Nomads. She is survived by her son, Tom Toulmin of Rochester; her daughter, Mrs. Matthew J. Brown (Marnie Toulmin) of Rochester Hills; 2 grandchildren, a brother, John S. McDonald of Kalkaska, MI, and a sister, Martha McDonald Kinkaid of Naples, FL. A private family memorial will be held. Interment at White Chapel Memorial Cemetery. Memorial tributes may be sent to Leader Dogs for the Blind, 1029 S. Rochester Rd., Rochester Hills, MI 48308, or to the charity of your choice. Cremation arrangements were handled by William R. Hamilton Co. of Birmingham.

BEATRICE FRITZ

Age 86 of Hamburg Twp., MI, passed away June 28, 2004. She was born May 3, 1918, in Detroit, MI, the daughter of Albert and Emma (Timenok) Wendt. On May 12, 1936, in Indiana, Beatrice married Lynford Fritz. They made their home in Plymouth for many years before moving to the Hamburg area. Lynford preceded her in death in 1995. She spent her life as a homemaker and mother to her children, Lynn Zahm of CA, Paul (Elizabeth) Fritz of VA, and Douglas Fritz of Hamburg Twp. 5 grandchildren and 3 great grandchildren. Her sister, Ethel Jones, also precedes her in death. Memorial Contributions have been suggested to the National Alliance for the Mentally III, 921 N. Washington Ave., Lansing, MI 48906. Arrangements entrusted to Borek Jennings Funeral Home, Hamburg Chapel.

CHARLOTTE M. ALLISON

Age 86 of New Port Richey, Florida, and Plymouth, Michigan, died April 12, 2004. Beloved wife of Robert Lovelock, mother of James and Janet, and Mother in law of Cindy, Dear, grand mother of Andrew, Daniel, Matthew, Laura, Phillip, Adam, and Mike. Charlotte was a Detroit native, graduate of Cooley High School and Wayne State University. She was very involved with Westminster Church of Detroit and later St. Paul's Presbyterian Church of Livonia. She retired from Redford Union Schools in 1981, where she taught early elementary school. A memorial service will be held on July 17, 2004, at 11:00 a.m. at St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, 27475 Five Mile, Livonia, MI. Memorial contributions can be made to the Michigan Arthritis Foundation.

JESIKA RENEE SMITH

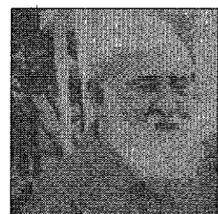
Age 18 of Columbus, OH, and Westland, MI, landed in the arms of the angels June 19, 2004. Preceded in death by grandparents Jack and Pauline Crosby, Billy and Veina Smith. Survived by son, Shane Renee Finley II, and his father, Shane Finley, mother, Crystal Dryden (Mike Justice), father, Richard Smith, sister, Jennifer Smith (Wally Mihalik), brothers, Richard (Nina) Smith II, Erik Dryden, nephews, Gunnar, Richard III, Kyle, Jeremy, Blayd, Ryan, Kane, nieces, Kimberly, Amber, and Sabrina, many aunts & uncles, and other cousins and friends. A funeral service took place Thursday, June 24th, Interment, Obetz Cemetery.

JEANNE HORNER

Of Northville, died June 11, at St. Mary Mercy Hospital in Livonia. She was 80. Mrs. Horner was born on February 29, 1924, in Winona, Minnesota, to the late Marguerite Gatz. She was married to the late Robert D. Horner for 58 years. Mrs. Horner was a homemaker but also worked as a cross-stitch teacher and clerk at Connie's Corner in Northville. She was a member of the First Presbyterian Church of South Lyon and was formerly a member of the First Presbyterian Church of Northville, where she served as treasurer. She was also a member of the Embroiderers Guild of America. Mrs. Horner enjoyed needlework and was an avid reader. She also loved bowling and playing cards. She was a devoted mother who always supported her children. Survivors include her children, Michael (Susan) Horner of Farmington, Sarah Orvis of Westland, Eric (Neva) Horner of Blaine, MN, and Robert (Pam) Horner of Dexter. Eight grandchildren and one great-grandchild. A Memorial Service will be held Friday, July 2, 11 a.m. at Casterline Funeral Home, Inc., 122 West Dunlap, Northville. The family would appreciate memorial contributions to the American Lung Association, 25900 Greenfield Rd., Ste. 401, Oak Park, MI 48237. Arrangements entrusted to Casterline Funeral Home, Inc., Northville.

ELIZABETH KING,

Age 82, June 26, 2004. Wife of the late Paul T. Mother of William (Susan) King and Ann (John) Pung. Grandmother of Sasha, Andrew, Stephanie and Cecily. Memorial service at a later date. Tributes may be made to Cranbrook Hospice or charity of choice. Arrangements: WM R. Hamilton Co., 248-644-6000.



JOHN "AL" ADAMS, Sr.

Age 79 of Plymouth, died June 24, 2004. He was born December 8, 1924, in Detroit. He was a resident of Plymouth for over 50 years and a former resident of Dearborn. He worked as a Building Superintendent for over 35 years and also served as Canton Township Building Inspector. He was also proud to serve as Constable of the 35th District Court for 35 years. He took great joy in playing Santa Claus for various schools, businesses, and private parties. He even appeared as Santa on the cover of a Hallmark catalog. He embodied the spirit of Santa all year round, and took great pride in the 25 years that he played Santa. He was a veteran of the United States Navy, serving in both World War II and Korea. He is survived by his wife of 60 years, Frances, his children, Sandra (Harold) Bessert, John A. Adams Jr., Jeffrey Adams, and Pamela (James) Mason, his grandchildren, Kimberly, Jeremy, Lindsey, Kelly, and Abigail, his sisters, Shirley Mott, and Rita Proctor, and his brother, Richard Adams. Funeral services were held Monday at Schrader-Towell Funeral Home, Plymouth. Memorials may be made to the Michigan Humane Society or Calvary Baptist Church.

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May peace be with you in this time of sorrow.

Disposal of household hazards is house-by-house issue

BY DAVID BRADLEY
FOR AP WEEKLY FEATURES

Mike Chenard may have a new boat, but the can of gas-oil mix that fueled his old two-cycle outboard is still in his garage.

"I know I shouldn't pour it down the drain or light it on fire," said Chenard, who knows hazardous materials need special care. That's the problem for lots of people: how to dispose of hazardous household products.

Chenard, chief environmental officer for Lowes, is in the same predicament as millions of homeowners who need to know how to safely dispose of the residue of home projects and hobbies.

How do it yourself generation ultimately takes responsibility for the leftovers

of its handiwork is as important a decision as color, fabric and material choices.

Individual homeowners may dismiss as trace amounts leftover project debris, motor oil, paints and yard chemicals. Yet all pose a significant environmental risk when multiplied by tens of millions of homes.

Groundwater bears the brunt of wanton disposal of fluids. Gas, motor oil, paints and liquid yard chemicals ultimately drain or seep into streams and lakes. The same goes for yard chemicals.

Chenard says a frequent tendency is to apply more fertilizer, herbicide or insecticide than a manufacturer recommends. What turf can't absorb is carried away by rainwater.

Disposal of liquid contaminants can be tricky. Oils can be recycled at many gas stations

Latex paints aren't as hazardous as oil-based paints, but disposal should still be handled carefully. Because dried paint or empty cans can be included with most daily trash, paint hardeners poured into the can set the liquid quickly.

Charities may even accept the results of several paint colors mixed together.

Many yard chemicals are viable for years and should be used until the contents are gone. Unfortunately, most empty containers aren't recyclable.

Other harmful liquids demand safe disposal. If you've installed a new thermostat to conserve energy, don't automatically toss your old thermostat in the trash. Mercury is commonly used in the switch mechanism.

The same goes for used light

bulbs, which also contain harmful substances. Contact your local waste authority for the best way to dispose of them.

The most harmful of lumber treated with chromated copper arsenate, also known as CCA, is now outlawed and replaced by copper-based alkaline copper quat.

Never burn treated lumber. CCA wood contains arsenic. In some localities, CCA lumber can be sent to specially designed landfills with clay liners to contain hazardous chemicals from leeching into the soil.

Chenard suggests creative disposal of treated wood when feasible. Timbers in good shape can be reclaimed by other homeowners or organizations such as Habitat for Humanity in need of lumber

for outdoor construction purposes.

You can plan to avoid overages of hazardous materials with careful project planning.

Chenard recommends homeowners pace off their yards to calculate square footage. This allows you to accurately measure the correct amounts of fertilizers, herbicides and pesticides you really need. The same goes for paints. Measure surface footage. Paint manufacturers list the square footage coverage for each can of paint.

"Many municipalities orchestrate the safe disposal of many household items," said Chenard. "But the extent of disposal practices varies widely." Call your city solid waste office for advice about how and where to dispose of household hazards.

Pick perfect time to harvest your peas

BY LEE REICH
FOR AP WEEKLY FEATURES

For the best flavor, pick your peas at just the right moment.

Don't pick all your peas at once. Instead, go down the row every two or three days and pluck off only those pods that are at their peak of flavor and succulence.

How often you have to give your peas a once-over depends on the weather, with warmer weather hastening ripening and thus calling for more frequent picking.

Frequent picking also gives you more peas. Once any pods start to mature, the vine receives a signal that its job of making seeds is nearing completion. Only a plant whose seeds don't near maturity keeps working to make new pods — for a while, at least.

Eventually, pea vines succumb to summer heat to yield few pods of low quality.

So how do you know when each pod is ready to be picked? It depends on the type of pea, of which there are three: shelling peas, snap peas and snow peas (also called Chinese or mangetout peas).

Pick shelling peas when the pods are fully plump and a fresh green color. Depending on the variety, the peas within may or may not call for harvest by bulging the pod.

Sample a few to determine what the pods look like when the peas are fully fattened but still juicy.

You eat both the pods and the peas of snap peas and snow peas. Because the pods themselves provide much of the gusto, the size of the peas within the pods of either of these types isn't critical.

Harvest snap peas when the pods are just short of fully plump. When snow peas are ready to harvest, the pods are still flattened with only the slightest bulge from each pea within.

Use two hands to pick snap or snow peas, grasping the point of attachment between the thumb and forefinger of one hand, then tearing the pod off sideways with the other hand. That sideways tear gets rid of the tough string that sometimes runs along the edge of the pod.

Pods of shelling peas can be harvested faster, two at a time, using both hands.

Pick these peas by clasping your thumb and forefinger just where the pod is attached, then pulling the pod away from and off the plant while your other hand holds the vine in place.

Pea quality plummets right after picking, so eat or freeze harvested peas without delay.

Be careful when heating water in microwave

BY MORRIS AND JAMES CAREY
FOR AP WEEKLY FEATURES

Microwaves, first introduced in the '50s, are a must today for fast heating and cooking.

Today you'll learn that there's danger lurking there too if you super-heat water for soups and brew.

Maybe you've heard the tale — and think it's just another urban legend — about someone heating water in a microwave and the water then exploding, causing severe facial burns and scalding. Well, believe it.

Sometimes water heated in a smooth container doesn't boil when it hits the proper temperature because the smooth surface keeps bubbles from forming and escaping.

The result? The water is heated far beyond its boiling point, and when you place a spoon or powder in the super-heated water, steam escapes in a rush, blasting extremely hot water out too.

The way to prevent this is to add mixes or tea bags to the water first, then microwave it with a stir stick or plastic spoon in it.

Also, be sure to never heat liquids for more than two minutes on high.

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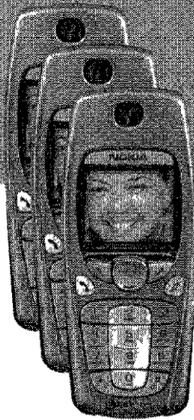
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Raising a stink over garbage disposers

Why is it that a garbage disposer can cause such a stink?

I recently heard a comment that a disposer shouldn't be used by homeowners who live with a septic system. (I heard this on my own radio show.)

During the following week I received at least a dozen phone calls and several consumers commented to me about it in person. Some of these people were ready to disconnect the disposer and do without.

First, let me apologize that the statement was even made. Second, don't remove your disposer from the kitchen sink.

A study done by the Maytag Company in the early 1990s confirmed that food processed through a disposer helped to activate bacteria growth inside a septic system and proved that it was of benefit to the system.

The caution flag was raised in recent years when homeowners were told that you shouldn't grind up items in a disposer that you wouldn't put into your stomach - such as corn husks, coffee grounds, bones and banana peelings. I'm sure most of us just think this is common sense.

When a manufacturer of disposers makes a model that puts an additive to the disposer when using it, I think it's just a sales ploy to increase sales. (That particular disposer sells for \$209 and they are selling a ton of them.) I personally don't think any additive is needed as long as you use good old-fashioned logic. Your septic field will be just fine.

If you follow a schedule of cleaning or changing the lint filter on the end of the drain hose of your washer, you will prevent

future problems. Remember The lint from the washer is made up of cloth fabrics that don't break down.

A licensed plumber wrote me that there is no need to turn up the temperature on a water heater for water used in dishwashers to reach the proper temperature. He said dishwashers already have an element in the bottom floor area that does this for you.

He took umbrage that I would tell homeowners to turn up the heat factor on water heaters and that thousands of children are scalded each year in this country by hot water incidents. My viewpoint on hot water scalding is quite simple. Water doesn't have a brain, but the person using it does.

Water temperature is most important when using a dishwasher for two reasons. If the water isn't hot enough, the detergent won't dissolve properly to give you a good wash action on the dishes. You also need water that's hot enough to kill any bacteria left on the plates.

I differ with the plumber's contention that all dishwashers have an element that heats the water. Actually, they don't. Some models, especially in the last five years, have a temperature boost feature that will heat the water.

If the dishwasher doesn't have that feature, then the element in the bottom is activated strictly during the dry cycle. That is true of the majority of dishwashers in the American home.

The recommended temperature that plumbers set a hot water tank for is 120 degrees Fahrenheit.

Remember. There are devices that you can install on your faucets to prevent scalding accidents at home. I recommend you call a licensed plumber.

Joe Gagnon can now be heard on WWJ 950 and WXYT 1270. His phone number is (248) 455 7281.

Appliance Doctor

Joe Gagnon

GARDEN CALENDAR

Fresh garden

Garden designer and writer Janet Macunovich will present a program Keeping Your Garden Fresh and Colorful All Season 10 a.m. Saturday July 10 at Shades of Green 496 E Avon Road in Rochester Hills. Admission is \$10. Call ahead at (248) 651 1620.

It isn't just the combination of plant species and varieties that make for bloom in a perennial garden from April through October. What really counts in midsummer are tricks for tweaking the garden: staking dead heading, cutting back and other techniques that augment and fine tune the plants' overall appearance while extending, delaying or coaxing repeat bloom. The program will cover the best species and practical techniques that add up to a really long show.

Cutting remarks

Learn about annual and perennial cut flowers including many rare and underused plants in The Cutting Garden a program 10 a.m. Saturday July 10 at Telly's Greenhouse & Garden Center 3301 John R in Troy. Judy Corneller will discuss the many varieties that are available as well as how to grow and use them to beautify our lives. Call (248) 689 8735 for information.

French gardens

Learn how to re-create the look of southern France in your garden using plants and materials available in Michigan in Gardens of Southern France a class offered at The Community House 380 S. Bates in Birmingham.

The class will take place 7-10 p.m. Tuesday July 13. Fee is \$40. The class is an elective for the Michigan School of Gardening Certificate of Landscape and Garden Design. Instructor Pam Palechek is a senior instructor with the Michigan School of Gardening. She owns and operates

Petal Pushers and has been designing and maintaining commercial and residential gardens and landscapes for 20 years specializing in perennial gardens. To register call The Community House at (248) 644 5832 or visit www.communityhouse.com.

Rose workshop

Roger and Nancy Lindley owners of Great Lakes Roses are celebrating summer with a series of fast paced programs that will enable Michigan gardeners to succeed with roses in their gardens. The schedule includes Rose Propagation Workshop 1 p.m. Sunday July 4 or 11 a.m. Monday July 5. In the popular hands on workshop participants will prepare and root roses from cuttings and learn other techniques for easy at home propagation. Reservations are required. The \$25 material fee will be collected at the door. Each presentation lasts about 1 1/2 hours. Dress for the weather. Great Lakes Roses is at 49875 Willow Road between Rawsonville and Sumpter (Belleville) Roads in Sumpter Township just south of Belleville. For more information visit www.GreatLakesRoses.com or call (734) 461 1230 to request a flyer.

Seminars

English Gardens hosts free gardening seminars 7 p.m. Wednesdays at all five locations. The stores are at 5370 Orchard Lake Road north of Maple in West Bloomfield (phone (248) 851 7506) 4901 Coolidge Highway in Royal Oak Troy (phone (248) 280 9500) 22650 Ford at Outer Drive in Dearborn Heights (phone (313) 278 4433) 44850 Garfield at Hall in Clinton Township (phone (586) 286 6100) and 22501 Kelly at Nine Mile in Eastpointe (phone (586) 771 4200). Perennial Gardening will be the topic July 7. Learn how to create a colorful garden with perennials. How to select plants, combine colors and

provide proper care during and after the growing season will be featured. Want to enjoy the soothing sound of water and nature in your back yard? In Introduction to Water Gardening (July 14) learn the basics of how to create a healthy ecosystem including selecting a site, pond construction, keeping the water clean and adding plants and fish. For more information visit www.englishgardens.com.

Rugosa roses

Wonderful Rugosa Roses a slide lecture and garden tour highlighting the rugged, fragrant and beautiful rugosa roses will take place July 10. Admission is free and reservations aren't needed. Each presentation or workshop will last for about 1 1/2 hours. Dress for the weather, bring a hat if it's sunny. Great Lakes Roses is at 49875 Willow Road between Rawsonville and Sumpter (Belleville) Roads in Sumpter Township just south of Belleville. Its roses are also available at the Northville Farmers Market. Great Lakes Roses will be open only Fridays and Saturdays July 6 to Aug 25 but its phone is answered 8 a.m. to 9 p.m. every day. It will be open five days a week beginning Aug 28. For information about Great Lakes Roses visit www.GreatLakesRoses.com or call (734) 461 1230.

If you have an item for the calendar please submit it at least two weeks in advance of the date it should be published. Send to Ken Abramczyk At Home Editor Observer & Eccentric Newspapers 36251 Schoolcraft Livonia MI 48150 or e-mail kabramczyk@oehomecomm.net

Follow formula to calculate proper attic ventilation

BY MORRIS AND JAMES CAREY
FOR AP WEEKLY FEATURES

Q Clem asks: "My home has no eave vents, but it does have three gable vents (14 inches by 14 inches each). The roof is 5-in-12 pitch, has R-30 insulation and covers 1,500 square feet. Could you tell me how to calculate the proper amount of attic ventilation?"

A You can disregard pitch and insulation value for this calculation. Your attic area of 1,500 square feet is the base we will work from.

Attic ventilation should be equal to 1/150th of total attic area (1,500 square feet divided by 150 equals 10 square feet). You'll want to convert your ventilation requirement to area in square inches (10 square feet times 144 inches equals 1,440 square inches).

According to the building code, you need a total of 1,440 square inches of attic ventilation.

Your three existing 14-by-14-inch gable vents currently provide only 588 square inches (14 inches multiplied by 14 inches equals 196 square inches, multiplied by three equals 588 square inches). The rest is simple.

You need 1,440 square inches, you have 588 square inches, so adding 852 square inches of venting should do the trick.

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Charter Township of Canton Board Proceedings - June 22, 2004

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton was held Tuesday June 22 2004 at 46000 Summit Parkway Supervisor Yack called the meeting to order at 7:06 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag Roll Call Members Present Bennett Burdzak Kirchgatter McLaughlin Shefferly Yack Zarbo Staff Present Director Paas Director Minghine Director Durack Director Santomauro Adoption of Agenda Motion by Bennett supported by Zarbo to approve the agenda as amended moving C 1 Set the Public Hearing date for a Class C Liquor License request from CH Canton LLC 39535 Ford Road (Ernagne Theater) to G 18 and adding G 17 Consider Adoption of Resolution Authorizing Issuance of Special Assessment Bonds Series 2004 Motion carried unanimously Approval of Minutes Motion by Bennett supported by Kirchgatter to approve the Board Minutes of June 8 2004 Motion carried unanimously Motion by Bennett supported by Kirchgatter to approve the Board Minutes of June 15 2004 Motion carried unanimously Payment of Bills Motion by Kirchgatter supported by Burdzak to approve payment of the bills as presented Motion carried unanimously

Expenditure Recap for June 22, 2004. Table with columns for Fund Name and Amount. Total - All Funds: 1,651,108.53

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Board Member Reports Growth Management Articles presented by Trustee Zarbo Director Durack stated the Canton Cable Station received the NATO Award for the video "Dance Canton Dance" this was the 4th year in a row the Canton Cable Station has won a national award PUBLIC HEARING Item 1 HOLD THE PUBLIC HEARING ON THE ROLL AND CONSIDER ADOPTING RESOLUTION #5 FOR THE REDUCED LOTZ ROAD PAVING AND DRAINAGE SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DISTRICT 2003-2 Motion by Bennett supported by Shefferly to open the Public Hearing on the Roll at 7:06 p.m. Motion carried unanimously Mr Richard Skelly 4220 S Lotz Road stated that his assessment will increase his property taxes \$5,000 which will create a hardship for himself and other residents in the area Mr Skelly stated that Mr Patel and Mr Roth, local developers, stated at the time that they would assist the residents in this SAD However there has been no agreement to date with Mr Patel and Mr Roth in financing to support the residents on Lotz Road The first payment is due in December 2004 Mr Patel stated that he has contacted Lisa Walker to draw up papers/contract for this assistance and he will pay the \$500 for legal fees related to this contract Motion by Bennett supported by Zarbo to close the Public Hearing on the Roll at 7:17 p.m. Motion carried unanimously Motion by Bennett supported by Shefferly to adopt the Resolution #5 for the paving of Lotz Road south of Michigan Avenue SAD No 2003-2 Motion carried unanimously

RESOLUTION NO. 5 (SAD NO 2003 2) Charter Township of Canton County of Wayne State of Michigan Minute of a Regular meeting of the Township Board of the Charter Township of Canton County of Wayne State of Michigan held in the Summit on the Park in said Township on the 22th day of June, 2004 at 7:00 p.m., Eastern Standard Time PRESENT Bennett Burdzak Kirchgatter McLaughlin Shefferly Yack Zarbo The following preamble and resolution were offered by Bennett and supported by Shefferly WHEREAS the Township Board has had prepared said special assessment roll for the purpose of defraying a part of the cost of certain improvements as described in Exhibit A attached hereto and made a part hereof and WHEREAS the Township Board deems said special assessment roll to be fair and equitable as reported to it by the Supervisor NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT 1 Said special assessment roll shall be designated Special Assessment Roll No 2003 2 and the district against which it is spread shall be designated Special Assessment District No 2003 2 2 Said Special Assessment Roll No 2003 2, in the amount of \$692,466.75, as prepared and reported to the Township Board by the Supervisor be and the same hereby is confirmed 3 Said Special Assessment Roll shall be divided into fifteen (15) equal annual installments the first installment to be due on December 1, 2004, at the rate of five percent (5%) per annum said interest to be payable annually on each installment due date provided however that if bonds are to be issued by the Township in anticipation of the collection of the special assessments then said installments of special assessments shall bear interest at a rate equal to one percent (1%) above the rate of interest borne by said bonds to be issued by the Township 4 The assessments made in said special assessment roll are hereby ordered and directed to be collected and the Township Clerk shall deliver said special assessment roll to the Township Treasurer with the Township Clerk's warrant attached commanding the Treasurer to collect the assessments therein accordance with the directions of the Township Board with respect thereto and the Treasurer is directed to collect the amounts assessed as the same become due 5 All resolutions and parts of resolutions in conflict herewith be and the same are hereby rescinded AYES Bennett Burdzak Kirchgatter McLaughlin Shefferly Yack Zarbo NAYS None RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED Township Clerk

EXHIBIT A LOTZ ROAD PAVING AND DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS (MICHIGAN AVENUE, SOUTH APPROXIMATELY 1.660 LINEAL FEET) SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DISTRICT NO 2003 2 PROJECT DESCRIPTION. The project involves the construction of a 10 inch non reinforced concrete pavement both with and without curb, the construction of asphalt and concrete drives and asphalt shoulders all including the necessary grading and restoration work within the road right of way I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of a resolution adopted by the Township Board of the Charter Township of Canton County of Wayne State of Michigan at a Regular meeting held on Tuesday, June 22nd, 2004 at 7:00 p.m., Eastern Standard Time and that the said meeting was conducted and public notice of said meeting was given pursuant to and in full compliance with the Open Meetings Act being Act 267 Public Acts of Michigan 1976 and that the minutes of said meeting were kept and will be or have been made available as required by said meeting were kept and will be or have been made available as required by said Act Township Clerk CONSENT CALENDAR, Item 1 SECOND READING-AMENDMENT TO ORDINANCE, WATER CONNECTION-APPLICANT TAPS, BY-PASS METER CHARGE, INDUSTRIAL WASTE CONTROL AND INDUSTRIAL SURCHARGE RATES Motion by Bennett supported by McLaughlin to remove from the table and adopt the amendment to the Water Supply and Sewer System Ordinance No 30 (T) The ordinance amendment will be published on July 1 2004 and effective on July 1 2004 The proposed changes adjust the City of Detroit Water & Sewerage Department Industrial Waste Control (IWC) service charge (account no 592 000 644 0000 and 592 441 923 0000) and Industrial Surcharge (for specific customers) pass through cost for all commercial and industrial sewer users effective July 1 2004 Motion carried unanimously

STATE OF MICHIGAN COUNTY OF WAYNE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON AMENDMENT TO CHAPTER 74 UTILITIES SECTION 74-83 SCHEDULE OF RATES AND CHARGES AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 74 UTILITIES, ARTICLE II TOWNSHIP WATER AND SEWER SYSTEMS, DIVISION 2 FINANCIAL MATTERS, SUBDIVISION II RATES AND CHARGES, SECTION 74-83 SCHEDULE OF RATES AND CHARGES OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON, ORDINANCE NO PROVIDING FOR A NEW WATER CONNECTION CHARGE, PROVIDING FOR A NEW WATER CONNECTION APPLICATION TAP CHARGE, PROVIDING FOR A NEW CHARGE FOR FIRE LINE SYSTEM BY-PASS METER AND TOWNSHIP INSPECTION, PROVIDING FOR NEW INDUSTRIAL WASTE CHARGE (IWC) RATES, PROVIDING FOR NEW INDUSTRIAL SURCHARGE RATES, PROVIDING FOR THE SAVINGS OF ALL PENDING PROCEEDINGS AND BALANCE OF ORDINANCES, PROVIDING FOR VIOLATION AND PENALTY, PROVIDING FOR THE SEVERABILITY OF ORDINANCE, PROVIDING FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE ORDINANCE, PROVIDING FOR THE REPEAL OF ALL CONFLICTING ORDINANCES, PROVIDING FOR THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS ORDINANCE. THE CHARTER

TOWNSHIP OF CANTON ORDAINS SECTION 1 AMENDMENT(S) TO SECTION 74 83, SCHEDULE OF RATES AND CHARGES, Chapter 74 Utilities Article II Township Water and Sewer Systems Division 2 Financial Matters Subdivision II Rates and Charges Section 74 83 Schedule of Rates and Charges of The Code of Ordinances of The Charter Township of Canton Ordinance No 161 as hereby amended to read in its entirety as follows SECTION 74-83 SCHEDULE OF RATES AND CHARGES.

- (a) WATER RATES AND CHARGES Water rates and charges shall be as follows (1) Consumption Rate \$2.26 per 1,000 gallons (2) Water Capital Charge a Minimum Capital Charge \$1,000.00 b Per Unit Capital Charge \$1,000.00 (3) Water Construction Charge a Minimum Capital Charge \$150.00 b Per REU Construction Charge \$150.00 (4) Water Front Footage Charge \$15.00 per foot of property service by the water line (5) Water Connection Township Taps a 1 inch tap \$950.00 b 2 inch tap \$2,500.00 (plus \$12.00 per lineal foot for 1 foot to 15 foot) foot over 15 foot) c Over 2 inch line will be installed at a cost approved by the Township Board (6) Water Connection Applicant Taps 2 inch taps \$1,750.00 3 inch taps \$2,550.00 4 inch taps \$3,900.00 6 inch taps \$6,600.00 2 inch tap for irrigation system \$850.00 (7) There shall be installed on all fire line systems a detector check and a 3/4 inch by pass meter The 3/4 inch by pass meter shall be purchased from and inspected by the Township and installed by the Owner The charge for the 3/4 inch by pass meter and Township inspection shall be \$300.00 (b) SEWER RATES AND CHARGES Sewer rates and charges shall be as follows (1) Sewage Treatment Rate \$3.15 per 1,000 gallons of the water used or per 1,000 gallons of metered sewage flow (2) Minimum Sewage Bill a Minimum sewage disposal bill if connected to the Township water system per reading cycle \$15.75 b Minimum sewage disposal bill if not connected to Township water system per quarterly reading cycle \$30.00 per REU c Minimum sewage disposal bill if not connected to Township water system per bimonthly reading cycle \$20.00 per REU (3) Sewer Capital Charge a Minimum \$3,500.00 b Per REU Capital Charge \$3,500.00 (4) Sewer Front Footage Charge \$20.00 per front foot of property serviced by the sewer line (5) Connection Charge \$500.00 (6) Inspection fee \$50.00 (7) Industrial Waste Charge (IWC) rates

Table with columns: Meter Size (inches), Rates (\$/month). Lists rates for various meter sizes from 5/8 inch to 48 inches, plus Industrial Surcharge Rates.

8 Industrial Surcharge Rates The following Industrial Surcharges will be charged when billed to the Township by the Detroit Water and Sewer Department a Biochemical Oxygen Demand (BOD) in excess of 275 mg/10.166 b Total Suspended Solids (TSS) in excess of 350 mg/l 0.242 c Phosphorus (P) in excess of 12 mg/l 3.072 d Fats Oils & Grease (FOG) in excess of 100 mg/l 0.888

SECTION 2 SAVINGS OF ALL PENDING PROCEEDINGS AND BALANCE OF THE ORDINANCE The balance of the Code of Ordinances except as herein amended shall remain in full force and effect All proceedings pending and all rights and liabilities existing acquired or incurred at the time this amendatory Ordinance takes effect are saved and may be consummated according to the law enforced when they are commenced This amendatory Ordinance shall not be construed to affect any right pending before the effective date of this amendatory Ordinance

SECTION 3 VIOLATION AND PENALTY Any person corporation partnership or any other legal entity who shall violate or fail to comply with any of the provisions of this Ordinance or any of the regulations adopted in pursuance thereof shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof may be fined not more than \$500.00 or imprisonment for not more than ninety (90) days or both in the discretion of the Court

SECTION 4 SEVERABILITY If any section subsection clause phrase or portion of this Ordinance is for any reason held invalid or unconstitutional by any Court of competent jurisdiction, such portion shall be deemed a separate distinct and independent provision, and such holdings shall not affect the validity of the remaining portion hereof

SECTION 5 CONSTRUCTION OF ORDINANCE This Ordinance shall be liberally construed in such manner as to best effectuate its purpose The provisions of this Ordinance shall be construed if possible in such manner as to make such provisions compatible and consistent with the provisions of all existing Ordinances of the Township and all amendments thereto

SECTION 6 REPEAL OF CONFLICTING SECTIONS Portions of Section 74 83 of the Code of Ordinances of the Charter Township of Canton are hereby repealed only to the extent necessary to give this amendatory Ordinance full force and effect

SECTION 7 EFFECTIVE DATE This Ordinance becomes effective on the ___ day of ___, 2004 after publication of the second reading

This Ordinance was duly adopted and/or considered by the Township Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton at its regular Board meeting called on the ___ day of ___, 2004 and was ordered given publication in the manner required by law

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON By TERRY BENNETT Its Clerk Introduced Adopted Effective Upon Published

Item 2 CONSIDER MOTION TO VACATE A PORTION OF AL SMITH AVENUE LOCATED WEST OF LOTZ, SOUTH OF FORD ROAD. Motion by Bennett supported by McLaughlin that the Charter Township of Canton does hereby release vacate, abandon and terminate any and all interest it may have pursuant to a certain Resolution of the Wayne County Commission dated March 4 2004 which was recorded on March 15 2004 by the Wayne County Register of Deeds in Liber 40296, Page 733 Wayne County Records to the intent that such interest in vacation shall henceforth cease Motion carried unanimously

RESOLUTION No. 2004 166 By Commissioner Sullivan WHEREAS pursuant to petition and in accordance with the provisions of Section 18 Chapter IV Act No 283 of the Public Acts 1909 as amended the Wayne County Department of Public Services has determined that all the occupants and adjoining owners have signed a petition to vacate property herein described and WHEREAS pursuant to said petition the County Executive has determined that it is advisable to absolutely abandon and discontinue All of that portion of Al Smith Avenue 60 feet wide adjoining Lots 17 & 18 inclusive and also that portion adjoining the previously vacated Keystone (Gladstone Ave as platted) to a prolonged line of the South line of Lot 16 to the East line of said Subdivision as dedicated to the use of the public in the Otis O Rowe Sub being E a subdivision in the NW 1/4 of the NE 1/4 of Sec 13 T2 S R 8 Canton Twp Wayne County Mich as recorded in Liber 63 of Plats on Page 13 Wayne County Records and WHEREAS the premises were reviewed in accordance with said statute NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Wayne County Commission this 4th day of March, 2004 declares it is in the best interest of the public that the above described County road be absolutely abandoned and discontinued and that said road is hereby absolutely abandoned and discontinued with reservation of an easement therein for existing public utilities and sewer purposes (2004 30 001) WHEN RECORDED RETURN TO S M Rutkowski Wayne County DPS Real Estate 415 Chford St 3rd

Floor Detroit MI 481226 CERTIFICATION STATE OF MICHIGAN CHARTER COUNTY OF WAYNE I Joyce D Williams Clerk of the County Commission for the Charter County of Wayne State of Michigan do hereby certify that attached Resolution No 2004 166 authorizing the vacation of a portion of Al Smith Avenue west of Lotz Road north of Ford Road Otis O Rowe Subdivision in Canton Township was duly adopted by the Wayne County Commission at the FIFTH DAY ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING on the FOURTH DAY of March 2004 by the following vote Yeas Commissioners Bankes Beard Bell Boike C Cavanaugh P Cavanaugh Hubbard Keyatta Palamara Varga Williams Vice Chair Pro Tempore Blackwell, Vice Chair Sullivan Charwoman Ware - 14 Nays None Not Voting None Abstained None Excused Commissioner Parker - 1 I further certify that the attached Resolution is a true correct and complete transcript of the original of said Resolution appearing on file and of record to my office and that said meeting was conducted and public notice of said meeting was given pursuant to and in full compliance with the Open Meetings Act being Act 267 Public Acts of Michigan 1976 as amended and that the minutes of said meeting were kept and will be or have been made available as required by said Act IN WITNESS WHEREOF that the attached Resolution is a true correct and complete transcript of the original of said Resolution appearing on file and of record in my office and that said meeting was conducted and public notice of said meeting was given pursuant to and in full compliance with the Open Meetings Act, being Act 267 Public Acts of Michigan 1976 as amended and that the minutes of said meeting were kept and will be or have been made available as required by said Act IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Seal of the County of Wayne this 4th day of March 2004 A D Joyce D Williams Clerk of the Commission Charter County of Wayne MI Item

3 REQUEST FOR BLANKET PURCHASE ORDER FOR WAYNE COUNTY Motion by Bennett supported by McLaughlin to authorize increasing Purchase Order No 44073 for Wayne County to \$20,000 (account no 207 301 829 0000 Care of Prisoners) Motion carried unanimously GENERAL CALENDAR, Item 1 CONSIDER AMENDMENT #1 TO THE HAMLET PLANNED DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT Motion by Bennett supported by McLaughlin to approve the resolution for the Amendment #1 to the Hamlet Planned Development District Motion carried unanimously RESOLUTION BOARD OF TRUSTEES CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON Amendment #1 to the Hamlet PUD

WHEREAS, the Project Sponsor Mr Richard Lewiston has requested approval of an amendment to the Hamlet Planned Unit Development

Agreement located West of Denton Roads north and south of Proctor Road (Tax ID #s 075 99 0012 000 075 99 0013 000 075 99 0014 000 076 99 0001 000, 076 99 0006 000, 076 99 0007 001 117 99 0002 000 117 99 0003 000 118 99 0001 000 118 99 0002 000, 118 99 0003 000 118 99 0004 000 118 99 0005 000 120 99 0001 000) and WHEREAS, the Planning Commission reviewed the amendment made a recommendation to APPROVE the requested amendment as proposed NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton Michigan does hereby approve the request of the petitioner Mr Richard Lewiston to approve Amendment #1 to the Hamlet Planned Unit Development Agreement subject to any and all state and local development regulations and further subject to any conditions recommended by the Planning Commission and staff as described in the analysis and recommendation attached hereto and made a part hereof Item 2. CONSIDER SPECIAL LAND USE FOR VICTORY LANE OIL CHANGE Motion by Bennett supported by McLaughlin to adopt the resolution to approve the Special Land Use for Victory Lane Oil Change Motion carried unanimously

RESOLUTION OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON Special Use for Victory Lane Oil Change

WHEREAS, the Project Sponsor Mr Lonnie Zimmerman has requested special use approval for an automobile service establishment Victory Lane Oil Change to be located on Michigan Avenue between Haggerty and Lilley Roads identified as EDP # 137 99 0016 000 and 137 99 0017 000 and WHEREAS, the Planning Commission found the proposed special use to be consistent with the development objectives of the Township and recommended approval and WHEREAS, the Board has reviewed the proposed special use and determines the proposal to be consistent with the Zoning Ordinance regulations and development objectives subject to the conditions described in the analysis and recommendation form attached hereto and made a part hereof NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton Michigan does hereby APPROVE the request of the Project Sponsor Mr Lonnie Zimmerman to conduct the special use for the proposed Victory Lane Oil Change subject to compliance with any conditions contained herein and all other regulations of the Township Item 3 CONSIDER APPROVAL FOR GIS MAPPING SPECIALIST TO ATTEND THE ESRI INTERNATIONAL USERS CONFERENCE IN SAN DIEGO CA, AUGUST 9-13, 2004 Motion by Bennett supported by Burdzak to approve the request for the GIS Mapping Specialist to travel to San Diego CA to attend the 24th Annual ESRI International Users Conference, August 9 13 2004 to be paid from Planning Services 2004 Conference & Seminars line item (101 853 951 0000) in an amount not to exceed \$2,500.00 Motion carried unanimously Item 4 FIRST READING TO THE AMENDMENT TO THE ORDINANCE CHAPTER 46, SECTION 533, FURNISHING ALCOHOL TO A MINOR Motion by Bennett supported by McLaughlin to introduce table and publish on July 1 2004 for the first reading to the Ordinance Chapter 46, Section 533 Furnishing Alcohol to a Minor The Second Reading will be on July 13 2004 with publication and effective date on July 22 2004 Motion carried unanimously

STATE OF MICHIGAN COUNTY OF WAYNE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON AMENDMENT TO FURNISHING ALCOHOL TO A MINOR ORDINANCE

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON CODE BY AMENDING CHAPTER 46 FURNISHING ALCOHOL TO A MINOR ORDINANCE, PROVIDING FOR REGULATIONS OF ALCOHOL SALE TO MINORS PROVIDING FOR PENALTIES PROVIDING FOR REPEAL OR SEVERABILITY, PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION AND EFFECTIVE DATE

THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON ORDAINS: SECTION 1 AMENDMENT TO THE CODE, Chapter 46 Section 533 is hereby amended to read as follows

C SALE, FURNISHING TO PERSONS UNDER TWENTY-ONE

1 It shall be unlawful for any person to knowingly sell or furnish alcoholic liquor to a person who is less than twenty one (21) years of age or to fail to make diligent inquiry as to whether the person is less than twenty one (21) years of age A person found to be in violation of this Section except as specified in subsection 2, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine of not more than Five Hundred (\$500.00) Dollars or imprisonment for not more than 90 days or both in the discretion of the court

2. If a violation of this subsection is the result of an undercover operation in which the minor received alcoholic liquor under the direction of the State Police, the Commission, or a local police agency as part of an enforcement action, the retail licensee's clerk, agent, or employee is responsible for a Civil Infraction and may be ordered to pay a fine of not more than One Hundred (\$100.00) Dollars.

3 In an action for a violation of this Section proof that the defendant or the defendant's agent or employee demanded and was shown before furnishing alcoholic liquor to a person under twenty one (21) years of age a motor vehicle operator's license or a registration certificate issued by the federal selective service or other bona fide documentary evidence of the age and identity of that person shall be a defense

SECTION 2. SEVERABILITY. If any clause sentence section paragraph or part of this Ordinance or the application thereof to any person firm corporation legal entity or circumstances shall be for any reason adjudged by a court of competent jurisdiction to be unconstitutional or invalid said judgment shall not affect impair or invalidate the remainder of this Ordinance It is hereby declared to the legislative intent of this body that the Ordinance is severable and that the Ordinance would have been adopted had such invalid or unconstitutional provision not have been included in this Ordinance

SECTION 3. REPEAL OF CONFLICTING ORDINANCES All Ordinance or parts of Ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed only to the extent necessary to give this Ordinance full force and effect

SECTION 4 SAVINGS CLAUSE All rights and duties which have matured penalties which have been incurred proceedings which have begun and prosecution for violations of law occurring before the effective date of this Ordinance are not affected or abated by this Ordinance

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SECTION 5 PUBLICATION

The Clerk for the Charter Township of Canton shall cause this Ordinance to be published in the manner required by law

SECTION 6 EFFECTIVE DATE

This Ordinance as amended shall take full force and effect upon publication as required by law

CERTIFICATION

The foregoing Ordinance was duly adopted by the Township Board Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton at its regular meeting called and held on the ____ day of ____ 2004 and was ordered to be given publication in the manner required by law

TERRY BENNETT Clerk Introduced
Adopted Published

Item 5. APPROVE THE PURCHASE AND INSTALLATION OF BOARDROOM AUDIO/VISUAL EQUIPMENT Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to approve the bid from Roscor Corporation for the purchase and installation of Audio/Visual equipment for the Township Board Meeting room in the amount of \$155,453 (account no 230 250 977 0000). Motion carried unanimously

Item 6 AMEND CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON RETIREMENT PLAN Motion by Bennett supported by Burdziak to approve the proposed Third Amendment to the Charter Township of Canton Retirement Plan and to authorize the Township clerk to sign the appropriate Plan documents Motion carried unanimously

THIRD AMENDMENT TO THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON RETIREMENT PLAN WHEREAS, the Charter Township of Canton (the "Employer") has established the Charter Township of Canton Retirement Plan initially effective July 1 1967 (the "Plan") for the benefit of certain eligible employees and WHEREAS, pursuant to the authority provided in Article VII section 7.1 of the Plan the Employer reserves the right to amend the Plan at any time, subject to the limitation of that Section of the Plan and WHEREAS, the Employer hereby desires to exercise its right to amend the Plan as follows

1 Definition of 415 Compensation The definition of "415 Compensation Highly Compensated employee and Key Employee" are amended by the addition of the following paragraph For limitation years beginning on and after January 1 2001 for purposes of applying the limitations described in the Section of the Plan entitled "Maximum Annual Additions" compensation paid or made available during such limitation years shall include elective amounts that are not includable in the gross income of the Participant by reason of Code Section 132 (f) (4)

This amendment shall also apply to the definition of compensation for purposes of the Sections entitled "Highly Compensated Employee" and "Key Employee" for Plan Years beginning on and after January 1 2001

2 Definition of Compensation The definition of Compensation is amended by the addition of the following paragraph For Plan Years beginning on and after January 1 2001 "Compensation" shall include Elective amounts that are not includable in the gross income of the Participant by reason of Code Section 132 (f) (4)

3 Article IV, Section 4.10 (a), shall be modified as follows The definition of 414 (s) Compensation is amended by the addition of the following paragraph For Plan Years beginning on and after January 1 2001 "414 (s) Compensation" shall include elective amounts that are not includable in the gross income of the Participant by reason of Code Section 132 (f) (4)

4 Article IV, Section 4.10 (a), shall be modified as follows The amount of excess aggregate contributions under the Plan subject to the requirements of Section 401 (m) will be determined in the following manner First determine how much the actual contribution ratio (ACR) of the highly compensated employee with the highest ACR would have to be reduced to satisfy the actual contribution percentage (ACP) test or cause such ratio to equal the ACR of the highly compensated employee with the next highest ratio

Second this process is repeated until the ACP test would be satisfied The amount of excess aggregate contributions is equal to the sum of these hypothetical reductions multiplied in each case by the highly compensated employee's compensation Distribution (or forfeiture if applicable) of excess aggregate contributions shall be made on the basis of the respective amounts attributable to each highly compensated employee

The highly compensated employees subject to actual distribution or forfeiture are determined using the "dollar leveling method" starting with the highly compensated employee with the greatest dollar amount of employee matching and other contributions treated as matching contributions for the plan year and continuing until the amount of the excess aggregate contributions has been accounted for

5 Article VI, Section 6.5, Distribution of Benefits page 35 beginning with item (c) and through (g) 2 shall be deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following (c) Notwithstanding any provisions in the Plan to the contrary the distribution of a Participant's benefits shall be made in accordance with the following requirements and shall otherwise comply with code Section 401 (a)(9) 2 the provisions of which are incorporated herein by reference (1) A Participant's benefits shall be distributed or must begin to be distributed not later than April 1st of the calendar year following the later of (i) the calendar year in which the Participant attains age 70 1/2 or (ii) the calendar year in which the Participant retires provided however that this clause (ii) shall not apply in the case of a Participant who is a "five (5) percent owner" at any time during the Plan Year ending with or within the calendar year in which such owner attains age 70

Such distributions shall be equal to or greater than any required distribution (2) Distributions to a Participant and the Participant's Beneficiaries shall be only made in accordance with the incidental death benefit requirements of Code Section 401(a)(9)(G) and the Regulations thereunder

With respect to distributions under the Plan for calendar years beginning on or after January 1 2002 the Plan will apply the minimum distribution requirements of Code Section 401(a)(9) in accordance with the Regulations under Code Section 401(a)(9) that were proposed on January 17 2001 notwithstanding any provisions of the Plan to the contrary This amendment shall continue in effect until the end of the last calendar year beginning before the effective date of final Regulations under Code Section 401(a)(9) or such other date specified in guidance published by the Internal Revenue Service (d) For purposes of this Section the life expectancy of a Participant and a Participant's spouse may at the election of the Participant or the Participant's spouse be redetermined in accordance with Regulations The election once made shall be irrevocable

If no election is made by the time distributions must commence then the life expectancy of the Participant and the Participant's spouse shall not be subject to recalculation Life expectancy and joint and last survivor expectancy shall be computed using the return multiples in Tables V and VI of Regulation 1.729-9 (e) All annuity Contracts under this Plan shall be non transferable when distributed Furthermore the terms of any annuity Contract purchased and distributed to a Participant or spouse shall comply with all of the requirements of the Plan

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6 Article VII, Section 7.1, Amendment, shall be modified as follows 7.1 (c) The Employer shall have the right at any time to terminate the Plan by delivering to the Trustee and Administrator written notice of such termination Upon any full or partial termination, all amounts credited to the affected Participants Combined Accounts shall become 100% Vested as provided in Section 6.4 and shall not thereafter be subject to forfeiture and all unallocated amounts, including Forfeitures shall be allocated to the accounts of all Participants in accordance with the provisions hereof (d) Upon the full termination of the Plan the Employer shall direct the distribution of the assets of the Trust Fund to Participants in a manner which is consistent with and satisfies the provisions of Section 6.5 Distributions to a Participant shall be made in cash or through the purchase of irrevocable nontransferable deferred commitments from an insurer 7 **Article I, Section 1.22,** paragraph 2 shall be revised to read as follows

1.22 For Plan Years beginning January 1 1998 for purposes of this Section the determination of "415 Compensation" shall include any elective deferral (as defined in Code Section 402(g)(3) or 403(b) and any amount which is contributed or deferred by the Employer at the election of the Participant and which is not includable in the gross income of the Participant by reason of Code Sections 125 or 457 **8 Article I, Section 1.23,** paragraph 2, shall be revised as follows **1.23** For Plan Years beginning January 1 1998 for purposes of this Section the determination of "414(s) Compensation" shall be made by excluding amounts which are contributed by the Employer pursuant to a salary reduction agreement and which are not includable in the gross income of the Participant under Code Sections 125 402(e)(3) 402(h)(1)(B) 403(b) or 457(b) and Employee contributions described in Code Section 414(h)(2) that are treated as Employer contributions

IN WITNESS WHEREOF this Amendment has been executed this ____ day of _____ 2004 _____ Name of Employer _____ By _____ Its _____

Certification of Resolution The undersigned Clerk of the Charter Township of Canton hereby certifies that the following resolution was duly adopted on ____ 2004 and that such resolution has not been modified or rescinded as of the date hereof

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, that the Third Amendment to the Charter Township of Canton Retirement Plan is hereby approved and adopted and that the proper agents are hereby authorized and directed to deliver to the Administrator of the Plan an executed copy of the amendment The undersigned Clerk of the Charter Township of Canton further certifies that a true copy of the Amendment to the Charter Township of Canton is attached and made a part of this certification on this ____ day of _____ 2004 Terry Bennett Clerk Charter Township of Canton

Item 7 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING LIMITED TAX OBLIGATION BONDS, SERIES 2004 FIRE STATION Motion by Bennett supported by Kirchgatter to approve the Resolution Authorizing Limited Tax General Obligation Bonds Series 2004 not to exceed Two Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$2,500,000) and authorize the Township Supervisor and Clerk to sign the documents Roll Call Vote Ayes Bennett Burdziak Kirchgatter McLaughlin Yack Zarbo Nays Shefferly Motion carried

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING LIMITED TAX GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS SERIES 2004 Charter Township of Canton County of Wayne State of Michigan Minutes of a regular meeting of the Township Board of the Charter Township of Canton County of Wayne State of Michigan (the "Issuer") held on June 22 2004, at 7:00 o'clock p.m. Eastern Daylight Savings Time PRESENT Bennett Burdziak Kirchgatter McLaughlin Shefferly Yack Zarbo The following preamble and resolution were offered by Bennett and supported by Kirchgatter

WHEREAS the Issuer does hereby determine that it is necessary to acquire construct furnish and equip a fire station and the site therefore together with all necessary and related appurtenances and attachments therefore (the "Project") and WHEREAS the cost of the Project is estimated to be not less than Two Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$2,500,000), and WHEREAS, to finance the cost of the Project the Township Board deems it necessary to borrow the principal sum of Two Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$2,500,000) and issue capital improvement bonds pursuant to Act 34, Public Acts of Michigan 2001 (Act 34) to pay all or part of the cost of the Project and WHEREAS a notice of intent was published in accordance with Act 34 which provides that the capital improvement bonds may be issued without a vote of the electors of the Issuer unless a proper petition for an election on the question of the issuance of the bonds is filed with the Township Clerk within a period of forty five (45) days from the date of publication and WHEREAS, no petition for referendum has been filed

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT 1 **Authorization of Bonds, Bond Terms.** Bonds of the Issuer designated LIMITED TAX GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS SERIES 2004 (the "Bonds") are authorized to be issued in the aggregate principal sum of not to exceed Two Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$2,500,000) for the purpose of paying all or part of the cost of the Project including costs incidental to the issuance sale and delivery of the Bonds The issue shall consist of bonds in full registered form of the denomination of \$5,000 or multiples thereof not exceeding for each maturity the maximum principal amount of that maturity numbered consecutively in order of registration, dated as of August 1, 2004 The Bonds shall bear interest, mature and be payable at the times and in the manner set forth in Sections 6 and 7 hereof The Bonds shall be subject to redemption prior to maturity in the manner and at the times and prices set forth in Sections 6 and 7 hereof Interest shall be payable to the registered owner of record as of the 15th day of the month prior to the payment date for each interest payment The record date of determination of registered owner for purposes of payment of interest as provided in this paragraph may be changed by the Issuer to conform to market practice in the future Interest shall be payable to the registered owner of record as of the 15th day of the month preceding the payment date for each interest payment

The principal of the Bonds shall be payable upon presentation and surrender to the Transfer Agent (as defined below) Unless waived by any registered owner of Bonds to be redeemed official notice of redemption shall be given by the Transfer Agent on behalf of the Issuer Such notice shall be dated and shall contain at a minimum the following information original issue date maturity dates, interest rates CUSIP numbers if any certificate numbers (and in the case of partial redemption) the called amounts of each certificate, the place where the Bonds called for redemption are to be surrendered for payment and that interest on the Bonds or portions thereof called for redemption shall cease to accrue from and after the redemption date In addition further notice shall be given by the Transfer Agent in such manner as may be required or suggested by regulations or market practice at the applicable time, but no defect in such further notice nor any failure to give all or any portion of such further notice shall in any manner defeat the effectiveness of a call for redemption if notice thereof is given as prescribed herein

The Bonds shall be issued in book entry only form through The Depository Trust Company in New York, New York ("DTC") and the Township Finance Director and Treasurer are each authorized to execute such custodial or other agreement with DTC as may be necessary to accomplish the issuance of the Bonds in book entry form and to make such changes in the Bond Form within the parameters of this resolution as may be required to accomplish the foregoing J P Morgan Trust Company Detroit Michigan is hereby appointed to serve as bond registrar paying agent and transfer agent (the Transfer Agent) for this issue The

Issuer reserves the right to replace the Transfer Agent at any time upon written notice to the registered owners of record of the Bonds not less than sixty (60) days prior to an interest payment date 2 **Execution of Bonds.** The Bonds of this issue shall be executed in the name of the Issuer with the facsimile signatures of the Supervisor and the Clerk of the Issuer and shall have the seal of the Issuer or a facsimile thereof printed or impressed on the Bonds No Bond shall be valid until authenticated by an authorized officer or representative of the Transfer Agent The bonds shall be delivered to the Transfer Agent for authentication and be delivered by the Transfer Agent to the purchaser or other person in accordance with instructions from the Treasurer of the Issuer upon payment of the purchase price for the Bonds in accordance with the bid therefore when accepted 3 **Transfer of Bonds.** The Transfer Agent shall keep the books of registration for this issue on behalf of the Issuer Any Bond may be transferred upon such registration books by the registered owner of record in person or by the registered owner's duly authorized attorney, upon surrender of the Bond for cancellation accompanied by delivery of a duly executed written instrument of transfer in a form approved by the Transfer Agent Whenever any Bond or Bonds shall be surrendered for transfer, the Issuer shall execute and the Transfer Agent shall authenticate and deliver a new Bond or Bonds for like aggregate principal amount The Transfer Agent shall require to be paid with respect to the transfer 4 **Limited Tax Pledge, Debt Retirement Fund, Defeasance of Bonds.** The Issuer hereby pledges its limited tax full faith and credit for the prompt payment of the Bonds The Issuer shall each budget the amount of the debt service coming due in the next fiscal year on the principal of and interest on the Bonds and shall advance as a first budget obligation from its general funds available therefor or if necessary, levy taxes upon all taxable property in the Issuer subject to applicable constitutional and statutory tax rate limitations, such sums as may be necessary to pay such debt service in said fiscal year The Treasurer is authorized and directed to open a depository account with a bank or trust company designated by the Township Board, to be designated 2004 LIMITED TAX GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS DEBT RETIREMENT FUND (the "Debt Retirement Fund") the moneys to be deposited into the Debt Retirement Fund to be specifically earmarked and used solely for the purpose of paying principal of and interest on the Bonds as they mature In the event cash or direct obligations of the United States or obligations the principal of and interest on which are guaranteed by the United States, or a combination thereof, the principal of and interest on which, without reinvestment, come due at times and in amounts sufficient to pay at maturity or irrevocable call for earlier optional redemption, the principal of, premium, if any and interest on the Bonds, shall be deposited in trust, such resolution shall be defeased and the owners of the Bonds shall have no further rights under this resolution except to receive payment of the principal of premium, if any and interest on the Bonds from the cash or securities deposited in trust and the interest and gains thereon and to transfer and exchange Bonds as provided herein 5 **Construction Fund, Proceeds of Bond Sale.** The Township Treasurer is authorized and directed to open a separate depository account with a bank or trust company designated by the Township Board, to be designated LIMITED TAX GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS CONSTRUCTION FUND (the "Construction Fund") and deposit into said Construction Fund the proceeds of the Bonds less accrued interest and premium, if any which shall be deposited into the Debt Retirement Fund The moneys in the Construction Fund shall be used solely to pay the costs of the Project and the costs of issuance of the Bonds 6 **Bond Form.** The Bonds shall be in substantially the following form

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, STATE OF MICHIGAN, COUNTY OF WAYNE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON LIMITED TAX GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS SERIES 2004

Interest Rate	Maturity Date	Date of Original Issue	CUSIP
		October 1 20__	

Registered Owner _____ Dollars
Principal Amount _____

The Charter Township of Canton County of Wayne, State of Michigan (the "Issuer"), acknowledges itself to owe and for value received hereby promises to pay to the Registered Owner specified above or registered assigns the Principal Amount specified above in lawful money of the United States of America on the Maturity Date specified above unless prepaid prior thereto as hereinafter provided with interest thereon from the Date of Original Issue specified above or such later date to which interest has been paid, until paid at the Interest Rate per annum specified above first payable on April 1 2005 and semiannually thereafter

Principal of this bond is payable at the designated office of J.P. Morgan Trust Company Detroit Michigan or such other transfer agent as the Issuer may hereafter designate by notice mailed to the registered owner not less than sixty (60) days prior to any interest payment date (the "Transfer Agent") Interest on this bond is payable to the registered owner of record as of the fifteenth (15th) day of the month preceding the interest payment date as shown on the registration books of the Issuer kept by the Transfer Agent by check or draft mailed to the registered owner of record at the registered address For prompt payment of this bond both principal and interest the full faith, credit and resources of the Issuer are hereby irrevocably pledged This bond is one of a series of bonds aggregating the principal sum of \$2,500,000 issued for the purpose of paying all or part of the cost of certain capital improvements for the Issuer This bond is issued under the provisions of Act 34, Public Acts of Michigan 2001 and a duly adopted resolution of the Issuer Bonds of this issue shall not be subject to redemption prior to maturity This bond is transferable only upon the registration books of the Issuer kept by the Transfer Agent by the registered owner of record in person, or by the registered owner's attorney duly authorized in writing upon the surrender of this bond together with a written instrument of transfer satisfactory to the Transfer Agent duly executed by the registered owner or the registered owner's attorney duly authorized in writing and thereupon a new registered bond or bonds in the same aggregate principal amount and of the same maturity shall be issued to the transferee in exchange therefor as provided in the resolution authorizing this bond and upon the payment of the charges, if any therein prescribed This bond, including the interest thereon, is payable as a first budget obligation from the general funds of the Issuer and the Issuer is required, if necessary to levy ad valorem taxes on all taxable property in the Issuer for the payment thereof subject to applicable constitutional and statutory tax rate limitations

It is hereby certified and recited that all acts conditions and things required by law to be done precedent to and in the issuance of this bond and the series of bonds of which this is one, exist and have been done and performed in regular and due form and time as required by law and that the total indebtedness of the Issuer, including this bond does not exceed any constitutional and statutory debt limitation This bond is not valid or obligatory for any purpose until the Transfer Agent's Certificate of Authentication on this bond has been executed by the Transfer Agent IN WITNESS WHEREOF the Issuer, by its Township Board, has caused this bond to be signed in the name of the Issuer by the facsimile signatures of its Supervisor and Clerk and a facsimile of its corporate seal to be printed hereon all as of the Date of Original Issue

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON County of Wayne State of Michigan By _____ [facsimile] Its Mayor (SEAL) By _____ [facsimile] Its Clerk (Form of Transfer Agent's Certificate of Authentication) DATE OF AUTHENTICATION

CERTIFICATE OF AUTHENTICATION
This bond is one of the bonds described in the within mentioned resolution
Transfer Agent By _____ Authorized Signatory Bond printer to insert form of assignment

7 Notice of Sale The Township Clerk is authorized to upon receipt of notice of qualified status under Act 34 fix a date of sale for the Bonds, and publish notice of sale of the Bonds in *The Bond Buyer* New York New York which notice of sale shall be in substantially the following form

OFFICIAL NOTICE OF SALE \$2,500,000
CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON COUNTY OF WAYNE, STATE OF MICHIGAN
LIMITED TAX GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, SERIES 2004

SEALED OR FAXED BIDS: Bidders may submit bids for the purchase of the above bonds as follows
SEALED BIDS: will be received by the undersigned at the Offices of the Township Clerk located at 1150 South Canton Center Road, Canton Michigan 48188 on _____, the ____ day of _____, 2004 until ____ 00 ____ in Eastern Daylight Savings Time, at which time and place said bids will be publicly opened and read Bids will also be received at the same time and date at the offices of Bendzinski & Co 607 Shelby Suite 600 Detroit, Michigan 48226

FAXED BIDS: Signed bids may be submitted at the offices of Bendzinski & Co at (313) 961 8222, provided that faxed bids must arrive before the time of sale and the bidder bears all risks of transmission failure and the GOOD FAITH DEPOSIT MUST BE MADE AND RECEIVED as described in the section contained "GOOD FAITH" below

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ELECTRONIC BIDS. Electronic bids will also be received on the same date and until the same time by Bidcomp/Party as agent of the undersigned. Further information about Bidcomp/Party including any fee charged may be obtained from Bidcomp/Party Anthony Leyden or CLIENT SERVICES 40 West 23rd Street New York, New York 10010 (212) 404 8102. NO ELECTRONIC BID WILL BE ACCEPTED UNLESS THE BIDDER HAS SUBMITTED A FINANCIAL SURETY BOND OR A CERTIFIED OR CASHIERS CHECK IN THE AMOUNT DESCRIBED IN THE SECTION CAPTIONED "GOOD FAITH" BELOW IF ANY PROVISION OF THIS NOTICE OR SALE SHALL CONFLICT WITH INFORMATION PROVIDED BY BIDCOMP/PARTY, AS THE APPROVED PROVIDER OF ELECTRONIC BIDDING SERVICES THIS NOTICE OF SALE SHALL CONTROL.

Bidders may choose any means or location to present bids but a bidder may not present a bid in more than one location or by more than one means.

BOND DETAILS. The bonds will be registered bonds of the denomination of \$5 000 or multiples thereof not exceeding for each maturity the maximum principal amount of that maturity originally dated as August 1, 2004 numbered in order of registration and will bear interest from their date payable on April 1 2005 and semiannually thereafter.

The bonds will mature on the 1st day of October in each of the years as follows:

Year	Amount
2005	\$150 000
2006 2007 and 2008	200 000
2009 and 2010	250 000
2011 and 2012	300,000
2013 and 2014	325 000

PRIOR REDEMPTION OF BONDS. Bonds of this issue shall not be subject to redemption prior to maturity.

INTEREST RATE AND BIDDING DETAILS. The bonds shall bear interest at rate or rates not exceeding 6% per annum to be fixed by the bids therefor expressed in multiples of 1/8 or 1/20 of 1% or both. The interest on any one bond shall be at one rate only and all bonds maturing in any one year must carry the same interest rate. No proposal for the purchase of less than all of the bonds or at a price less than 99% of their par value will be considered.

BOOK-ENTRY ONLY. The bonds will be issued in book entry only form as one fully registered bond per maturity and will be registered in the name of Cede & Co. as bondholder and nominee for The Depository Trust Company (DTC) New York New York. DTC will act as securities depository for the bonds. Purchase of the bonds will be made in book entry only form in the denomination of \$5 000 or any multiple thereof. Purchasers will not receive certificates representing their interest in bonds purchased.

TRANSFER AGENT AND REGISTRATION. Principal shall be payable at the principal corporate trust office of J.P. Morgan Trust Company, Detroit, Michigan or such other transfer agent as the Township may hereafter designate by notice mailed to the registered owner of record not less than 60 days prior to an interest payment date. Interest shall be paid by check mailed to the registered owner of record as shown on the registration books of the Township as of the 15th day prior to an interest payment date. The bonds will be transferred only upon the registration books of the Township kept by the transfer agent.

PURPOSE AND SECURITY. The bonds are authorized for the purpose of paying all or part of the cost of certain capital improvements together with all necessary appurtenances and attachments therefor in the Township. The bonds will be a first budget obligation of the Township payable as a first budget obligation from the general funds of the Township including the collection of ad valorem taxes on all taxable property in the Township subject to applicable constitutional and statutory tax rate limitations. The rights or remedies of bondholders may be affected by bankruptcy insolvency fraudulent conveyance or other laws affecting creditors rights generally now existing or hereafter enacted and by the application of general principles of equity including those relating to equitable subordination.

GOOD FAITH. A certified or cashier's check drawn upon an incorporated bank or trust company or a Financial Surety Bond in the amount of \$25 000 and payable to the order of the Treasurer of the Township is required for each bid as a guaranty of good faith on the part of the bidder to be forfeited as a portion of the Township's damages if such bid be accepted and the bidder fails to take up and pay for the bonds. If a check is used it must accompany each bid. If a Financial Surety Bond is used it must be from an insurance company licensed to issue such a bond in the State of Michigan and such Bond must be submitted to the Township's financial advisor at least one hour prior to the opening of the bids. The Financial Surety Bond must identify each bidder whose good faith deposit is guaranteed by such Financial Surety Bond. If the bonds are awarded to a bidder utilizing a Financial Surety Bond then that purchaser (the "Purchaser") is required to submit its good faith deposit to the Township in the form of a cashier's check (or wire transfer such amount as instructed by the Township not later than Noon Eastern Daylight Savings Time on the next business day following the award. If such good faith deposit is not received by that time the Financial Surety Bond may be drawn upon by the Township to satisfy the good faith deposit requirement. The good faith deposit will be applied to the purchase price of the bonds. In the event the purchaser fails to honor its accepted bid the good faith deposit will be retained by the Township. No interest shall be allowed on the good faith check and checks of the unsuccessful bidders will be returned to each bidder's representative or by overnight delivery. The good faith check of the successful bidder will be cashed and payment for the balance of the purchase price of the bonds shall be made at the closing.

AWARD OF BONDS. The bonds will be awarded to the bidder whose bid produces the lowest true interest cost determined in the following manner: the lowest true interest cost will be the single interest rate (compounded on October 1 2005 and semi annually thereafter) necessary to discount the debt service payments from their respective payment dates to 1 2004 in an amount equal to the bid price excluding accrued interest.

TAX MATTERS. In the opinion of bond counsel assuming compliance with certain covenants interest on the bonds is excluded from gross income for federal income tax purposes as described in the opinion and the bonds and interest thereon are exempt from all taxation in the State of Michigan except inheritance and estate taxes and taxes on gains realized from the sale payment or other disposition thereof. The successful bidder will be required to furnish prior to the delivery of the bonds, a certificate in a form acceptable to bond counsel as to the "issue price of the bonds within the meaning of Section 1273 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986.

"QUALIFIED TAX EXEMPT OBLIGATIONS" The Township has designated the bonds as "qualified tax exempt obligations" for purposes of deduction of interest by financial institutions.

LEGAL OPINION. Bids shall be conditioned upon the approving opinion of Miller Canfield Paddock and Stone P.L.C., attorneys of Detroit Michigan, a copy of which opinion will be furnished without expense to the purchaser of the bonds at the delivery thereof. The fees of Miller Canfield Paddock and Stone P.L.C. for services rendered in connection with such approving opinion are expected to be paid from bond proceeds. Except to the extent necessary to issue its approving opinion as to validity of the above bonds Miller Canfield Paddock and Stone P.L.C. has not been requested to examine or review and has not examined or reviewed any financial documents statements or materials that have been or may be furnished in connection with the authorization issuance or marketing of the bonds and accordingly will not express any opinion with respect to the accuracy or completeness of any such financial documents statements or materials.

DELIVERY OF BONDS. The Township will furnish bonds ready for execution at its expense. Bonds will be delivered without expense to the purchaser at Detroit Michigan or such other place to be agreed upon. The usual closing documents including a certificate that no litigation is pending affecting the issuance of the bonds will be delivered at the time of delivery of the bonds. If the bonds are not tendered for delivery by twelve o'clock noon Eastern Daylight Savings Time, on the 45th day following the date of sale, or the first business day thereafter if said 45th day is not a business day, the successful bidder may on that day or any time thereafter until delivery of the bonds withdraw his proposal by serving notice of cancellation in writing on the undersigned in which event the Township shall promptly return the good faith deposit. Payment for the bonds shall be made in Federal Reserve Funds. Accrued interest to the date of delivery of the bonds shall be paid by the purchaser at the time of delivery.

OFFICIAL STATEMENT. A copy of the Official Statement relating to the Bonds may be obtained by contacting Bendzinski & Co. 607 Shelby Suite 600 Detroit Michigan 48226 telephone number 313 961 8222 fax 313 961 8220. The Official Statement is in a form deemed final by the Issuer for purposes of paragraph (b)(1) of SEC Rule 15c2 12 (the "Rule"), but is subject to revision, amendment and completion in a final Official Statement. After the award of the bonds the Issuer will provide on a timely basis 100 copies of the final Official Statement as that term is defined in paragraph (e)(3) of the rule at the expense of the Issuer (and such

additional copies of the final Official Statement as reasonably requested by and at the expense of the successful bidder or bidders) to enable the successful bidder or bidders to comply with paragraph (b)(4) of the Rule and the rules of the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board. Requests for such additional copies of the final Official Statement shall be made to Bendzinski & Co. at the above address within 24 hours of the award of the bonds.

CONTINUING DISCLOSURE. As described in greater detail in the Official Statement, the Issuer will agree in the resolution to provide or cause to be provided in accordance with the requirements of Rule 15c2 12 (the "Rule") promulgated by the Securities and Exchange Commission (i) on or prior to the 1st day of the sixth month following the end of the fiscal year of the Township commencing with the fiscal year ending June 30 2004 certain annual financial information and operating data including audited financial statements for the preceding fiscal year (or if audited financial statements are not available unaudited financial statements) generally consistent with the information contained or cross referenced in the Official Statement relating to the Bonds (ii) timely notice of the occurrence of certain material events with respect to the Bonds and (iii) timely notice of a failure by the Township to provide the required annual financial information on or before the date specified in (i) above. **CUSIP NUMBERS.** It is anticipated that CUSIP identification numbers will be printed on the bonds but neither the failure to print such numbers on any bonds nor any error with respect thereto shall constitute cause for a failure or refusal by the purchaser thereof to accept delivery of and pay for the bonds in accordance with terms of the purchase contract. All expenses in relation to the printing of CUSIP numbers on the bonds shall be paid for by the Issuer, provided however that the CUSIP Service Bureau charge for the assignment of such numbers shall be the responsibility of and shall be paid for by the purchaser. **FINANCIAL CONSULTANT.** Further information relating to the bonds may be obtained from Bendzinski & Co. 607 Shelby Suite 600 Detroit Michigan 48226 telephone number 313 961 8222 fax 313 961 8220.

THE RIGHT IS RESERVED TO REJECT ANY OR ALL BIDS.

ENVELOPES. containing the bids should be plainly marked "Proposal for Limited Tax General Obligation Bonds Series 2004 Terry G. Bennett, Clerk Charter Township of Canton."

8 Useful Life of Project. The estimated period of usefulness of the Project is hereby declared to be not less than twenty (20) years.

9 Tax Covenant, Qualified Tax Exempt Obligations. The Issuer shall to the extent permitted by law take all actions within its control necessary to maintain the exclusion of the interest on the Bonds from gross income for federal income tax purposes under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 as amended (the "Code") including but not limited to actions relating to any required rebate of arbitrage earnings and the expenditures and investment of Bond proceeds and moneys deemed to be Bond proceeds. The Issuer hereby designates the Bonds as "qualified tax exempt obligations" for purposes of deduction of interest expense by financial institutions pursuant to the Code.

10 Authorization of Other Actions. The Township Supervisor, the Clerk and the Finance Director each is authorized to take all other actions necessary or advisable including the purchase of municipal bond insurance and to make such other filings with the Michigan Department of Treasury, bond insurers or with other parties to enable the sale and delivery of the Bonds as contemplated herein.

11 Continuing Disclosure. The Township hereby covenants to comply with Securities and Exchange Commission Rule 15c2 12 (the "Rule") and appoints the Township Finance Director as its "Disclosure Representative" in accordance with the Rule. The Township Finance Director be and is hereby directed to undertake disclosure in accordance with the Rule.

12 Rescission. All resolutions and parts of resolutions insofar as they conflict with the provisions of this resolution be and the same hereby are rescinded. **AYES:** Bennett, Burdzinski, Kirchgatter, McLaughlin, Shefferly, Yack, Zarbo. **RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED.** Township Clerk I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of a resolution adopted by the Township Board of the Charter Township of Canton County of Wayne State of Michigan at a regular meeting held on June 22 2004 and that said meeting was conducted and public notice of said meeting was given pursuant to and in full compliance with the Open Meetings Act being Act 267 Public Acts of Michigan 1976 and that the minutes of said meeting were kept and will be or have been made available as required by said Act. Township Clerk **Item 8 REQUEST TO PURCHASE EQUIPMENT FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS CENTER.** Motion by Bennett supported by Shefferly to authorize the purchase of the following equipment for a total cost of \$67 735 with all expenses charged to account no. 402 302 975 6000: 1 Musical and theatrical equipment and accessories to Wenger Corporation at 555 Park Dr PO Box 448 Owatonna MN 55060 in the amount of \$38,022. 2 One Ricoh Aficio 1027 copier in the amount of \$5 162 from IKON Office Solutions Great Lakes District PO Box 802558 Chicago, IL 60680 under the State of Michigan Bid 3 T1 Line and Server purchased under the State contract for an amount not to exceed \$11 200. 4 Computer Equipment from Microsource 655 Fairfield Court Ann Arbor MI 48108 not to exceed \$6 643. 5 Benches from B Nevins Limited PO Box 108 Cat Spring TX 75933 for a total cost of \$6 708. Motion carried unanimously. **Item 9. CONSIDER CHANGE ORDER #1 FOR THE CHERRY HILL ROAD AND RIDGE ROAD PAVING & DRAINAGE SAD 2004-1.** Motion by Bennett supported by Kirchgatter to approve Change Order #1 to Cadillac Asphalt LLC in the amount of \$201 827 11 and increase the original contract from \$1 645 056 90 to the amount of \$1 846 884 01. Motion carried unanimously. **Item 10 CONSIDER CHANGE ORDER #1 FOR DENTON ROAD PAVING AND DRAINAGE SAD 2004-2.** Motion by Bennett supported by Burdzinski to approve the Change Order #1 to Cadillac Asphalt LLC in the amount of \$270,202 08 and increase the original contract from \$1 113 900 72 to the amount of \$1 384 102 80. Motion carried unanimously. **Item 11. CONSIDER EXTENDING THE 2003 SIDEWALK REPAIR CONTRACT WITH GAGLIO BROTHERS CORPORATION TO PERFORM REPAIRS FOR 2004.** Motion by Bennett supported by McLaughlin to extend the 2003 Sidewalk Repair Program contract with Gaglio Brothers Corporation to complete the 2004 Sidewalk Repair Program for an amount not to exceed \$364,090 40. Motion carried unanimously. Motion by Bennett supported by Kirchgatter to approve an amount not to exceed \$28 100 for Wade Trim Associates to provide inspection services and to open a separate purchase order in their name. Of this total \$23 400 shall be subtracted from the contract with Gaglio Brothers Corporation and authorize finance and budget to subtract any additional cost based on the per day rate of \$520 for an inspector day if the contractor exceeds the number of specified inspector days in the contract. Motion carried unanimously. Motion by Bennett supported by Shefferly to approve the following budget amendment for the 2004 Sidewalk Replacement Program. Motion carried unanimously. **WATER AND SEWER FUND Increase Revenues, Appropriation from Fund Balance**

Item	Amount
#101 000 699 0000	\$131,913 00
Increase Appropriations Maint & Repairs of Sidewalks	#592 441 933 0000
\$131 913 00	
Maint & Repairs Sewer Lines	#592 441 935 0000
\$131 913 00	

Item 12. CONSIDER 2004 DUST CONTROL PROGRAM FOR LOCAL GRAVEL ROADS. Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to authorize payment to Wayne County for the three (3) applications of dust control on local roads for the 2004 calendar year in the amount of \$17 154 90, not to exceed \$18 000 00. Motion carried unanimously. The following roads are included in the 2004 program: Gorman Road South of Ford Road Herby North of Geddes and North & South of Dionne Dionne West of Sheldon Road, Morton Taylor Road North and South of Michigan Ave, Willard South of Michigan Ave Willard North of Cherry Hill Road Corrine South of Michigan Ave Washburn South of Michigan Ave Leopold West of Corrine Street Leopold West of Sheldon Road Arley South of Michigan Ave Murray Hill Pilgrim Hills Subdivision Bircklan Pilgrim Hills Subdivision Thornwood Pilgrim Hills Subdivision Topper Court Pilgrim Hills Subdivision Elmhurst McIntyre Gardens Subdivision, Marlowe South of Ford Road Marlowe North of Saltz Road Gordon Sheldon to Oakview Brookline North of Saltz Road Brookline South of Ford Road, Oakview North of Saltz Road.

Item 13 APPROVAL TO UPDATE AND RELOCATE EXISTING SIREN. Motion by Bennett supported by Shefferly to approve the request to relocate and update the siren at 1255 S Beck Road by West Shore Services at a cost of \$7 690 00 (account no 101 426 930 0000). Motion carried unanimously. **Item 14 REQUEST FOR MAINTENANCE AND SUPPORT TO COUNTY WIDE COMPUTER BASED LIVE-SCAN FINGERPRINT SYSTEM.** Motion by Bennett supported by Burdzinski to approve the renewal of the maintenance contract for the Indextix Livescan System for a cost of \$7 895 00 (account no 201 301 818 0000). Motion carried unanimously. **Item 15 APPROVAL TO PURCHASE REPLACEMENT GENERATOR FOR FIRE VEHICLE 97-E2 (SQUIRT).** Motion by Bennett supported by Kirchgatter to approve the purchase of a new generator for fire vehicle 97 E2 (Squirt) from Cummins

Bridgeway for a cost of \$7 063 20 (account no 203 336 932 0000) Motion carried unanimously. **Item 16 APPROVAL TO PURCHASE COPIER FOR THE RECORDS BUREAU.** Motion by Bennett supported by Kirchgatter to approve the purchase of a Ricoh Aficio 1027 copier through IKON for a cost not to exceed \$5 700 (account no 207 301 977 0000). Motion carried unanimously. **Item 17 CONSIDER ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ISSUANCE OF SPECIAL ASSESSMENT BONDS, SERIES 2004.** Motion by Bennett supported by Kirchgatter to adopt the attached Resolution Authorizing Issuance of Special Assessment Bonds Series 2004 for Lotz Road Paving SAD 2003 02 Cherry Hill Road Paving SAD 2004 01 and Saltz Road Paving SAD 2004 03. Motion carried unanimously.

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON COUNTY OF WAYNE STATE OF MICHIGAN RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ISSUANCE OF SPECIAL ASSESSMENT BONDS SERIES 2004 (Limited Tax General Obligation)

Minutes of a regular meeting of the Township Board of the Charter Township of Canton County of Wayne State of Michigan held on the 22nd day of June 2004 at 7 00 p.m. Eastern Daylight Savings Time in the Township PRESENT Bennett Burdzinski Kirchgatter McLaughlin Shefferly Yack Zarbo. The following preamble and resolution were offered by Bennett and supported by Kirchgatter. WHEREAS various special assessment rolls (the "Rolls") for the construction of paving and drainage improvements in special assessment districts designated as Special Assessment Districts 2004 01 2003 02, and 2004 03 (the "Districts") in the Charter Township of Canton County of Wayne State of Michigan (the "Township") have been prepared reviewed and confirmed by the Township Board and

WHEREAS the Township Board has determined that it will be necessary to issue special assessment bonds pledging for their payment collections on the Roll, NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

1 The estimated period of usefulness of said improvements is not less than fifteen (15) years.

2 Special assessment bonds shall be issued in the amount of Four Million One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$4 100 000) (the "Bonds") in anticipation of the collection of an equal amount of future due installments on the Rolls together with interest and investment income thereon as follows:

Special Assessment Roll	Principal Amount Pledged
2004 01	\$2 000 000
2003 02	660 000
2004 03	1,440 000

The liability of each of the Rolls shall be limited to the principal amount thereof pledged as set forth above and interest and investment income thereon. In addition to the special assessments primarily pledged as aforesaid the full faith credit and resources of the Township shall be pledged secondarily for the prompt payment of the principal of and interest on the Bonds as the same become due. If the pledged special assessments are not collected in amounts sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on the Bonds as the same become due the Township will promptly advance from its general funds as a first budget obligation sufficient moneys to pay said principal and interest or, if necessary levy taxes upon all taxable property in the Township therefor subject to applicable charter statutory and constitutional tax rate limitations.

3 The Bonds shall be designated SPECIAL ASSESSMENT BONDS SERIES 2004 (LIMITED TAX GENERAL OBLIGATION) consist of bonds registered as to principal and interest in the denomination of \$5 000 or multiples thereof not exceeding for each maturity the aggregate principal amount of that maturity numbered in order of registration dated August 1 2004, and be payable annually on April 1 of the years and in the principal amounts as follows:

Year	Amount
2006 through 2013	\$400 000
2014 and 2015	375 000
2016, 2017 and 2018	50 000

4 The Bonds shall bear interest at a rate or rates determined on sale thereof but not exceeding six percent (6%) per annum payable on April 1 2005 and semiannually thereafter, by check or draft drawn on the Transfer Agent (hereinafter defined) mailed to the registered owner at the registered address as shown on the registration books of the Township maintained by the Transfer Agent. Interest shall be payable when due to the person or entity who or which is the registered owner of record as of the fifteenth (15th) day of the month prior to the payment date for each interest payment. The date of determination of the registered owner for purposes of payment of interest as provided in this paragraph may be changed by the Township to conform to market practice in the future. The principal of the Bonds shall be payable upon presentation and surrender thereof to the Transfer Agent. The Bonds shall be subject to redemption prior to maturity as provided in Section 9 of this Resolution. Unless waived by any registered owner of Bonds to be redeemed official notice of redemption shall be given by the Transfer Agent on behalf of the Township. Such notice shall be dated and shall contain at a minimum the following information: Original issue date maturity dates interest rates CUSIP numbers if any, certificate numbers and in the case of partial redemption the called amounts of each certificate the place where Bonds called for redemption are to be surrendered for payment and that interest on Bonds or portions thereof called for redemption shall cease to accrue from and after the redemption date. In addition further notice shall be given by the Transfer Agent in such manner as may be required or suggested by regulations or market practice at the applicable time, but no defect in such further notice nor any failure to give all or any portion of such further notice shall in any manner defeat the effectiveness of a call for redemption if notice thereof is given as prescribed herein. J.P. Morgan Trust Company Detroit, Michigan, is hereby appointed as bond registrar paying agent and transfer agent (the "Transfer Agent"). The Township may designate a new Transfer Agent by notice mailed to the registered owner of each of the Bonds at such time outstanding not less than sixty (60) days prior to an interest payment date. The Township Clerk is hereby authorized to execute an agreement with the Transfer Agent on behalf of the Township.

5 The Bonds shall be executed in the name of the Township with the manual or facsimile signatures of the Supervisor and the Township Clerk and shall have the Township's seal or a facsimile thereof printed or affixed on them. No bond authorized by this resolution shall be valid until authenticated by an authorized representative of the Transfer Agent. The Bonds shall be delivered to the Transfer Agent for authentication and shall be delivered by the Transfer Agent to the purchaser in accordance with instructions from the Treasurer of the Township upon payment of the purchase price for the Bonds in accordance with the accepted bid therefor. Executed blank bonds for registration and issuance to transferees shall simultaneously and from time to time thereafter as necessary, be delivered to the Transfer Agent for safekeeping. The Bonds may be issued in book entry only form through The Depository Trust Company in New York New York.

6 Any bond authorized by this resolution may be transferred upon the books required to be kept by the Transfer Agent pursuant to this section by the person or entity in whose name it is registered in person or by the registered owner's duly authorized attorney upon surrender of the bond for cancellation accompanied by delivery of a duly executed written instrument of transfer in a form approved by the Transfer Agent. Whenever any bond or bonds shall be surrendered for transfer the Township shall execute and the Transfer Agent shall authenticate and deliver a new bond or bonds in like aggregate principal amount maturity and maturity rate. The Transfer Agent shall require the payment by the bondholder requesting the transfer of any tax or other governmental charge required to be paid with respect to the transfer.

7 The Bonds shall be in substantially the following form: UNITED STATES OF AMERICA STATE OF MICHIGAN COUNTY OF WAYNE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON SPECIAL ASSESSMENT BOND SERIES 2004 (LIMITED TAX GENERAL OBLIGATION)

Registered Owner	Principal Amount	Rate	Maturity Date	Original Issue	Cusip
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The Charter Township of Canton County of Wayne, State of Michigan (the "Issuer") promises to pay to the Registered Owner shown above or registered assigns the Principal Amount shown above in lawful money of the United States of America on the Maturity Date shown above unless prepaid prior thereto as hereinafter provided with interest thereon from the Date of Original Issue shown above, or such later date to which interest has been paid until paid at the Interest Rate per annum shown above, first payable on April 1 2005 and semiannually thereafter. Principal of this bond is payable upon presentation and surrender at the corporate trust office of J.P. Morgan Trust Company Detroit, Michigan or such other transfer agent as the Issuer may hereafter designate by notice mailed to the registered owner not less than 60 days prior to any interest payment date. Interest on this bond is payable when due to the person or entity who or which is the registered owner as of the 15th day of the month preceding the pay

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ment date as shown on the registration books of the Issuer maintained by the transfer agent by check or draft mailed to the registered owner at the registered address. For the prompt payment of this bond, both principal and interest, the limited tax full faith, credit and resources of the Issuer are hereby irrevocably pledged. This bond is one of a series of bonds of even Date of Original Issue, aggregating the principal sum of \$4,100,000 issued in anticipation of the collection of special assessments in Special Assessment Districts No. 2004-01, 2003-02, and 2004-03 (the "Districts") of the Issuer for the purpose of paying part of the cost of paving and drainage improvements in the Districts, all in accordance with the provisions of Act 188, Public Acts of Michigan, 1954, as amended, and a duly adopted resolution (the "Resolution") of the Issuer. Bonds of this issue maturing in the years 2006 to 2013, inclusive, shall not be subject to the redemption prior to maturity. Bonds or portions of bonds in multiples of \$5,000 of this issue maturing in the years 2014 to 2018, inclusive, shall be subject to redemption prior to maturity, at the option of the Issuer, in such order as the Issuer may determine and by lot within any maturity on any interest payment date on or after April 1, 2013, at par and accrued interest to the date fixed for redemption. In case less than the full amount of an outstanding bond is called for redemption, the transfer agent, upon presentation to it of the bond called for redemption shall register, authenticate and deliver to the registered owner of record a new bond in the principal amount of the portion of the original bond not called for redemption. Notice of redemption shall be given to the registered owners of bonds or portions thereof called for redemption by mailing of such notice not less than thirty (30) days prior to the date fixed for redemption to the registered addresses of the registered owners of record. Bonds shall be called for redemption in multiples of \$5,000 and bonds of denominations of more than \$5,000 shall be treated as representing the number of bonds obtained by dividing the denomination of the bond by \$5,000 and such bonds may be redeemed in part. Bonds so called for redemption shall not bear interest after the date fixed for redemption provided funds are on hand with the transfer agent to redeem said bonds or portions thereof. This bond including the interest thereon, is payable primarily out of special assessments to be collected on the lands situated in the aforesaid Districts. In case of insufficiency of said special assessment collections, this bond is payable as a first budget obligation out of the general funds of the Issuer including the collection of any ad valorem taxes which the Issuer is authorized to levy, subject to applicable charter, statutory and constitutional tax rate limitations. This bond is transferable only upon the books of the Issuer kept for that purpose at the office of the transfer agent by the registered owner hereof in person or by the registered owner's attorney duly authorized in writing, upon the surrender of this bond together with a written instrument of transfer satisfactory to the transfer agent duly executed by the registered owner or the registered owner's attorney duly authorized in writing, and thereupon a new registered bond or bonds in the same aggregate principal amount and of the same maturity shall be issued to the transferee in exchange thereof as provided in the Resolution and upon the payment of the charges, if any therein prescribed. It is hereby certified and recited that all acts, conditions and things required by law precedent to and in the issuance of this bond and the series of bonds of which this is one have been done, exist and have happened in regular and due time and form as required by law and that the total indebtedness of the Issuer, including this bond and the series of bonds of which this is one, does not exceed any charter, statutory or constitutional debt limitation. This bond is not valid or obligatory for any purpose until the transfer agent's Certificate of Authentication on this bond has been executed by the transfer agent. IN WITNESS WHEREOF the Charter Township of Canton, County of Wayne, State of Michigan by its Township Board has caused this bond to be executed with the facsimile signatures of its Supervisor and its Township Clerk and its corporate seal or a facsimile thereof to be printed hereon all as of the Date of Original Issue. CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON, County of Wayne, State of Michigan. By _____ Supervisor.

(SEAL) Countersigned Township Clerk
FORM OF TRANSFER AGENT'S CERTIFICATE OF AUTHENTICATION

Certificate of Authentication. This bond is one of the bonds described in the within mentioned Resolution J.P. Trust Company Detroit Michigan Transfer Agent By _____ Authorized _____ Date of Registration _____ [Bond printer to insert assignment form]

8. The Township Clerk shall fix the date of sale of the Bonds and shall cause notice of sale thereto to be published in the Bond Buyer New York, New York or the Detroit Legal News, Detroit, Michigan each an authorized newspaper for such purposes at least seven (7) full days before the date fixed for sale of the Bonds.

9. Said notice of sale shall be in substantially the following form:
OFFICIAL NOTICE OF SALE \$4,100,000 CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON, County of Wayne, State of Michigan SPECIAL ASSESSMENT BONDS SERIES 2004 (LIMITED TAX GENERAL OBLIGATION)

SEALED BIDS for the purchase of the above bonds will be received by the undersigned at the office of the Township Clerk located at 1150 South Canton Center Road, Canton, Michigan 48188 1699 on Tuesday, the 13th day of July, 2004, until 2:00 o'clock p.m., Eastern Daylight Savings Time, at which time and place said bids will be publicly opened and read. Bids will also be received simultaneously and publicly opened and read at the offices of Bendzinski & Co., Municipal Finance Advisors, 607 Shelby, Suite 600 Detroit, MI 48226 3206. The Township Board will meet no later than 7:30 o'clock p.m., Eastern Daylight Savings Time on that date to consider the award of such bids.

FAXED BIDS May be submitted to the Issuer's Financial Advisor Bendzinski & Company, at (313) 961 8222. Provided, however, that faxed bids must arrive before the time of sale the bidder bears all risks of transmission failure and the **GOOD FAITH DEPOSIT MUST BE MADE AND RECEIVED** as described in the section entitled "GOOD FAITH" below. **ELECTRONIC BIDS** Electronic bids will also be received on the same date and until the same time by Bidcomp/Party as agent of the undersigned. Further information about Bidcomp/Party, including any fee charged, may be obtained from Bidcomp/Party, Anthony Leydon or CLIENT SERVICES, 40 West 23rd Street, New York, New York 10010, (212) 404 8102. **NO ELECTRONIC BID WILL BE ACCEPTED UNLESS THE BIDDER HAS SUBMITTED A FINANCIAL SURETY BOND OR A CERTIFIED OR CASHIER'S CHECK IN THE AMOUNT DESCRIBED IN THE SECTION ENTITLED "GOOD FAITH" BELOW IF ANY PROVISION OF THIS NOTICE OF SALE SHALL CONFLICT WITH INFORMATION PROVIDED BY BIDCOMP/PARTY, AS THE APPROVED PROVIDER OF ELECTRONIC BIDDING SERVICES. THIS NOTICE OF SALE SHALL CONTROL.** Bidders may choose any means or location to present bids but a bidder may not present a bid in more than one location or by more than one means.

BOND DETAILS Bonds of this issue will be registered bonds of the denomination of \$5,000 or multiples thereof not exceeding for each maturity the aggregate principal amount of such maturity, dated August 1, 2004, numbered in order of registration, and will bear interest from their date payable on April 1, 2005, and semiannually thereafter.

The bonds will mature on the 1st day of April of the years and in the principal amounts as follows:

\$400,000	2006 through 2013, inclusive,
375,000	2014 and 2015,
500,000	2016, 2017 and 2018

PRIOR REDEMPTION OF BONDS Bonds of this issue maturing in the years 2006 to 2013, inclusive, shall not be subject to redemption prior to maturity. Bonds or portions of bonds in multiples of \$5,000 of this issue maturing in the years 2014 to 2018, inclusive, shall be subject to redemption prior to maturity, at the option of the Issuer, in such order as the Issuer may determine and by lot within any maturity, on any interest payment date on or after April 1, 2013, at par and accrued interest to the date fixed for redemption. In case less than the full amount of an outstanding bond is called for redemption, the transfer agent, upon presentation to it of the bond called for redemption shall register, authenticate and deliver to the registered owner of record a new bond in the principal amount of the portion of the original bond not

called for redemption. Notice of redemption shall be given to the registered owners of bonds or portions thereof called for redemption by mailing of such notice not less than thirty (30) days prior to the date fixed for redemption to the registered addresses of the registered owners of record. Bonds shall be called for redemption in multiples of \$5,000 and bonds of denominations of more than \$5,000 shall be treated as representing the number of bonds obtained by dividing the denomination of the bond by \$5,000, and such bonds may be redeemed in part. Bonds so called for redemption shall not bear interest after the date fixed for redemption provided funds are on hand with the transfer agent to redeem said bonds. **INTEREST RATE AND BIDDING DETAILS** The bonds shall bear interest at a rate or rates not exceeding 6% per annum to be fixed by the bids therefor, expressed in multiples of 1/8 or 1/20 of 1%, or both. The interest on any one bond shall be at one rate only and all bonds maturing in any one year must carry the same interest rate. The difference between the highest and lowest interest rate on the bonds shall not exceed two percent (2%) per annum. No proposal for the purchase of less than all of the bonds or at a price less than 100% of their par value will be considered. **TRANSFER AGENT AND REGISTRATION** Principal shall be payable at J.P. Morgan Trust Company, Detroit, Michigan, or such other transfer agent as the Township may hereafter designate by notice mailed to the registered owner not less than 60 days prior to any interest payment date. Interest shall be paid by check or draft mailed to the person or entity who or which is the registered owner of record as shown by the registration books of the Township as of the 15th day of the month preceding any interest payment date. The bonds will be transferable only upon the registration books of the Township kept by the transfer agent. **PURPOSE AND SECURITY** The bonds are issued in anticipation of the collection of future due installments of special assessments for paving and drainage improvements in a certain Special Assessment Districts in the Township, as set forth in the bond authorizing resolution. The special assessments and interest and investment income thereon shall be sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on the bonds when due. The liability of each Special Assessment District is limited as set forth in the bond authorizing resolution. The bonds will pledge the limited tax full faith and credit of the Township as additional security for payment of principal and interest. Pursuant to such pledge should special assessment collections be insufficient, the Township shall be obligated to pay the principal of and interest on said bonds as a first budget obligation from its general funds, including the collection of any ad valorem taxes which the Township is authorized to levy, but any such levy shall be subject to applicable charter constitutional and statutory tax rate limitations. The rights or remedies of bondholders may be affected by bankruptcy, insolvency, fraudulent conveyance or other laws affecting creditors' rights generally, now existing or hereafter enacted, and by the application of general principles of equity, including those relating to equitable subordination. **AWARD OF BONDS** The bonds will be awarded to the bidder whose bid produces the lowest true interest cost computed by determined in the following manner: the lowest true interest cost will be the single interest rate (compounded on April 1, 2005 and semi annually thereafter) necessary to discount the debt service payments from their respective payment dates to August 1, 2004, in an amount equal to the bid price, excluding accrued interest. **LEGAL OPINION** Bids shall be conditioned upon the approving opinion of Miller Canfield, Paddock and Stone, P.L.C. attorneys of Detroit, Michigan, copies of which opinion will be printed on the reverse side of the bonds and the original of which will be furnished without expense to the purchaser of the bonds at the delivery thereof. The fees of Miller Canfield Paddock and Stone P.L.C. for services rendered in connection with such approving opinions are expected to be paid from bond proceeds. Except to the extent necessary to issue their unqualified approving opinions as to validity of the above bonds, Miller, Canfield Paddock and Stone P.L.C. has not been requested to examine or review and has not examined or reviewed any financial documents statements or materials that have been or may be furnished in connection with the authorization issuance or marketing of the bonds, and accordingly will not express any opinion with respect to the accuracy or completeness of any such financial documents, statements or materials. **TAX MATTERS** In the opinion of Bond Counsel assuming compliance with certain covenants, interest on the bonds, is excluded from gross income for federal income tax purposes as described in the opinion, and the bonds and interest thereon are exempt from all taxation in the State of Michigan except inheritance taxes and taxes on gains realized from the sale, payment or other disposition thereof. **ISSUE PRICE CERTIFICATE** The successful bidder will be required to furnish prior to the delivery of the bonds a certificate in a form acceptable to Bond Counsel as to the "issue price" of the bonds within the meaning of Section 1273 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 as amended. **GOOD FAITH** A certified or cashier's check drawn upon an incorporated bank or trust company or a Financial Surety Bond in the amount of \$41,000 payable to the order of the Treasurer of the Township is required for each bid as a guaranty of good faith on the part of the bidder to be forfeited as liquidated damages if such bid be accepted and the bidder fails to take up and pay for the bonds. If a check is used, it must accompany each bid. If a Financial Surety Bond is used, it must be from an insurance company licensed to issue such a bond in the State of Michigan and such bond must be submitted to the Township's financial advisor prior to the opening of the bids. The Financial Surety Bond must identify each bidder whose good faith deposit is guaranteed by such Financial Surety Bond. If the bonds are awarded to a bidder utilizing a Financial Surety Bond, then that purchaser (the "Purchaser") is required to submit its good faith deposit to the Township or its financial advisor in the form of a cashier's check (or wire transfer such amount as instructed by the Township or its financial advisor) not later than Noon, Eastern Daylight Savings Time, on the next business day following the award. If such good faith deposit is not received by that time, the Financial Surety Bond may be drawn upon by the Township to satisfy the good faith deposit requirement. The good faith deposit will be applied to the purchase price of the bonds. In the event the Purchaser fails to honor its accepted bid the good faith deposit will be retained by the Township as a portion of the Township's damages for such failure. No interest shall be allowed on the good faith check and checks of the unsuccessful bidders will be returned to each bidder's representative or by overnight mail. The good faith check of the successful bidder will be cashed and payment for the balance of the purchase price of the bonds shall be made at the closing. **QUALIFIED TAX EXEMPT OBLIGATIONS** The bonds will not be private activity bonds. The bonds will be designated as "qualified tax exempt obligations" for purposes of deduction of interest expense by financial institutions. **BOND INSURANCE AT PURCHASER'S OPTION** If the bonds qualify for issuance of any policy of municipal bond insurance or commitment therefor at the option of the bidder/purchaser the purchase of any such insurance policy or the issuance of any such commitment shall be at the sole option and expense of the purchaser of the bonds. Any increased costs of issuance of the bonds resulting from such purchase of insurance shall be paid by the purchaser except that, if the Township has requested and received a rating on the bonds from a rating agency, the Township will pay the fee for the requested rating. Any other rating agency fees shall be the responsibility of the purchaser. **FAILURE OF THE MUNICIPAL BOND INSURER TO ISSUE THE POLICY AFTER THE BONDS HAVE BEEN AWARDED TO THE PURCHASER SHALL NOT CONSTITUTE CAUSE FOR FAILURE OR REFUSAL BY THE PURCHASER TO ACCEPT DELIVERY OF THE BONDS FROM THE TOWNSHIP DELIVERY OF BONDS** The Township will furnish bonds ready for execution at its expense. Bonds will be delivered without expense to the purchaser at DTC, New York, New York. The usual closing documents, including a certificate that no litigation is pending affecting the issuance of the bonds, will be delivered at the time of the delivery of the bonds. If the bonds are not tendered for delivery by twelve o'clock noon, Eastern Daylight Savings Time, on the 45th day following the date of sale, or the first business day thereafter if said 45th day is not a business day the successful bidder may on that day, or any time thereafter until delivery of the bonds, withdraw its proposal by serving notice of cancellation, in writing, on the undersigned in which event the Township shall promptly return the good faith deposit. Payment for the bonds shall be made in immediately available funds. Accrued interest to the date of

delivery of the bonds shall be paid by the purchaser at the time of delivery. **OFFICIAL STATEMENT** A preliminary official statement that the Township deems to be final as of its date except for the omission of information permitted to be omitted by Rule 15c2-12 of the Securities and Exchange Commission, has been prepared and may be obtained from Bendzinski & Co., financial consultant to the Township, at the address listed under SEALED BIDS above (telephone (313) 961 8222). The Township will furnish, upon request of the successful bidder, a reasonable number of copies of the final Official Statement relating to the above described issue within seven days from the date of sale specified above in sufficient amounts to permit the successful bidder to comply with Rule 15c2-12 of the Securities and Exchange Commission. The first 100 copies will be delivered at the expense of the Township. Additional copies will be supplied upon the bidder's agreement to pay the reasonable copying charges of the Township for those copies. Any such request for additional copies should be made to Bendzinski & Co. within 24 hours of the date and time of the sale, and should set forth the number of copies requested and the person and place to whom the final Official Statements should be delivered. **CONTINUING DISCLOSURE** The Township has agreed in the contract hereinafter referred to provide or cause to be provided, in accordance with the requirements of Rule 15c2-12 promulgated by the Securities and Exchange Commission, (i) on or prior to the last day of the sixth month after the end of the fiscal year of the Township, commencing with the fiscal year of the Township ending December 31, 2004 certain annual financial information and operating data, including audited financial statements for the preceding fiscal year, (or if audited financial statements are not available, unaudited financial statements) generally consistent with the information contained or cross referenced in the Official Statement relating to the bonds, (ii) timely notice of the occurrence of certain material events with respect to the bonds and (iii) timely notice of a failure by the Township to provide the required annual financial information on or before the date specified in (i) above. **CUSIP NUMBERS** It is anticipated that CUSIP identification numbers will be printed on said bonds, but neither the failure to print such numbers on any bonds nor any error with respect thereto shall constitute cause for a failure or refusal by the purchaser thereof to accept delivery of and pay for said bonds in accordance with terms of the purchase contract. All expenses in relation to the printing of CUSIP numbers on said bonds shall be paid for by the Township, provided, however, that the CUSIP Service Bureau charge for the assignment of said numbers shall be the responsibility of and shall be paid for by the purchaser. **FINANCIAL CONSULTANT** Further information concerning the bonds may be secured from Bendzinski & Co. Municipal Finance Advisors, 607 Shelby, Suite 600 Detroit, Michigan 48226 (telephone 313 961 8222, Fax 313 961 8220), financial consultant to the Township. **THE RIGHT IS RESERVED TO REJECT ANY ORAL BIDS ENVELOPES** containing the bids should be plainly marked "Proposal for Special Assessment Bonds" Terry G. Bennett, Clerk Charter Township of Canton.

10. There shall be established and maintained a fund to be designated 2004 SPECIAL ASSESSMENT BONDS DEBT RETIREMENT FUND. Into said fund there shall be placed the accrued interest and premium, if any, attributable to the Bonds received at the time of delivery thereof together with interest expense for interest due April 1, 2005 and October 1, 2005. In addition there shall be paid into said fund the collections of principal of and interest on the Bonds in anticipation of the collection of which the Bonds authorized by the provisions of this resolution are to be issued. The amount to be paid by each District shall not exceed the amount of bonds allocated to the District and the interest and investment income thereon. If at any time said fund is insufficient to pay the principal of and interest on said Bonds as the same become due the Township shall advance from its general funds as a first budget obligation a sufficient amount of money to pay such principal and interest and if necessary shall levy taxes on all taxable property in the Township for such purpose subject to applicable charter, statutory and constitutional tax rate limitations.

11. There shall be established and maintained a separate fund for each District, to be designated SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DISTRICT NO. 2004-0 CONSTRUCTION FUND, into which shall be placed the allocable proceeds of sale of the Bonds except accrued interest capitalized interest and premium if any and from which fund there shall be paid the cost of the improvements in such District.

12. The Township hereby designates the Bonds as "qualified tax exempt obligations" for purposes of deduction of interest by financial institutions and further covenants for the benefit of the holders of the Bonds that it will not cause or permit the proceeds thereof to be used in a manner which would cause the Bonds to lose the exemption from taxation in the State of Michigan and from federal income taxation conferred by the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 as amended.

13. In the event cash or direct obligations of the United States or obligations the principal of and interest on which are guaranteed by the United States or a combination thereof, the principal of and interest on which without reinvestment, come due at times and in amounts sufficient to pay at maturity or irrevocable call for earlier optional redemption, the principal of, premium if any and interest on the bonds, shall be deposited in trust. This resolution shall be defeated and the owners of the bonds shall have no further rights under this resolution except to receive payment of the principal of, premium, if any, and interest on the bonds from the cash or securities deposited in trust and the interest and gains thereon and to transfer and exchange bonds as provided herein.

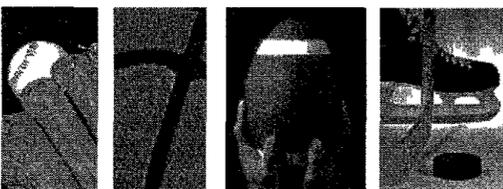
14. The Township's covenants it shall comply with the requirements of Rule 15c2-12 of the Securities and Exchange Commission regarding continuing disclosure (the "Rule") and hereby appoints the Township Finance Director as its "Disclosure Representative" in accordance with the Rule.

15. All resolutions and parts of resolutions insofar as they conflict with the provisions of this resolution be and the same hereby are rescinded. AYES: Bennett, Burdzyak, Kirchgatter, McLaughlin, Shefferly, Yack, Zarbo. **RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED** I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of a resolution adopted by the Township Board of the Charter Township of Canton, County of Wayne, State of Michigan at a regular meeting held on _____, 2004, and that said meeting was conducted and public notice of said meeting was given pursuant to and in full compliance with the Open Meetings Act, being Act 267, Public Acts of Michigan, 1976, and that the minutes of said meeting were kept and will be or have been made available as required by said Act. Township Clerk Item 18. **SET THE PUBLIC HEARING DATE FOR A CLASS C LIQUOR LICENSE REQUEST FROM CH CANTON, LLC 39535 FORD ROAD (EMAGINE THEATER)** Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to set the public hearing date for Tuesday July 27, 2004 with publication date of July 1, 2004 in the Canton Observer for CH Canton, LLC for a Class C Liquor License, Sunday Sales Permit an Official Permit to Serve Food and to have Movie Showings Between the Hours of 8:00 a.m. and Noon on Sunday and an Entertainment Permit to be located on 39535 Ford Road, Canton, Michigan on Parcel No. 049 99 0001 711. Motion carried unanimously. **OTHER:** Supervisor Yack stated there will be not study session next Tuesday, June 29, 2004, the next study session will be July 6, 2004. Director Faas stated that the July 20, 2004 Study Session's topic will be MDOT and Ford Road Access Management. Supervisor Yack stated we have a new Volunteer Brochure that was past out at Liberty Fest. Supervisor Yack stated that June 24th will be the Public Hearing for the Ford Road Task Force and Trustee McLaughlin stated that the report is due the first of September. Treasurer Kirchgatter stated that the State raised 1 mill and the tax bills will be mailed out on July 1, 2004. If you do not receive your tax bill by the end of July, please call the Treasurers Office, 734 394-5130. **ADJOURN:** Motion by Bennett supported by Zarbo to adjourn at 8:26 pm. -Thomas J. Yack Supervisor / Terry G. Bennett Clerk

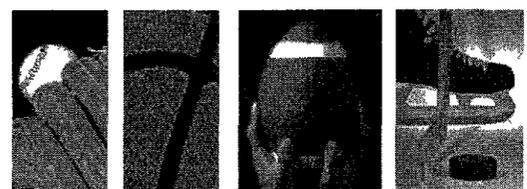
Copies of the complete text of the Board Minutes are available at the office of the Charter Township of Canton, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, Michigan 48188, during regular business hours and can also be accessed through our web site www.cantonmi.org after Board approval.

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Sprinkler systems secrets to savings

BY JAMES AND MORRIS CAREY
FOR AP WEEKLY FEATURES

Watering a few flowerpots only takes a moment or two. Watering a garden takes longer. And when it comes to an entire landscape - if you plan on hand-watering - expect to spend an hour or more.

If you have a large garden, then you probably have a built-in sprinkler system - on a timer - and don't have to worry about standing around holding a garden hose.

But there are things you need to know about your sprinkler system that will reduce your operating costs and ensure that the value of your investment remains high.

Maybe Superman was infallible, but sprinkler systems aren't. Heads can clog, restricting or completely preventing water flow. (Can you spell "brown lawn"?) How about "dead lawn"?)

Valve bodies can wear out too, allowing the sprinkler head to rotate. When this happens there may be plenty of water, but it can end up soaking the foundation instead of the lawn.

When this happens, not only will the lawn die, but the foundation can be undermined as well.

Wet soil under a foundation is a definite no-no. You don't want to pay for the kind of repairs that will be needed if this condition is left unchecked.

When any of these events occur, the resulting repairs can be costly at best. The point is, it is essential to check and

recheck your complete irrigation system every few weeks during the entire watering season.

TIMERS

If your system was set up properly, all valves should be connected to one control timer. Two or more timers can be a problem.

If two timers on the same system were accidentally programmed to operate simultaneously, each system would only receive half the water needed to achieve proper sprinkler head coverage.

The systems would look as though they were working but, slowly but surely, parts of the landscape would begin to die.

If you have more than one timer, look into the possibility of combining control into one. You won't believe how much confusion can be reduced by this single improvement.

Modern electronic timers let you increase or decrease watering time globally. With the press of a button, watering times can be reduced to 25 percent of normal or increased to 200 percent of normal - 1 percent at a time. This is very convenient - especially during a hot spell.

CONTROLS

There is nothing more frustrating than checking for bad sprinkler heads on a large property. Let's say that the farthest sprinkler station is about 100 feet from the control unit. Here's the frustrating process:

1 Go to the timer and turn on a station.

2 Go to the station and flag the bad head(s).

3 Go to the timer and turn off the station.

4 Go to the station and remove the head(s).

5 Go to the timer and turn on the station, to flush the lines.

6 Turn off the timer and return to the station, to install the new head(s).

7 Go back to the timer to turn on the station.

8 Go back to the station to ensure that everything is working properly.

If you followed this procedure for a station a thousand feet away, you walked 1-1/2 miles to maintain one station. Now multiply that times 40 stations, five times a year for 10 years - that's just under 300 miles!

But picture this: You are at the station and you use a hand-held unit to remote control the activities noted in the preceding list. You save hundreds of miles of walking, hours or days of wasted time, and repairs get made without frustration.

And repairs don't get missed. You can focus on the repairs rather than the logistics required to make them.

If your control unit is OK, but not fitted for remote operation, check with your local landscape irrigation company. Retrofit remote control units are available for slightly less money than replacement.

By the way, water in the morning when it's cool. This will give the earth time to absorb the water. Watering in hot sun can "steam" your landscape and the water can evaporate before it is absorbed.

Here's how to get your deck into shape

BY MORRIS AND JAMES CAREY
FOR AP WEEKLY FEATURES

It's time to launch another summer of fun, but your deck looks crummy.

Here are a few tips and tricks for making your deck look spiffy.

You might find some stains to be too tough for common

cleaning - leaf stains, for instance.

They can be removed by scrubbing with a 50-50 solution of household bleach and water.

Messy, dried barbecue sauce stains are easy to remove using auto degreaser or, believe it or not, carburetor cleaner.

You can remove nasty black stains from tannin-rich woods with a deck brightener from your local hardware store or home center.

Just be sure to apply it according to the manufacturer's directions.

Most cleaning solutions are best applied in the shade, not in direct sunlight.

FEELING LUCKY?

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Enjoy domestic wines, sparklers on the Fourth

California wineries are using the number 25 a lot these days. Beringer's winemaker Ed Sbragia celebrated his 25th anniversary, there's a XXV Anniversary Brut Cuvee from sparkling wine producer



Focus on Wine

Ray & Eleanor Heald

On one hand, it signifies that the wines are among the best and there is still a demand in the marketplace. On the other, it means the winery must try harder to remain in consumer focus.

Today's wine drinkers are experimental, always looking for what's new. That's not bad, yet after tasting the new releases from Flora Springs with owner John Komes recently, we said to each other, 'Our readers need to discover or re-discover the wines of Flora Springs.'

Why not celebrate our country's independence this Fourth of July with some delicious American wines like Flora Springs?

WALKING ITS TALK

Flora Springs believes that great grapes make great wines, and it walks its talk by being the third largest vineyard owner in Napa Valley. Flora Springs vineyard manager Patrick Garvey oversees 650 acres of vines at nine locations throughout Napa Valley.

The quality fruit that Garvey grows is what winemaker Ken Deis prizes when sculpting wines at Flora Springs. Deis is the only winemaker that Flora Springs has ever had.

'We are always seeking perfection, so we are continually experimenting both in the winery and the vineyards, each and every year,' Deis said.

'I am pleased that Flora Springs has made a commitment to quality rather than quantity. This allows me to select the best fruit from our vineyards to make a portfolio of wines considered standard-bearers for the highest aspirations of Napa Valley.'

Early on, Deis put Flora Springs on the Napa Valley map with his white wines, particularly the barrel-fermented chardonnay and a most exceptional sauvignon blanc, known as Soliloquy.

He hasn't neglected the red wines, for which he has earned equal praise. When Deis made Trilogy, it was among the first California wines to be described as a Meritage wine, a blend of Bordeaux varieties, in this case cabernet sauvignon, merlot, cabernet franc and sometimes malbec.

With the 2002 vintage, Deis has raised Flora Springs Barrel Fermented Chardonnay by a quantum leap, renaming it Select Cuvee.

After experimenting with a number of new oak barrels from both western and eastern Europe, as well as the United States, the Select Cuvee was aged 10 months in 60 percent new Burgundy barrels.

With many competitors asking \$50 or more for their chardonnay, the Flora Springs Select Cuvee is a must-try at \$35.

TASTE TEST

■ 2000 Flora Springs Soliloquy \$25 is 100 percent sauvignon blanc from a clone known as sauvignon musque. It is fermented entirely in stainless steel and aged seven months on the lees in neutral oak casks. This technique results in a wine that is generous and smooth with outstanding richness on the palate.

■ 2002 Flora Springs Barrel Fermented Chardonnay \$25 uses fruit from three vineyards found in the north, central and south of Napa Valley. The wine sports rich peach, pear and pineapple fruits with good oak and supple mouthfeel. Try this wine with a rich creamy soup like lobster or shrimp bisque.

■ 2002 Flora Springs Select Cuvee Chardonnay \$35 is "fatter" with more oak from new Burgundian barrels.

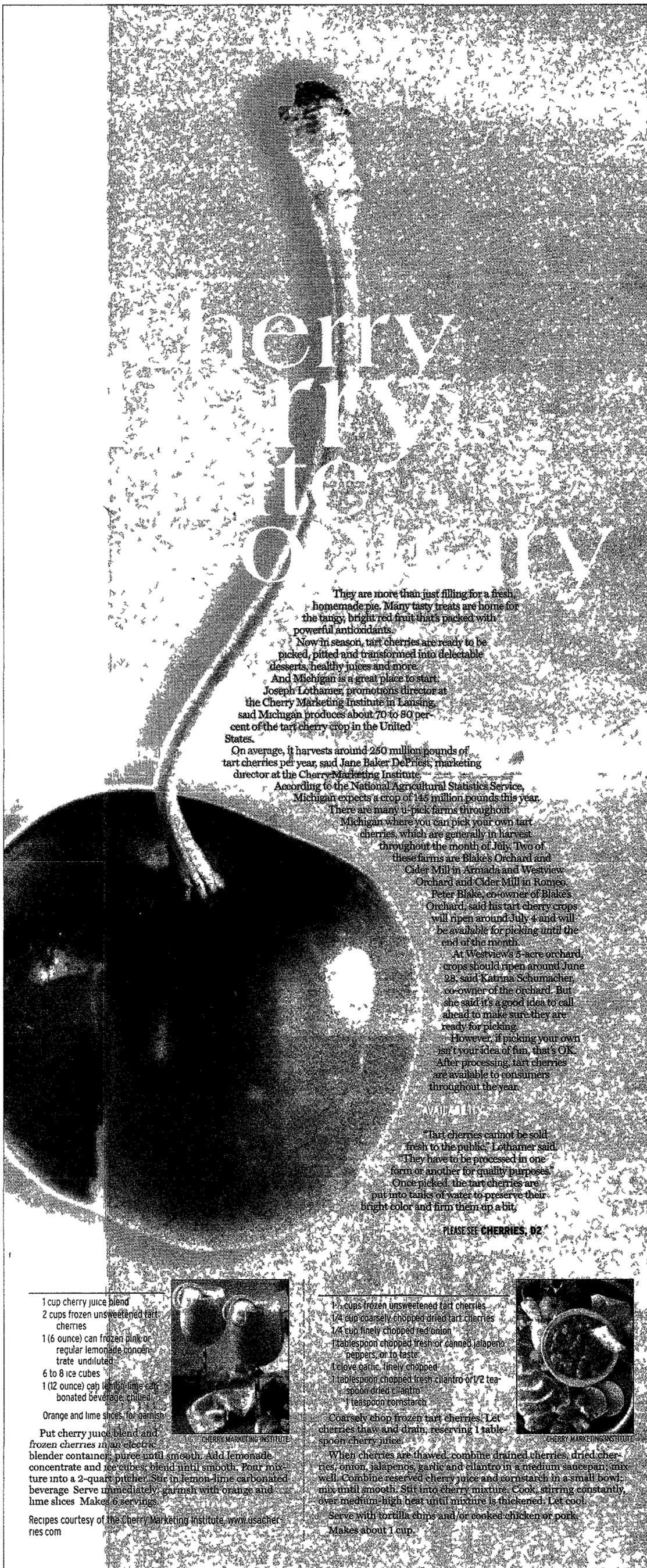
Mumm Napa Valley and Flora Springs is justly proud of more than a quarter century of family wine-making in Napa Valley.

Reaching 25 years in any business is an accomplishment, but in the wine industry there are two sides to that coin.

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Cherry Arrive on July 1

They are more than just filling for a fresh, homemade pie. Many tasty treats are home for the tangy, bright red fruit that's packed with powerful antioxidants.

Now in season, tart cherries are ready to be picked, pitted and transformed into delectable desserts, healthy juices and more.

And Michigan is a great place to start. Joseph Lothamer, promotions director at the Cherry Marketing Institute in Lansing, said Michigan produces about 70 to 80 percent of the tart cherry crop in the United States.

On average, it harvests around 250 million pounds of tart cherries per year, said Jane Baker DePrest, marketing director at the Cherry Marketing Institute.

According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service, Michigan expects a crop of 145 million pounds this year.

There are many U-pick farms throughout Michigan where you can pick your own tart cherries, which are generally in harvest throughout the month of July. Two of these farms are Blake's Orchard and Cider Mill in Armada and Westview Orchard and Cider Mill in Romeo.

Peter Blake, co-owner of Blake's Orchard, said his tart cherry crops will ripen around July 4 and will be available for picking until the end of the month.

At Westview's 5-acre orchard, crops should ripen around June 28, said Katrina Schumacher, co-owner of the orchard. But she said it's a good idea to call ahead to make sure they are ready for picking.

However, if picking your own isn't your idea of fun, that's OK. After processing, tart cherries are available to consumers throughout the year.

'Tart cherries cannot be sold fresh to the public,' Lothamer said. 'They have to be processed in one form or another for quality purposes. Once picked, the tart cherries are put into tanks of water to preserve their bright color and firm them up a bit.'

PLEASE SEE CHERRIES, D2

- 1 cup cherry juice blend
- 2 cups frozen unsweetened tart cherries
- 1 (6 ounce) can frozen pink or regular lemonade concentrate undiluted
- 6 to 8 ice cubes
- 1 (12 ounce) can lemon-lime carbonated beverage, chilled

Orange and lime slices, for garnish

Put cherry juice blend and frozen cherries in an electric blender container; puree until smooth. Add lemonade concentrate and ice cubes; blend until smooth. Pour mixture into a 2-quart pitcher. Stir in lemon-lime carbonated beverage. Serve immediately, garnish with orange and lime slices. Makes 6 servings.

Recipes courtesy of the Cherry Marketing Institute, www.usacheries.com



CHERRY MARKETING INSTITUTE

- 1 1/2 cups frozen unsweetened tart cherries
- 1/4 cup coarsely chopped dried tart cherries
- 1/4 cup finely chopped red onion
- 1 tablespoon chopped fresh or canned jalapeno peppers, or to taste
- 1 clove garlic, finely chopped
- 1 tablespoon chopped fresh cilantro or 1/2 teaspoon dried cilantro
- 1 teaspoon cornstarch

Coarsely chop frozen tart cherries. Let cherries thaw and drain, reserving 1 tablespoon cherry juice.

When cherries are thawed, combine drained cherries, dried cherries, onion, jalapenos, garlic and cilantro in a medium saucepan; mix well. Combine reserved cherry juice and cornstarch in a small bowl; mix until smooth. Stir into cherry mixture. Cook, stirring constantly, over medium-high heat until mixture is thickened. Let cool.

Serve with tortilla chips and/or cooked chicken or pork. Makes about 1 cup.



CHERRY MARKETING INSTITUTE

Side dish

Brunch is better

Bob Evans is sweetening its Brunch Bowls line with two new varieties - Stuffed French Toast with Mixed Berries and Cream Cheese, and Stuffed French Toast with Apples and Cream Cheese. The new flavors will be introduced in grocery store freezer sections this month.

The microwaveable products are one-step breakfast, brunch, lunch or dinner entrees. The 10-ounce portions go from the freezer to the table in about six minutes.

Other Brunch Bowls varieties include Country Gravy and Sausage with Potatoes; Sausage and Potatoes; Bacon and Potatoes; and Ham and Potatoes, all served in an egg blend with cheese. They retail for \$3.29 and \$3.69. For more information on Bob Evans Farms, visit the company's Web site at www.bobevans.com.

Grilling brats

For those worried about how best to grill bratwurst, Steven Raichlen, author of BBQ USA and host of PBS's Barbecue University, has a few words of advice.

A burnt bratwurst may not be a done bratwurst, it can be an unfortunate sign of impatience. The perfect way to grill a bratwurst requires a cool head and a moderate flame.

'The key to grilling a highly flammable food like sausage is to use moderate heat and grill slowly,' said Raichlen.

Raichlen recommends a "low and slow" approach. That means grilling brats on a moderate flame until the internal temperature reaches 180 degrees Fahrenheit, about 25 minutes.

'Hold your hand about 4 inches above the grate,' he said, 'and start counting one-Mississippi, two-Mississippi, and so on. Soon the intensity of the heat will force you to remove your hand. A moderate fire perfect for brat grilling is a five- to six-Mississippi fire.'

Grillers who prefer gas grilling should start the flame at medium setting. Then as brat juices start to flow, be ready to lower the heat as needed.

Brats can be cooked either directly over the fire or indirectly, meaning the fire is on one side or opposite sides of the grill and the food is cooked over the unlit portion.

Another method Raichlen recommends is partially poaching the sausages in beer or wine before grilling. This has the added advantage of adding flavor and melting out some of the excess fat. After par-poaching the brats, grill them until brown (about 4 to 6 minutes on each side), turning with only tongs. Brats can also be brushed with oil lightly before putting them on the grill.

Piercing the casing with a fork is a no-no. Poking a brat will release the juices and result in a dried-out brat.

For more grilling information, visit www.johnsonville.com.

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WINE

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Tropical, pineapple, peach and mango flavors accompany a creamy palate impression. Balanced acid keeps this wine fresh with a long, fine finish. Try it with white meats and creamy cheeses.

■ 2002 Flora Springs Merlot \$25 contains small amounts of cabernet sauvignon and petit verdot that elevate the aromas and flavors. Spice aromas are followed by black fruit flavors and good structure with a smooth, rich finish. Excellent with pork and light cuisine.

■ 2001 Flora Springs Cabernet Sauvignon \$30 is an excellent wine for the price. Blackberry, dark plum and cas-

sis introduce big spice, balanced oak and firm structure with supple tannins. Serve with red meats, lamb and hard cheeses.

■ 2001 Flora Springs Trilog \$60 is a blend of cabernet sauvignon, merlot, cabernet franc and malbec. Spice, cedar and tobacco aromas introduce blackberry and cassis fruits with noticeable tannin structure and a long finish. This is a big Rutherford Cab!

All wines mentioned are available in the metro Detroit area. If a retailer doesn't stock a specific wine, ask that it be ordered from the distributor. The Healds are contributing editors for the internationally respected Quarterly Review of Wines and Troy residents who write about wine spirits and restaurants for the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers. Contact them by e-mail at focusonwine@aol.com

CHERRIES

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DePriest said. Then they are taken to processing plants where they are cleaned, sorted and pitted.

A big bulk of harvested tart cherries are frozen, Lothamer said.

"Freezing them is the best way to preserve their quality and color," he said.

Most of the frozen tart cherries are IQF (individually quick frozen), with no additives, preservatives or coloring agents. DePriest said the IQF tart cherries are the best ones for pies but are good in toppings and meat sauces too.

Others are frozen with granulated sugar, canned unsweetened or as cherry pie filling, dried, or made into concentrate.

The canned unsweetened tart cherries are good for pies, sauces, cobblers, cakes and all bakery products, and cherry pie filling is good as a topping for cheesecake and ice cream, DePriest said.

As for dried tart cherries, she said, "I can't think of anything they can't be used for, from appetizers to desserts."

They can be mixed with nuts, put in salads, paired with different cheeses and used in baking pies, cakes and muffins, she said.

Although DePriest doesn't recommend using them to make a cherry pie because of the premium you pay for them, she said they add flavor and texture to cherry pies made with other forms of tart cherries and other pies like apple and peach.

Lastly is tart cherry concentrate, a thick liquid that can be used in smoothies. In the last few years, diluting the concentrate to make 100 percent cherry juice has become popular with consumers.

The reason? Lothamer said studies at Michigan State University and the University of Texas have discovered that tart cherries contain antioxidants that act as anti-inflammatories to help relieve the pain of arthritis and gout. The antioxidants help fight cancer and heart disease, too.

Most of the antioxidants are in the pigments that give the tart cherries their bright red color, DePriest said. They are in a class of natural dyes called anthocyanins that have antioxidant and anti-inflammatory properties.

Most people think they have to drink the tart cherry juice to reap the health benefits, but DePriest said you can get the same benefits from eating anything with tart cherries in it, even a tasty tart cherry pie.

For detailed information on these tart cherry health benefits and others or any thing else cherry related visit www.usacherries.com. And for more places to pick tart cherries check out the Michigan Department of Agriculture's Web site at www.michigan.gov/mda.

All recipes courtesy of the Cherry Marketing Institute, www.usacherries.com



CHERRY MARKETING INSTITUTE

Cherry poppy seed muffins are a great addition to any meal

CHERRY POPPY SEED MUFFINS

- 2 cups all purpose flour
- ¾ cup granulated sugar
- 1 tablespoon poppy seed
- 1 tablespoon baking powder
- ¼ teaspoon salt
- 1 cup milk
- ¼ cup (1/2 stick) butter melted
- 1 egg slightly beaten
- ½ cup dried tart cherries
- 3 tablespoons grated orange peel

Combine flour, sugar, poppy seed, baking powder and salt in a

large mixing bowl. Add milk, melted butter and egg, stirring just until dry ingredients are moistened. Gently stir in cherries and orange peel. Fill paper-lined muffin cups three-fourths full.

Bake in a preheated 400-degree oven 18 to 22 minutes, or until wooden pick inserted in center comes out clean. Let cool in pan 5 minutes. Remove from pan and serve warm.

Makes 1 dozen.

WHITE CHOCOLATE CHEESECAKE

- 1 cup pecan halves divided
- 1½ cups graham cracker crumbs
- ¼ cup sugar
- ¼ cup margarine or butter melted
- 3 (8 ounce) packages cream cheese softened
- 1 (14 ounce) can sweetened condensed milk (NOT evaporated milk)
- 4 eggs
- 1 (6-ounce) package white chocolate baking squares melted
- 2 teaspoons vanilla extract divided
- 1 (21 ounce) can cherry pie filling

Whipped cream or topping. Reserve 5 pecan halves for garnish. Finely chop and toast remaining pecan halves.

Preheat oven to 300 degrees Fahrenheit. Mix crumbs, chopped pecan halves, sugar and melted

margarine or butter, press firmly on bottom of 9-inch springform pan.

Beat cream cheese in large bowl with mixer at medium speed until fluffy. Gradually beat in sweetened condensed milk until smooth. Blend in eggs, melted chocolate and 1 teaspoon vanilla. Pour into prepared pan.

Bake 1 hour or until center is set. Cool completely at room temperature. Refrigerate for at least 4 hours.

Mix cherry pie filling and remaining vanilla. Remove side of springform pan. Spoon cherry mixture over cheesecake. Garnish with dollops of whipped cream or topping around edge and reserved pecan halves. Cut into wedges to serve. Refrigerate leftovers.

Makes one 9-inch cheesecake.

CHERRY GOOD CAKE

- ¼ cup (1 stick) butter or margarine softened
- 1 cup granulated sugar
- 2 eggs
- 1 teaspoon almond extract
- 2 cups all purpose flour
- 1 teaspoon baking powder
- 1 teaspoon baking soda
- ½ teaspoon salt
- 1 cup dairy sour cream
- 1 (21 ounce) cherry pie filling
- ½ cup sliced almonds

Put butter and sugar in a large mixing bowl. Beat with an electric mixer on medium speed 3 to 4 minutes, or until well blended. Add eggs, mix well. Stir in almond extract.

Combine flour, baking powder, baking soda and salt in a medium bowl, mix well. Add flour mixture to butter mixture, alternately with sour cream. Mix just until ingredients are combined.

Coat a 13 by 9 by 2-inch baking pan with nonstick spray. Spoon batter evenly into prepared pan. Spoon cherry pie filling evenly over batter. Sprinkle with almonds.

Bake in a preheated 350-degree oven 35 to 40 minutes, or until cake tests done. Let cool in pan before cutting into squares to serve.

Makes 18 (3-by-2-inch) pieces.

CHERRY DESSERT PIZZA

- 1 (12 inch) pre baked pizza crust
- 1 cup sour cream
- 1 (20 or 21 ounce) can cherry pie filling
- ½ cup white chocolate chips
- 2 tablespoons chopped pecans or sliced almonds optional

Spread sour cream evenly over pre-baked pizza crust. Spread cherry pie filling over sour cream,

leaving a half-inch border uncovered. Sprinkle white chocolate chips and nuts, if desired, evenly over cherry mixture.

Bake in a preheated 450-degree oven 8 to 10 minutes, or until chocolate chips have melted halfway.

Makes 1 (12-inch) pizza, 8 servings.

OATMEAL CHERRY COOKIES

- 1 cup (2 sticks) butter or margarine softened
- 1 cup firmly packed brown sugar
- ½ cup granulated sugar
- 2 eggs
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 1½ cups all purpose flour
- 1 teaspoon baking powder
- ½ teaspoon salt (optional)
- 2 cups quick cooking or old fashioned oats uncooked
- 1 ½ cups dried tart cherries
- 1 cup semisweet chocolate chips

Put margarine, brown sugar and granulated sugar in a large mixing bowl. Beat with an electric mixer on medium speed 3 to 4 minutes, or until creamy. Add eggs and vanilla, beat well. Combine flour, baking powder and salt, if desired, add to egg mixture. Stir in oats, cherries and chocolate chips, mix well.

Drop by rounded tablespoonfuls onto an ungreased cookie sheet. Bake in a preheated 350-degree oven 10 to 12 minutes, or until golden brown. Let cool 1 minute on cookie sheet, remove to wire rack to cool completely. Store in a tightly covered container.

Makes about 4 dozen.

CHERRY JAM

- 1 ½ pounds frozen unsweetened tart cherries
- 4 cups granulated sugar
- 1 (1 ½ ounce) package powdered fruit pectin
- ¾ cup water

Follow recipe exactly. Don't reduce or increase the amount of ingredients or substitute other ingredients. Don't double recipe because mixture may not set.

Have ready clean freezer containers with lids (1- or 2-cup size).

There are 4 to 5 cups frozen cherries in 1 ½ pounds. Coarsely chop cherries while still frozen. Allow cherries to thaw and come to room temperature. Don't drain cherries, use all the juice for the jam. You should have 2 cups of chopped cherries and juice. It is critical that the cherries be at room temperature, not slightly chilled.

Combine chopped (room temperature) cherries with juice and sugar in a medium mixing bowl, mix well. Set aside 10 minutes, stir occasionally.

Combine powdered fruit pectin and water in a small saucepan, mix well. (Mixture may be slightly lumpy before cooking.) Bring mixture to a boil over high heat, stirring constantly. Boil stirring 1 minute.

Remove from heat. Immediately stir pectin mixture into cherries. Stir constantly until sugar is completely dissolved and no longer grainy, about 3 minutes.

Quickly pour into containers to within ½-inch of tops. Wipe off top edges of containers, cover with lids. Let stand at room temperature 24 hours to set.

For immediate use, store in refrigerator up to 3 weeks, or freeze containers up to 1 year. To use, thaw in the refrigerator.

Makes 5 to 6 cups.

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TRADITIONAL CHERRY PIE

- 2 (16 ounce) cans unsweetened tart cherries or 4 cups frozen unsweetened tart cherries
- 1 cup granulated sugar
- 3 tablespoons quick cooking tapioca or cornstarch
- 1/4 teaspoon almond extract
- Pastry for 2 crust 9 inch pie
- 2 tablespoons butter or margarine

If using canned cherries, drain them well. Discard the juice or save for another use. If using frozen cherries, it isn't necessary to thaw them.

Combine well drained canned cherries or frozen cherries, granulated sugar, tapioca and almond extract in a large mixing bowl, mix well. Let stand 15 minutes.

Line a 9-inch pie plate with pastry, fill with cherry mixture. Dot with butter. Adjust top crust, cutting slits for steam to escape, or cut top crust into strips and make a lattice-top pie.



PHOTOS COURTESY CHERRY MARKETING INSTITUTE

Cherry pie filling is a tasty topping for this white chocolate cheesecake. It tastes great on ice cream, too.

Bake in a preheated 400-degree oven 50 to 55 minutes, or until crust is golden brown and

filling is bubbly. Makes 8 servings.

CHEERY CHERRY CHICKEN SALAD

- 2 cups cubed cooked chicken
- 1/2 cup dried tart cherries
- 1/4 cup chopped walnuts
- 3 green onions sliced
- 1/2 cup mayonnaise
- 1/4 cup plain yogurt
- 1 tablespoon lemon juice
- 1/2 teaspoon dried oregano

- Freshly ground black pepper to taste
- Lettuce leaves
- Chopped fresh parsley

In a large bowl, combine chicken, cherries, walnuts and onions, mix well.

In a small bowl, combine mayonnaise, yogurt, lemon juice, oregano and pepper, pour over chicken mixture. Mix gently.

Refrigerate, covered, 1 to 2 hours. Serve on lettuce, garnish with parsley, if desired. Makes 2 main-course servings.

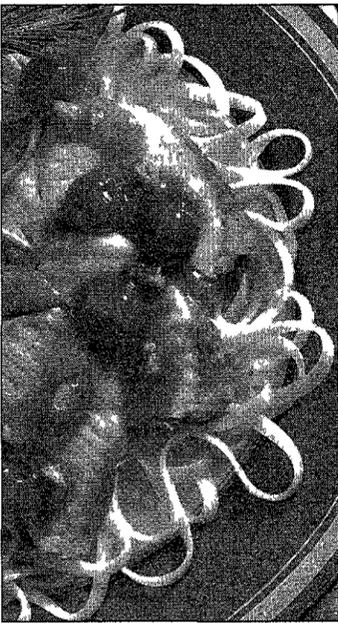
MAPLE CHERRY SAUCE

- 1/2 cup cherry juice blend
- 2 tablespoons corn starch
- 1 cup frozen unsweetened tart cherries thawed and well drained
- 3/4 cup maple flavored syrup
- 1/2 cup chopped walnuts
- 1 teaspoon grated orange peel

Put cherry juice blend and cornstarch in a small saucepan, mix well. Cook over medium heat until thickened. Add cherries, maple-flavored syrup, walnuts and orange peel, mix well. Cook, stirring frequently, over low heat until all ingredients are hot. Serve over roast turkey, pork or ham.

Makes 1 1/2 cups.

Note: 1 (16-ounce) can unsweetened tart cherries, well drained, can be substituted for frozen tart cherries.



Sweeten up roasted or grilled meats or poultry with maple cherry sauce.

CHERRY ICE CREAM SMOOTHIE

- 1 cup frozen tart cherries
- 1/2 cup cherry juice blend
- 1 cup vanilla ice cream

Put frozen cherries and cherry juice blend in container of electric blender or food processor. Puree until almost smooth. Add ice cream one-third at a time, blend well after each addition. Serve immediately.

Makes 2 cups, 2 (8-ounce) servings.

CHERRY SMOOTHIE

- 2 cups frozen tart cherries
- 1 ripe banana peeled
- 1 cup cherry juice blend (or other juice)

Put frozen cherries, banana and cherry juice blend in container of electric blender or food processor. Puree until smooth. Serve immediately.

Makes 4 cups, 4 (8-ounce) servings.



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Began by placing the beef chuck pot roast, seasonings and vegetables in an aluminum foil cooking bag (or tightly wrapped in aluminum foil). Then center the foil pouch on the cooking grid with the heat from the coals or burners coming from the sides, not from underneath - hence, indirect grilling. Allow the pot roast to cook covered for a couple of hours - no peeking no turning allowed. If you're using a charcoal grill, additional briquets will need to be added during the cooking time, but that's the extent of it.

Just like with braising on the stove top or in the oven, the beef on the grill summers with the garlic, pepper, onion and vegetables letting the steam turn it into a tasty, tender Grilled Pot Roast Piperade. To add an extra touch of summer, toss the cooked vegetables with fragrant fresh basil before serving.

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GRILLED POT ROAST PIPERADE

- 1 boneless beef chuck shoulder pot roast (about 2 1/2 pounds)
- aluminum foil cooking bag (large size)
- 1 tablespoon all purpose flour
- 2 tablespoons minced garlic
- 1 tablespoon coarsely ground mixed peppercorns such as black white pink and green
- 1 medium onion cut into 8 wedges
- 1 medium red bell pepper cut into 2 inch wide strips
- 1 medium yellow bell pepper cut into 2 inch wide strips
- 1/2 cup beef broth
- 2 tablespoons thinly sliced fresh basil
- salt and pepper

Sprinkle inside of aluminum foil cooking bag with flour. Combine garlic and peppercorns press evenly onto all surfaces of the beef pot roast. Place pot roast in bag. Add onion, bell peppers and beef broth. Seal bag by double folding the open end. Place bag in shallow pan.

Prepare grill for indirect cooking, by igniting an equal number of charcoal briquets on each side of the fire grate leaving open space in center. When coals are medium, ash-covered (25 to 30 minutes), add 3 to 4 new briquets to each side. Place alu-

minum foil drip pan in center of grate between coals. Position cooking grid with handles over coals so briquets may be added as needed.

Remove pouch from shallow pan and place on grid directly over drip pan. Grill, covered, 2 to 2-1/2 hours or until pot roast is fork tender. (Add 3 to 4 briquets per side every 30 minutes to maintain heat level.)

Remove pouch from grill to shallow pan. Using oven mitts, cut open bag with sharp knife. Carefully fold back top of bag, allowing steam to escape. Remove vegetables and toss with basil in medium bowl. Remove pot roast to cutting board. Carve into slices. Season beef and vegetables with salt and pepper as desired. Makes six servings.

Cooks tip: If a cooking bag is not available, make a foil cooking pouch. Place 28 by 18-inch piece of heavy duty aluminum foil in shallow pan. Sprinkle foil with flour. Place seasoned pot roast in center of foil. Add onion bell peppers and beef broth. Bring two long sides of foil up over pot roast, seal loosely with double fold. Fold in open ends to seal. Then continue as directed.

Nutrition information per serving: 251 calories, 37 g protein, 7 g carbohydrate, 7 g fat, 129 mg sodium, 71 mg cholesterol, 5.7 mg niacin, 0.5 mg vitamin B6, 2.6 mg vitamin B12, 3.5 mg iron, 8.6 mg zinc

Recipe courtesy of the Cattlemen's Beef Board and the National Cattlemen's Beef Association

CALENDAR

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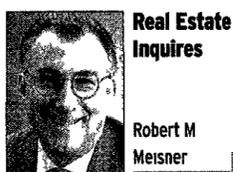
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Robert M. Meisner is a lawyer and the author of *Condominium Operation Getting Started & Staying on the Right Track* second edition It is available for \$9.95 plus \$2 shipping and handling For more information call (248) 644 4433 or visit bmeisner@rmich.com This column shouldn't be construed as legal advice

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Mortgage Bits



Timothy Phillips

Don't overlook cost of loan

Many mortgage borrowers are so focused on shopping interest rates that they often miss out on other important loan factors Interest rate is one loan element, it is not everything Such one-dimensional shopping is like buying an automobile based solely on its looks without even considering performance, fuel economy, insurance costs and residual value

Sharp borrowers who think beyond just their interest rate often find themselves looking for answers to other important mortgage questions One very important (and often overlooked) element of the mortgage shopping process is the question of how to handle their loan's closing costs

The answer to the "loan costs" question actually varies with each borrower's unique situation For the purposes of today's column, I am using the term "costs" generically Please be mindful that borrowers' total closing expenses will normally include their down payment and prepaid taxes and interest, in addition to their loans costs and fees

There are essentially three ways for borrowers to cover mortgage costs — pay cash out of pocket use their home's equity, or have somebody else pay for the costs That "somebody" could be a seller, if you find one willing It could also be your lender, who will usually put you into a loan product that will produce a sufficient "yield" to cover your costs

Do not be deceived If a lender claims that he will "cover your costs," he will certainly recoup that money in some other way Nobody works for free, and a "no-cost" loan simply means that you are paying for your own expenses in another way If you have it, using your home's equity is usually a good option, especially if you intend to stay in the loan for a very long time This tack should give you an optimum interest rate which will save you huge money over time

Accepting a slightly higher interest rate and asking your lender to cover your costs is a good idea for short-term mortgages You will have slightly higher monthly payments, but you will pocket the chunk the money you would have otherwise forked out on those costs

Timothy Phillips is a mortgage banker and newspaper columnist You may access his Wealth Academy™ archives at www.phillipsHQ.com or phone him toll free at (866) 369 4516 Homebuyers should always consult a professional for guidance specific to their situation



It's a buyer's market

Selling your house may take longer than you think

BY KEELY KALESKI
STAFF WRITER

Have climbing interest rates got you thinking about selling your house so you can move into a bigger one before it's too expensive?

According to the U.S. Census Bureau, each year about one in seven Americans moves from one place to another, slightly less than in the recent past Finding a new or better house is the most common reason cited for a short-distance move More than half of all moves are within the same county

Look around your neighborhood, there are lots of houses for sale If you're thinking about selling, you'd better get moving because it might take longer than you think to find a buyer

"It's absolutely a buyer's market," said Michelle Michael, an associate broker with Re/Max Classic in Farmington Hills, and former president of the Western Wayne Oakland County Board of Realtors "It's turning into a major issue in this area Sales are still good, but the marketing has changed"

Buyers are more selective about what they are choosing to look at and tougher in their negotiating Prices are starting to come down because there are so many homes on the market Some sellers are offering incentives to potential buyers like offering to pay closing costs Michael remembers when it used to take 30 to 60 days for a house to sell in

the tri-county area Now homes are taking three to six months to sell

"Homes are still selling," she said "They're just not selling as fast as they used to You could easily have a home up for sale for six months, that's not something we're used to"

Stand out In this competitive market you have to try to stand out "Your day-to-day life changes when you put your house up for sale," said Tony Camilleri office manager for the Livonia/Westland office of Real Estate One "You want as many people through your house as possible You need to make a conscious effort to put your best foot forward and make sure

'Your day-to-day life changes when you put your house up for sale. You want as many people through your house as possible. You need to make a conscious effort to put your best foot forward and make sure the house is neat-as-a-pin at all times.'

Tony Camilleri
Livonia/Westland Real Estate One

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Making it convenient for the buyer to see your house is important too

"We offer twilight open houses in the middle of the week, 5-8 p.m. during rush hour," said Camilleri "We're hoping to get buyers on their way home"

Local Realtors aren't complaining, they're just cautioning people that selling a house might take longer than they think

"We've had record years in real estate, things have been great," said Margie Duncan, sales manager at Century 21 Town & Country in Birmingham

But buyers are fussier One of Duncan's clients fixed a leak, but had been hesitant to address the watermarks on the ceiling "She has to, it's become an issue," said Duncan

"Paint the interior and exterior, it's inexpensive and makes the house look nice and fresh Clean the carpets, make sure the basement and garage are clean so people can see the space they're buying," recommends Carlina Boji, broker owner of Re/Max Classic with offices in Farmington Hills West Bloomfield, Livonia and Canton

"I will say houses that are well taken care of sell," said Duncan "I had a house that sold in four hours last April We priced it aggressively and the buyer fell in love with the house"

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Mortgage rates fall but are higher than same period last year

BY JEANNINE AVERSA
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Rates on 30-year and 15-year mortgages fell, but are up considerably when compared to the same period last year.

Freddie Mac, in its weekly nationwide survey, reported Thursday, June 24 that rates on benchmark 30-year fixed-rate mortgages declined to 6.25

percent, down from 6.32 percent a year ago, rates were lower, averaging 5.24 percent.

Thirty-year mortgage rates hit a low this year of 5.38 percent the week ending March 18. Since then, they have slowly moved upward.

Rates for 15-year, fixed-rate mortgages dipped to 5.64 percent. That was down from 5.70 percent, but up from the average rate of 4.63 percent

registered a year ago.

For one-year adjustable rate mortgages, rates this week stood at 4.13 percent, unchanged from last week. A year ago, rates on one-year ARMs averaged 3.45 percent.

"This week's easing off in mortgage rates is rooted in the market's wait-and-see posture with regard to the Federal Reserve Board's upcoming actions on interest rates," said Frank

Nothaft, Freddie Mac's chief economist.

Economists expect the Fed will raise short-term rates for the first time in four years when they meet this week.

Rates on 30-year mortgages could rise to 6.9 percent by the end of this year, which would still be consid-

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Frank Nothaft
Freddie Mac

ered low by historical standards, according to some economists' estimates. An improved labor market should help offset the impact of high-

er rates, they said. Some economists are forecasting home sales to set new records this year.

In May, new-home sales surged by 14.8 percent last month to a seasonally adjusted annual rate of 1.37 million, an all-time monthly high, the Commerce Department reported.

The nationwide averages for mortgage rates do not include add-on fees known as points. Thirty-year and 15-year loans each carried an average fee of 0.6 point this week, while one-year ARMs carried an average fee of 0.7 point.

In a separate report, refinancings accounted for 33.4 percent of total mortgage loan applications filed last week, down from 33.8 percent in the previous week, the Mortgage Bankers Association said.

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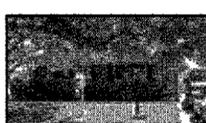
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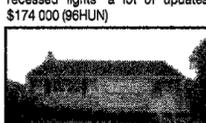
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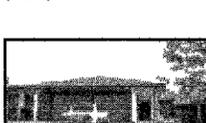
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California population continues to shift

BY BEN FOX
ASSOCIATED PRESS

Four years ago, Daryl Collier sold his 1,300-square-foot home in Orange County and bought a house twice the size for two-thirds the price at the edge of this booming city to the east.

The move came with a cost. Collier must now spend more time in the car to reach his job in Newport Beach, but he likes the space, the weather and the less stressful atmosphere of his new hometown, near Murrieta in Riverside County.

"It's not the hustle and bustle you have in

Orange County. It's just a slower lifestyle," he said. "You trade off the commute for the buy you get on the house. But it's worth it to us."

Thousands of people across California are making the same calculation, according to U.S. Census figures released Wednesday. Inland areas, particularly in Riverside County and the Sacramento region, are growing fast while pricey coastal regions are holding steady or losing population.

Lincoln, a bedroom community of Sacramento, had the highest rate of growth from 2002 to 2003, at

more than 17 percent. Its population had more than doubled since 2000, to 23,080.

It was followed by Brentwood in Contra Costa County and Wheatland in Yuba County. Seven of the top 20 were in Riverside County, including Beaumont, fourth at 12.3 percent, and Murrieta, the sixth fastest at 10.1 percent.

Cities recording negative growth were clustered in the San Francisco Bay area, including San Francisco, Piedmont and Berkeley. High-priced Santa Barbara also was among the cities where popula-

tion was down slightly or holding steady.

In May, the state Department of Finance released population estimates as of Jan. 1, 2004, that differ somewhat from the Census figures, which reflect the estimate as of July 1, 2003.

But the data reflect the same ongoing shift. Californians are fleeing coastal areas, where open land is scarce and home prices are stratospheric, for inland regions that still have the space, for not the water and roads, for large, new developments.

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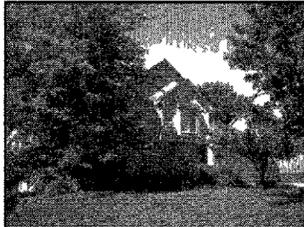
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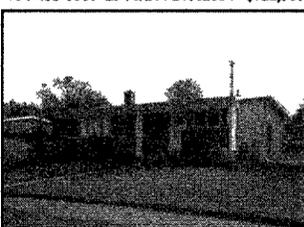
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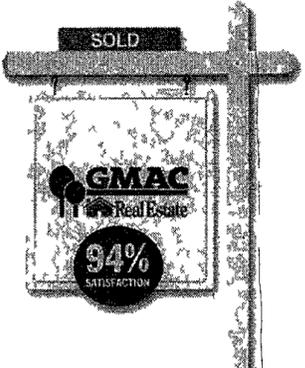
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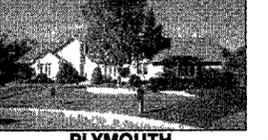
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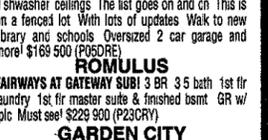
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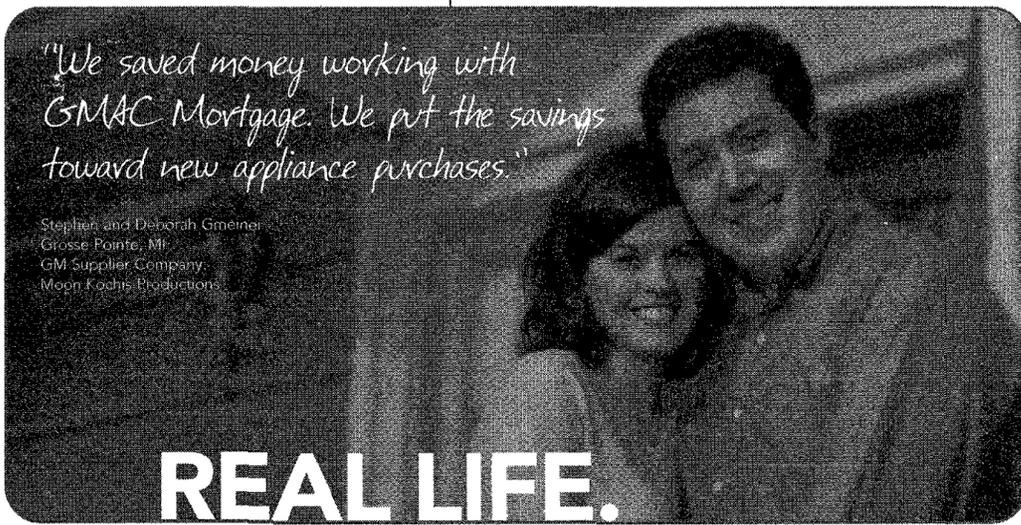
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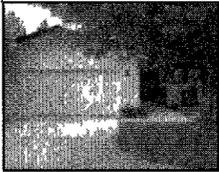
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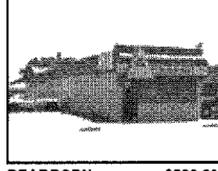
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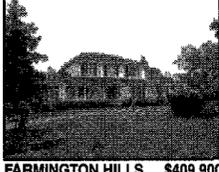
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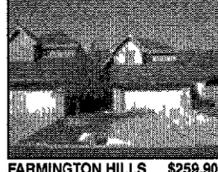
FARMINGTON HILLS \$409,900
Independence Commons Colonial Backing To Commons! Remodeled Kit W/granite Island & Custom 42 Cabinets Remodeled Baths New Roof & Furnace Newer Ca & Hwh Fin Bsmt W/bath Rec Rm & Playrm Newer Windows (OEN70LIB) 888 870 9123



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One Look & Its Sold! Located Deep In The Sub This Premium End Unit Backs To The Commons Dramatic 2 Story Foyer Great Room W/ Bridge & Gas Frpl Formal Dining Room & Library/ study W/crown Moldings (OEN46SIE) 888 870 9123



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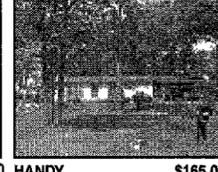
FARMINGTON HILLS \$259,900
Rare Townhouse Unit In This Complex Has Dramatic Cathedral Ceilings Enormous Kitchen Stunning Contemporary Decor Decks Off Of Kitchen Master Bedroom & Great Room Marble Entryway Formal Dining Rm (OEN54MEA) 888 870 9123



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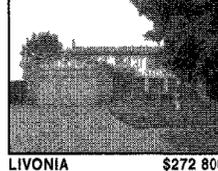
HARTLAND \$67,500
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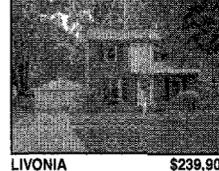
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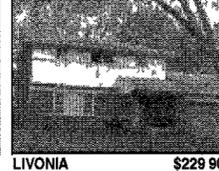
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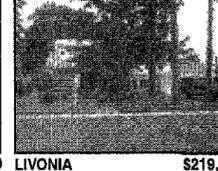
LIVONIA \$272,800
Desirable Regency Circle Sub Offers Immac 90 bit Brck/stucco Col Prstne Cond Inside & Out P of Landscaped W/unique Covered Pat O W/sky Lghts Walk in Closets In 2 Bdrms walk To Wash elem & Church! Hs (OEL50NOR) 888 870 9105



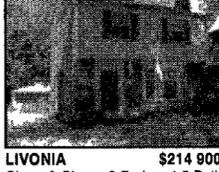
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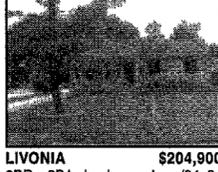
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Lovely Home On Extra Deep Lot Updates Inc Windows & Beautiful White Kitchen W/lots Of Counter Cupboards & Informa Dining Wet Paster Cove Ce lings FR w/ Brick Frpl Hwd Firs Under Carpeting Except Fam Rm (OEL20BRE) 888 870 9105



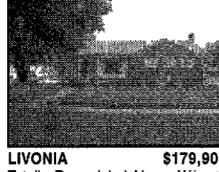
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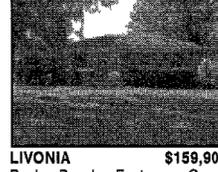
LIVONIA \$214,900
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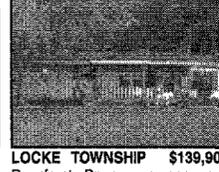
LIVONIA \$204,900
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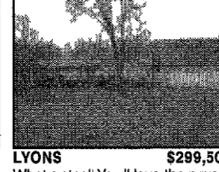
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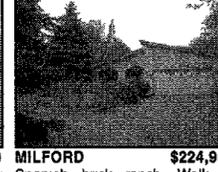
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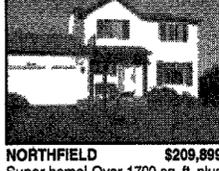
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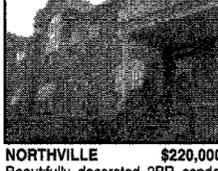
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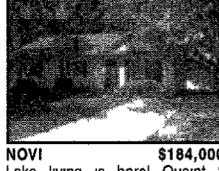
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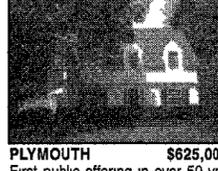
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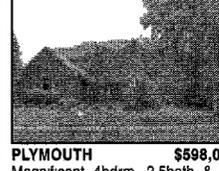
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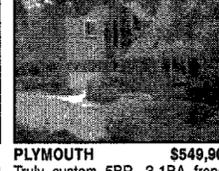
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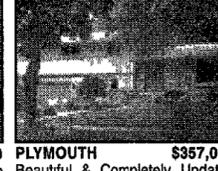
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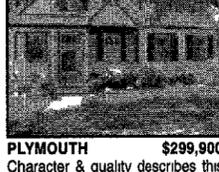
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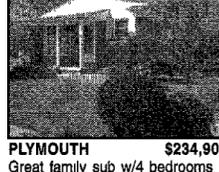
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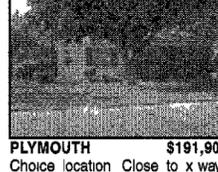
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Character & quality describes this 3 bed 2 bath Cape Cod The updated cherry kit is open to DR with bay windows & FR with FP Covered porch Sun Room with view of courtyard CA new roof (OEP15IRV) 888 870 9127



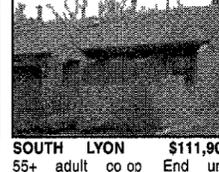
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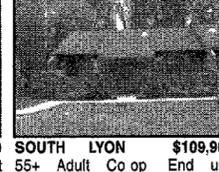
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Great family sub w/4 bedrooms & 2 baths Updates inc windows furnace central air dishwasher Elementary school in sub FP in FR has remote control Hardwood floors Fenced yard 2 car garage (OEP08GRE) 888 870 9127



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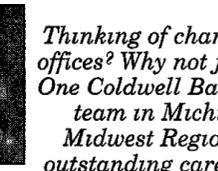
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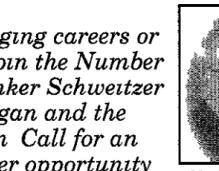
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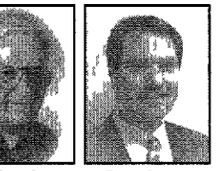
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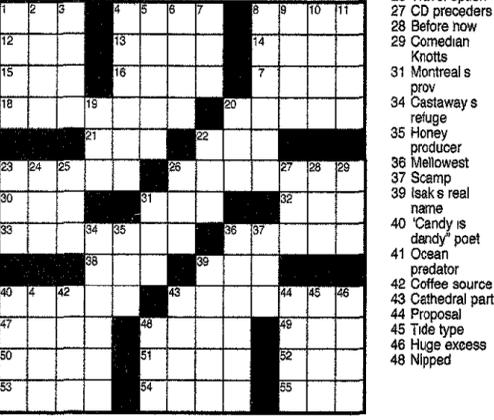
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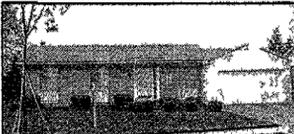


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REDFORD Stop The Carl!
Great 3 bedroom 2 full bath bungalow on a double lot Many updates including roof windows kitchen & bath Fr n shed basement & wood deck over ooking beaut ful yard
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REDFORD Secluded Setting
Well maintained 5 bedroom 2 bath colonial w/oversized 2 car garage finished basement 11x10 sunroom newer roof siding & C/A This is a real find
(E05FEN) 734 455-5600 \$184,900



WESTLAND Darling Brick Ranch
Great curb appeal w/landscaping deck newer 2 ca garage finished w/2 BA FR & office 3 BRs lg eat ng space in oak kit w/wood lam ntle flooring stove fridge d shwasher newer sink Warranty Occup negotiab e
(E27BRA) 248 349 5600 \$184,900



GARDEN CITY Sharp Updated Bungalow
4 bedrooms newer roof windows carpet kitchen bath and much more A1 appliances stay Huge upper bedroom 1 plus car garage Large fenced yard just move n
(E54MAP) 248 349 5600 \$154,900



FREEDOM TWP Custom Built Home In 2000
20+ acres offers this wonderful 4 bedroom 2 1/2 bath colonial w/3 ca attached ga age walk out basement Gambell barn stone fireplace n fam y room casa deck & panoramic views
(E10BET) 734 455 5600 \$469,900



SALEM TWP Immaculate Country Home
3 bedroom 2 bath ranch condo features fresh neutral paint & new carpet 04 open floor plan w/spacious great room w/doorwall overlooking lake Also appliances stay
(E61GOT) 734 455 5600 \$364,900



PLYMOUTH Great Starter Or Investment Home
3 bedroom ranch w/updated kitchen & bath vaulted ceilings vinyl w ndows newer furnace family room abundance of cupboards & closets All sitting ng on a treed lot
(E20PAR) 734 455 5600 \$166,500



GREEN OAK Centennial Farms Ranch
Fabulous 2 bedroom 2 bath end unit w a new kitchen including all app ances Large MBR w walk n closet lower level FR w/epice Florida room 55+ community It's a must see
(E98CAM) 248 349 5600 \$128,500



STERLING HEIGHTS Incredible Ranch
3 BR 1 1/2 BA home on arge lot w/privacy and backs to woods fireplace n fam y room Remodeled bath n over roof walk to elementary school Workshop n basement tons of storage Home warranty included
(E18MAR) 248 349 5600 \$189,900



WESTLAND Fabulous Yet Casual
3 bedroom 5 bath ranch w 2 car attached garage n shed basement w walk out maste bedroom w/WC open floor plan large oak kitchen w/garden window oak van ty n both baths cathedral ce ngs
(E80NEL) 734 455 5600 \$184,952



WAYNE Cozy 3 Bedroom Ranch
Walking distance to park & school Updated kitchen w/ceramic tile floor Newer w ndows & a maste all doors 2 1/2 car garage
(E85HAR) 734 455 5600 \$137,500



WESTLAND Bright, Fresh Ranch!
Move right into this fresh br ght 2 bedroom ancl Gorgeous maple & ceramic kitchen brand new carpet On a nice tree lined street It's a great home va ue most affordable
(E18HAZ) 734 455 5600 \$124,900



WEST BLOOMFIELD Welcome Home
Sharp 3 BR brk w o Updated bath w/ceramic & w/rioo tub Andersen w ndows and doorwa Freshly painted newer carpet furnace A/C Newer well & c ty sewers Newer Pergo flooring
(E93CED) 248 349 5600 \$184,900



HOWELL Cozy Ranch Near Town
3 bed oom home w/large kitchen w/eating area & dining room open to kitchen Basement & room for garage or car port Fence of trees n back and side Home warranty ncl dced
(E10MAS) 248 349 5600 \$138,000



PLYMOUTH Private Treed Interior Lot
In Rdgewood Hills Full front porch hwd f s n LR DR k i & b k i new 03 w Co an counts s & sink Cherry cabinets formal DR w/wave Ande sun bay window FR w frp c 2 tiered deck bsmt & 2 1/2 ca att ga
(E86WOO) 734 455 5600 \$374,900



WESTLAND Extremely Clean Condo
2 bed oom 2 bath ranch condo features fresh neutral paint & new carpet 04 open floor plan w/spacious great room w/doorwall overlooking lake Also appliances stay
(E86SHO) 734 455 5600 \$114,900



YPSILANTI Contemporary Home
Stone front 3 bedroom 2 1/2 bath bi level Master suite w/WC oak kitchen family room v ng room dining room deck out o extra deep garage w/2 bonus storage rooms Cathedral & vaulted ceilings t/o walk out LL
(E82HOQ) 734 455-5600 \$186,900



NOVI Pretty Colonial
With many updates including newe amnate floor carpet but n oven insulated garage doo Als car windows Skylights n FR Doorwall end ng to deck w/gazebos Beaut ful landscaped G eat schools & sub
(E92CLO) 248 349 5600 \$305,750



MILFORD Lakeview, Hillside Haven
4 BR 2 BA home w lake pr vleges fireplace wood stove n GR updated kitchen cabinets & counter deck & MBR w/rocks Sears Lake A most 3/4 acre wooded lot Close to downtown
(E64PAR) 248 349 5600 \$199,900



CANTON Condo
P rem am ocat on w ew of pond f om you deck 2 w d ooms c o bat s n shed baseme 1 w ext a room f r st floor laundry & a app ances stay
(E49HUN) 734 455 5600 \$171,900



PLYMOUTH Charisma In Downtown
Inv t ng front porch Formal DR w/hardwood floor LR w window seat pass b e 4th bed oom k i c er has newer Soft oak cabinets ceramic floor S/S app ances a ge FR w/ew of deck & nground pool 03 2 1/2 car ga
(E42FOR) 734 455 5600 \$385,900



TAYLOR Desirable Area
Solid AS IS 3 bedroom 2 full baths w/updated w ndows & roof fan y oom 1/2 atera frp w o 2 a attached garage 2nd kitchen & bath n basement steel entry door Great area
(E49KLE) 734 455 5600 \$145,500



CANTON Terrific Home
4 BR 2 1/2 BA home on a g corne o w park like ea rd & ooded p a e w e FR as Co y Spacious basement w separate workroom & loads of storage Freshly updated kit & add t onal updates
(E05CRA) 248 349 5600 \$212,500



HUNTINGTON WOODS Tudor
You hu l n the v o ds s ova Come & see for yourself w n a do has to offer Leaded windows marble s s covered ce ngs crown moldings Class c look on a beaut ful lot Yo jr going to love it
(E06PAR) 248 349 5600 \$594,900



PLYMOUTH Ranch w/4 Seasons Room
Sun oom adds approx 200 sq ft to this home w many updates at appliances n shed basement w fu bath nce landscap ng garage w/ w/crikshop + shed fenced ya d w/smal water feature & C/A
(E48COR) 734 455 5600 \$198,500



CANTON So Many Updates!
Newer hardwood floor n foyer newer Barber carpet n LR stairs & bedrooms open floor plan newer vinyl w ndows siding & trim 02 wrap around deck master has bath family room w/riplaces & 2 1/2 car garage
(E16WIN) 734 455 5600 \$212,000



NORTHVILLE Spectacular Lakefront
Marvelous townhouse is rare find Newer kit cabinets countertops frs & appls Full bsmt Generous BR sizes Newer windows & doorwall overlooking recently redone patio area Enjoy lake view Quick occup 1 yr warranty
(E13ALT) 248 349 5600 \$144,900



FARMINGTON HILLS Spacious Updated Home
4 BR 2 1/2 BA Canterbury colonial Numerous updates include roof floor ng carpet baths w ndows & mo e Hardwoods under carpet Designer perfect DR lav & 2nd floor BA Lg office 2 car att gar Home warranty
(E65FOX) 248-349 5600 \$324,900



CANTON Great Neighborhood
Wonderful spac o s colonial offers 4 spacious BRs and 2 1/2 BAs Family room w gas fireplace br ck paver patio & wooded backyard Quick occup Be n your new home for the summer Also ava ble for lease
(E33PON) 248 349 5600 \$319,900



WESTLAND Move Right In!
Livon a Schools 2 bedroom 2 full ceramic bath condo backing to tranqu pond All appliances firep ace n living room newe windows & doorwall We king t als private po & clubhouse
(E95WOO) 734 455 5600 \$85,900



CANTON Hasel Free Living
Large 2 bedroom 1 1/2 bath townhouse w/attached garage n finished basement maste bedroom w/2 closets (1 a W/C) ceramic tile & glass doors n main bath All th s & 1 year home warranty
(E04BED) 734-455 5600 \$149,920



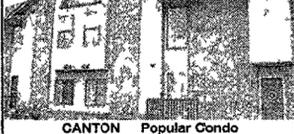
DEARBORN HEIGHTS Great Value
3 bedroom 1 1/2 bath br ck ranch w/large covered porch covered ceilings n LR & DR Plenty of windows & storage C/A finished basement w/fr & separate den or off ce Fenced yard w/2 car garage Home warranty
(E95ARN) 248 349-5600 \$142,900



LINCOLN PARK Perfect Starter
2 BR 1 BA bungalow Hrdwd frs newer ca pet Recent remodeled kit Master has doorwall to g eat deck & hot tub Home has awesome landscaping n front w/pond n back Partially n shed basement has big cozy FR
(E35GOD) 248 349 5600 \$114,900



PLYMOUTH Extensively Updated End Unit
Charming community near downtown Plymouth Everything has been done Newer kitchen floor paint g n ng room 1 xture blinds & more Full pt fm bmt Association fee ncludes heat & water Carpet Patio
(E42RIV) 248 349 5600 \$144,900



CANTON Popular Condo
End unit spacious great room w/cathedral ceilings & doorway to cozy deck All new at decor 2 fu l baths newer ca pet & carport oose to unit
(E58LLI) 734 455 5600 \$129,000



LIVONIA Appealing 3 Bedroom Ranch
On tree lined street of well ma nta ned homes Find th s invalbe ancl Nicely decorated fresh & clean Lovely yard & new y landscaped Cozy living area n LL Newer windows hardwood floors a appls HPP
(E28ARC) 734 455 5600 \$157,000



FARMINGTON Matchless Meticolous!
No pe mt ng n no ng no yard work n this townhouse style condo Take a plunge n the nearby pool or workout n the fitness room Private patio for BBQ Clubhouse 2 BR 2 1/2 BA FF laundry W/C & carport
(E02ATL) 248-349 5600 \$129,900



PLYMOUTH Walk To Downtown
Wow Great ranch w n a arge private yard & walk to town Formal DR hardwood floors & partaly n shed basement Updates nclude cent al air coppe plumbing windows floors & more
(E34HAR) 248-349 5600 \$207,000



LIVONIA Attention Car Buffs
2 garages room for 5+ cars This spacious ranch has 3 BR 2 1/2 BA FR GR w/frige country kit DR fln bsmt n more Huge approx 1 1/2 acre lot w/park like setting Check out the 4 1/2 car heated garage plus a 1 1/2 car gar
(E18SCH) 248 349 5600 \$267,900



SALEM TWP A Real Charming
Quad level on 5 acres Charm ng family room w/natural fireplace dining oom w/oor leading to large deck Huge pole barn + a leavn care storage buid ng Convenient to expressway
(E60HOM) 734 455-5600 \$354,900



DEARBORN HGTS Very Clean Home
W th updated kitchen baths doors windows newer carpet & paint Fireplace n v ng room & 2 car attached garage & family room all offered n this 4 bedroom 2 bath bungalow
(E01WES) 734-455 5600 \$134,900



PLYMOUTH Colony Farms Beauty
5 bedroom 4 1/2 bath cape cod on approximately 1/2 acre lot F nished lower level w/rec room living & 2nd office area All newer w ndows some Andersen windows formal DR GR w/riplaces
(E39BAS) 248-348-5600 \$359,900



NOVI Must See Ranch w/Basement
3 BR 2 1/2 BA home w/2 ca attached d rect access garage w/over C/A FR w/natural r eplace hardwood 3 floors t/o Some carpet new 04 Pergo kit floor ng Nice F or ca rm lg fenced yard & much more
(E73LEB) 248 349 5600 \$219,900



CANTON Welcome Home
Absolute y gorgeous colonial n popular Meadow Village ston 4 spacious bedrooms 2 1/2 baths & gourmet kitchen Master suite w/walk n closet & garden tub Br ck patio 2 story entry Awesome must see
(E37SHO) 248 349 5600 \$319,900



PLYMOUTH Deep In A Charming Sub
Just a short bike ride to downtown La ge deck close to schools neat a toned & well updated shopp ng r ght a dund the corner easy access to exp esways w th e sav ng a bund e pay ng twp taxes
(E29MAR) 734 455 5600 \$234,900



WYANDOTTE Super Location
Gorgeous Wyandotte v ews of downtown area steps away from B shop Park & rver Gas & water ncluded n monthly fee nmediate occupancy Super condo w ass gnd pa k ng
(E20CHE) 734 455 5600 \$85,500



FARMINGTON HILLS Say Hello To A Good Buy
Fantastic custom bu k 3 BR ranch n Farmington Square Exce ent qua ty materials used throughout Gourmet kitchen formal dining room French doors wood floors Huge basement and GR w/frp/c updates
(E43BAY) 248 349 5600 \$339,900



MILFORD Former Builder Dream
4 BR 2 1/2 BA colonial located n Orchard Estates on approx 1 1/2 acres H gh qua ty t/o 3 frp cs MBR suite w/garden tub & frp c Sunroom leads to secluded deck State of the art k i & appls W O LL Newer roof & fu n
(E25LER) 248 349 5600 \$469,900



WEST BLOOMFIELD Awesome Colonial
4 BR 2 1/2 BA home w huge master BR Hrdwd frs natural frp c oak c own moldings solid wood 6 panel doors bey w ndows leaded glass doors to formal LR & DR n LL 2nd fr and g k i w/oak cabs Premium lot
(E80YOR) 248-349 5600 \$339,900



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NOVI **\$654,900**
A HOUSE BEAUTIFUL. DESIGN Magnificent home elegant LR & DR gorgeous kit & breakfast room w/great views of the wood lib spacious FR 4 lg BRs charming mstr suite A remarkable palace!! (57HIL2)

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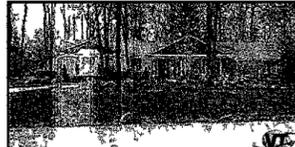
NOVI **\$625,000**
UNIQUE CUSTOM BUILT COLONIAL ON 3 4 ACRES Spacious 2797 SF farmhouse style 3 bedroom 3 5 bath home w/gourmet kit 9 ceilings on 1st level & red oak floors Home sits back 400 from road! A real jewel! (24034806)

248-348-6430



PLYMOUTH **\$599,900**
CUSTOM 4 BR 3 5 BA EXECUTIVE RETREAT Nestled on 1/2 acre lot surrounded by mature pines and hardwoods you will find this french tudor is built with a flair for perfection! (D11644)

734-591-9200



NORTHVILLE **\$595,000**
3900 SF RANCH ON 1 3 ACRES Extensive remodeling in 2000 01 Gorgeous kit w/bay wndw 2 5 car heated gar and also a 1 5 car detached gar New cement brk pavers indoor pool & jacuzzi game rm more! (24047569)

734-591-9200



PLYMOUTH **\$574,900**
FINISHED WALKOUT BASEMENT IN PLYMOUTH! 3 500 SF 4 BR 3 5 bath colonial w/prof fnshtd walkout bsm 2 fp 2 kitchens Top of the line everything Many many upgrades Exceptionally clean & neutral (23S9058)

734-455 7000



CANTON **\$429,900**
THE LOOK OF LOVE! Great location backing to pond 2 603 SF GR DR fab kit w/maple cabs corian cnts and granite Isl Sound sys mstr ste w/Vltd cell Daylight wndws in bsm (2388530)

734-455-7000



PLYMOUTH **\$399,900**
ANDOVER LAKE SPECTACULAR! Stunning 4 bedroom colonial Tastefully decorated & ready to move in Finished walkout basement with 5th bedroom This home is priced to sell! (23W13241)

734-455-7000



NOVI **\$359,900**
OUTSTANDING! TOTALLY UPDATED COL Situated on a pleasant park like 3/4 acre lot 4 BRs 2 1 baths white kit w/hdwd fls fin bsm w/snack bar 3 car gar deck patio & walk bsm in condition! (24036674)

248-348-6430



LIVONIA **\$324,900**
NEW CONSTRUCTION BROOKSHIRE Premium elevation now being constructed 4 BRs 2 5 BAs oak hdwd flrs thru out ceramic in BAs & laundry mstr w/jacuzzi & sep shower oak kit 2144 SF & more! (C29959)

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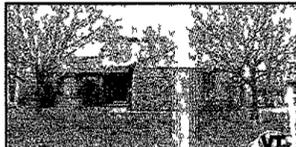
NORTHVILLE **\$319,900**
OUTSTANDING NORTHVILLE CONDO! Ths 2002 built 1938 SF home offers 2 BRs 2 1 BAs GR w/gas fp granite kit w/hdwd floors huge master suite w/ceramic luxury bath full fin bsm & 2 car garage! (21LYO2)

248-348 6430



NORTHVILLE **\$299,900**
BEAUTIFUL CONDO IN COUNTRY CLUB VILLAGE Open spacious sunlit condo with view of pond 3 bedrooms 3 5 baths 2 fireplaces study with bay window island kitchen Perfect! (90COU2)

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NOVI **\$293,900**
BRIGHT, AIRY AND IMMACULATE IN NOVI! 4 BRs 2 5 baths Lg GR w/FP Updates incl wndws roof and carpet New kit/foyer flr cnts in kit bath and lav New oak trim bsbrds on 1st flr Cedar deck (24044527)

248 348-6430



NORTHVILLE **\$286,000**
WALK TO DOWNTOWN NORTHVILLE This lovely 1600 SF col is within walking dist to the elementary & middle schools Updates incl newer kit furn and vinyl wndws fin bsm w/BA wood floors all appl (24056939)

248-348-6200



SUPERIOR TWP **\$249,900**
LOTS OF PRIVACY Large Ranch w/nice open floor plan on 5 acres 3 BRs 1 1/2 baths fabulous new oak kitchen newer roof shingles fireplace super family & game rooms pole barn (R165)

734-326-2000



CANTON **\$239,900**
BRAND NEW CONSTRUCTION CONDO 2 BRs 2 1/2 BAs MBR w/sitting area ceramic bath Hdwd flrs in kit/foyer 1st flr laundry full bsm 12x12 deck 2 car att gar Close to downtown Plymouth (C876)

734-326 2000



LIVONIA **\$224,900**
LARGE COUNTRY LOT Move into this large home Open and airy rooms family room to deck also has FP newer oak kit 1st flr master 2 baths much more (G29519)

734-591-9200



CANTON **\$219,900**
EVERYTHING UPDATED! 4 BRs 2 BAs over 1700 SF hdwd flrs in some rms and great kit Lots of curb appeal & backs to park! Great location Plymouth Canton schools & more! (A44165)

734-591-9200



CANTON **\$218,900**
A GREAT PLACE TO START! Ready to move in 3 BR 1 5 bath colonial Redesigned kit w/ breakfast bar & ceramic floor Neutral crpt & stained wood Finished bsm w/rec room Fenced lot (23S747)

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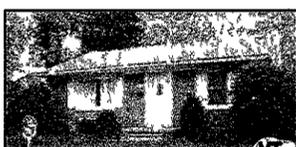
NORTHVILLE **\$198,000**
LEXINGTON COMMONS CONDO Comfort & convenience at a great price! 3 BRs 2 full & 2 half BAs spacious rms thru out Lower level is a fin walk out 2 car att garage Immediate occupancy (R826)

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BELLEVILLE **\$192,900**
ACRE + BELLEVILLE = CONTEMPORARY 3 bedroom 3 bath contemporary ranch Great room skylights cathedral ceilings 2+ ga age 1 35 acres (23S20220)

734-455 7000



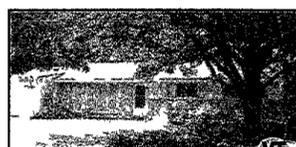
LIVONIA **\$189,900**
GREAT HOUSE IN GREAT NEIGHBORHOOD! 3 BR 1 5 BA brk ranch in lovely Rosedale Gardens features newer fl & wndws full bsm FP in LR well maintained w/beautiful lg backyard 1 yr warranty & more! (I32849)

734-591 9200



CANTON **\$188,900**
SELL THE LAWNMOWER! Easy living describes this 2 BR 2 5 bath townhome in Canton GR w/ gas fp kitchen w/appliances Formal DR full bsm 2 car gar nice deck Backs to pond (23O1926)

734-455 7000



NOVI **\$182,500**
WILLOWBROOK RANCH Great price for 1641 SF ranch in Novi schools 3 BRs 1 BA lg LR FR w/new carpet 1st flr Indry 1 1/2 car gar patio All on 1/4 acre w/mature trees & perennials (24064601)

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NOVI **\$182,500**
LOCATION CONDITION AND VALUE IN NOVI! Clean as a whistle and ideally located in the heart of Willowbrook A lovely brk ranch with central air shade trees 2 baths & lots of upgrades You ll love it (24051486)

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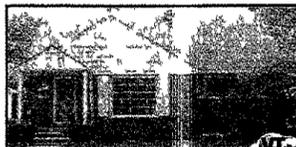
LIVONIA **\$179,900**
ARE YOU READY FOR THIS? Just what you've been searching for Curb appeal plus! Beautiful new brk paver walkway leads to the frnt dr Updates HWT furn c/a white bay kit cabs & more! (B19005)

734-591 9200



LIVONIA **\$174,900**
ADORABLE, CUTE & CLEAN LOTS OF UPDATES 3 bedroom 1 5 bath w/ranch large newer kit lg eating area pantry newer front & garage door insulation windows furnace air & appliances Home warranty included (24042003)

248-348 6200



LIVONIA **\$168,900**
WONDERFUL ALL BRK BUNGALOW! Very clean & updated great white kit updated wndws plumb & electrical too Beaut ful hdwd flrs coved ceilings 2 car garage & a finished bsm wow! (A9581)

734 591-9200



WESTLAND **\$164,900**
BETTER THAN NEW 1997 Colonial 3 BRs 1 1/2 BAs super fin bsm barber carpet office in bsm Great landscaping brick & cement vinyl privacy fence sprinklers & oak kitchen (J851) (A9581)

734-326 2000



GARDEN CITY **\$164,900**
WOW! NEW CONSTRUCTION Great established neighborhood matured trees & all the comforts you want in an area Great floor plan 1st flr Indry mstr w/full bath open eat in kitchen (A33511)

734-591-9200



NORTHVILLE **\$158,000**
IMMACULATE AND AFFORDABLE CONDO 2 BRs 1 5 baths Great location in sub Numerous updates newer wndws fls carpet kit cnts and so much more Neutral decor Private patio Par fin bsm (24052233)

248-348 6430



DEARBORN HGTS **\$157,500**
MOVE IN TIME FOR START OF SCHOOL This 3 BR brick ranch in Crestwood schools Renovated throughout Kit & bath newer furnace & C/A Beautifully fin bsm w/bar 2 1/2 car garage (N846)

734-326-2000



DEARBORN HGTS **\$149,900**
WELL CARED FOR HOME Updates incl kit siding HWH wndws of Home features fin bsm security sys patio pool prvcy fence & lg lot All appliances included a must see!! (C25400)

734-326-2000



DEARBORN **\$147,900**
3 BEDROOM BUNGALOW 3 BRs 1 1/2 baths loaded w/ updates Sit back & relax on large covered front porch Within walking distance to elementary and middle schools All appliances stay (M231)

734-326-2000



SOUTHFIELD **\$131,900**
DOLLARS AND SENSE This 2 BR 2 full bath condo is pr ced to sell Gorgeous oak kitchen & barber carpet throughout doorwall off living room to patio Lg storage rm & security system (F260)

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LIVONIA **\$129,900**
COZY CLEAN CONDO Ground floor ranch appliances doorwall to patio Lots of storage Updated kit & bath w/shower separate tub C/A newer carpet MBR w/walk in closet (A360)

734-326 2000



REDFORD **\$119,900**
UNIQUE RANCH offers awesome heated 2 car gar w/intercom phone & 220 elec Outside hot/cold faucets sprinkler sys new rf newer furn w/AC newer kit updated elec and more! (B17676)

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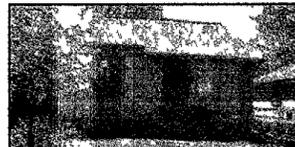
DEARBORN HEIGHTS **\$113,900**
WELL CARED FOR HOME Updates incl kit siding HWH wndws of Home features fin bsm security sys patio pool prvcy fence & lg lot All appliances included a must see!! (C25400)

734 591 9200



LIVONIA **\$110,000**
4 CAR UNBELIEVABLE GARAGE Hundreds of uses indus/resid Fully updt'd wood flrs newly painted (23E29929)

734 455-7000



DETROIT **\$79,900**
GARDNER S PARADISE RANCH HOME 2 BRs 1 BAs w/full custom bsm w/recessed lighting & home office Oversized 1 car garage Awesome manicured landscaped yard Privacy fenced Appliances stay (W161)

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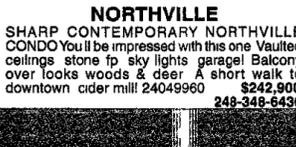
PLYMOUTH **\$1,550**
LEASE Neat & clean 3 BR 1 5 BA ranch w/2 car attached garage Full basement Fenced yard sidewalks & school in sub (24036291)

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GREEN OAK
WHITMORE BAY QUALITY NEW CONSTR 1 15 lots available Lake access dock available (included in price) Great amenities include granite in kit mstr ste w/WIC and garden tub Starting in 200 s 00WHI2 \$297,900 248-348-6430

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NORTHVILLE
SHARP CONTEMPORARY NORTHVILLE CONDO You'll be impressed with this one Vaulted ceilings stone to sky lights Garage! Balcony over looks woods & deer A short walk to downtown cider mill! 24049960 \$242,900 248-348-6430

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CANTON
Great rm w/FP cathedral ceilings Bright kit appliances stay 1st flr laundry bsm 2 car garage end unit 2 BRs 2 5 BAs convenient location H45209 \$183,900 734-591-9200

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CANTON
THE NICEST UNIT IN THE COMPLEX! Featuring extra lg deck huge mstr bath w/Jack & Jill sinks full bsm gas FP loads of upgrades fresh neutral paint 1st flr Indry & so much more! H4464 \$162,000 734-591-9200

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ROMULUS
TIME TO MAKE YOUR MOVE! Nice size home with 4 bedrooms LR FR all appliances Newer windows attached garage Large yard & in a popular sub! 23C16252 \$129,900 734-455 7000

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The 2004 Chevy Equinox

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BY DALE BUSS

Chevrolet got it just about right with Equinox, the all-new sport-utility-vehicle that it introduced earlier this year as a 2005 model. It's strong enough to compete with in an already-crowded field of compact SUVs, it decidedly fits in with Chevrolet's increasingly distinctive brand, and at prices up to about \$25,000, it's as affordable as it is appealing.

The successor to Chevrolet's hoary Tracker SUV, Equinox is distinctively styled. It displays spry and dependable overall road performance. Its interior is plenty roomy with some innovations that enhance its cargo capabilities. And Equinox is available with options that allow demanding buyers to come up with a very satisfying package. All in all, Equinox makes for a worthy entry by Chevrolet in a highly competitive segment that also includes vehicles such as Toyota's RAV4 and Honda's CR-V.

Equinox is named, of course, for the spring and fall dates when day and night are equal, the name is meant to reflect the vehicle's versatility. Unlike the Tracker model that it is replacing, Equinox isn't built on a reworked Suzuki platform. Instead, it is based on the same mechanicals as Saturn's Vue SUV and shares most of its guts with Vue - although Equinox is six inches longer.

Chevrolet designers used that 187 inches of length to craft a very stylish vehicle, which displays Chevy's distinctive two-band front grille and proudly displays the traditional bow-tie logo. Each fender features a distinctive bulge, and the hood is an intriguing reverse-scoop design. The rear end looks a bit too much like that of a minivan for my tastes. But Equinox's stance is much bulkier and substantive-looking than that of competitors such as the RAV4 and CR-V, which is a nice plus.

And Equinox's styling overall is a strong asset



Equinox's overall styling demands a place among the most appealing of today's small SUVs.

that demands a place among the most appealing designs of today's small SUVs. Moreover, it's highly consistent with the Chevrolet design theme that has emerged over the last several years in car models including the new Malibu and Impala and that also is being rolled across new truck and SUV models including Avalanche, TrailBlazer and Silverado.

Power for all versions of Equinox is supplied by a 3.4-liter, V6 engine and a five-speed automatic transaxle that provides 185 horsepower and 210 foot-pounds of torque. Mileage is a respectable 19 mpg in the city and 25 on the highway. I found Equinox peppy enough for most normal driving, but in quick acceleration on the highway or with a full load of people, it wasn't especially impressive.

Actually, it was the interior of Equinox that impressed me more than any other aspect of the vehicle. I was spoiled by the presence of XM Satellite Radio, which of course is available in nearly every GM model these days and isn't a distinctive of Equinox. But more than that, Equinox's design is roomy and comfortable for five passengers and a bunch of their stuff behind them.

The true capabilities of Equinox come into play when you haul cargo, which I did several times during the week I was driving it. For one thing, the rear seat slides fore and aft nearly eight full inches to make way for cargo (as well as for taller passengers), and even the front passenger-side seat lies flat to accommodate some especially long pieces of cartage. Maximum cargo capacity is 69 cubic feet, giving Equinox nearly the best in its class. The bottom line is all the different ways that Equinox creates space for you combine to offset the fact that the vehicle is of only middling overall dimensions.

When it came to the controls, Chevrolet opted for a simple, industrial look with large, clear gauges and faux aluminum accents. Most controls are simple in design. The center console up front can be flipped back and out of the way to accommodate a large purse or other bulky item up front. However, Chevy did appear to scrimp on the flimsy cupholders, and there are no lighted vanity mirrors.

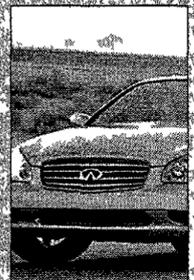
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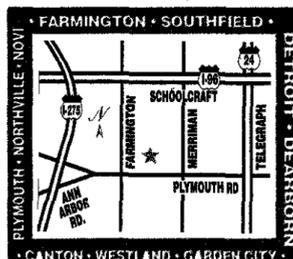
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BY LANA MINI
STAFF WRITER

Get a 'Taste' of great music, food at festival



Jet's music is raw, loose and direct. They've become known as 'America's favorite party band.'

The musical acts at this weekend's Comerica Tastefest are as hot as the curry and Satay Gai dishes being served there.

And that's not easy to do. Festival organizers admit it's tough to book big, current names in rock like Jet, Rooney and Cake.

"A lot of hot acts don't want to play festivals," Randall Fogelman, New Center Council marketing director said. "Last year Wilco almost didn't make it, and then they learned of the size and reputation of Tastefest and the show was huge. We've had Ziggy

See related story about Rooney on page E7

Marley, Joan Jett, and this year we have the above bands plus Romantics, Buddy Guy and The Spinners."

Popular and emerging Detroit bands performing include the Sun Messengers, The Brothers Groove, Twistin Tarantulas, Alexander Zonjic, The Romantics and Whit Hill.

Expected to draw 500,000 people, the 16th annual street festival at Detroit's New Center area takes place today through Monday. More than 60 bands and DJs will perform, and over 40 restaurants will dish up specialty food.

There are also hands-on activities for kids such as Arts & Scraps taking place 2-6 p.m. each day. Teens might enjoy watching skateboarding and BMX aerial acrobatic demos and participating in free in-line skating. The less adventurous can play nine-holes of putt-putt golf.

Adults can observe cooking demonstrations at the Lawry's Live Cooking Caravan and Sensations Stations exhibit.

"We've created a street market atmosphere with cutting-edge boutiques from Detroit, Royal Oak, Birmingham and Ferndale," Fogelman said. Vendors will offer clothing, jewelry and gourmet

food items for sale.

"We have people from every age group here because the music is so diverse and the market really is interesting," Fogelman said. "It's a pleasant visit because the New Center Area is so rich in history and architecture."

Fogelman knows a lot about the area, he's unveiling his new book at Tastefest - *Detroit's New Center* (part of the *Images of America* series published by Arcadia).

Tastefest is designed to give patrons a taste of many metro area restaurants. This is the place to sample dishes like fried asparagus sticks from Kolas Food Factory in Riverview, fried okra from Brenda's Beans & Greens in Farmington Hills, stuffed cabbage from Hungarian Rhapsody in Southgate, cucumber soup from Meaghans, Grosse Pointe Woods, samosas at Peacock Restaurant, Dearborn, and golabki from Under the Eagle in Hamtramck.

The New Center Eatery, Detroit, M'Dear's, Grosse Pointe Park, Kenny's Ribs & Chicken, Southfield, Chippery Potato Chips, West Bloomfield, LunchBox Deli, Grosse Pointe

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 - 5 p.m. Sunday Dwele 8 p.m. Buddy Guy
 - 3 p.m. Monday, The Spinners 6 p.m. The Romantics
- ### Jazz & Blues Stage
- 7 p.m. & 8:30 p.m. today The Sun Messengers with Thornetta Davis
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Sometimes you want something more like a Hot Pocket

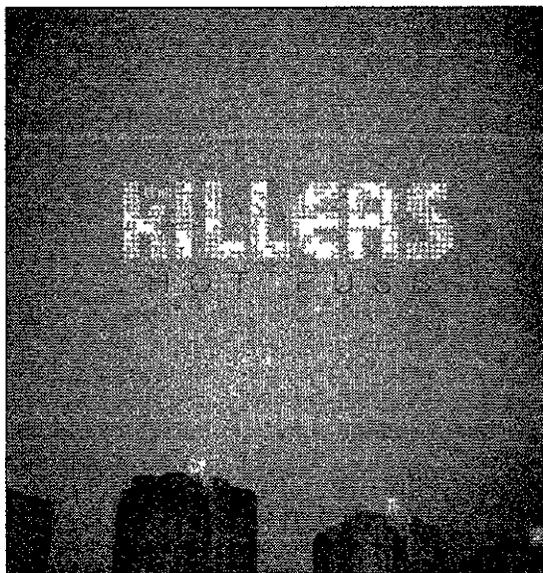
It's a metaphor kids Cause we aren't talking about food here we are talking about music It bothers me when people only want to listen to The Band That Changed My Life Just like life if you take music too seriously you're going to miss out on a lot of good stuff You're going to miss out on the guilty joy of Britney Spears *Toxic* or the entire George Michael catalog And it will mean you miss out on **The Killers' Hot Fuss**

The Killers soon to be blown across MTV2 are a New York band with a built in backlash They are in *Teen People* OK? They aren't going to revolutionize your world But if you can let that go this is a great summer album

Sure it's derived Sure it's a mix of The Rapture/Strokes/New Wave/disco retro stuff with a glossy sheen But oh man does it feel so fun And so catchy! *Smile like You Mean It* is like audio crack A bouncy synth here a Hey shut up there - it all adds up to a quick fix And speaking of George Michael *All These Things That I Have Done* includes a gospel choir chorus Cheesy? Yes A tad bit ridiculous? Yes Totally great? Absolutely!

Just because you might not form a long term relationship doesn't mean you shouldn't have a summer fling Let *Hot Fuss* drive you around these Michigan summer/spring evenings (cause dude it's been cold at night lately hasn't it?) Let it pick up the bill at dinner and take you dancing Let it rock your butt through summer Who cares if you are going to forget the band's name come September?

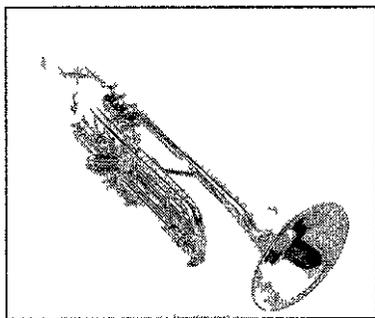
Hot Fuss is out now on Island records and available literally everywhere I recently saw it at Target for \$8.99 Now that's a deal!



Show I've been waiting quite a while to write about this band Waiting because I was suppose to be sent a photo to include with my write up but you know people in bands can be flaky Like the name of the fest they are playing this weekend I decided to (expletive) it and write about them anyway (It's a shame too because the Wheedon brothers are considered pretty cute by most)

Basically **Lee Marvin Computer Arm** is arguably the best band in Detroit right now It's hard enough to get the Detroit hipsters to break a smile Harder still to get them to tap their feet But at the band's DPollen show I saw more white kid booty shakin than on an episode of *Laugh In* They blew the doors off Hastings Street Ballroom with their prog rock meets art rock meets making out with girls in a bathroom coming out to drink cheap beer and pump fists in the air rock n roll It's spazzy spacey features the coolest trumpet in rock and well it was hands down the best show I've seen so far this year In fact they are so full of energy I've invented a new genre for them Party rock

Lee Marvin Computer Arm will play Saturday at the Detroit Art Space as part of the Holy S*** Fest (As a total sidenote I totally wanted to write that word out but the powers that be are protecting your sensibilities or something) Doors open at 8 p.m. Cover is \$7 There are a bunch of other great bands playing the three day festival For a complete listing check out <http://www.detroitartspace10eastern.com>



Those boys in bands can be flaky when it comes to submitting pictures of themselves So here is a picture of a trumpet Let's pretend it's a rock and roll trumpet like Lee Marvin Computer Arm uses Makes you feel tingly, doesn't it?

Film

So like everyone else in America you should for sure see *Fahrenheit 9/11* (what a better way to be patriotic this Independence Day?) but after you do you may need something way lighter to remind you that life is worth continuing

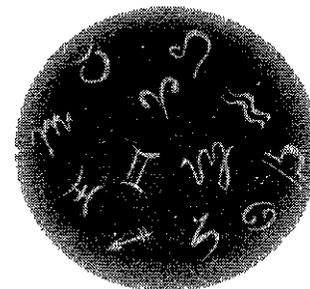
The Main Art Theatre 118 N Main Street in Royal Oak is having a midnight showing of Tim Burton's suburban opus **Edward Scissorhands** tonight Come on Edward Scissorhands! This is the movie that made millions of teen girls fall in love with Johnny Depp Those girls grew up to be all of my friends Cause I don't get the Johnny Depp attraction I do however have a huge girl crush on the indie girl du jour Winona Ryder who plays Kim the teenage girl who tries to protect Edward and his freak hands from his new surroundings and eventually becomes his object of desire Hold me I can't So good For more info call (248) 263 2111

Horoscope



Star Struck

(July 1 - July 3)
By Dennis Fairchild



ARIES (March 21-April 20)

Ram why are you worrying about things that almost certainly will never happen? That's not like you at all Perhaps it has something to do with Saturn moving through the most sensitive area of your horoscope Or maybe you're just paranoid Time for a cold shower and enjoy the day!

TAURUS (April 21-May 21)

You're not the sort to give up without a fight and when your interests are threatened as they are now Bulls become formidable opponents Anyone who doesn't believe that will learn that it's never wise to underestimate a Taurus Don't waste time reacting to petty annoyances

GEMINI (May 22-June 21)

You're unlikely to get along well with employers or those who have the moolah this week but at least you know where you stand and who your enemies are If you don't much like your current working environment July would be a good time to change it

CANCER (June 22-July 23)

Although feelings may be running high at the moment you are probably at a loss to know what all the fuss is about However be careful you don't say anything tactless or insensitive this weekend because someone you care about is taking matters very seriously indeed

LEO (July 24-Aug. 23)

The full moon in that area of your solar chart that governs matters of a career professional or business nature indicates you are no longer willing to suffer fools gladly - nor will you have to And if you honestly believe you have what it takes to be a success now is your chance to prove it!

VIRGO (Aug. 24-Sept. 23)

It's time now to take your mind off things that are worrying you and the best way to do that is to immerse yourself in something you really enjoy doing It doesn't matter what it just has to be something in which you can lose yourself Aim for quality even if it means cutting back on some of your commitments

LIBRA (Sept. 24-Oct. 23)

This weekend's full moon warns that if you're the sort of Libran who admits that you make mistakes like everyone else you have nothing to worry about If however you claim to be perfect others will take joy in demonstrating that you're anything but

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)

You've arrived at a crossroads as far as money and love or a creative endeavor is concerned Scorp What direction you take is something only you can decide but you can't stay where you are - not unless you want others to make the decision for you Do what lies clearly at hand

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21)

Jupiter your ruler may bring gobs of good things your way this weekend but it's the one thing you can't have that will capture you like a challenge because the goals you set won't be easy to reach Don't be too serious about life right now Drop what you're doing and shift gears

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 21)

As the sun is in your opposite sign of Cancer now the cracks in a relationship will become chasms It won't be an unbridgeable gap but it will require some major sacrifices to close Be careful tactlessness and your choice of words As always the ones we love most we hurt the most

AQUARIUS (Jan. 22-Feb. 19)

Put your energy to good use now to move up in the world Others may accuse you of being too materialistic lately but so what if you are? You've done your share of good deeds and good works. It's time to look out for yourself now - not just family or fellow employees

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20)

The worst possible thing you can do this weekend is to retreat into your shell and refuse to face up to reality Certainly life is tough Fish But the full moon in your complimentary element is a cast iron guarantee that the tide has begun to turn - and no one swims with the current tide as well as you!

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

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AUDITIONS

Vocal Group

Low bass singer needed for established close harmony ensemble performing in Detroit/Ann Arbor area. Requires strong music reading skills and excellent ear. Vocal jazz background a plus. Contact PRIME Vocal Jazz Business Manager Ginny Lundquist at (248) 682-6562 for more information or to arrange an audition.

ConLen Productions

Auditioning on July 11 for a boy soprano, ages 8 to 11 for the role of Amahl, a baritone, and an African American bass for the roles of two kings and chorus members for Amahl and the Night Visitors to be performed at the end of this year. If you are interested, call Connie Randall at (248) 478-8932 for an appointment.

HOLIDAY HAPPENINGS

Plymouth

Parade 7:30 a.m. Sunday downtown Plymouth township picnic 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday at Plymouth Township Park corner of Ann Arbor Trail and McClumpha between Sheldon and Beck.

Parade, Northville

Downtown Northville 10 a.m. Saturday. Festivities begin with the Standard Federal Singers and a medley of patriotic tunes.

Clarkston

Clarkston's celebration starts at 10 a.m. Saturday with a parade down Main Street. Festival of Fun follows at 11:30 a.m. at Clintonwood Park on Clarkston Road east of Main Street. Activities include live entertainment, arts and crafts, children's games, Civil War reenactors, a softball tournament, Frisbee dog competition and car show. The fireworks start at dusk at Clintonwood Park.

Rochester Hills

Festival of the Hills today at Borden

Park John R at Hamlin. The Beat Club - a Beatles reenactment group plays 6-7 p.m. Guy Louis and the Chautauqua Express follow 7-8 p.m. The North Oakland Concert Band plays a variety of patriotic tunes and selections 8-10 p.m. leading up to fireworks. Other activities include an 1865 vintage base ball game between the Rochester Grangers and the Northville Eclipse at 6 p.m., an inflatable play area for children, bowling on the tennis courts, courtesy and food vendors scattered throughout the park. Guests can come early, bring a blanket, chair, picnic. www.rochesterhills.org/festhill.org or call the Rochester Hills Museum at Van Hoosen Farm at (248) 656-4663.

ART

Pontiac's Creative Arts Center

We are Drawing the World Together exhibit of art by women from countries around the world through Friday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. 47 Williams St. Pontiac (248) 333-7849.

Plymouth Art in the Park

Downtown Plymouth from Friday Sunday July 9-11, over 400 participating artists, entertainment, hands on activities. www.artintheparkinc.com

Royal Oak Outdoor Art Fair

Memorial Park, corner of Woodward Avenue and 13 Mile Road, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday July 10, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday July 11. Free shuttle from Consumer's Energy building on Coolidge south of 14 Mile Road.

Lawrence Street Gallery

2004 Inspirations & Influences. Invitational to July 30. Opening reception 7-10 p.m. Friday July 9. All media exhibition showcases artworks of over 55 artists from the metro Detroit area. gallery open noon to 5 p.m. Tuesday Saturday 22620 Woodward Ave. Suite A Ferndale (248) 544-0394. www.lawrencestreetgallery.com

Warren Art in the Park

Halmich Park, 13 Mile Road west of Ryan, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday Sunday July 10-11. Fine art, painting, crafts, entertainment, food.

Wayne State University Art Gallery

Marilyn Schechter of West Bloomfield was among the alumni artists selected

for a prestigious exhibit at the gallery, 150 Community Arts Building, Detroit. Schechter's photographic collages will be on display until July 23.

OUTDOOR CONCERTS

DTE Energy

Motown Revue featuring Dennis Edwards of The Temptations with The Contours 7:30 p.m. today. Tim McGraw & The Dance Hall Doctors 7:30 p.m. Friday. Nickelback/3 Doors Down 6 p.m. Tuesday July 6-31. 7:30 p.m. Wednesday July 7 (248) 377-0100. information tickets (248) 645-6666. www.palacenet.com

Ann Arbor Summer Festival

Ticketed performances and free nightly outdoor. Top of the Park music and movies. Performances to Sunday show times vary but most begin at 8 p.m. Top of the Park also runs to Sunday with movies at 10 p.m. and live music at 7 p.m. Performances in the Power Center 121 Fletcher St. and Hill Auditorium 825 N University Ave. Top of the Park out side on top of the Fletcher Street Parking Structure all on University of Michigan campus. Ann Arbor Performances run \$20-\$60. visit www.annarborsummerfestival.org. For tickets call (734) 764-2538 or www.ticket.com

Jerome Duncan Ford Theater at Freedom Hill

Marion Meadows performs and celebrates his new release, Player's Club 7:30 p.m. Wednesday July 7 \$10-\$20. 4900 Metropolitan Parkway (16 Mile Road) Sterling Heights. all shows begin at 7:30 p.m. (586) 268-5100. Ticketmaster (248) 645-6666 or visit www.freedomhill.net

Plymouth

Music in the Park is presented Wednesday afternoons at noon by the Plymouth Community Arts Council. The Music in the Air series is 7 p.m. Friday evenings by the Downtown Development Authority. Josh White Jr. performs at noon Wednesday July 7. The Warren Commission featuring vocalist Suzy Marsh, fresh from her Detroit Music Awards nomination as Best Female Jazz Vocalist performs 7:30 p.m. Friday July 16.



PLANET ANT THEATRE

Comedic improvisers Tim Robinson, Quintin Hicks and Brett Guenel star in 'Business as Unusual' at Planet Ant Theatre 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday and 2 p.m. Sunday through July 11. The theater is at 2357 Caniff in Hamtramck. Tickets adults, \$15, students, \$10, call (313) 365-4948 or visit www.planetant.com

Wednesdays at Eight Concerts

Reed Works Saxophone Quartet 8 p.m. Wednesday July 7. Nardin Park United Methodist Church 29887 W 11 Mile Road Farmington Hills. No charge.

Farmington DDA

Hosts concerts at the Pergola Gazebo at Farmington Road and School Street every Friday night at 7 p.m. Call (248) 473-7276 for a schedule of entertainers.

Heritage Park/Farmington Hills

The ParrotHead Band will bring the tropics to town 7:30 p.m. Thursday July 8 as part of Stars in the Park 24915 Farmington Road between 10 and 11 Mile in Farmington Hills. Concert goers are encouraged to bring a lawn chair or blanket and even a picnic dinner in the case of a rain out, the concert will be at the Costick Center 28600 W 11 Mile Road three miles east of Heritage Park. For more information about the free summer concert series call (248) 473-1857.

Bobby Lewis and the Crackerjack Band At the Westland Fireworks Festival 7-11:30 p.m. Sunday (248) 348-4399.

Redford Concerts in the Park Phil Gramm Big Band 7:30 p.m. Tuesday July 6. Capitol Park.

Detroit Zoo Wild Summer Nights concert series 6:30-8 p.m. Wednesday July 7. Gemini (children's) no charge with zoo admission \$10. ages 13-61 \$8-50 seniors 62 and older and students 2-12 children under 2 free. Intersection of 10 Mile Road and Woodward Avenue Royal Oak (248) 398-0900 or www.detroitzoo.org

JAZZ/POP/ROCK

Edison's

Bett Lucas Band 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. today. Mystery Train featuring Jim McCarty 9:30 p.m. to 1 a.m. Friday Saturday 220 Merrill St. Birmingham (248) 645-2150. no cover.

Matt Michaels

With guests 7:30-11 p.m. Wednesday. Ron's Fireside Inn 28937 Warren Garden City \$5 cover with dinner \$10 without dinner. two drink minimum. reservations recommended (734) 762-7756.

David Nefesh

John Cowley & Sons Farmington Saturday (248) 474-5941.

Blue Martini

The Fabulous Soul Shakers (Top 40) today. The Simone Vitale Band (Top 40) Friday. Laith A Saadi (Rock n Blues) Saturday bands play 7-11 p.m. Woodward and Old Woodward one block north of Maple Birmingham (248) 258-3005.

Peabody's

Juilliard School of Music graduate and piano stylist Greg Nichols 9:30 p.m. Friday July 9. David Bennett Quartet 8:30 p.m. Saturday July 10. 34965 Woodward Ave. south of Maple Birmingham (248) 644-5222.

COMEDY

Joey's Comedy Club

Keith Ruff 9 p.m. Friday Saturday \$10 dinner show option available at Paisano's 5070 Schaefer Dearborn (313) 584-8885. www.joeyscomey.com or www.paisano1.com

Ann Arbor Comedy Showcase

J.R. Remick 8 p.m. & 10:30 p.m. Friday Saturday \$8 in advance \$10 at door 314 E. Liberty Ann Arbor (734) 996-9080.

Joey's Comedy Club of Livonia

Comedy for a Cause to benefit the Chronic Illness Coalition 8 p.m. Thursday July 8. 36071 Plymouth Road Livonia. Features J.R. Remick and John Evans. Tickets \$15 each or \$26 a pair. receive 25 percent off the cost of your meal with reservations or half off pizza during the show. You must be 21. door prizes, call Jane (248) 788-6965 for reservations.

DANCE

Country Western Dance

Wolverine Silverspur Dancers 7 p.m. (doors open) dancing 8-11:30 p.m. Saturday July 10. Italian Cultural Center 28111 Imperial Dr. Warren. Dancing to DJ music includes Couples Flow and Line Dancing with a large hardwood floor \$10 snacks & coffee. Call (586) 573-0668 or email dlj@comcast.net



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Groovy guy

Blues Traveler member first jammed in Ann Arbor

BY NICOLE STAFFORD
STAFF WRITER

Keyboardist Ben Wilson has been feeling the boogie woogie ever since he was a third-grader learning Beatles songs on a piano in Ann Arbor. And like a lot of kids from the university town, he aspired to become a big-time rock musician. Now, after years of paying his dues in Michigan, he is.

Wilson is a member of the Grammy Award-winning jam band Blues Traveler, which plays Friday, July 9, at the DTE Energy Music Theatre in Clarkston

"No, I don't feel like a rock star person," said Wilson, now 36 and living in Austin, Texas. "I've been able to achieve what a lot of people haven't, but I also put in a lot of shitty work getting there, so I feel like a rock star in that regard."

Wilson, who not only grew up in Ann Arbor but earned his undergraduate degree at the University of Michigan, joined the band a few years ago to play on the group's comeback album, *Bridge*.

Blues Traveler's phenomenal success in the early '90s — their hit *Run-Around* still holds the record for longest charting single in Billboard chart history — was followed by tragedy when founding bassist Bobby Sheehan died in 1999.

AUDITION

As the story goes, Wilson was working as a carpenter and planning an overseas trip — the local blues band he had played with for close to 10 years had just broken up — when a friend told him Blues Traveler was accepting demo tapes from keyboard players.

"In the end, I had like three days to beat the deadline," said Wilson. "The day my trip was finalized was the day I got the call from Gina (the band's manager) telling me that the guys wanted to fly me down to Austin for an audition."

Wilson made the trip early, spending a day with his brother before meeting with Blues Traveler and the band's charismatic lead singer/harmonica player

John Popper at a local bed-and-breakfast.

"It was totally surreal. John was in his bathrobe eating bacon. I just sat down and we started talking. John told me, 'You're the last one out of five (to audition), and we did that for a reason. Because it's your gig to lose.'"

Wilson, who friends describe as a stabilizing force, felt the pressure but kept his focus.

"I was really nervous, but it was cool. It was one of



BLUES TRAVELER

Above, Ann Arbor's Ben Wilson on keyboards performing with John Popper. Top, from left, Wilson began playing music at an early age and worked in several bands in Ann Arbor before getting an audition, and ultimately the gig, with the Grammy Award-winning band Blues Traveler.

those things — I was freaked out but I was calm."

After a few hours of playing, Wilson returned from a bathroom break and Popper told him he was hired. Wilson, along with bass player Tad Kinchla, became bona-fide band members a few years ago when the group officially became a five-piece. In 2003, the group released its latest album *Truth Be Told*, which includes a song written by Wilson.

"But the No. 1 thing is being able to do the thing that you love and being able to make a living," he said. "Yeah, I always had fantasies. I would listen to the Rolling Stones and jump around a la *Risky Business*. What you don't understand as a kid is that there is such a tiny percentage of people who actually make it. There's a huge underbelly of people playing for 50 bucks a night."

While in college, Wilson played piano and organ for a popular campus band called Juice. Ironically, the group, like Blues Traveler, was a jam band known for improvising and stretching out.

IMPROVISATION IS HIS STRENGTH

"He listens and plays off other people very, very well. Improvisation is certainly his strength," said Wilson's former bandmate, bassist Hyatt Yu, who grew up in Farmington Hills. "He's always been a very funky player, he knows how to play off the drums and that really adds groove."

His playing has only deepened since joining Blues Traveler, added Yu. "Since the time I played with him

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Serious fun

Of course Rooney can party, but the band is dedicated to the music

BY LANA MINI
STAFF WRITER

Johnny Ramone and Johnny Lydon, a couple of forefathers of punk rock, both embrace the talents of Rooney. Can a young band even dream of stronger references?

Rooney, a southern California band with a Beach Boys-meets-Weezer-meets-the Kinks sound, stirred up the Los Angeles music scene about two years ago when Ramone heard the band at a nightclub. Today he and the Rooney guys are good buddies, trading musical ideas and watching MTV to make fun of pseudo-punk bands.

On Friday, the mod-styled band is signing autographs to promote its self-titled album at Best Buy in Madison Heights and performing at Comerica Tastefest. Rooney's also re-working its summer schedule because Lollapalooza was canceled, band members were supposed to perform on the main stage.

Frontman and founder, Robert Carmine, 20, began the band just four years ago while still in high school. It quickly became known as a hard-working band that's more serious about music than parties - even though the tunes are melodic pop and seemingly perfect for summer beach fun.

"We were popular in L.A. and always thought, 'If only we could reach people outside the city,' and then Detroit, Texas. Suddenly these big markets were digging the music and it's incredible," Carmine said.

Just because Rooney has a friendship with old school punk rockers doesn't mean it shares the same sound; this neo-rock pop band is upbeat and a bit dreamy. The tunes are fresh yet with a mid '70s retro feel.

"We're a pop rock n' roll band with nice hooks, nice melodies. We care about the structure of the songs," Carmine said. "We're



Both MTV and Rolling Stone listed Rooney as one of the Top 10 bands to watch right now. From left is frontman Robert Carmine, guitarist Taylor Locke, keyboardist Louie Stephens, drummer Ned Brower and bass player Matthew Winter.

suckers for good hooks"

ROOTED IN ENTERTAINMENT

Carmine's family's ties to show biz can't be overlooked. He co-starred in the Disney movie, *The Princess Diaries*. His mom is Taha Shire (Adrien in *Rocky*). His brother, actor Jason Schwartzman (from the comedy *Rushmore*), introduced Carmine to retro bands like ELO, Queen and the Cars. The name Rooney comes from *Ferris Bueller's Day Off* - remember the annoying principal, Ed Rooney?

"My grandfather was a composer, everyone in my family is in the entertainment business. They're very supportive toward one another's art," he said.

Rooney is one of those bands that hit big through word-of-mouth rather than market saturation. Of course, Carmine's good looks help, he has that Johnny Depp-type of beauty that both male and female fans seem

ROONEY

■ 1:30 p.m. Friday - Rooney will meet fans and sign autographs at Best Buy, 32300 John R. in Madison Heights.

■ 8 p.m. Friday - Rooney plays the main stage at the 2004 Comerica Tastefest in the New Center Area, West Grand Boulevard between Woodward Avenue and the Lodge Freeway (M-10) in Detroit.

with longevity.

"A lot of record labels sign bands with just one or two good songs because they want quick hits and then they wonder why the CD doesn't sell," Carmine said. "People download music because they don't want to spend \$20 for a CD that only has a few decent songs on it. I'd rather take a long time to put out an album with quality - one that people will still want to hear in a few years."

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MUSICIAN

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the most noticeable change has been the breadth of his playing style. He pulls from a wider array of music, and he's even more technically capable than before."

Wilson's influences include The Beatles, The Rolling Stones, Jimmy Smith, Ray Charles and Sly and the Family Stone. Lately, he's been surveying the pre- and post-punk scene.

As a person, Wilson is as down-to-earth and personable as ever, said Yu. "He's really quite modest about it. He doesn't expect to be recognized by people. He's not walking around like, 'I'm a big rock star.' He doesn't have a big ego or atti-

TRAVELING HOME

What: Blues Traveler with special guests Big Head Todd & the Monsters and North Mississippi All-Stars

When: 7:30 p.m. Friday, July 9

Where: DTE Energy Music Theatre, 7774 Sashabaw, Clarkston

Tickets: Lawn \$18.50, pavilion, \$35.50. Call (248) 377-0100, Ticketmaster at (248) 645-6666 or visit www.palacenet.com

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BY ELEANOR HEALD
CORRESPONDENT



A server takes a Southwestern Turkey Burger out to guests

In Greek mythology, Atlas was a giant god who had immense strength and carried the planet on his shoulders.

Whether you translate Atlas that way or as a book containing maps and vital statistics relating to geographic regions, you get the message about Detroit's Atlas Global Bistro - internationally inspired cuisine

Opened a year ago, as a place where you can eat three meals a day if you like, Atlas was an opportunity proprietor and general manager John Lopez envisioned for a long time. Then he spotted a low buy-in at the corner of Woodward and Charlotte. Once the shabby Addison Hotel, it's now an attractive renovated 1905 building with 40 apartments. Atlas occupies street level space.

Lopez asked Chef Mark Woodford, a graduate of Western Culinary Institute in Portland, Ore., and his wife, Nicole, to become his invested partners. Woodford, the son of author Arthur M. Woodford, has both cooking and a Detroit city beat in his blood. *This Is Detroit, 1701-2001* by Arthur M. Woodford essentially traces the city's history from its founding to the present.

The Atlas location is part of Detroit's urban renaissance. An upscale art gallery has opened across the street. Urban in feel with high ceilings, brick interior walls, wood flooring, complementary wood appointments and the touch of class white tablecloths offer, Atlas oozes upscale comfort as does the food.

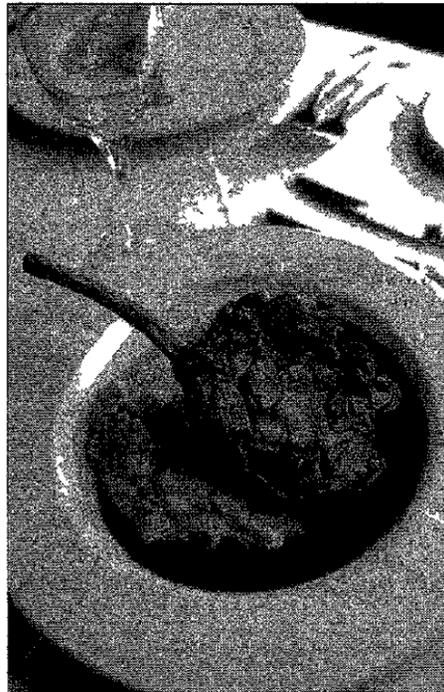
SUNRISE SPECIALS

Among various breakfast items, three have become eye-opening favorites. Crabmeat Benedict is the best seller. Finished with Hollandaise sauce, two poached eggs, topped with lump crabmeat and scallions, sit atop a toasted English muffin.

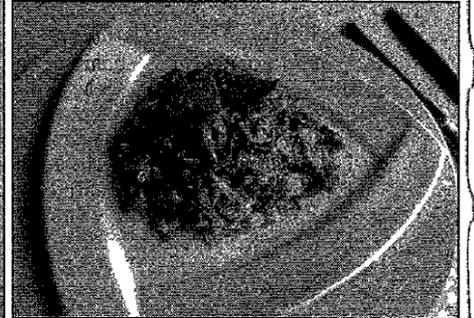
Red Flannel Hash features corn beef brisket, onions, potatoes and braised red cabbage topped with two poached eggs. C3, standing for Cass Corridor Cakes, showcases a stack of three cinnamon and fresh vanilla bean batter pancakes.

MID-DAY FORWARD

New warm-weather lunch and dinner menus, the first changes since Atlas opened in July 2003, "launched a more seasonal approach to offerings," Chef Mark said. Diners



Veal Chop-Blue Cheese Polenta Cake, Tomatoes, Garlic Spinach, and Demi Glace is one of items to choose from at Atlas Global Bistro



Thai Chop Chop is the number one lunch salad. It's also available at dinner. A lime-chili vinaigrette flavors a mix of radicchio, frisee, watercress, papaya, mango, jicama, mint and peanuts.

Atlas

have their menu choices not only designed but prepared by Chef Mark, ably assisted by his Sous Chef Mark Trevethan

Atlas-made mozzarella stuffed risotto balls, served with garden peas and honey-dressed mache cress, is dubbed Arancini, a popular appetizer on both the lunch and dinner menu. It trails the No. 1-selling lunch appetizer, simply named Asparagus, which is also on the dinner menu. About 10 fresh spears with herb panko are sauteed then served sprinkled with grated egg and truffle oil.

Dinner might be several rounds of appetizers. If so, don't miss Venison Lollipop Chops and Shrimp Cubano.

Thai Chop Chop, the No. 1 lunch salad, is also available at dinner. A lime-chili vinaigrette flavors a mix of radicchio, frisee, watercress, papaya, mango, jicama, mint and peanuts.

Long a favorite of the once-heralded London Chop House, Atlas has brought back The Wedge, iceberg lettuce and blue cheese, dressed with tomatoes and pickled onions.

Lovers of lunch burgers order the Southwestern Turkey Burger most often. It's stacked with Pepper Jack Cheese and caramelized onions.

Three dinner principal plates catch diners' eyes frequently. The Veal Chop is served with a blue cheese polenta cake and garlic and spinach demi glace. Pearl pasta with Harissa eggplant accompanies the Lamb Shank with mint jus. Rose petal mole, creamed corn and hand-pressed tortillas complement a Mexican-styled Duck Breast.

LAST BITES

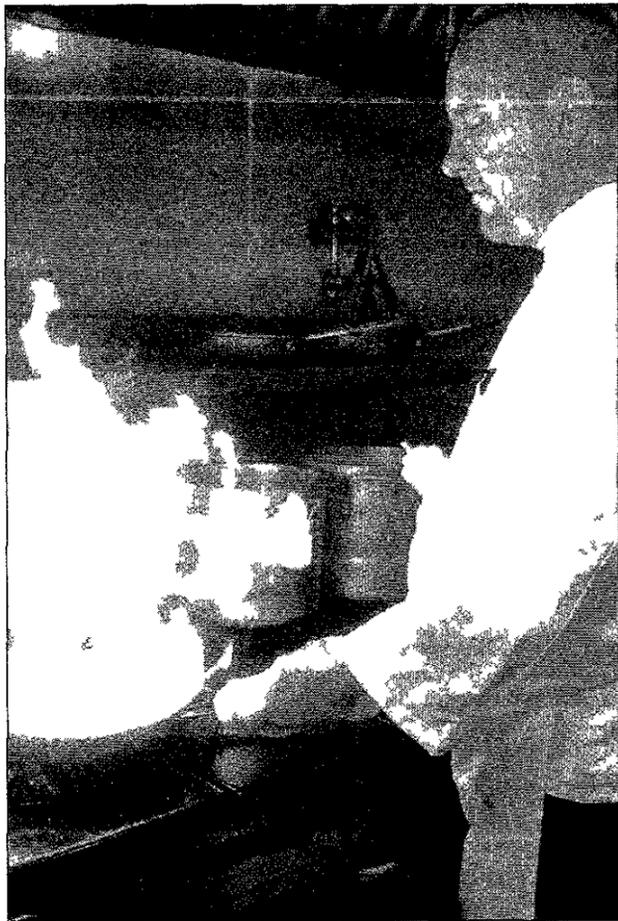
Made in house and from scratch, desserts are subject to change. But when on the menu, go for either the Made in Michigan Sundae with caramelized apples, cherries, berries, walnuts and whipped cream over vanilla ice cream, topped with Sanders Original Hot Fudge. The always-popular French classic Creme Brulee is served with fresh berries.

Sommelier Noelle Charron has created a short and savvy wine list. For a light-and-right white wine for summer, try the highly touted Bodegas Morgadio Albarno.

Freedom from one food style boosts energy at Atlas Global Bistro. "It also keeps us on our toes," Chef Mark said. "We must be constantly aware of what's going on in the world of food."

Awareness must be keen. If you don't make a Friday or Saturday evening reservation by Wednesday of that week, you won't get a table until 9 p.m. or later at one of the best places to enjoy dinner before a show.

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Executive Chef Mark Woodford prepares his black and white sesame seed seared Ahi-Tuna at Atlas Global Bistro.



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Drinkology

Make noise with POP on July 4

BY ELEANOR & RAY HEALD
CORRESPONDENTS

POP has the perfect name and makes the right sound for celebrating on the fourth of July

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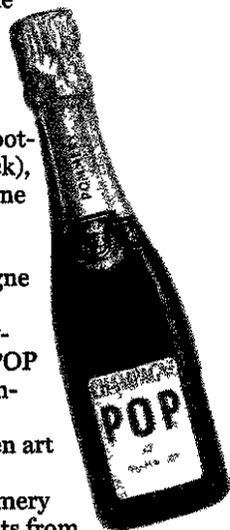
Each year, Pommery will approach artists from around the world to create six distinctive designs for the bright blue bottles of POP

The 2004 collection illustrates the playful artistry of 36-year-old French artist Olivier Lannaud

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On stage

Mitch Albom play goes up at The Purple Rose

BY NICOLE STAFFORD
STAFF WRITER

Sports columnist Mitch Albom has been a busy man of late

In between covering the Pistons rocking the L A Lakers in the NBA finals, he's attended play rehearsals

Yeah, that's right, Mitch has taken on yet another genre playwriting

His work, *Duck Hunter Shoots Angel*, opens Friday at The Purple Rose Theatre in Chelsea, making its world premiere

The production continues through Saturday, Aug 28

"It's been a bit of an adjustment for him because playwriting is very collaborative," said Guy Sanville, The Purple Rose's artistic director "But he's really interested in what his work inspires in other people He's been open to ideas And ideas flow from him like no one else I've ever seen"

Albom, who wrote *The Five People*

ANGELS OR NOT?

What: Premiere of 'Duck Hunter Shoots Angel, a new comedy by Mitch Albom

When: Friday, July 2 to Saturday, August 28 preview today Shows play Wednesday-Sunday, matinees at 2 p m or 3 p m evening shows at 7 p m or 8 p m

Where: The Purple Rose Theatre, 137 Park, Chelsea

Tickets: \$22.50-\$32.50 (preview admission is \$17.50-\$25), call (734) 433-ROSE or visit www.purplerosetheatre.org

You Meet in Heaven and the *New York Times* best-selling book *Tuesdays with Morrie*, penned the play in about three months after actor Jeff Daniels, founder of The Purple Rose, approached him

about writing an original work for the theater

Both Daniels and Sanville attended previews of the stage version of *Tuesdays with Morrie*, which was done off-Broadway, and liked what they saw

"The way Mitch uses sports as a window into the human heart - I think he does the same thing with humor in his play," said Sanville "He's a very spiritual guy"

Duck Hunter follows a tabloid journalist from New York City on a search to track down two Alabama swamp poachers who believe they've shot a celestial being

Ultimately, the two-act comedy challenges its protagonist to probe deeper and ask himself whether it's possible to converse with angels

Sanville views the story as one about second chances and redemption

"It's very, very fun, but it's also very beautiful and poignant," he said "Kind of like *Tuesdays with Morrie*."

Tank of gas

Grab and go travel ideas for family fun

School is out and at least some parents are asking what to do, where to go?

Backyard Excursions can help This brand new "grab and go" guide is full of great travel ideas for family fun to fit every budget.

Backyard Excursions is the inspiration of Carol Heminger of Avanti Group in Canton "Say you have out of town guests and are looking for ideas to entertain them, or you want to do something fun with the family that is not far from home and is inexpensive," says Heminger "*Backyard Excursions* is the answer It is full of fun ideas all within 300 miles or less - one tank of gas - from our readers' homes," she said

"We started focusing on one-tank trips after research indicated people are traveling closer to home due to concerns about safety and the recent surge in gas prices," said Heminger

Anyone interested in obtaining a copy of the publication can visit

the Backyard Excursion Web site at www.backyardexcursions.com to see a list of distribution locations Web site visitors will also learn how to join the e-mail club to receive travel information and specials, print e-coupons for discounts offered by the various destinations listed in the guide, and find even more information on festivals and events Call Heminger at (734) 451-3500 for more information or e-mail her at info@backyardexcursions.com

Backyard Excursions uses a color-coding system to make the guide user-friendly Readers can use the color-coded headings to tell them how far a location is from their home.

"Look for items listed in green, as an example, and you will find all the destinations within 50 miles from your home," Heminger said *Backyard Excursions* also has a calendar of festivals and events that are held during the three-month period each issue covers using the same color-coding system

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BY JENNA KLOECKNER
STAFF WRITER

Picture your summer days

Are you sunbathing on a sandy beach after a refreshing swim? Feeling a cool breeze rush over your body as your boat picks up speed on the lake?

Dipping your toes in the fresh water as you wait for fish to bite? Listening to the sounds of nature as you hike through the shady woods? Or grilling hot dogs for an outdoor picnic with your family?

If those events come to mind as a picture-perfect day of summer fun, grab your beach gear and head to a county, state or metropark

MORE THAN JUST THE BEACH

Open since 1950, Metro Beach Metropark features a one-mile long sandy swimming beach and 1,600 foot boardwalk on Lake St. Clair

"In the park there's a spectacular view of Lake St. Clair," said Jim Pershing, park superintendent. "And on a clear day you can see the skyline of downtown Detroit."

The park offers a lot of different things to do, Pershing said.

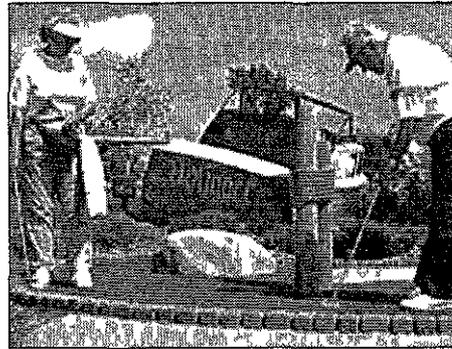
There's an Olympic-sized swimming pool with water slides, fitness and nature trails, an 18-hole, par-3 golf course, a miniature golf course, picnic areas, boat launching areas, a marina, tennis and shuffleboard courts, a nature center and fishing areas

At Groveland Oaks County Park in Holly, visitors can enjoy a life-guarded swimming beach with a water slide

For \$6 you can buy a wristband to go on as many water rides as you want, or pay 50 cents a ride, said Carol Podin, park program specialist

"The best thing about our beach is that it's extremely clean. It's practically spotless," she said. "There are people on 24-hour shifts to keep everything really clean."

There are also picnic and fishing areas,



Play miniature golf at Metro Beach Metropark on Lake St. Clair. It's just one of the park's many attractions

and a large children's playscape. You can rent paddle boats and bikes

Kids can be busy non-stop at Groveland Oaks. On weekdays, games and arts and crafts start every half hour or hour. Theme-related activities are offered on weekends

Another great place for kids is Bald Mountain Recreation area in Lake Orion

"Our beach is ideal for younger kids," said Bob Reimer, state park manager. "It has a very gradual depth change"

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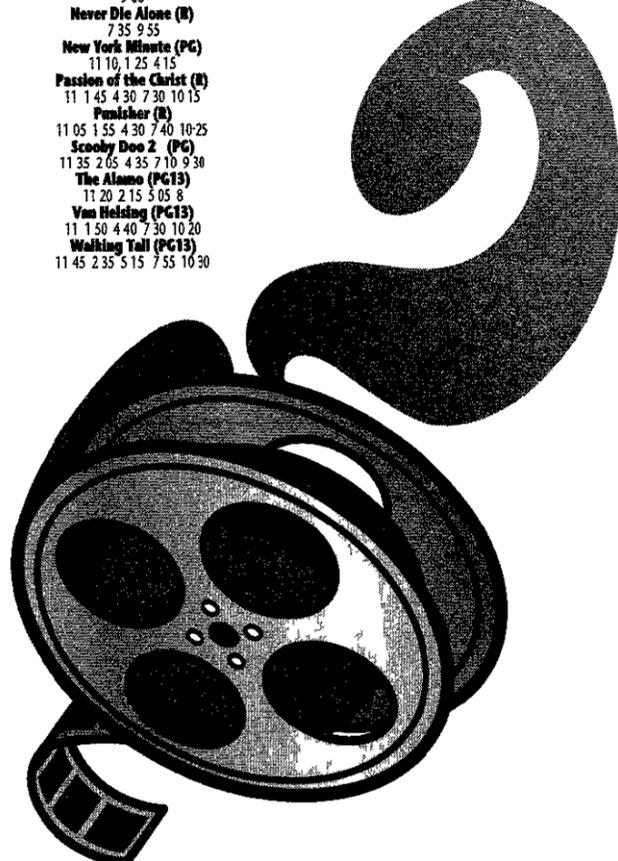
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Big screen

Ridiculous 'White Chicks' strangely funny and irresistible

BY JESSE WASHINGTON
ASSOCIATED PRESS

When it comes to racial humor, black comedians have had a free pass for years, making white people the butt of ridicule that would send Jesse Jackson sprinting for a microphone were such stereotypical jokes directed at blacks

Slowly, the genre pioneered by Richard Pryor and Eddie Murphy turned ugly, devolving into numbing variations of 'white people be like (insert dorky phrase/movement here)' But now the Wayans brothers are breathing life into a stale topic with *White Chicks*

Based on the title plus the Wayans over-the-top track record, I had absolutely no intention of liking this movie, let alone laughing at it But once director Keenen Ivory Wayans and his younger brothers Marlon and Shawn proved their intention to make everyone in the movie look equally ridiculous, it proved to be strangely irresistible

Marlon and Shawn (who share writing and producing credits with Keenen) play bumbling brother FBI agents who stumble into a gig baby-sitting rich sisters targeted

for kidnapping during a weekend in the Hamptons After tiny scratches render the two airhead heiresses unfit for public viewing, the desperate African-American agents enlist a crack makeup team to transform them into All-American princesses

Plausible, *White Chicks* is not As women, Marlon and Shawn make Dustin Hoffman's Tootsie look like centerfold material As actors, Shawn is lucky to have the far more talented Marlon to carry him And as writers, the Wayans plots have never strayed from the utterly predictable

SLAPSTICK AND ONE-LINERS

But the whole point of *White Chicks* is to give the Wayans a platform to showcase their family brand of slapstick and one-liners It's a formula created by Keenen 14 years ago on his gut-busting TV show *In Living Color* (which launched Jim Carrey, Jamie Foxx and Jennifer Lopez, among others) and continued with varying degrees of success in films like the 2000 spoof *Scary Movie* and Marlon and Shawn's TV sitcom

The Wayans tricks work best here when

they lull you into complacency with extended scenes in "white chick" character, then bust out in moments of hilariously unexpected blackness

What makes *White Chicks* special is the absence of conflict between black and white Instead, the battle is between the haves and the have-mores, with the agents heating up a rivalry between their clique

and a pair of Hiltonesque sisters Bringing mother jokes, corn rows and break-dancing where they had never gone before, the agents ultimately have an empowering effect on their privileged yet insecure friends

White Chicks a Columbia Pictures release runs 105 minutes Three stars out of four

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Introduce your family to these cuddly 'Two Brothers'

BY DAVID GERMAIN
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Instead of taking the kids to *Garfield The Movie*, consider *Two Brothers*, starring real cool cats

Director/co-writer Jean-Jacques Annaud, who made the lovely 1989 nature tale *The Bear*, returns to the difficult art of the live-animal adventure and delivers another winner

Two Brothers is a gorgeously filmed, deceptively simple story of tiger cubs separated in youth, then reunited years later, initially as enemies – all through brutish human action

Deliberately spare in plot and characterization, the film evokes a sense of child-like innocence and wonder without tumbling too heavily into sappy sentiment

Annaud and writing partner Alan Godard craft just enough engaging

human interaction with their feline leads to keep the film from devolving into a National Geographic portrait. The bipeds sometimes behave villainously, but none are true villains, just opportunists out of touch with nature and ripe for a comic upbraiding by the animal kingdom

Shot largely in Cambodia and set in the early 20th century, the film stars Guy Pearce as Aidan McRory, a big-game hunter and treasure seeker whose jungle

expedition stumbles on a tiger family living among the ruins of an ancient temple

As family films go, *Two Brothers* is a sweet, rhapsodic alternative to the cheeky sarcasm of *Shrek 2* and *Garfield* or the dark-tinged terror of *Harry Potter and the Prisoner of Azkaban*

Two Brothers a Universal release is rated PG for mild violence. Running time 108 minutes. Three stars out of four

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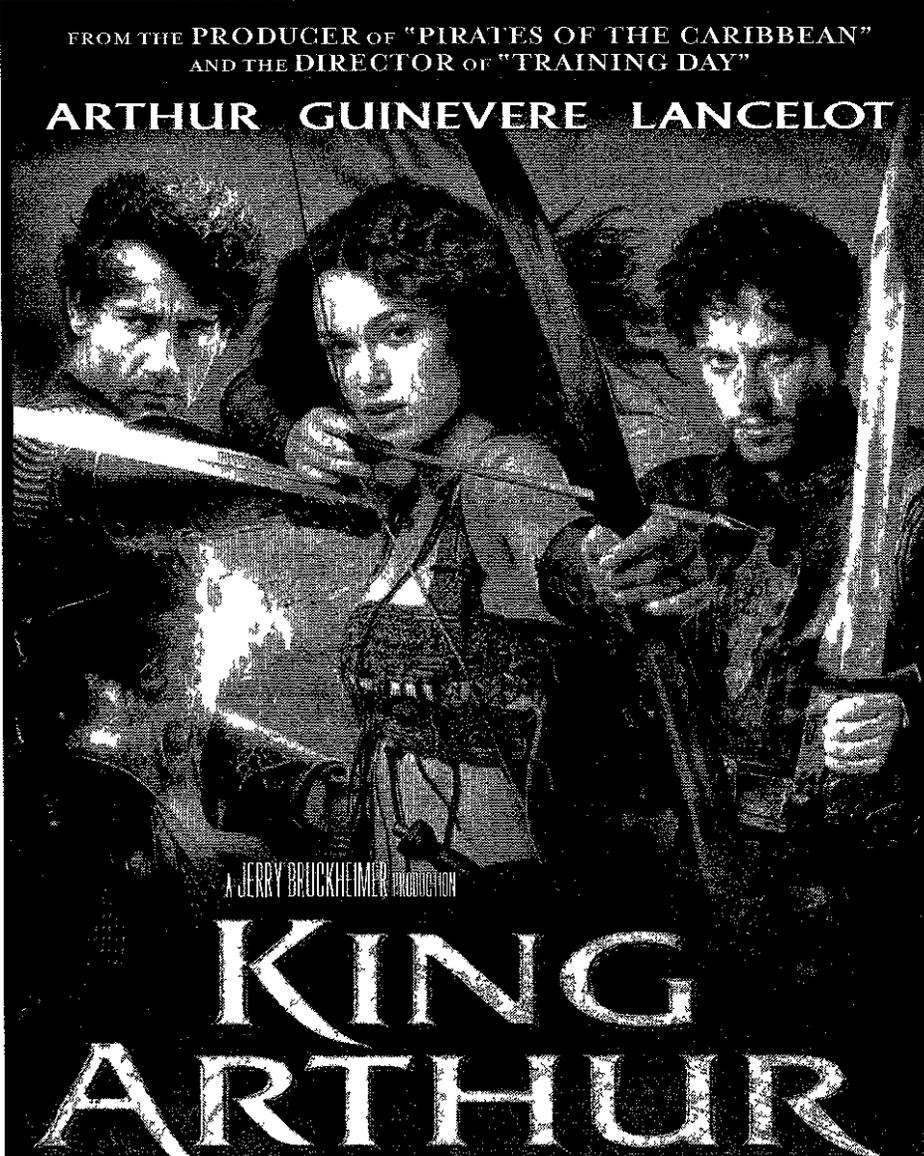
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Holiday concerts

Salute your American heroes at Greenfield Village

BY JENNA KLOECKNER
STAFF WRITER

Party the patriotic way this Fourth of July weekend. Join the Detroit Symphony Orchestra in a *Salute to America* at Greenfield Village.

The 12th annual concert series, taking place today through Sunday, also features the Motor City Brass Band and winners of the DSO's Star Spangled Singing Contest, including 9-year-old Tommi William of Redford, Brandon Hynes, 16, a Canton resident, and Elizabeth Bezerko, 13, of Farmington Hills. Each will sing the national anthem on a different night, today through Saturday.

"Greenfield Village's celebration is the Midwest's premiere celebration of the Fourth of July," said Christian Overland, director of Greenfield Village.

Last year's concerts drew nearly 8,000 people each night, some from as far away as London, Spain and Germany.

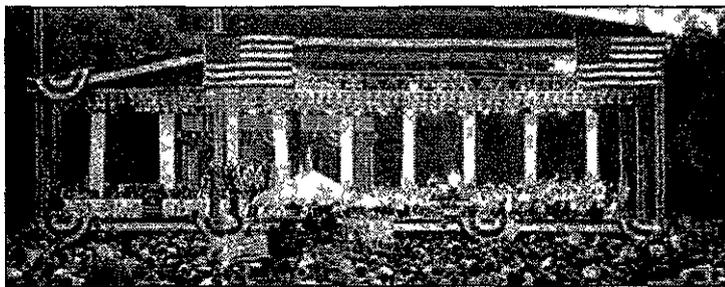
There's a patriotic theme to the concerts every year, said Kendra Whitlock, DSO director of pop and specials.

But this year, because of recent conflicts in the Middle East, the concerts have an *American Heroes* theme with a special focus on American soldiers, she said.

PROGRAM

The DSO will present an *Armed Forces Salute*. Soldiers past and present can stand up and sing along when their theme song is played.

Also on the program is *Marathon Fanfare*, *Liberty for All*, and *1812 Overture*, accompanied, of course, by canons. Celebrity narra-



A red, white and blue decorated stage with American flags helps create a patriotic setting as the Detroit Symphony Orchestra entertains guests at Greenfield Village.

tors will read famous quotes by John F. Kennedy, Martin Luther King and others during *Liberty for All*, while *Stars and Stripes Forever* heralds the start of a festive fireworks display.

This year's concerts will be performed for the first time in the Village's Walnut Grove Historic District, which offers a more spacious area and allows better visibility of the fireworks that take place after the concerts each evening, Overland said.

Kids can walk on stilts and play 19th century lawn games before the concert and meet members of the village's historic baseball team, the Lah-De-Dahs. Costumed historical characters will mingle with the audience. Food and beverages, including chicken, Polish sausage and other picnic fare, will be available for purchase.

"People can picnic, listen to great American music and enjoy great American fireworks at America's greatest history attraction," he said.

SALUTE TO AMERICA

What: Performances by the Detroit Symphony Orchestra and Motor City Brass Band, games and fireworks.
When: Today Sunday, gates open 6 p.m., Motor City Brass Band plays at 7:30 p.m., DSO follows at 8:30 p.m., fireworks at dusk.

Where: Walnut Grove Historical District, Greenfield Village, 20900 Oakwood Blvd in Dearborn.

Admission: Advance tickets, \$19 adults, \$12 children ages 5-12, age 4 and under free. Tickets purchased at gate, \$23 adults, \$15 children. Call the DSO (313) 576-5130, Greenfield Village (313) 982-6001, or visit www.detroitssymphony.com or www.hfmgv.org.

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