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Circus act

Laura Mahnken and 2-year-old twins Lily and Sophia watched the early morning circus activities as the Kelly Miller Bros. Circus came to Central Middle School as a fund-raiser for the Plymouth Lions. The circus put on two performances Wednesday afternoon.

Meals on Wheels seeking volunteers

BY TONY BRUSCATO STAFF WRITER

When 67-year-old John Morrissey of Plymouth had an operation in January to correct congestive heart failure, one of his main concerns - besides recovery — was how he was going to be able to live on his own for several months.

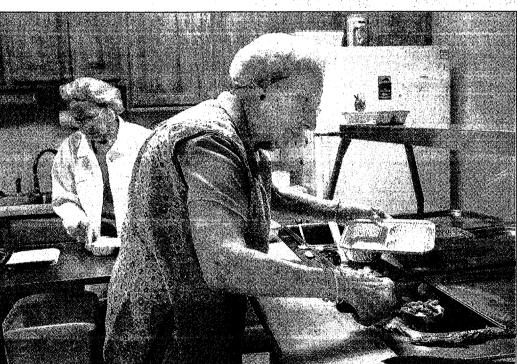
"I don't have any relatives around, I could barely walk from one room to another and I couldn't drive for three months," Morrissey said.

Fortunately for Morrissey, the Meals on Wheels program helped make certain he was able to get a daily nutritious meal, something which had been in doubt after his operation. "It was nutritional, and

low sodium, which is just what I needed," he said. "There are a lot of people a lot worse off than I am who really need it."

While Morrissey said he'll be back on his own soon, there are others who need the Meals on Wheels program on a more permanent basis. Betty Hesselgrave, who runs the Meals on Wheels program out of Tonquish Creek Manor in Plymouth, said the group prepares and delivers about 55 meals a

"I feel I'm helping to keep people in their homes instead of having to go into assisted living," said Hesselgrave, 79, who has run been with Meals on Wheels for 32 years, including 12 in Plymouth. "Sometimes our



Betty Hesselgrave fills trays with the hot meal of the day. Sally Dauderman places lids on the trays and seals them for transport.

driver is the only person the client sees all day, and I know it makes the drivers feel they're doing something worthwhile."

Hesselgrave said the main parameter for participating in the Meals on Wheels program is being at least 60 years old, or married to someone who is 60 and in need.

Thirty-four Wayne County communities participate in the Meals on Wheels program, which is federally funded through the county's Senior Alliance program.



Volunteer driver Terry Koetting makes a delivery to client John Morrissey.

Grant hike means millions

Raise, student influx bring district more cash

BY TONY BRUSCATO STAFF WRITER

Plymouth-Canton Community Schools will receive a \$210 per pupil state foundation grant increase beginning Oct. 1, the result of Gov. Jennifer Granholm signing the K-12 budget bill Tuesday afternoon.

School districts now will get at least \$7,085 per pupil, with some districts getting more than \$11,000 for each child. Plymouth-Canton will receive \$7,410 per student.

The amount of the increase came as somewhat a surprise to Plymouth-Canton school officials, who were expecting more than what was approved by legislators. The district, in its 2006-07 budget projections, penciled in an increase of \$225 per student.

"At the time we put the budget together, the business folks and lobbyists had been saying we would get \$230 per student, so we budgeted \$225," said Patricia Brand, assistant superintendent for business services. "I don't think anybody thought it would come in below that, and there was no indication in the House and Senate fiscal hearings that it would. Things happened after that."

The \$210 boost will result in an increase of \$3.9 million of new revenue for the district, which Brand says is about \$278,000 less than projected in this fiscal year's budget.

"When we're as tight as we are, it could post a challenge," Brand said. "However, at year end (June 30), I think we'll be in decent shape and better than what the board was projecting.

"I don't think \$278,000 on a \$150-million budget will be an issue," she said. "That's not even one-tenth of 1 percent. I think most entities would be pleased with revenues within that."

The district projected a \$4.4 million budget shortfall for this school year, and officials are hoping that an increased enrollment in the range of 400 students which would bring in an additional \$2.2 million - plus the increase in state funding will erase some of the deficit.

"Our expenditures were projected to go up \$5.1 million, but we made program and budget reductions in the amount of \$2 million this year," Brand said.

Under the education bill, school districts with declining enrollment will receive an additional \$23 per student to help close the gap in funding. However, Judy Mardigian, Plymouth-Canton school board vice president, said the legislature needs to address additional funding for school districts that have increasing enrollment.

"I find it interesting the state can find supplemental funding for districts with declining enrollment, but we have growing enrollment and we are funded very inequitably compared to other districts," Mardigian said. "Addressing this issue needs to be done."

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Officials say Workman Elementary, located at Cherry Hill and Denton, is set to be up and ready on time for the start of the 2006-07 school year.

Staff 'pumped up' as Workman gets ready

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BY TONY BRUSCATO STAFF WRITER

Jim Burt sat in his temporary office at Dodson Elementary Tuesday, planning where to paint lines on the blacktop at his new school, Workman Elementary, so kids will know where to line up in the mornings.

'There's a million-and-one

details," said Burt. "My goal is to make sure that from day one teachers and kids know routines and procedures. I don't want kids to be confused on the first day of school.

Burt, 56, has been a teacher and administrator in the Plymouth-Canton district for 34

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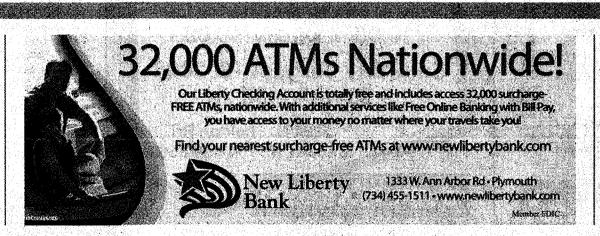
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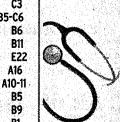
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Coming Sunday in Health **APARTMENTS**



School is about to begin and it's time for children to get vaccinations. Learn what you need to know.

Local band appears

Music lovers who haven't caught up with Phoenix, the local band made up of Plymouth-Canton musicians, get their chance when the band makes an appearance at the Plymouth Community Arts Council 7:30 p.m. Friday, Aug. 17.

Doors open at 7 p.m.; admission is \$5. For more on the band, go to phoenixband.mine.nu

Crafters needed

Crafters & Vendors are needed for The Plymouth Salvation Army's Craft & Vendor Fair Saturday, Oct. 14.

The fair runs 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. The cost to rent an eightfoot table is \$25. The Salvation Army is located at 9451 S. Main Street in Plymouth. Call Cassie at 734-453-5464 or email cassie_hull@usc.salvationarmy.org for more information.

Perennial exchange

The Trailwood Garden Club sponsors a perennial exchange during the Plymouth Fall Festival 9-11 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 9.

The exchange is open to everyone; bring a healthy plant, take a healthy plant. The club will be set up at the east end of Kellogg Park, opposite the Wilcox House.

Trailwood Garden Club is a member of the Woman's National Farm & Garden Association. For more information, call (734) 459-7146.

YMCA movie day

Community members can enjoy a night of fun with their families and help send a kid to camp as the YMCA hosts a double feature of family friendly films at a special YMCA day at Compuware Sports Arena Drive-In Theatre in Plymouth.

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Tickets are \$25 per car. Proceeds from this event benefit the YMCA Strong Kids Campaign and YMCA Camp Nissokone, our overnight camp in Oscoda, Mich.

Compuware Arena is located at 14900 N. Beck in Plymouth Township.

Car wash for vets

The Vietnam Veterans of **America Chapter 528** Plymouth/Canton will host a car wash on Sunday, Aug. 20 from 8 a.m. until 5 p.m. at the Lighthouse Carwash on Ford Road, which is located on the south side of the road between Haggerty and Lilley roads.

The owner, Paul Berry, donates all the cash proceeds to the chapter that will wash and dry your car this day.

'Bee'-ing careful

Maybury Farm hosts bee demonstrations 1-4 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, Aug. 19-20. The demonstrations are designed to teach everything there is to know about bees their importance to the environment, to our food supply, and to the farm. School children see this demonstration throughout the school year; now, moms and dads have the opportunity.

Maybury Farm is open noon to 5 p.m. Wednesday through Sunday. Admission is \$3 per adult and \$2 per child; 3-andunder free.

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A catered meal will be provided for \$8 per person. Longtime residents of the community should plan on attending!

For more information or to make a reservation, call Richard Sharland, (734) 453-

Senior Fest picnic

The annual Plymouth Senior Fest Picnic takes place 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 13 at Waterford Bend Park at 6 Mile and Northville Road.

Tickets must be purchased by Sept. 6 at the Plymouth Community Council on Aging office, (734) 453-1234, Ext. 236. Tickets are \$6 and are available to residents only. The ticket includes a box lunch, entertainment and prizes.

Entertainment books

The Beckridge Chorale (formerly the Plymouth Community Chorus) has the new 2007 Entertainment Books and is selling them to support their charitable and educational activities.

The book contains 2-for-1 and 50-percent-off deals for restaurants, entertainment, hotels, sporting events, plane fares, car rental, etc. Retail price is \$25; however, the chorale is offering them for

The books will be delivered, and can be ordered by calling Stanley Kovacheff, (734) 459-

Craft show

Delta Kappa Gamma's 20th annual scholarship craft and home show will be held 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 21, at West Middle School, 44401 W. Ann Arbor Trail (southwest corner of Sheldon and Ann Arbor Trail) in Plymouth.

The show will feature more than 85 juried crafters and home vendors. Admission is \$2.

For more information, call (734) 254-0849.

Me and My Shadow

Young children and their grown-ups are invited to "Me & My Shadow" parent and young child classes at New * Morning School. The classes are designed to be a fun, nurturing, and educational introduction to preschool for 2-, 3and 4-year-olds and their parents. Activities include music and finger-play, art and discovery projects, snack and story time, all centered around a learning theme.

New Morning School's "Me & My Shadow" classes provide one-on-one time for parents and children and encourage children to take their first steps toward socializing with their peers. Parents will gain and share wisdom from weekly discussions of developmental milestones and parenting strategies.

Twelve-week sessions on Mondays and Wednesdays from 6-7:15 p.m. begin Sept. 11 and Sept. 13. Cost is \$102 for the entire session. To enroll, call (734) 420-3331 or download the registration form at www.newmorningschool.com/ shadow.htm.

Victorian festival

The Northville Chamber of Commerce sponsors the 18th annual Northville Victorian Festival Sept. 15-17, taking the community back to the "romance of the 1800s amid Northville's historic homes and tree-lined streets."

The festival starts with a kick-off parade at 6:30 p.m. Sept. 15 and, for the next two days, the streets will be closed to automobile traffic as townspeople, artists and business owners turn back the clock. Visitors can enjoy a shopping experience, old-fashioned games, food booths, an antique

show and a fine art market. The festival runs 6:30-11

p.m. Sept. 15; 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. Sept. 16; and 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sept. 17.

For more information, call (248) 349-7640.

Fashion show

Bella Mia hosts its annual Fall Fashion Show at E.G. Nicks 12:30 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 26.

Cost for the event is \$23, which includes lunch, the fashion show and prizes. Tickets can be ordered with Visa or MasterCard by calling (734) 656-0057, or at Bella Mia, 535 Forest in downtown Plymouth.

E.G. Nicks is located at 500 Forest. For more information, call (734) 656-0057.

School supplies

The Plymouth Salvation Army is conducting its annual "school supply drive."

Included among the items they're looking for are notebook paper, pocket folders, pencils, erasers, colored pencils and back packs.

The Plymouth Salvation Army, which covers Plymouth, Canton, Northville and Belleville, is located on Main, just south of Ann Arbor Road. For more information, call (734) 453-5464.

American Legion sale

The American Legion Auxiliary Unit 112 is having its annual Rummage and Bake Sale 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Aug. 17-19 at the IOOF Hall, 344 Elizabeth (at Ann Arbor Trail) in Plymouth. All proceeds will be used to

benefit veterans.

Friends of Miller Woods

The Friends of Miller Woods are looking for new members to help build an organization committed to preserving and protecting Miller Woods for future generations.

The group is planning guided tours, guest speakers, fundraising and maintenance activities and is looking for others to join.

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ual, \$40 for families and help pay for biannual newsletters,

postage, etc. For more information or to obtain an application form and recent newsletter, contact Cheryl Bord at (734) 459-

Orchestra auditions

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The Celebration Youth Orchestra holds auditions for the 2006-07 school year Aug. 25-26 at Evola Music, 7170 N. Haggerty in Canton.

Auditions are open to string students ages 9 and older with at least one year of instruction and wind, brass, and percussion students ages 12 and older with at least three years of instruction.

Students may live anywhere in southeastern Michigan. Auditions must be scheduled in advance. Students are asked to prepare one scale in any key and a piece of their choice. Percussionists will be provided with a snare drum, but will need to bring their own sticks.

The CYO is the youth orchestra supported by the **Plymouth Canton** Symphony Society. In fall 2006, the CYO will have two ensembles, the Celebration Sinfonia for string, wind, brass, and percussion students and the Celebration Strings. The CYO is dedicated to challenging and inspiring students through high level ensemble training and the performance of standard and new reper-

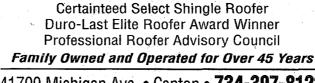
The Celebration Youth Orchestra is part of the Plymouth Symphony's Youth Outreach Education Program. Donations to the Symphony's No Kid without a Koncert Education Campaign help to fund the CYO as well as many other programs for students throughout Southeastern Michigan.

To schedule an audition or for information, e-mail jane@plymouthsymphony.org or call the symphony office, (734) 451-2112.



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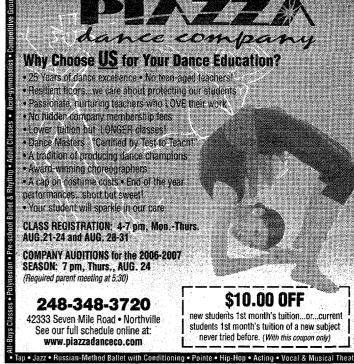
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Census figures: Canton is growing larger, more diverse

BY CAROL MARSHALL STAFF WRITER

It's not a new story, and it wasn't a surprise when the mid-decade census figures were released Tuesday. Again, Canton showed faster growth than anywhere else in the state during the last five years, growing at a rate more than 10 times the state's total population.

Canton's 2005 population was 90,501, compared to 76,310 in 2000, representing a 19-percent increase.

The mid-decade census is helpful, according to **Township Supervisor Tom**

"In our case, though, I think they missed the numbers," he said, adding that he thinks Canton's population is closer to 86,500 than it is to 90,000. He said he based his opinion on figures from the Southeastern Michigan Council of Governments

(SEMCOG). "SEMCOG has proven its ability to collect data over the years, and their estimates say we're smaller than the Census Bureau says we are," Yack said.

Still, if the census figures are errant, there's no harm to Canton.

Yack said there's no doubt that the township is growing, even if the population hasn't topped 90,000.

'We're growing now for the same reasons we were growing during the building boom we were having up until last year," he said. "The same elements are at work. There's a quality of life issue.

We have good schools and excellent leisure services, a safe community. If you have the ability to select where you live, Canton offers a lot of reasons to live here."

And he swears there are plenty of housing options.

"It's going to sound odd, but you can get a starter home in Canton for \$200,000 and work your way up from there," Yack

The population has also grown increasingly diverse in recent years.

Nearly 15,000 residents reported they are foreign born, and nearly half -7,638 - are naturalized citi-

The number of Canton residents who described themselves as white in the 2005 census was 69,147, or 76.4 percent of the township's population (compared to 74.7 percent nationwide). In 2000, there were 64,045 white residents, accounting for 83.9 percent of Canton's population.

The fastest growing ethnic group are Asian residents, who now number 13,162, or 14.5 percent of Canton's population (compared to 4.3 percent nationwide). In 2000, there were 6,664 Asian residents in Canton, accounting for 8.7 percent of the population. The increase represents a doubling of the number of

Asian residents. The African American population also grew rapidly, from 3,466 (4.5 percent of Canton's population) in 2000, to 6,653 (7.4 percent)

in 2005, representing an 84percent increase.

"Because of the automotive industry, and the strength of Ford and Visteon, there are a lot of technical jobs here, which attract workers from India and Asia and the Middle East. Those are cultures which place a high value on education, so naturally when employees go to work for the Big Three, they find their way to Canton when they're looking for somewhere to live," Yack

It's a trend that once started, grows, Yack said.

"It's not uncommon for people of other cultures to seek out and gravitate toward communities where there are others who share their culture," he said. "We have a mosque and two Hindu temples, so there is a strong eastern community

Canton's grown older, as well. The median age in 2000 was 33.4. Five years later, it was 35.3 years old. The number of senior citizens has also grown from 4.531 in 2000 to 6,236 in

The population of people under the age of 5 grew from 6,715 in 2000 to 8,503 in

In the 12 months leading up to the 2005 census, 1,850 babies were born to Canton mothers, and of those, 566 were born to unmarried mothers, according to census

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Helping drive boyhood dream

Plymouth Dodge dealer sponsors NASCAR team

BY BRAD KADRICH STAFF WRITER

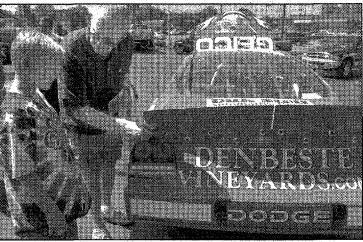
When Auggie Vidovich was a youngster, he spent a lot of time grading and setting concrete forms for his dad, who was in the construction busi-

Now, Vidovich is living a boyhood dream as a NASCAR driver, and he's gettin some local help for this weekend's race at Michigan International Speedway. Plymouth dealer **Dick Scott Automotive Group** is one of Vidovich's sponsors for the Michigan race.

"It was kind of a friend-of-afriend deal, someone talked to us and we decided to do it," director of dealership operations Nicole Scott said. "It's a real good thing for us. Dodge is big into NASCAR and it goes hand-in-hand with what we're doing here."

Vidovich earned the 2003 NASCAR Elite Division **Featherlite Southwest Series** championship and, despite a limited 2004 schedule, led the Southwest series in laps in the lead and was second in series points.

He won from the pole in a Southwest Series race in California, then got a chance to fill in for NASCAR driver



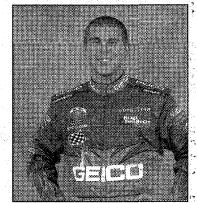
Tony Covitz and grandson Stephen Kovitz check out the NASCAR Dodge at Dick Scott Dodge Wednesday. Driver Auggie Vidovich spent a few hours Wednesday signing autographs.

Mark Martin of Rousch Racing. He was later signed to drive full time for Biagi DenBeste Racing in the #4 GEICO car.

Vidovich, who starts in his eighth race of the year this weekend, was in Plymouth Wednesday to sign autographs.

"It's an awesome opportunitv." Vidovich said. "I like being around people, and anything I can do to help the team and help the sport is great."

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BY MICHAEL TOLZMANN
CORRESPONDENT

EGLIN AIR FORCE BASE, Fla. - Long before al-Zarqawi became a household name in America, Air Force men and women here were developing specialized ways to attack terrorists and their infrastructure. High-tech bombs with precision pin-point accuracy are developed and tested here at the Air Force's main armament center.

Air Force Maj. David J.
Winebrener, son of Jim and
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Airborne Test Branch at the 780th Test Squadron/Air to Surface Test Flight," said Winebrener, a 1991 graduate of Churchill High School in Livonia and a 1996 graduate of the U.S. Air Force Academy at Colorado Springs, Colo. "We test new weapons and modifications to existing weapons. We plan, execute and report on primarily air-to-ground weapons."

The bombs that recently killed terrorist Abu Musab al-Zarqawi in Iraq, and the technology behind these bombs, were fielded at the center first. U.S. Air Force F-16 and F-15 fighter airplanes fill the skies here with bombs strapped-on that are dropped onto exact targets with the help of laser guidance or internal smart-bomb navigation assisted by Global Positioning Systems, or GPS, the same system automakers install in many vehicles today. Much of this precision bomb technology is designed for not only accuracy, but to reduce collateral damage and excessive loss of

Winebrener's personal involvement here makes him well suited for supporting the Air Force efforts in fighting the Global War on Terror. "I've been testing the latest upgrades and conduct lotacceptance tests for the Joint Direct Attack Munitions (JDAM), and test laser-guided bombs and several other weapons," he said.

Winebrener's personal Air Force background is comprehensive.

"I've been in the Air Force for 10 years. I'm a test pilot school graduate and an Air Force engineer," Winebrener said.

As engineers crunch physics equations in the development labs, and pilots scream over the base's airspace dropping bombs that can find small targets with little human help, Americans can sleep well knowing people like Winebrener are helping make our fight against terrorists like al-Zarqawi a little easier.



Air Force Maj. David J. Winebrener, son of Jim and Jean Winebrener of Plymouth and a 1991 graduate of Livonia Churchill High School, is the chief of the Airborne Test Branch at the 780th Test Squadron/Air to Surface Test Flight

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Dance companies audition 'Nutcracker'

The Metro Shores Ballet and the Plymouth-Canton Ballet Company announced open auditions for the 2006 dance season and are inviting all dancers, but especially boys, to audition for positions with the companies.

Selected dancers are expected to continue a course of study at their current dance school. Rehearsals are scheduled to minimize conflicts with fall dance programs, officials said.

Dancers will be cast for the 2006 Nutcracker Ballet performances. The Metro Shores Ballet performances are scheduled for December 1-3. Metro Shores rehearsals will be held on Saturdays. The Plymouth-Canton Ballet performances will be December 8-10 with the Plymouth Symphony Orchestra. Plymouth-Canton rehearsals are held on Sundays beginning in

September.

Dancers will be adjudicated in a Ballet Master Class. The classes will be taught by Dawnell Dryja and Alexey Kulpin, professional dancers with the Grand Rapids Ballet. The Metro Shores auditions will be held Saturday, Aug. 26 at the Grosse Ile Academy of Dance, 8205 Macomb Street, in Grosse Ile.

The Plymouth-Canton Ballet auditions will be held at Sunday, Aug. 27, at Joanne's Dance Extension, 42020 Koppernick, Suite 200 in Canton.

Each day dancers will be divided by age: Ages 7-9, noon-1 p.m.; Ages 10-12, 1-2 p.m.; and ages 13-adult, 2-3:30 p.m.

Female dancers must wear ballet shoes, a solid color leotard, pink tights and have their hair in a bun. Older dancers should bring pointe shoes. Boys should wear black tights, white T-shirt and ballet shoes. All dancers must bring a picture and a resume. There is a \$5 audition fee per dancer.

The Plymouth-Canton Ballet and the Metro Shores Ballet are affiliated 501(c)(3) nonprofit organizations under the direction of Dawn Greene. The PCBC was founded in 1989 and the MSB in 1996. The companies have been formed as an educational alternative for dance students in the Metro Detroit area who are interested in the performance of ballet. Also, the Company offers local communities a high quality artistic experience for performers and audiences through dance productions.

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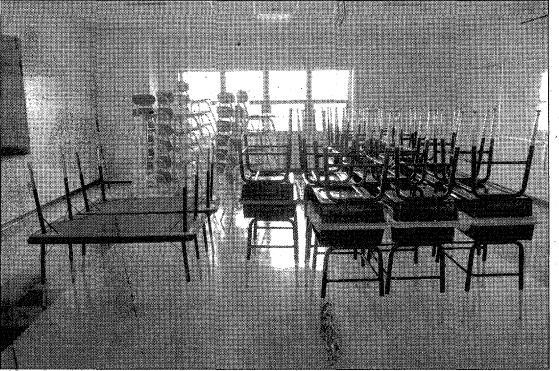
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years, opening Miller Elementary as a teacher in 1972. He's been developing a plan to open Workman since March 2005, even while still principal at Eriksson \ Elementary. It's now down to crunch time.

If all goes well with the state fire marshal and Canton Township inspections this week, teachers will be moving into their classrooms next Tuesday. An open house for parents and students is scheduled 6-7:45 p.m. Aug. 30, with the first day of classes Sept. 5. Letters should arrive in mailboxes this weekend for Workman families to outline details.

"We'll have maps for people, kids will know who their teach. ers are so they can meet them, they'll be able to tour the school and use the playground ... get the lay of the land," Burt said.

"In an established school, most things are just routines that 95 percent of the kids understand when they return the following year ... like how lunch works or where to stand in line," he said. "It's my job to make sure there is as little con-



BILL BRESLER I STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Desks and chairs are ready to go at Workman Elementary as the school district gets set to open its newest building.

fusion as possible that first day. I want this to feel like it's not something brand new."

Burt has had to take care of every last detail for the opening of Workman, including ordering desks, books and classroom materials.

"The parent handbook is

done," he said. "Parents want to know the rules, where they can park and drop off students.

"Teachers will be showing kids around the school (the first day)," he said. "Especially for little kids, I want them to know before lunch starts what table they will be sitting at and where

to buy hot lunches and milk." Burt said he wants students to feel connected to the school, and he'll give them an opportunity to take part in some decision-making.

"One of the small things I can do to help get kids connected to the school is to have

some say in the mascot and school colors," Burt said. There will be a nomination and voting process that will take place in September."

Burt says the entire process of getting Workman open has been seamless from the beginning. Sue Iwema, a literary intervention specialist, has been working with teachers on which of the more than 10,000 books to order, and then teamed with Burt to get those books in place before next month's opening. Iwema said parents have been a big part of the team.

"Parents have been streaming in, picking up books and putting contact paper on the paperbacks," Iwema said. "It's been a big undertaking."

Iwema said there's a lot of excitement in the air with the anticipation of the opening of Plymouth-Canton's 16th elementary school.

"When you talk to any teacher coming into Workman, they're pumped up," Iwema said. "All the energy that has gone into this, it's pretty exciting."

Workman has the same basic blueprint as Dodson; however, it's constructed with an additional wing that houses a halfdozen more classrooms. It was built to have at least five classes of every grade, with a cap of 750 students making it the largest elementary in the district.

With the addition of the Talented and Gifted program for one year – the result of Miller Elementary being closed for remodeling -Workman will have at least 700 students when it opens.

"We're not anticipating any problems, we expect to be open on time," said Brian MacAskill, senior project manager for McCarthy & Smith, Inc. Construction Services of Farmington Hills. "We've been blessed with good contractors, and it's been a big help. We're right on schedule."

Burt said he hasn't run into any major problems the past 17 months. However ...

"I've only awakened two mornings and said 'I don't think all of this is going to get done," Burt chuckled. "But, I've really enjoyed coming to work every day, and appreciating the responsibility the district is giving me to get this school open.

"It's not unlike moving into a new house," he said. "In the first month, all the blinds aren't up and all the pictures aren't hung, but at least you know the clothes are in the dresser, you have a bed to sleep in and you know where the pots and pans are."



Betty Hesselgrave and Sally Dauderman packaged 53 meals for delivery and 21 for in-house use at Tonquish Creek Manor.

MEALS

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The federal money pays for weekday meals, but not for hol-

"We fund-raise the money to cover the cost of holiday meals because the federal money an't" said I ari Vail Sai Alliance program specialist.

Vail said enough money has been raised to begin deliveries on Labor Day, Thanksgiving (700 meals county-wide), Christmas (750 meals) and Easter (600). However, having enough drivers to deliver the meals is the problem.

Hesselgrave said Labor Day meals in Plymouth are frozen and sent a week beforehand. However, she's looking for drivers who can help with the holiday deliveries.

Don Carter said he was restless after retiring more than. two years ago, and decided to become a driver for Hesselgrave.

"I just love it," said Carter, 71, of Plymouth Township. "I think it's the greatest thing I've ever done in my life.

"It's very rewarding, no question about it," he added. "You learn about how lucky you are, and how you appreciate what you do and don't have. And the people are just wonderful. My wife thinks I should write a book

about the experiences I've had." Carter, who delivers one day a week, said he's manipulated his route to end at someone's house that likes to talk, in order to give them the time they deserve.

"A lot of people don't have anybody to talk to all day long," he said. "You may be the only person they see all day."

Township said Meals on Wheels has become more than just a hot meal each day.

"The volunteers are just wonderful, they've become friends of mine," said Collrin, 52, who has been blind since she was 21. "It's just great to have somebody to talk to.

"It's also a way I can show my doctor that I can live alone and be independent," she added.

Collrin said with the help of Carter, she's met several people who have become friends. "He introduced me to other

people he's met on his route, and we correspond back and forth with each other," Collrin said. "I can't thank him enough."

Anyone interested in becoming a driver for Meals on Wheels in Plymouth can call Betty Hesselgrave at (734) 453-9703. Seniors who want to receive a noon lunch at Tonguish Creek Manor can make arrangements with Hesselgrave.

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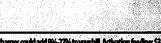


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PCAC offers auditions with a twist

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The Plymouth Community Arts Council holds open auditions for children ages 6-14 for the Plymouth Uptown Players fall production with a bit of a twist: The play to be performed will not be chosen until after auditions so that Sharon Belobraidich, the director, can choose the best play according to the strengths of the group.

Auditions will be held 6:30-8 p.m. Sept. 6-7 at the Arts Council, 774 N. Sheldon in Plymouth. The auditions are free of charge, no special preparation is required and there's no need to register in advance. The children should plan to choose one day and stay for the entire "workshop." All children who audition will receive a part.

Rehearsals will be held on Sunday evenings and run through the opening of the play Dec. 1. The performance fee is \$130 for PCAC members, with half due at

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Katherine Potter (from left), Rivers Smyth, Alyssa Knight, Hannah Liabenow and Christina Gonzalez perform at the Plymouth Community Arts Council's visual arts camp in July. The PCAC is holding open auditions for children ages 6-14 for the Plymouth Uptown Players fall production.

the time a part is accepted. The cast will then take the play "on tour" into the local schools for the two weeks following the performances at the Arts Council, usually performing two to three times over a two week period.

A "Teen" production will be available for older students who would rather perform with a more mature cast or who cannot "tour" into the schools. Depending on the number of aspiring actors

who audition, the PCAC may offer a play to the youngest actors that will not tour. Auditions for all casts will be at the same time with rehearsals on Sundays as well.

PCAC officials said an additional production with rehearsals on a week night could be offered. Anyone interested in such a production should provide feedback to PCAC officials.

For more information, call the PCAC, (734) 416-4278.

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Car show and cruise return to Hines Park

BY SUE MASON STAFF WRITER

The focus may be on Woodward Avenue and this weekend's Woodward Dream Cruise, but Joseph Langa is looking to Hines Park, where the Rolling Thunder Car Club will host the Hines Park Car Show and Cruise on Saturday,

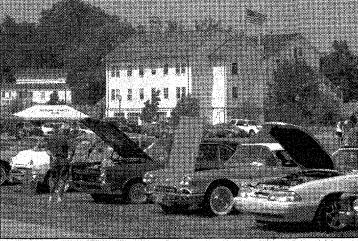
Thirty cars have pre-registered for the event and Langa is anticipating a larger number of cars registering the day of the show and cruise that he hopes will become the grand finale of the car cruise season.

"Before they put their cars away for the winter. I want to help wean them off of their cruise high of the summer,"

said Langa, a Redford resident. This the second year the car club, Langa's Dragon Head Productions, and the Wayne County Parks have teamed up to host the show and cruise. The show will be from 11 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. in the field next to the Nankin Mills Interpretive Center on Hines Drive just south of Ann Arbor Trail, with a six-mile car cruise from Ann Arbor Trail to Outer Drive happening 3:30-4:30 p.m.

Langa is hoping to attract 250 cars competing in 16 categories — everything from open rod, closed rod, convertible and factory muscle to custom, Euro, Mustang and special interest. There also are categories for 1950s, 1960-69 and 1970-79 street machines and original restored, trucks and race/track.

The show is sharing the park with people taking advantage of the weekly Saturdays in the Park when Hines Drive is



Cars with their hoods up lined up along Hines Drive in the Nankin Mills area for the 2005 installment of the Hines Park Car Show and Cruise.

closed to vehicular traffic from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. The closing will be extended an hour to

Preregistration numbers are down from the 72 that signed up last year, and Langa hopes to grow the show and cruise by letting cars enter the day of the event.

accommodate the car cruise.

"Usually, 70 percent of the cars show up the day of the show," he said. "We turned away 40 cars last year because they didn't pre-register."

Day of show registration will cost \$10 and will include trophies in 21 classes. Those interested in just showing their cars will be charged just \$5. Registering for the show is a must. Only registered cars will be able to cruise Hines Drive.

Part of the proceeds from the show will go to the Friends of the Park for maintaining and purchasing equipment for the playgrounds, ball fields and picnic areas.

The Classic Band will per-

form throughout the day, and a food concession will be open. The authors of two books will be there to sell and sing their books — The Bous Club and Dragonia, The Mystic Mountains.

Langa has also lined up the Marriott Hotel as the show and cruise headquarters and is putting together packages with special rates and tour packages.

Langa's dream is for the car show and cruise to become a popular cruise destination and ultimately the final cruise of the season. He also believes the more cars the show and cruise attract, the longer the actual cruise time will be.

"My intention is to go to a full cruise, so it can be the last cruise of the season," Langa said.

For more information about the second annual Hines Park Car Show and Cruise, call Joseph Langa at (313) 533-

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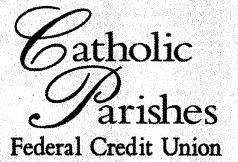


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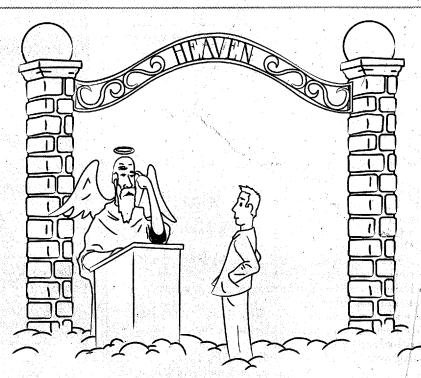


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Going for the gold

Seniors get ready to work out at Western Wayne Olympics

BY DARRELL CLEM STAFF WRITER

Mel Tockstein might not be Superman, but he can move 25 tons of weight by himself.

Not bad for a man of 63. Tockstein, a Westland resident, works out two or three times a week inside the city's senior citizen Friendship Center. After riding a stationary bike for 40-60 minutes at 20 mph, he uses weight machines to exercise his shoulders, arms, chest, stomach and legs, pushing and pulling a cumulative 25 tons during his

Some people think I'm crazy," Tockstein said, doing weights resting on his chest.

And don't be surprised if Tockstein brings home some the Western Wayne Senior Olympics, Aug. 21-25.

Northville and Northville Township will host this year's Senior Olympics, with numerous competitions planned in Northville Millennium Park. Other contests will be held in Canton, Livonia, Plymouth, Redford and Westland, among

Tockstein played sports in

he now weighs 205. He rides his bike and swims. He benchpresses 120 pounds, doing three sets of 12 repetitions. He moves 265 pounds on the leg press, despite having had sev-

Tockstein plans to compete in the Senior Olympics in ball and football. Just for fun, he'll spin the music as a disc jockey during some events,

In all, some 360 seniors, including 70 from Westland, will compete in the second Olympics, Westland senior resources Director Peggy Ellenwood said.

Seniors will com age groups, 50-59, 60-69, 70-

as the primary host last year; Westland will have its turn in 2007.

Spectators are invited to watch all senior competitions except golf. Seniors will compete in activities ranging from a 3K run to a baking contest and from volleyball to bridge.

"I like to do the physical things," said Tockstein, who

LET THE GAMES BEGIN

The Western Wayne Senior Olympics will kick off the morning of Monday, Aug. 21, during a breakfast with Wayne County Executive Robert Ficano at Northville Millennium Park. The event will end Friday, Aug. 25, with a senior banquet.

The following is a list of events, their times and locations. Spectators are welcome. For more information, call (734) 349-4140.

Monday, Aug. 21 The following events will be held opening day at Northville Millennium Park: a baking contest, 8:45 a.m.; the opening ceremony, 10 a.m.; a fun walk, 11 a.m.; a 3K run, 11 a.m.; a softball throw, 11:15 a.m.; a ring toss, 11:30 a.m.; a Frisbee toss, 11:45 a.m.; a football toss, noon; and a soccer kick, 12:15 p.m. The euchre competition will be held at 1:30 p.m. at the Plymouth Cultural

Center. Tuesday, Aug. 22

Tennis, 9 a.m., Capitol Park, Redford Township; horseshoes, 9 a.m., Freedom Park, Canton Township; volleyball, 10 a.m., Northville Recreation Center at Hillside; bridge, 12:30 p.m., Livonia Civic Park Senior Center; basketball shoot, 1 p.m., Summit on the Park, Canton Township; shuffleboard, 1:30 p.m., Quirk Park, Van Buren Township.

Wednesday, Aug. 23 Golf, 8 a.m., Inkster Valley Golf Course (not open to spectators); swimming, 9 a.m., Ford Community & Performing Arts Center Dearborn; billiards, 9 a.m. Wayne Bowl; pinochle, 9:30 a.m., Friendship Center, Westland; bocce ball, 1 p.m., Ford Field, Dearborn. Thursday, Aug. 24

Bowling, 9 a.m., Wayne Bowl.

Friday, Aug. 25 Awards banquet, noon, Northville High School.

situps with two 20-pound free Crazy? Nah. medals when he participates in

other communities.

high school and in the U.S. Air Force, but he had slacked off over the years until he retired four years ago as an electrical

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Senior athlete Mel Tockstein works on his bicep curl repetitions at the Westland Friendship Center in preparation for next week's Western Wayne County Senior Olympics.

Girl Scouts plan camp improvements

The Girl Scouts of the **Huron Valley Council** Board of Directors has negotiated the sale of Camp Hilltop, one of three camp properties, to the City of Ann Arbor for \$2.2 million. Ann Arbor officials intend to transform the Camp Hilltop property which is nestled between two existing parks - into a city park, linking three other public parks or greenbelt areas.

"We believe this sale is in the best interest of the **Huron Valley Girl Scouts** and future Girl Scouts. The transition provides Huron Valley with needed resources for necessary improvements at our Camps Linden (Linden) and Crawford (Milan) and provides the city with an additional public park," said Gail Scott, CEO, Girl Scouts of the Huron Valley Council, which serves the Plymouth-Canton area.

For more than 60 years, Camp Hilltop in Ann Arbor has been an introduction to camping for thousands of girls. The camping lodge was gutted by fire in April and, based on the insurance assessment, the property sustained a considerable

amount of damage.

Some of the proceeds from the sale of Camp Hilltop and the insurance settlement will be used to develop the "village" con-cept on the Camp Linden property. The village is a central troop house/bathroom-shower building surrounded by small sleeping/living "pods" to sleep anywhere from 6 to 12 or more girls or summer camp staff. The separate pods will also house small, medium and large troopswith shared spaces that even accommodate dads or male summer camp staff. To view architect's rendering visit www.gshvc.org

Our main objective is to keep girls camping and expanding their natural curiosity about the out-ofdoors," Scott said. "This project will meet our objectives and is a win-win for the Ann Arbor community and also the Girl Scouts."

Girl Scouts of the Huron Valley Council serves 1 in 5 girls living in Livingston, Monroe, Washtenaw and parts of Oakland and Wayne counties. To become a Girl Scout or volunteer, call 1 (800) 49-SCOUT.

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also chairs the Westland-based

although, like most seniors,

not as strenuously as he does.

Olympics event that is rapidly

couch," she said. "It's good for

their mental health and their

THINKING ABOUT...

His wife Marge exercises, too

Ellenwood lauded seniors for

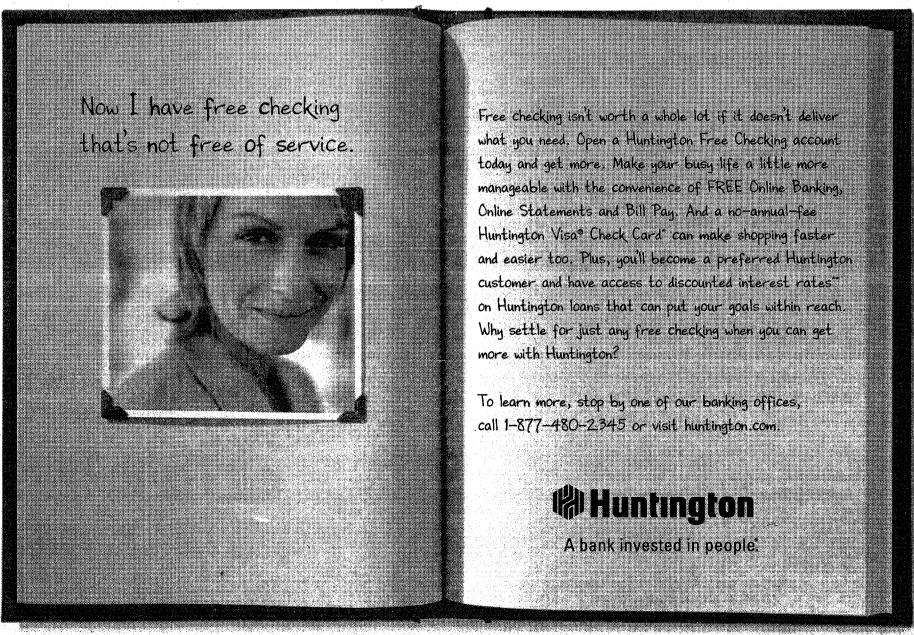
"It's better than sitting on the

Commission on Aging.

participating in a Senior

growing in popularity.

physical health.



Massey tops nation's Cadillac sales

Don Massey Cadillac of Plymouth closed out a banner sales month in July as the top seller of Cadillac vehicles for the month in the United States. With 217 deliveries in July, it marks the second consecutive month of retail sales over 200 units, putting Don Massey back as the top Cadillac dealership nationwide

for year-to-date sales. "We're thrilled to be the top Cadillac dealer in the United States for July, continuing the strong momentum our dealership had from a stellar month in June as well," said Dan Kilmer, general manager of Don Massey Cadillac. "Our entire dealership team helped us regain the top position in the country on a year-to-date basis through their dedication to excellence and customer satisfaction."

Don Massey Cadillac deliveries in July were led by the Cadillac CTS, followed by the



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IN BUSINESS

Observer & Eccentric | Thursday, August 17, 2006

"This achievement is truly a team effort," said Kilmer. "We owe a debt of gratitude to our loyal customers for patronizing our business for 30 years as well as our friends at General Motors for building great products."

Women's group board

Laurel Johnson, senior project engineer in the Shelby Township office of Soil and Materials Engineers, Inc., was elected Corresponding Secretary when the Detroit Chapter of the National Association of Women in Construction recently elected its 2006-07 Board of Directors.

Johnson specializes in providing solutions to geotechnical engineering challenges and constructability issues, including specialized earth retention and instrumentation projects and forensic services. With 13 years of experience, she supports SME clients at every

New Morning School has

\$5,000 grant in Nickelodeon's

support of a project school offi-

cials say "enhances opportuni-

ties for kids to engage in physi-

been chosen to receive a

"Let's Just Play" giveaway.

The application for the

grant, which will be used in

cal activity," was written by

fifth-grader Sydney Bartell.

"The addition of a rock-



tion. holds a bachelor of science degree in Civil Engineering from Michigan Technological University and a master of science degree in Civil **Engineering from Wayne State** University. She is also actively involved in ASFE and the **Macomb County Habitat for**

building cycle,

acquisition and

design through

construction

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from site

Brownfield financing

Humanity - Women's Build

Soil and Materials Engineers, Inc. recently teamed with four Michigan communities to secure \$2.9 million in federal/state grants and loans for brownfield redevelopment projects, including:

■ Calhoun County, \$200,000 U.S. EPA Brownfields Assessment

New Morning gets Nickelodeon grant

climbing wall would be a fun

A group of New Morning

parents will spend Saturday

installing the rock-climbing

wall and a slither slide on the

Nickelodeon grant, as well as

elementary playground. The

equipment was purchased

using funds from the

way for our elementary stu-

dents to get more exercise,"

Sydney said.

City of Monroe, \$1.0 million U.S. EPA Brownfields Revolving Loan Fund (BRLF) Grant, \$200,000 BRLF Supplemental Grant, and \$800,000 Michigan **Brownfield Redevelopment** Loan:

■ City of Trenton, \$200,000 U.S. EPA Brownfields Assessment Grant; and

■ City of Wyandotte, \$300,000 U.S. EPA BRLF Supplemental Grant and \$200,000 BRLF Loan.

SME prepared the winning applications for these grants and loans. With funding intact, these communities and brownfield developers have now retained SME to provide brownfield redevelopment management services (technical and financial oversight) for their redevelopment projects.

SME and its staff have secured over \$60 million in state/federal grants, loans, tax credits, and tax increment financing for municipal and private brownfield redevelop-

money raised at New

The 'Let's Just Play'

auction.

Morning School's annual

Giveaway is Nickelodeon's

engage in active, healthy lifestyles. The grant provides

schools and communities.

grassroots, multimedia cam-

paign that encourages kids to

an initiative to empower kids

to bring play resources to their

ON CAMPUS

Wayne State University

Matthew J. Landes of Plymouth, a mortuary science program graduate, recently received the Mary L. Williams Science Award from the **Eugene Applebaum College of** Pharmacy and Health Sciences at Wayne State University.

The Eugene Applebaum College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences, a founding college of Wayne State University, is committed to advancing the health and well-being of society through the preparation of highly skilled health care practitioners, and through research to improve health care practices and treatment from urban to global levels.

University of NW Ohio

■ Matthew Steinle of Canton was among the students named to the Dean's List for the May session of the College of Technologies at the University of Northwestern Ohio in Lima, Ohio.

To make the list, students needed a grade-point average of 3.5 or better.

■ Gary Mitchell II of Canton and Kyle B. Ollar of Plymouth were among the students named to the Dean's List for the March session for the College of Technologies at the University of Northwestern Ohio in Lima, Ohio.

To make the list, students needed a grade-point average of 3.5 or better.

Howe Military School

Cadet Melvin Sillmon II, a 10th-grader at/Howe Military School in Howe, Ind., and the son of Anna and Melvin Sillmon of Plymouth, was named to the Headmaster's List for the fifth six-week grading period of the school year. Sillmon, who has attended



Howe since January, received the award by attaining at least a 3.0 B average in his studies in a college prep curriculum.

Canterbury School

Joshua Belfiore of Canton made the Honor Roll for both the fourth and fifth marking period at Canterbury School in New Milford, Conn.

Hope College

Kirsten Schroeder, the daughter of Matthew and Sheri Schroeder of Plymouth and a graduate of Plymouth High School, has been honored twice at Hope College.

Schroeder was among students awarded the Distinguished Artist Award in Art, Dance, English, Music or Theater. The award is presented to students who have "demonstrated excellent ability in one of the areas of the fine arts" and comes with a \$2,500 tuition scholarship renewable through the senior year.

She also was awarded the Presidential Scholarship, given in recognition of broad academic achievement with superior academic records as well as demonstrated leadership abilities. Presidential scholars have an average grade-point average of 3.95, an average ACT composite score of 31 and an average SAT combined score of 1291.

Presidential scholars receive between \$6,500 and \$14,000 tuition scholarships renewable through the senior year.

Saint Francis University

Anne Roosevelt of Plymouth made the Dean's List for the Spring 2006 semester at Saint Francis University.

Spring Arbor University

■ Andrea LaBenne of Plymouth, the daughter of James and Sue LaBenne, was among the students granted bachelor's or master's degrees during commencement exercises at Spring Arbor University.

■ Mark Erickson of Plymouth, a senior in exercise and sport science, and Hanna Riddell of Canton, the daughter of Mark and Cindy Riddell and a senior in film studies, were among students on the Dean's List for the Spring 2006 semester.







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Sisters of Mercy elected to regional leadership team

The Sisters of Mercy of the Americas, Regional Community of Detroit have elected the following members to their regional community leadership team to serve from July 1, 2006 through June 30, 2008.

■ Sister Gilmary Bauer, RSM, President; Sister Judith Frikker, RSM; Sister LuAnn Hannasch, RSM; Sister Margaret Platte, RSM. Sister Gilmary Bauer has been a member of

the Regional Community of Detroit leadership team since 1998 and was elected President in August 2005. She holds a bachelor's degree in history from Mercy College of Detroit and a Master of Divinity degree from Yale University.

Sister Gilmary lived and ministered with poor persons in Argentina for four years and taught at high schools there and throughout Michigan for nearly ten years. She was adjunct faculty at Grand Valley State University in Allendale, Mich., and assistant professor at Mercy College of Detroit, University of Detroit Mercy, and Mercy College of Northwest Ohio.

Sister Gilmary developed the women's program at Mercy Education Project in Detroit and served as its coordinator. She serves on the board of Our Lady of Guadalupe Middle School for Girls and chairs East Detroit Not-for-Profit Housing Corporation (McAuley Commons).

Sister Judith Frikker has been a member of the Detroit Regional leadership team since 2002. She holds a bachelor's degree in chemistry from Mercy College of Detroit and graduated from Michigan State University's College of Human Medicine with an MD.

Sister Judith worked as a medical doctor at Mercy facilities in Michigan and Guyana before moving to Chile in 1987, where she was a primary care physician for 12 years and did pastoral work in parishes. Upon her return to the U.S., she worked in a clinic for the uninsured in the Detroit area before her election to the regional leadership team. She serves on the board of Freedom House and of St. Joseph Mercy – Oakland in Pontiac.

Sister LuAnn Hannasch holds a bachelor's degree in Nursing from Nazareth College near Kalamazoo and a master's degree in Nursing from the University of Iowa.

Sister LuAnn has ministered in health care in Iowa and Michigan as a nurse, manager, parish nurse and board member. She was director of mission services and parish nurse liaison for Mercy Health Services North in Grayling and most recently was director of mission and spiritual care services for Mercy Hospital in Port Huron. She serves on the board of Mercy Medical Center – North Iowa, in Mason City, Iowa.

Sister Margaret Platte has been a member of the Regional Community of Detroit leadership team since 2002. She holds bachelor's degrees in English and Education from



Standing: Sister Margaret Platte, RSM and Sister Judith Frikker, RSM; Seated; Sister Gilmary Bauer, RSM (president) and Sister LuAnn Hannasch, RSM.

Mercy College of Detroit, a master's degree in mathematics from the University of Detroit and a master's in pastoral ministry from St. Joseph College in West Hartford, Conn.

Sister Margaret served as a principal and teacher at middle schools in Michigan and Iowa for more than 20 years. She served in pastoral ministry at St. Mary Cathedral Parish in Gaylord for six years and then as director of pastoral care at McAuley Center, the Regional Community of Detroit's retirement center, for six years, during which time she was a member of the

Farmington/Southfield Vicariate Pastoral Council. She serves on the board of Mercy Education Project in Detroit.

The Regional Community of Detroit is part of the Sisters of Mercy of the Americas, an international community of Roman Catholic sisters who address human needs through collaborative efforts in education, health care, housing, and pastoral and social services. The Detroit regional community includes 178 sisters and 42 associates serving in Michigan, Iowa and several other U.S. states.

The Sisters of Mercy have been an important part of the Farmington Hills community for more than 40 years. They built their administrative headquarters and Mercy High School at the corner of 11 Mile Road and Middlebelt in 1965. The campus also housed the corporate offices of Mercy Health Services. In 1984, the Sisters of Mercy consolidated their Iowa and Michigan facilities for retired sisters at McAuley Center on the 11 Mile Road campus. McAuley Center today is home to some 50 retired Sisters of Mercy.

In 1992, the Sisters sold a portion of Mercy Center to the city for what is now the William M. Costick Activities Center. In recent years, the Sisters of Mercy and the city have collaborated to plan environmental improvements to the shared campus.

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OUR VIEWS

2nd bond needs solid research

It would be easy, especially for residents whose streets never got repaired, to chastise the city for spending the entire \$12 million bond passed in 1996 and only repairing about half the city's roads.

While we buy the city's argument that it would have been folly to improve the roads without fixing the unexpected infrastucture problems they discovered along the way, an argument probably could have been made there's enough institutional knowledge among the city's leaders that an educated guess could have been made about the condition of the infrastucture.

Still, it certainly made more sense to fix the infrastructure problems than to go on with the road repairs, only to have to dig up roads later, costing even more money. The city is not in a financial position to waste money that way. Fixing infrastructure problems was the smart thing to do.

Now it appears that, in order to keep a promise made 10 years ago, the City Commission will once again have to ask its citizens to approve another bond measure to finish the job. This might be of special interest to the folks who live on Sheridan, identified in the first bond as a high priority but pushed further and further down the list because it wasn't a high-volume road.

It might also interest residents along Ann, who might not want to pay additional taxes since the road on which they live, along with three of the current city commissioners, has been done.

There are a lot of reasons residents are going to be forced to consider this again. The Ann Arbor Trail part of the original program was estimated at some \$120,000, but it wound up costing 10 times that.

Current Commissioner Ron Loiselle, who was mayor when the 1996 bond was passed, admits mistakes were

"Everything was wrong," he said. "The estimates were too low, 1997-98 saw huge increases in asphalt costs and we didn't have any forethought of fixing sewers. It was just poor planning."

It's a courageous admission and brings up the old adage about those who don't learn from history being doomed to repeat it. Before the commission asks its residents for more money, they'll need to do volumes of homework to make sure they get the dollar figure right.

We aren't saying whether residents should or shouldn't give the commission the money; it's far too soon for that. We do think residents should make sure the commission does its research and puts forth a promise they can keep this time.

Make understanding music to our ears

Reach out and touch somebody's hand, make this world a better place, if you can ...

Those words of Motown legend Diana Ross in 1970 in her first solo hit form advice we all could use now, following the terrorist plot thwarted last week in Britain. Officials say a group of extremists had planned to blow up 10 airplanes headed to the U.S.

By now, we all know those officials were talking about a group of Muslim extremists. And with that ethnic designation, the line separating the area's Arab community from others in the metropolitan area got a lot less imagi-

Yet it is our imaginings that are the real threat to peace in our Wayne and Oakland communities, such as Troy, which is known as the second most diverse city in the state, behind Ann Arbor. Or in cities like as West Bloomfield with its Jewish and Chaldean populations, and Canton with its mosque and Hindu temple.

Stereotypes about these groups live because they are nourished by anger and fear as we conjure up misdeeds, real or imagined, that fit within the amoebic outlines of misunderstanding.

Remember the World War II Japanese camps, created in reaction to an act of war? We now are at war again, a war with terrorists. But we must battle against another kind of war, a war of terror in which suspicion rampages within our communities.

It is not only our sons and daughters who are going off to war in Iraq and Afghanistan. We have our own war here at home, a war to fight prejudice by starving stereo-

We must look to the religious clergy to initiate dialogue, and to our schools to foster understanding.

That, however, isn't enough. We must all reach out to someone with a smile or a handshake, instead of a snarl.

Ultimately, bombs and bullets aren't what will create a better world for us all.



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Setting an example

As a longtime member of this community, please allow me to publicly extend a warm "thank you" to the parents, students and staff of Miller Elementary

In order for much-needed renovations to take place, students and staff will be taken out of Miller and students will be bussed to a vacant Livonia school. Because Miller is predominantly a walking school, the vast majority of these students have never rode a bus. Not once have I read or heard of parents reacting negatively to this situation.

Miller parents have set a wonderful example for their children, showing them that sometimes change, though hard, may be necessary and for the betterment of the whole. I am not a Miller School parent and do not live within the Miller School community.

I'm just proud of how these Plymouth-Canton families have handled this change and how they represent the best of what is Plymouth-Canton Community Schools. You set a wonderful example for

Cindy Bastion

Saving Miller Woods

I would like to publicly acknowledge the filing of the deed restrictions for Miller Woods by Dr. Jim Ryan and the **Plymouth-Canton Community Schools** board.

The filing of this deed restriction with the Wayne County Registrar of Deeds formalizes the intention of the previous school board members to keep Miller Woods as a designated nature preserve for the community to enjoy and take

Miller Woods is a climax forest, representative of the Michigan territory as it was during the early 1800s. This 10-acre parcel has never been farmed; the trees are hundreds of years old. This parcel of forest is likely the only remnant of oldgrowth forest in southeastern Michigan, according to University of Michigan forest ecologists.

The Friends of Miller Woods works to preserve and protect the forest for the enjoyment and education of our community. Future initiatives planned include upgrading interpretive signage and developing new self-guided tour pamphlets. We will soon be expanding our guided tours, too, with walks planned for the fall and winter seasons.

Generous thanks again to the PCCS board for their support. You are all honorary "Friends" of Miller Woods.

Cheryl Bord president Friends of Miller Woods

Millage failure

Now that the dust has settled and the new school board has been seated, let's talk about the failed millage. Thank God

If you do not know the history you will make the same mistakes again! The history is this: When Salem and Canton high schools were built we had the best tech/vocational programs in the state. It was a showplace that voc/tech people everywhere came to visit to see our pro-

gram for themselves.

We had numerical machining, computer-aided design, plastics, heat and air conditioning, high-tech, welding, robotics, electronics/computer repair, auto body repair, word processing and home construction, to name a few.

Of the few that have survived, most are shows of the original. Why have they mostly all gone away? The students, for the most part, won't or can't take these courses. When we had all of these wonderful courses, my title was "career counselor." As part of promoting these programs I took all ninth-grade English classes on an in-school field trip to visit all of these wonderful classes.

Each teacher made a brief presentation of their program and answered any questions. In the spring, at scheduling time, I revisited each English class to speak to them about their scheduling choices for the upcoming year with special emphasis on the great career opportunities there were in the vocational courses available to them in 10th grade. After doing all of this promotion, most of these courses were discontinued because too few students requested these courses.

What do you think would happen today after the district invested millions of new tax dollars in a new high-tech program? today, with the new state requirements, the student has fewer elective classes than they had when I worked for the district. Also, in the past the state poured millions of vocational dollars into the high schools today, all of those dollars go, as they should, to the community colleges. Thank God the millage failed.

Why the building millage failed should be obvious. Many of our community work for the Big Three or the suppliers of the Big Three. Have you read any newspaper or listened to the radio or television in the last year? Have you bought a tank of gas in the last six months? Have you paid attention to what is going on in Livonia? By the way, have you given thought to when Plymouth-Canton matures, which we will, what will we do with all of our empty schools? It's the economy, stupid!

Public relations are at an all-time low, unless you believe the voters are dumb as dirt. How do you think voters feel when you announce: 1.) the old barn must be moved to we can build new tennis courts (like we need more tennis courts in order to improve our MEAP scores); 2.) spend \$10,000 to find out why the millage failed; 3.) hire a district-wide art coordinator for \$85,000 (art is important, but I think we can live with it, even if it is uncoordinated).

> **Donald Chumbley** Plymouth

The right thing

I sent this letter before the election, because the outcome doesn't matter with respect to the issues involving the Plymouth Historical Museum.

I have been complaining about the political use of the museum for the past six years and this was the first year blatant abuses took place, which could be documented. I have a strong objection to individuals using charitable organizations' assets for personal gain. If such a thing didn't take place why did the Museum Board vote unanimously to relieve the director of her position?

My goal wasn't to get someone fired from their position, but to have the museum be a museum and not a springboard for a political career. There were several attempts to get them and Mrs. Stewart to stop what they were doing, but to no avail. Every document, information and charges, including the proof were given to the museum and their attorney in an attempt to get the museum to stay out of the political arena.

If Mrs. Stewart was so interested in protecting the museum why did she use the museum assets for her political gain? As I see it, I took the steps necessary to ensure the protection of the museum, which the museum is now putting policies in place to ensure this never happens

Yes, I support many different candidates for public office and will continue to do so. I do not believe the Stewarts belong as representatives in Lansing. I have been threatened with physical harm, arrest and an ongoing bad attitude of John Stewart. This type of behavior has been demonstrated to many people and only because they disagree with his positions. I still believe the right to disagree without threat or fear is still a part of this free country.

There is much more to say about all of this, and I have realized this is not a popular position to have taken. I believe we all at some time in our lives need to stand up and let our voices be heard. It is too bad it was related to politics and other candidates, but the museum and Mrs. Stewart committed the violations, not I. This, too, shall pass and the museum will be a place for all to stop by and

Carl F. Berry Plymouth Township

Real Republican

As a rather astute observer of politics, I found the Observer's comments filled with disappointment over the outcome of the 20th District election.

While both candidates advanced petitions as Republicans, it appeared that only Abbo reflected Republican-type assets. If Ms. Stewart is more than a borderline Republican it certainly was not reflected in her published viewpoints.

Abbo is more than qualified to represent his political party and its ideals well.

Jim Nowka

Northville Township

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QUOTABLE

"We're getting some students from private schools. While we like to think we have a very good school district, we assume the economy has something to do with much of the increase."

- Plymouth-Canton Schools Supt. Jim Ryan, on the additional 400 students attending district schools this fall

Greg

Kowalski

In governor's race, voters | There was nothing dreamy will be looking for 'hope'

he 2006 governor's race has primarily narrowed down to a race about jobs, who can save them and who can create them. The old theme of jobs, jobs, jobs and more jobs will permeate the airwaves for the next three-plus

As the election heats up and Gov. Jennifer Granholm revs up her campaign spending, I am certain we will hear a few other issues creep into the race, from abortion and the "extreme" views her challenger, Dick DeVos, promotes to the fact that he was a prime sponsor of the 2000 unsuccessful voucher program for failing public schools.



Watkins

Both candidates and their "independent" support groups will spend millions of dollars getting their "jobs" message out. DeVos will promote his business acumen, stating that in these tough economic times we need a businessman who has made the tough decisions and has grown a business in today's global market. He will continue to be attacked for "exporting" or "outsourcing" Michigan jobs to

China. He will be wrapped so tightly with President Bush that before the election is over you will think they are Siamese twins.

Granholm will tout her "plan" to diversify Michigan's economy and point to the landing of Google in Ann Arbor as exhibit A that the plan is working. She will be challenged every step of the way by the DeVos camp, which will point out that "Michigan remains in a single state recession." Voters will be asked the proverbial campaign question: "Are you better off now, than you were four years ago?'

Before the election is over, you will think Granholm's middle name is "layoff" or "reces-

Yet, I believe that the candidate that will prevail in November will be the one that gives Michigan a reason to believe in itself again. Hope

and faith in our future is what the voters want from the leader of our state.

Who will paint a believable picture of a shared vision and common agenda that will move us forward? Who do we truly believe cares about our children and grandchildren? Who do we believe, when the TV commercial lights are turned off, will truly stand up and fight for our future?

Who can capture the core of hope? How do we take the reality we face and make it work for the working people of Michigan? We need to believe that tomorrow will be better than yesterday, that our best days lie ahead and not behind us. We need to have a leader that can inspire confidence that we can build strong families and communities, not around "jobs of the future," but jobs for

Michigan and America are best when we believe in ourselves and have hope for the future. We need a true leader, not a cheerleader mouthing the old cheer "Lean to the left, lean to the right, stand up, sit down, fight, fight, fight!" We need to move past the historic political gamesmanship of the past and understand that we are fighting for our future.

Michigan's gubernatorial races are historically close. We have chosen Democrats and Republicans. We want leaders that can inspire trust and hope, like Lincoln during the Civil War, FDR during the Great Depression, Kennedy during the Cuban Missile Crisis and Reagan during the Cold War.

We need leaders that can recapture our historic sense of innovation, ingenuity, creativity, hard work and opportunity for all.

As voters enter the voting booth, the names that will appear on the ballot will be DeVos and Granholm, but the voters will be looking for "Hope."

Tom Watkins is a business and education consultant. He served as superintendent of Michigan schools from 2001-05 and as president and CEO of the Economic Council of Palm Beach, Fla., 1996-2001. Read his internationally recognized report: The New Education (R)evolution at www.nacol.org. He can be reached at tdwatkins@aol.com.

Horrors of war

It is hard to open the paper in the morning. I know I will find a photograph, often smack in the middle of the front page that depicts the horrors of unending war.

On the faces of fellow human beings that have lost their children, their homes, or means of subsistence, we see anguish that is almost palpable. In comparison, the spinners look disconnected when they attempt to divert our attention. It is hard not to laugh when the

president and the secretary of state repeat inanities about "young democracies" and the "birth pangs of a new Middle East." We are no longer so easily fooled.

The newspapers act courageously when they make the difficult decision to publish, day after day, the horrors of war. The discomfort your readers feel when we look at the evidence will be excused if it prompts us to act.

Katie Jacob Birmingham

about the origins of the auto

his is Dream Cruise Week, a time when the automobile is exalted to unimaginable heights and placed on a pedestal of glorified nostalgia.

Even people who have had a hot-and-cold relationship with their vehicles, as I have, over the years, find it fascinating. Dream Cruise brings out some of the most remarkable cars ever created, as well as a host of interesting people.

But it's the cars that make the show. I have never found cars to be anything more than a means of transportation, which is what they originally were designed to be. The earli-

est cars were little more than metal boxes with wheels. They didn't work very well, either.

It didn't take long, however, for designers to embellish the vehicles with all manner of decorations ranging from flower vases to big chrome fenders. Engineers continually made improvements, replacing crank starters with switches

and carburetors with fuel

injection, among many, many other changes. Owners did their part with such amenities as suicide knobs (remember them?) and fuzzy

I do a lot of local historical research and inevitably the auto industry pops up. Everyone knows that the auto manufacturers played a critical role in the development of the whole metropolitan Detroit area. The early auto barons, like Henry Ford, the Dodge Brothers and William Durant, were fascinating people who amassed vast wealth and wielded the power of medieval kings.

Indeed, their factories grew to be fiefdoms populated by thousands of people who were little more than serfs. A lot is being made today of how workers' benefits have put a stranglehold on automakers' profits, but few speak about how that came about.

In the early days of the auto industry, working conditions in the plants were abysmal. They were excruciatingly hot in summer and dirty and dangerous all year round. The Dodge Brothers, who were two of the most colorful characters in Detroit's history, were considered among the better bosses by the workers. They were known to bring in kegs of beer for the workers on hot summer days.

Good for morale, questionable for quality control. But when the Dodge Brothers died both within a year of each other - the workers held silent vigils.

Back in the plants, working conditions remained pretty awful. Aside from the dirty, I do a lot of local historical research and inevitably the auto industry pops up. **Everyone knows that the auto** manufacturers played a critical role in the development of the whole metropolitan Detroit area. The early auto barons, like Henry Ford, the Dodge Brothers and William **Durant, were fascinating people who** amassed vast wealth and wielded the power of medieval kings.

dangerous conditions, workers were treated as chattel. If you wanted to keep your job, you were expected to supply "gifts" to the bosses. Attempts to form unions were crushed, often violently. If you were even suspected of union activity, you were summarily fired. Corporate spies operated through the plants, reporting on workers' activities. And if you happened to be black, you could expect to get the absolute worst jobs, such as working in the foundry.

Even so, the workers did unite. But not without a battle — sometimes literally. My mom was a nurse's aid years ago and she remembers seeing union organizers being brought into the emergency room, bloody and beaten.

Eventually the pendulum swung, and unions — for better or worse — took up a dominant role in the plants. But they remained a tough environment. My father was a Chrysler plant manager in the 1960s and he used to tell me the most incredible stories. (One guy brought) a spear to work. He wasn't planning on hurting anyone. He just wanted to practice throwing it on the roof.)

The auto plants have always been a tough place. My dad made it clear to us that he didn't want any of his kids working there. My brother did end up at a Chevrolet plant, but as an electrician in skilled trades. Even so, it was a grueling, dangerous job.

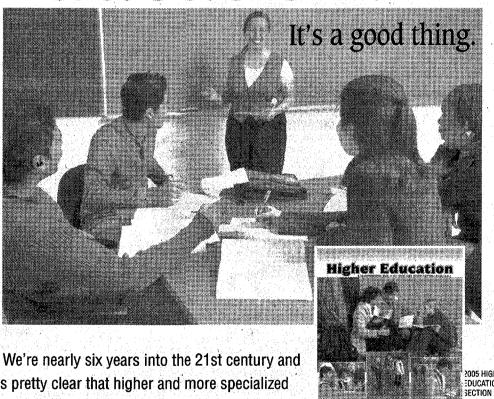
In a way, the automobile has brought out the best and worst in our society. It was created by brilliant businessmen and engineers and powered by hard-working individuals, some of whom gave their lives for their jobs.

Think about that, too, as you watch the classic cars roll down Woodward.

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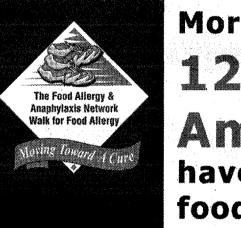
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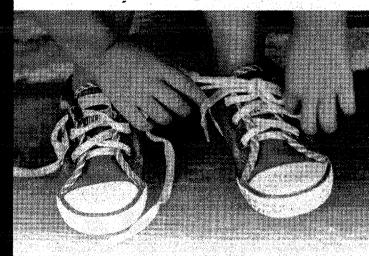
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At 90, CRC still leading source for analysis of public issues

BY HUGH GALLAGHER STAFF WRITER

In November, Michigan voters will decide on five and possibly six state ballot issues. Serious voters will turn to the Citizens Research Council of Michigan for detailed, wellresearched and balanced analysis of the issues before casting their ballots.

For 90 years, the CRC has been providing credible research on public issues that has won the respect and endorsement of political leaders across the spectrum.

We have three essential principles that we operate by," said Earl Ryan, CRC president, "accuracy, objectivity and independence, and we think that adherence to those three principles will result in credibility and I think that is what the council is known for."

The CRC, now with offices in Livonia and Lansing, began March 22, 1916, at the height of the Progressive Movement as the Detroit Bureau of Governmental Research (the name was changed in 1951). Civic-minded business leaders such as Joseph Crowley of Crowley Milner Department Store, Norval Hawkins of Ford Motor Co. and Sidney Miller of the Miller, Canfield law firm were on the initial board.

"It was the faith of the early organization that good facts would lead to better decisions that would lead to better government. That belief is basically our mission," Ryan said.

Policy makers, state legislators, media, business leaders and academics have all made use of the CRC. On its Web site www.crcmich.org, the organization includes some testimonials that show the range of support for CRC's research.

Former Gov. John Engler wrote: "I have had a long relationship using the publications of the Citizens Research Council ... you do a lot of good work here and we appreciate the support that keeps this operation so vital and relevant to the debates in Lansing, to Michigan's economic future and the Michigan's future, period."

Michael Flanagan, Michigan superintendent of Public Instruction, said: "Its consistent record of objectivity and thoroughness has made the CRC a high-quality and immensely credible resource for policy makers at the state

and local leadership levels." **COMMUNITY LEADERS**

CRC has been involved in research for the state's Constitutional Convention of 1963, research leading to adoption Wayne County's charter in 1981 and research leading in 1996 to new methods of distributing Community

Health funds. 'We make a real effort to be objective, and by objective I don't mean piling up 10 pros and 10 cons. Objectivity to me is the habit of mind where you draw your conclusions from a fair assessment of all the available facts rather than tailoring the facts to meet some preordained conclusion," Ryan said.

The CRC is still an organization of concerned community leaders. The 72-member Board of Trustees forms the membership in the nonprofit organization. Members come from the business, media, academic and legal communities and reflect a diversity of viewpoints. Patrick J. Ledwidge of Dickinson Wright law firm is the chairman.

A 27-member Board of Directors, chaired by Kent Vana of the Varnum, Riddering, Schmidt & Howlett law firm, formulates policy, selects the president, approves the budget and approves the research agenda.

"There are three ways where something can get on the research agenda," Ryan said. "There are certain things we always do. We always analyze every statewide ballot issue, which is what we're doing right now. We maintain an outline of the Michigan tax system. We monitor the state budget. These are things that we do on an ongoing basis."

CRC also gets requests from businesses, legislative assistants and governmental organizations. The Board of Directors has to determine if the organization, with a staff of eight plus an intern and a budget of \$925,000, is able to spend the time and resources on a particular project.

"Does it have broad public interest or does it reflect narrow public interest? Is it significant, does it reflect something that most residents of Michigan should be concerned about?" Ryan said. "If the board says we approve, then it becomes the province of the staff. The next time the board sees it is when it's released to

the public. There is no prior approval."

Funding comes from annual

contributions from the business community and foundation grants. Ryan said the organization is also building on a \$3 million endowment.

BALLOT ISSUES

The CRC is currently looking at two of the most controversial ballot issues, the Michigan Civil Rights Initiative and the Stop Overspending (SOS) initiative, which is still pending ballot approval.

Ryan said Tom Clay, the former state budget director and now CRC director of state affairs in Lansing, will be analyzing the SOS proposal "sentence by sentence." The proposal would prohibit state legislators from receiving pension and retirement benefits and limit state spending. Ryan said Clay would examine the impact of taking legislators off the state pension plan and also provide a comparison with other states that have already

imposed similar tax and spending limitations.

The organization will release its report on the controversial anti-affirmative action proposal shortly.

"We have looked at other states, done a legal history of affirmative action racial programs dating back to the Civil War," Ryan said. "We take race issues from the Civil War to the (U.S. Supreme Court) Michigan decision of 2003," Ryan said.

Ryan, a Northville resident, has been president of CRC since 1996. With degrees in political science from the University of Michigan and Wayne State University, Ryan began working with CRC in 1967 before leaving for positions in Michigan state government and public research organizations in Louisiana and Indiana.

CRC was located in Detroit until 1995 when it moved to Farmington Hills. In 1998, the organization moved to its current office on Six Mile in



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Citizens Research Council of Michigan president Earl Ryan (left) talks with staff member Eric Lupher during a meeting in their Livonia office.

Livonia. It also has a two-person Lansing office.

"It's a good spot for us," Ryan said. "We don't view Detroit as our focal point, it's one of the governments we look at but we view the state of Michigan as our target."

And CRC research is avail-

able to all residents of the state at its Web site

www.cremich.org. When the CRC Board of-Trustees holds the annual meeting Sept. 29, Ryan said they will take a few minutes tomark the group's 90th anniver-



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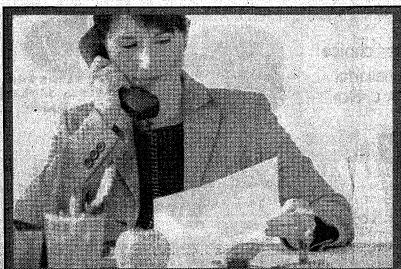
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Wounded Warriors back plan for new benefit

BY DARRELL CLEM STAFF WRITER

Country music star Lee Greenwood will headline a benefit organized by a Westland committee that wants to help wounded soldiers returning from Iraq and Afghanistan.

Greenwood, known for such hits as God Bless the U.S.A., will perform at 8 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 30, at the Ford Community & Performing Arts Center in Dearborn.

"This is not meant to be pro-war or against the war," said Westland City Councilman Robert Stottlemyer, who is chairing the Wounded Heroes benefit. "This is simply to help the troops who are coming

home wounded." The concert will help two organizations dedicated to helping wounded soldiers the national Wounded Warriors Project and Wayne-based Veterans Haven Inc., which serves all of western Wayne County.

Dubbed the Wounded Heroes tribute, the concert will raise money to help offset the financial and emotional burdens suffered by wounded military personnel and their families.

The U.S. Army Band also will perform, Stottlemyer said.

Veterans Haven President Vince Berna issued a statement seeking help in selling out the 1,200-seat Ford Center for Greenwood's concert.

"I know a lot of you have been asked to dip into your pockets lately to support other recent causes, but this one is an exception," he said. "We all need to do this."

Ticket prices range from \$33 to \$50. They can be ordered by calling the Ford Center at (313) 943-2354 or by going online at www.dearbornfordcenter.com.

Greenwood's concert will mark the second year that Stottlemyer has organized a fund-raiser to help wounded soldiers. Last year, he led a committee that brought the Glenn Miller Orchestra to Burton Manor for a benefit that raised \$48,000.

Stottlemyer recalled how Vietnam War veterans returned home to a sometimes-hostile atmosphere, and he said he wants military personnel in Iraq and Afghanistan to know that people care about them.

"I said to myself and to my wife (Betty) that I don't want to ever see anything like that happen again to our troops," Stottlemyer said.

The Wounded Warriors Project helps injured military personnel as they try to resume their lives. The organization provides such necessities as housing and food, and it seeks to help them re-enter the workforce.

The project also provides clothing, prepaid calling cards, personal CD players, magazines and other items to military personnel who are wounded and staying in hospitals.

Veterans Haven Inc. provides many of the same services, but its focus is closer to home in the western Wayne County area. Some 97 percent of the money raised by Veterans Haven goes directly to help veterans.

Those who can't attend the Greenwood concert but who want to help may send checks, made payable to Veterans Haven Inc., to Veterans Haven Outreach Center, 4924 S. Wayne Road, Wayne, MI.

Potential donors or those who have questions also may contact Stottlemyer at (734) 721-4594.



Parents from around the area brought their car seats to Saturday's first child-seat safety clinic, hosted by the Plymouth Township Police Department.

Clinic promotes child seat safety

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The Plymouth Township Police Department hosted its first Child Safety Seat Clinic Saturday, drawing parents and grandparents alike who brought their child safety seats to the new police headquarters to be inspected and properly installed in their vehicles.

In May, three graduates of the Plymouth Township Police Department's Citizen Police Academy attended a "Child Passenger Safety Certification Course"

through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

The three went through an extensive 40-hour training course that included lectures, indoor and outdoor hands-on training involving a combination of vehicles as well as passing a written test in order to become nationally certified as a Child Passenger Safety Technician.

The police department will be hosting the next Child

Safety Seat Clinic 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 23 at the department's new headquarters at Ann Arbor Road and

Anyone interested in scheduling an appointment should contact Officer Jamie Senkbeil at (734) 354-3243 (space is limited).

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God's Family in ACTion Vacation Bible School continues 6-9 p.m. to Friday, Aug. 18, at Trinity Church of Livonia. Preschool, elementary, junior high and adult classes offered (fellowship meal at 6 p.m.). Music, singing, crafts, puppets, food and fellowship centered around the book of ACTS. To register send e-mail to TrinSunSchool@aol.com, or call (734) 425-2800, or (313) 541-3892. When registering leave parents name(s), child's name(s) and ages, and phone number.

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The Ministry of the Watchman International present the 11th annual Power & Glory of God Conference Aug. 17-20, at University of Michigan-Dearborn/Fairlane Center, 19000 Hubbard Drive, Dearborn. Meetings begin at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 17 (some afternoon meetings at 1 p.m.). Special Healing School and Miracle Service 1 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 19. For complete schedule, call (800) 560-9240 or visit www.ministryofthe-

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Breakfast meeting Saturday, Aug. 19, at Leon's Family Dining, 30149 Ford Road, Garden City. All separated, divorced and singles welcome. Presented by Bethany Suburban West, a Catholic organization providing peer support to the divorced and separated of all Christian denominations. For information, call (734) 513-9479.

Bicycling group

10 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 19, at Nankin Mills administration office parking lot on Hines Drive, one mile east of Farmington Road, Westland. Single Point (age 30 and older) bike rides are geared to the tourist level rider but riders of all ability levels are welcome. All riders must wear a helmet. For more information, call Ward Presbyterian Church at (248) 374-

Bridge club

7 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 19, presented by single adult ministries at Ward Presbyterian Church, 40000 Six Mile, Northville. No fee or registration required. Call (248) 374-5920.

Pig roast Sunday, Aug. 20, in Papp Park, Taylor. Presented by Bethany Suburban West, a Catholic organization providing peer support to the divorced and separated of all Christian denominations. Cost is \$20. For details, call (313) 996-8644

Outdoor volleyball

6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 22, and every Tuesday, at Rotary Park on Six Mile, between Merriman and Farmington roads, Livonia. Male and female Single Point Ministries (age 30 and up) of every skill level. Just stop by and mention Single Point Ministries. Call (248) 374-5920.

Hands on handbells

No experience necessary for this refresher course in basis ringing skills 7 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 24 in the Holy Trinity Bell Loft in the Lutheran church, 39020 Five Mile, Livonia. Learn to read music 7 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 23, in the choir room. Call (734) 464-0211.

Rummage sale

Clean and usable items needed for rummage sale Aug. 24-26, at Garden City Presbyterian Church, 1841 Middlebelt. For more information, call (734) 721-3599.

Casting call

The Passion Play of Detroit is seeking volunteer cast and crew members to participate in a dramatic depiction of Jesus Christ and the events surrounding His death burial and resurrection in "HE'S ALIVE." Bring your talent and passions to this impacting community outreach at the vision/casting meeting 7 p.m. Friday, Aug. 25, and 11 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 26, at the Revival Outreach Center, 16115 Beck, between Five and Six Mile roads, Northville. Passion Play Ministries International is a non-profit volunteer organization dedicated to equipping people from all nations with the greatest hope message the world has ever known. Visit www.pas-

sion-play.org or call (248) 246-6391.

Lighthouse Cafe 7-10 p.m. Friday, Aug. 25, cards, board games, ping pong, specialty coffees, snacks and music, in Knox Hall at Ward Presbyterian Church, 40000 Six Mile, Northville. \$5 payable at the door. Free childcare provided. Call

(248) 374-5920. Free concert

Members of Bethany Suburban West, a Catholic organization providing peer support to the divorced and separated of all Christian denominations, will meet at the fountain for a free concert featuring Steve King and the Dittilies 7:30 p.m. Friday, Aug. 25, in Kellogg Park, Plymouth. Call (734) 513-

Bicycling group

10 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 26, at Kensington Metropark, Milford. Single Point (age 30 and older) bike rides are geared to the tourist level rider but riders of all ability levels are welcome. All riders must wear a helmet. For more information, call Ward Presbyterian Church at (248) 374-

Women's fellowship

International cuisine potluck 1 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 27, Room C317 at Ward Presbyterian Church, 40000 Six Mile. Northville. Guest speaker is Lydia from Taiwan who speaks on how she came to the Lord. Please bring a family dish from your ethnic background. For more information, call Single Point Ministries office at (248) 374-

5920. Allen Family concert

Featuring Todd Allen, his wife Michelle and their eight children 6 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 27, at First Baptist Church of Farmington, 33400 Shiawassee. Call (248) 474-0350, Ext.

Mom2Mom sale

Table renters wanted for sale 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 30, at Garden City First United Methodist Church, 6443 Merriman at Maplewood. \$1 admission. Bake sale. Cost is \$25 for 6-ft. table, \$30 for 8-ft. table. Call Rhonda Harris for rental reservations or more information (734) 532-7818 or send e-mail to Harrisar@aol.com.

UPCOMING

Lifeworks

Dick Bont continues his series on creating and recreating relationships 7 p.m. Friday, Sept. 1, in Knox Hall at Ward Presbyterian Church, 40000 Six Mile, Northville. No registration or cost for this event. free childcare provided. Call (248) 374-5920. Presented by Single Point Ministries (30 years and older).

Bicycling group

10 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 2, at Nankin Mills administration office parking lot on Hines Drive, one mile east of Farmington Road, Westland. Single Point (age 30 and older) bike rides are geared to the tourist level rider but

riders of all ability levels are welcome. All riders must wear a helmet. For more information, call Ward Presbyterian Church at (248) 374-5920

Monthly dance

Bethany Suburban West presents a dance 8 p.m. to midnight Saturday, Sept. 2 (doors open at 7:30 p.m.), at St. Robert Bellarmine, 27101 W. Chicago at Inkster road, Bethany Suburban West is a Catholic organization providing peer support to the divorced and separated of all Christian denominations. Cost is \$10, refreshments included. Call (734) 261-5716 for information.

Catholic programs

You've been coming to Catholic liturgies for years with your spouse, but just haven't taken the plunge to become Catholic yourself. The opportunity has arrived at St. Aidan Catholic Church, 17500 Farmington road, Livonia. Sept. 5th sees the start of the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults for those who would like to become Catholic. Call David Conrad, Director of Faith Formation, at (734) 425-5950 to discuss your conversion journey and begin formal entrance into the Catholic Church.

Fall program

Explore contemporary moral issues via sci-fi. Morality, conscience, human dignity - the Catholic Church's understanding of these topics shapes her understanding of today's hot topics: euthanasia, assisted suicide, the theory of just war, stem cell research, and more. Join us for an explanation and exploration of these and other topics using sci-fi episodes starting 7 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 6, at St. Aidan Catholic Church, 17500 Farmington Road, Livonia. Call (734) 425-5950.

Remarried workshop

7-8:15 p.m. Wednesdays, Sept. 6, to Dec. 13, at Ward Presbyterian Church, 40000 Six Mile, Northville. This course is a must for any couples thinking about remarriage or already remarried. We can assist couples in blending families, parenting issues, communications, and finances. Call (248) 374-7400 for more information. No charge. Come for 1 session or all 13.

Prosperity program

Stretton Smith's 4 T Prosperity Program 8 p.m. Wednesdays Sept. 6 to Nov. 22, at unity of Livonia, 28660 Five Mile, between Inkster and Middlebelt. Sign-up fee including book is \$35.. Call (734) 421-1760.

Mom2Mom sale

10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 9, at Hosanna-Tabor Lutheran Church and School in Redford, Admission \$1 per adult, Strollers welcome, if you are interested in renting a table at the sale, there are still some available. Call (313) 415-1977.

Bible study . Explore the Gospel of Mark, chapters 8:22 to 16:8 Thursdays for eight weeks beginning Sept. 7, at St. Aidan Catholic Church, 17500 Farmington Road,

Livonia. Call (734) 425-5950. Vendors wanted

For Yard and Craft Sale 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 9, at Denton Faith United Methodist Church, 6020 Denton, Belleville. Space available indoors and outdoors. Call (734) 941-2378 or (734) 495-0811.

Remembrance service Hosanna-Tabor Lutheran Church, 9600

Leverne, Redford, will hold a service of prayer, music, and scripture 7 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 11, marking the 5th anniversary of the terrorist attacks on our country. Please join us in worshipping our Lord and Savior as we commemorate/remember lives that were lost and place ourselves in God's hands. Any questions, call (313) 937-2415, or e-mail jmanor@hosannatabor.org.

Spirituality of aging

A look at our spirituality and our purpose in live now, at this age and time, with Sister Arlene Kosmatka, O.P. beginning 9:30 a.m. Monday, Sept. 11, at St. Aidan Catholic Church, 17500 Farmington Road, Livonia. Call (734) 425-5950.

Brunch praise and worship

Fall Into The Arms Of Jesus with speaker Robin Sullivan at Brunch, Praise & Worship, Fellowship 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, Sept.16, at the Sheraton Hotel on Haggerty, Novi. \$18 per person by Sept. 8, \$22 at the door if available. Order at Robinsullivan.com or by phone at

(248) 921-5453. Limited seating. Re-marriage retreat

end getaway to Maranatha Retreat and Conference Center in Muskegon Sept. 22-24. Cost is \$299 per couple and includes two nights lodging, five meals, speakers Brent and Bonnie Keen, music by Bonnie Keen. Campfires, fun and fellowship. Remarried couples can call (248) 374-5912.

Remarried Ministries present a week-

Religious education

Registration now being accepted for children's religious education on Sundays, sessions begin Sept. 24, at St. Aidan Catholic Church, 17500 Farmington Road, Livonia. Call (734) 425-5950. Attend 9:30 a.m. Mass as a family on Sunday followed by separate education sessions for children and adults that runs until noon. Mom2Mom sale

10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 30, at

Garden City First United Methodist Church, 6443 Merriman at Maplewood. \$1 admission. Bake sale. Call (734) 421-

Crafters needed

Riverside Park Church of God is sponsoring a craft bazaar Oct. 21 at the church, 11771 Newburgh, Livonia. If you would like to purchase a table for this event, contact the church office to register at (734) 464-0990.

Crafters wanted

For the St. Thomas a' Becket Church Christmas Craft Show to be held 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 2, at 555. S. Lilley, Canton. The church is now accepting applications for handmade crafts only. Call (734) 981-1333.

ONGOING

Riverside Park Church

A new study of each book of the Bible began at 7 p.m. Wednesday, July 5, at Riverside Park Church of God, 11771 Newburgh and Plymouth, Livonia, For information, call (734) 464-0990 or visit www.rpcog.org. This will include who authored it, the history and the how it applied then and now.

Personal ministry

Join us as we study the Word of God. Due Season Christian Church is a nondenominational, multicultural, full gospel church that offers Sunday worship services at 10 a.m. and Tuesday night Bible study at 7:15 p.m. Services are currently held at Stevenson High School on Six Mile, west of Farmington road, Livonia. All are welcome. For information, call (248) 960-8063 or

visit www.DueSeason.org. Farmington Women Aglow

Meets 5-8 p.m. on the second Tuesday of the month at the Farmington Community Library, 32737 W. 12 Mile. For more information, call Linda Boone at (248) 476-1053.

Bible and playtime

For moms and tots began 10-11 a.m. Wednesdays at Vineyard Church of Farmington Hills 29200 Shiawassee (by Middlebelt and Nine Mile). No charge. For information, call (248) 766-0143. **Scripture studies**

7-8:30 p.m. Mondays in the lower level of Our Lady of Loretto Church, Six Mile and Beech Daly, Redford. Call (313) 534-9000.

Fall registration

Spiritus Sanctus Academy is accepting registration for fall for its academies in Plymouth and Ann Arbor. The private, Catholic schools, grades K-8, are run by the Dominican Sisters of Mary, Mother of the Eucharist at 10450 Joy, Plymouth, call (734) 414-8430, and 4101 E. Joy, Ann Arbor, call (734) 996-3855.

Worship schedule

New schedule continues to 10:30 a.m. Sunday, Sept. 3, summer worship, coffee hour follows in Fellowship Hall, Sunday school has been canceled for the summer, nursery is still available for infant through 2-years old, at St. Matthew's United Methodist Church, 30900 W. Six Mile, between Middlebelt and Merriman, Livonia. Call (734) 422-

TOPS

Stands for Take Off Pounds Sensibly, the group meets 7 p.m. every Thursday evening at St. Thomas a' Becket Church, 555 S. Lilley, Canton. Weigh-in is 6:15-6:55 p.m. We are a weight support group that encourages members to lose weight sensibly and keep it off. For more information,

call Mary at (734) 394-1328. Learner's Bible study 7 p.m. Mondays, in Room A101, at Ward Presbyterian Church, 40000 W. Six Mile, Northville. Call (248) 374-5920.

Church service Loving God by loving people, meets 10 a.m. Sunday, at Westwood Community

Church, 6500 N. Wayne Rd. at Hunter, Westland. Call (734) 254-0093. Bible study

Two classes meet 10 a.m. to noon the first and third Wednesdays, and 7-9 p.m. the first and third Thursdays, at St. Michael's Catholic Church, on Plymouth at Hubbard, Livonia. The Wednesday group is studying Women of Courage in the Bible. The Thursday session is reading the Letters of St. Paul from prison. Based on Little Rock Scripture Series. Call (734) 261-1455.

School registration Hosanna-Tabor Lutheran School is accepting applications for grades PK-8 for the 2006-07 school year, at 9600

Leverne, Redford. After school care 3-6 p.m. Call (734) 937-2233. Senior activities

Gathering for seniors 50 and older

11:30 a.m. the third Friday of the month at Riverside Park Church of God, 11771 Newburgh at Plymouth, Livonia. Call (734) 464-0990. Put together a salad dish and meet other seniors. Lunch is served followed by fellowship, games and stories. Church activities

a Wednesday luncheon every other Wednesday at noon; Thursday dinner at 6 p.m. for \$4 followed by Bible study at 7 p.m. and Chancel Choir rehearsal at 8 p.m.; 10 a.m. women's study group second Saturday of the month, and Sunday worship at 10 a.m. (nursery available) and children's class at 10:15 a.m. at 25350 W. Six Mile, Redford. Call (313) 534-7730.

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HELEN ELAINE PIETILA

(nee Maatta). Age 86, of West Bloomfield, formerly of Farmington

Hills, passed away Friday, August 11th. She was the beloved wife of the

late Henry; dearest mother of Robert

(Marion) and Keith (Loretta); loving

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Ishpeming, Michigan. She was preceded in death by 9 brothers and sisters. A memorial service will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, August 19th at Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 35300 West Eight Mile Road, Farmington Hills 48335. In lieu of flowers, memorials to the church are "OUIET PEOPLE ARE Arrangements entrusted to Thayer-Rock Funeral Home, Farmington. August 15, 2006, age 73. Beloved

wife of Paul. Dear mother of Cheryl (Gordon) Mack and Paul (Karen) Worley. Grandmother of Katie and Philip. sister of Madonna Colip. Visitation Fred Wood Funeral Home (Rice Chapel), 36100 Five Mile, 1 mile W. of Farmington Rd., Thursday 1-4 and 7-9 pm. Funeral Service First United Methodist Church, 45201 N. Territorial Rd., Plymouth, (W. of Sheldon), Friday 11 am (Visitation 10 am). Memorials to American Cancer Society or Angela Hospice. **JOSEPH BURCH** Age 89, August 11, 2006. Beloved husband of the late Vera (Meagher). Loving father of Richard, Daniel

Joseph, Jeanette Oehrlein, Marcella Sanborn, and Rita Hall. Dear grandfather of 24 and great grandfather of 20 Brother of the late Frank Bachynski, Emily Campeau, and Victor Bachynski. A Funeral Mass was held Monday, August 14, at St. Raphael's Catholic Church, Garden City. Arrangements by the R.G. and G. R. Harris Funeral Home, Garden City.

LUCILLE W. SLOAN

Age 87, widow of Samuel Winfred Sloan, died Monday, August 14, in Lexington, KY. Born in Big Stone Gap, VA, she was a daughter of the late Robert Jackson and Margaret Graham Wilson. Devoted to her family, she was a wonderful homemaker and seamstress. She is survived by her daughter, Linda Faulkner of Lexington; grandchildren Katherine Faulkner, Carolyn Hankins, Kelly Stewart, and Laura Keefer; three great grandchildren; and son-in-law, Jon Reynolds. She was preceded in death by her daughter, Donna Reynolds. A private memorial service will be held in Mannington, West Virginia.

milwardfuneral.com OLIVE VIRGINIA BRASCH Passed away on August 11, 2006. She

was born on December 30, 1917 in Martingsburg, West Virginia. She was a member of Redeemer Lutheran Church of Birmingham. Wife of the late Ellis H. Brasch. Mother of Ellis H. Brasch, Jr. of Oregon and Jeffrey P. Brasch (Debra) of Missouri. Grandmother of Kari, Tyler, Hillary, Seth, Hannah and Nicholas. Great Grandmother of Aidan and Kiley. Sister of Elizabeth Shade and Paul Shade. Aunt of Greg and Lisa. Funeral service at the William R. Hamilton Co., 820 East Maple, Birmingham, Thursday, August 17, 2006 at 2:00 P.M. Visitation one hour before service. Paster Cary M. Richert of Redeemer Lutheran Church of Birmingham officiating. Interment to follow in White Chapel Memorial Cemetery, Troy, MI.

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Woodlawn Cemetery with Chaplain Lauren Cousineau of St. Anne's Mead



Age 86, passed Feb. 15, 2006 in Branson, MO. She was preceded in death by husband, Gerard A. & sons, Richard T. and Gerard W. Noble's surviving children: Mary Lou Harrison (Passmore), Thomas W. Noble & Patricia Powell. She left 44 grandchildren & great-grandchildren. Memorial Service, Sat., Aug. 19, Kensington Metro Park in Brighton, MI, at 2:00pm. Cremation was under the direction of Welchel Funeral

Age 88, passed away August 1, 2006. She was born March 19, 1918, in Detroit to Charles Watt and Jane Streator Erickson. She graduated from Miss Newman's Private School for Girls; attended the University of Michigan, was a member of Collegiate Sorosis sorority, and graduated in 1939 with a major in English Literature. She and Leslie, high school and college sweethearts, were blessed to celebrate 50 wonderful years of marriage. Olga was a lifelong member of the (Episcopalian) Cathedral Church of St. Paul, Detroit, member of the Jenny Lind Club (Swedish) of Michigan, actively involved in the Daughters of the American Revolution-Louisa St Clair Chapter, Detroit Association of University of Michigan Women, Detroit Alumnae of Collegiate Sorosis, Chairman of the Torch Drive for the United Foundation in Indian Village, Indian Village Garden Club, Women's Association for the Detroit Symphony past member of the Detroit Athletic Club, Recess Club and Detroit Boat Club. She and Leslie had a great appreciation of fine art. In 1960 they opened the Kenilworth Art Gallery on moved the gallery to Grosse Pointe, where they lived. Later she became a member of the Grosse Pointe Women's Republican Club, an alternate delegate of the Republican county and state conventions, charter member of the Republican Committee, member of the Grosse Pointe Boat Club, the Miami Circle for the University of Miami Florida, and The Captain's Circle of Princess Cruise Lines. She is survived by daughters, Anne (Thomas) Molesky

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and Alice (Andrew) Baetz; son Leslie (Robin) Wrigley, Jr.; grandchildren, Cheryl Baetz (Mark) Pennings, Michelle Baetz (Michael) Kunzler and Christpher Baetz; great grandchildren Michael and Erickson Kunzler; niece, Rebecca Rutherford (David) Ebershoff and nephew Charles (Ann) Rutherford She was predeceased by her husband Leslie Grainge Wrigley, and her sister Rebecca Jane (Robert) Rutherford. On Friday August 25, a private internment will be at the Erickson family plot in

officiating. Her memorial service will be at St. Anne's Mead Retirement Home (16106 W. 12 Mile Road Southfield) in the Hollingshead Room at 1:45 PM. Rev. Steven Kelly, Rev Dr. Barton DeMerchant, Rev. Dr. Nancy Turner Jones and Rev. Canon William Logan will be officiating. Memorial contributions may be made to the Cathedral Church of St. Paul

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PISTONETTI Age 81, August 14, 2006. Beloved husband of Thelma. Loving father of Denise, Lynn (James) Harvey, Candace (Steve) Woodward, and John Brinkley. Proud grandfather of Devon and Tony. Dear brother of Eleanor brother-in-law of Lloyd Hissong and Paul (Margie) Smith. A memorial gathering will be on Saturday, 10am, until time of service, 11:30am, from McCabe Funeral Home, 31950 W. 12 Mile Rd.

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Call 1-800-579-7355 ROBERT H. ZIMMERMANN Age 81, a resident of Bingham Farms for 58 years, passed away on Augus 12, 2006. Bob was born in Sain Petersburg, Florida on April 1, 1925 Mr. Zimmermann was President of Hoge-Warren-Zimmermann, a construction company in Detroit. He was a Pharmacist-Mate in the United States Navy during WWII serving in the South Pacific Theatre of Operations He attended Kenyon College in Ohio Bob was a member of Bloomfield Open Hunt Club and served as a director for several years. He served as Bingham Farms Councilman for 33 years and also enjoyed sailing & private flying. Mr. Zimmermann is survived by his wife of 58 years, Lillian H. Zimmermann; daughter, Sarah (Jack) Michael of Beverly Hills, MI; son, Craig Zimmermann of Bingham Farms, MI; grandchildren, Amy and Gary; and brother, Richard M Zimmermann. Memorial services will

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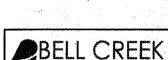
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GOP's Johnson hits campaign trail

STAFF WRITER

Two days after being given the nod to be Republican gubernatorial candidate Dick DeVos' running mate, Oakland County Clerk Ruth Johnson is already out campaigning as a member of the team.

Monday morning, the DeVos camp named Johnson as the lieutenant governor candidate on the GOP ticket this November. Democratic Governor Jennifer Granholm is sticking with her current lieutenant governor, John Cherry Jr.

"Ruth Johnson joins the team for change ready to help lead Michigan's turnaround," DeVos said in a press release. "Her decades of public service at the state level and in Michigan's second largest county make her qualified to assume the governorship if necessary."

Johnson said she's honored to be on the DeVos ticket. What she brings to that ticket, she said, is experience.

"I bring local and state legislative experience," she said. "I

WHAT'S IN STORE

Residents can support diabetes research

Parisian Laurel Park will host a benefit sales event for the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation 6:30-9:30 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 27, at the store at Livonia's Laurel Park Place Mall. Tickets cost \$5 per person with all proceeds going to the foundation. Those interested can buy tickets from Ford employees, or at Parisian's customer service department. Ticket holders will receive a 20 percent discount on nearly all purchases.

Refreshments will be provided by Max & Erma's restaurant and California Pizza Kitchen. Customers can also register to win prizes.

For more information on the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation visit www.jdrf.org or www.jdrfdetroit.org.

THE DELI CHANGES HANDS

Thomas Gallant is the new owner of The Deli on Middlebelt Road in Livonia. Each day, he's welcoming new and returning customers. His plan?

Gallant hopes to draw people in with a new menu of gourmet goods - from fresh subs to salads and imported chocolates.

He described the process of taking over the business as nothing short of a "dream becoming a reality," and added that he made the move with help from his friend and family.

"The Deli is generating a lot of attention," Gallant said. He's making changes to the menu and offering a new variety of gourmet sandwiches. Corned beef is cooked on-site, and fresh bread for the sandwiches is baked daily at Cantoros Italian Bakery.

Gallant also serves homemade soups, chili and salads. Party-planners can order a 3foot Italian party sub for \$35, enough to feed up to 18 guests. Meat and cheese platters are also available, at \$4.49 per person, with an 8-person minimum.

Right now, customers can take advantage of a special and purchase a sandwich, chips and a can of soda pop for \$5.99 plus

Small boxed lunch specials include bologna, salami or grilled cheese sandwiches. Coffee-lovers can order a cup o' ioe or - coming soon - an espresso. Satisfy a sweet tooth with a homemade dessert or European chocolates. Gallant is also planning new rotating menu items including Po boys, muffuletta, Philly steaks and vegetarian fare.

The Deli is located at 20235 Middlebelt Road, south of 8 Mile in Livonia. For more information, call (248) 442-

Stephanie Angelyn Casola writes about new and changing businesses for the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers. E-mail tips on your new, favorite Wayne County shop to scasola@hometownlife.com or call (734) 953-2054.



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know how the system works and how to get things done."

Before being elected to the county clerk position, Johnson was a six-vear member of the

Michigan House of Representatives as well as a 10-year member of the

Oakland County Board of Commissioners.

Things are going rapidly. Just a day after being announced as DeVos' running mate, she and the candidate were on their way to the Escanaba State Fair to press the flesh with the 100,000 plus people expected there.

While the needs and wants of the Upper Peninsula are going to be different than those in Troy and West

Bloomfield, there are a lot of issues that are the same on either side of the bridge

'We're in a single-state recession," Johnson said. "Michigan is at the bottom of the list in every category. Foreclosures are extremely high, unemployment is extremely high and young people are leaving the state. They want to work here but we don't have jobs."

She said she would like for

her 7-year-old daughter to stay in Michigan for college and a career, but she might not make that choice if the state's direction does not change.

"DeVos has a track record of success and he's got a good plan," Johnson said.

County Executive L. Brooks Patterson said he put Johnson on a short list of likely choices for the DeVos pick.

"He's a west-side male and she's an east-side female," he said. "It gives geographic and gender balance to the ticket."

She also comes with her own set of credentials, which helps

to balance the fact that DeVos has never done anything in the public sector.

Patterson said the balance of a woman on the ticket and someone with government experience is another in a line of good campaign choices by the GOP candidate.

"DeVos has done a good job of getting his name out there," Patterson said. "The economy is terrible and the governor can't seem to do anything about it. This is a horse race."

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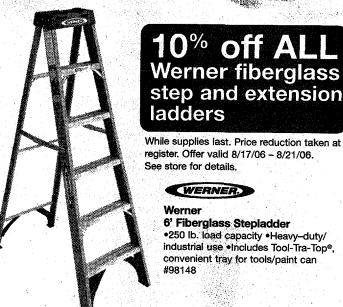




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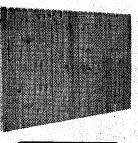
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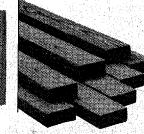
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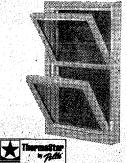
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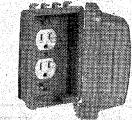
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After 2 years in Kansas, MSU is next stop for former Canton star Thomas

On the surface, former Canton football standout Devin Thomas has nothing in common with Dorothy of 'Wizard of Oz" fame.

Thomas can run a 40-yard dash in a blazing 4.4 seconds. Dorothy, on the other hand, displayed only marginal speed while trying to escape from the flying monkeys.

Thomas can bench press 365 pounds. Dorothy had a hard time picking up Toto.

And Thomas is 6-foot-2, 220 pounds of muscle. Dorothy was a scrawny 5-foot-4 - and that's with the glass slippers on.

But there is one notable similarity that intertwines Thomas and Dorothy: They both had a dream that eventually transplanted them from the desolate farmlands of Kansas to a more exciting, life-altering destination.

NOT IN KANSAS ANYMORE

Thomas' dream of playing big-time college football came to fruition in January when he signed a letter of intent to attend Michigan State University following two years at Coffeyville (Kan.) Community College.

Last year at Coffeyville, Thomas led the high-flying Red Ravens with 33 catches and 674 receiving yards (20.4



Thomas

Web sites.

Thomas' strong showing also drew the attention of several elite Division 1 college football programs, including Arkansas and Kansas State, which joined MSU in the battle to draw the physically gifted receiver to their cam-

The numbers the ex-Canton star racked up earned him a spot on the coveted "Top 20

JUCO Prospects" lists

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"A few SEC schools and just about all the Big XII schools recruited me," said Thomas, who red-shirted his freshman year at Coffeyville. "But I wanted to play closer to home. Plus, I think that Michigan State is ready to make a big impact in college football and I wanted to be a part of that."

MAKING HIS PRESENCE FELT

Just over a week into preseason workouts, there are signs that Thomas may be making a sudden impact on the Spartans' offensive plans. He's currently listed as the team's No. 2 'Z' receiver (or flanker) behind only senior Kerry Reed.

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Area tennis players place at USTA event

Several local youth tennis players were among the approximately 600 players who competed in the prestigious United States Tennis Association's Junior Team Tennis Midwest Section Championships held Aug. 11-13 in Indianapolis.

The netters were members of two Huron Valley Tennis Club squads — the MIDWEST 18-and-under HVTC Hornets and the 12-andunder Thunder Chickens — that qualified for the national tournament by

capturing district titles in May. The Hornets, who consisted of Drew Smith, Austin Taylor, Jason Quint, Mike Kappler, Ashley North, Meghan Teunis and Alex Ware, placed third in their respective age bracket.

The Thunder Chickens, who consisted of Jack Peterson, Will Heider, Colin Williams, Kevin Mei, Arica Oosterhout, Christine Mei and Julia Peterson, also finished third.

Ware, who is a member of Salem's girls tennis team, earned a sportsmanship award for her efforts during the championships. Eighty-four teams from throughout the Midwest competed in the three-day event. Team matches consisted of one set each for singles and doubles, and two sets for mixed doubles. Team scoring was based on cumulative games won.

2006 Prep Football Preview

New' Rocks are ready to

STAFF WRITER

Former Canton football standout Devin Thomas hauls in a Drew Stanton pass at a recent Michigan State

University practice. Thomas, a flanker, is listed No. 2 on the Spartans' depth chart.

Following is a partial checklist for the 2006 Salem football team:

■ New coach — check; ■ New offensive and defensive systems — double-check;

■ New attitude — check: ■ New results — check ... back in about two months.

After nearly two weeks of two-a-day practices, first-year coach Parker Salowich is more than satisfied with the team's work ethic and the players' determination to turn around last year's 3-6 record. But he is also aware that there hasn't been a conditioning drill invented that can give the Rocks the intangible element they need the most.

"Like any team that hasn't had a lot of success in a while, the biggest roadblock this team faces is building its confidence level," said Salowich, an assistant coach at playoffqualifying North Farmington in 2005. "This is a very hardworking team. The effort is there. Now they have to get some swagger. Even when they do something right, they'll flinch a little bit.'

The Rocks will be relying on a West Coast offensive scheme to lead it north in the Western



BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Salem receiver Jesse Pointer zeroes in on a pass during a conditioning practice held last week at Pioneer Middle School.

Lakes Activities Association standings. The wide-open system, which stresses short passes mixed with a strong running game, takes time to master, but the Rocks have proven to be fast learners in

Salowich's estimation. "They've picked it up pretty well so far," he said. "We already have most of the stuff in that we'll be using in our first game (Aug. 25 against

Pinckney). We're just going to keep repping it until we get it

down." Salowich will be handing the controls of the new offense to senior Jon Wilson (6-foot-1, 210 pounds), a converted running back.

"There's been a lot of pressure on Jon right away because he's had to figure out

PLEASE SEE ROCKS, B2

ALL ABOUT THE ROCKS

■ Head coach - Parker Salowich (first year);

Number of varsity

players - 43: **2005 record** - 3-6 (did

not qualify for playoffs) 2006 opener - Friday, Aug. 25, at home against Pinckney (kickoff set for

7 p.m.) ■ Offense - West Coast; **■** Early obstacle – The team has had to practice at Pioneer Middle School due to construction proj-

ect at Salem: ■ Players to watch senior QB Jon Wilson (6-1, 210); junior FB/LB Brandt Thomas (5-10, 200); junior receiver Jesse Pointer; senior tailback Royce Dixon (6-0, 170); senior tackle Brian Baumgart (6-7, 250); and

senior center Andrew

Kirby (6-2, 200).

Big Prep Showdown

Plymouth is one of eight teams competing in the 2nd Annual Big Prep Showdown high school football event set for Saturday, Aug. 26, at Eastern Michigan University's Rynearson Stadium. The Wildcats will be taking on 2005 Division III state runnerup Hudsonville in the 2:30 p.m. game. Trenton will battle Allen Park at 11:45 a.m. Following the Plymouth-Hudsonville showdown, Saline will square off against Flint Carman-Ainsworth at 5:15 followed by the nightcap, Chelsea vs. Novi at 8 p.m.Plymouth fans will be seated on the press-box side of the field.Pre-purchased tickets are \$9 for adults and \$7 for students. They will be on sale until the day before the game in the Plymouth High School athletic office.

All tickets the day of the game cost \$10. A portion of all advanced ticket sales benefit the participating schools' athletic departments.

Coach Murphy

Former Canton football player Brendan Murphy has been named an assistant coach at St. Joseph's College in



quarterback for the Pumas, will be in charge of coaching running backs

Indiana.

Murphy,

who earned

four varsity

letters as a

beginning with the 2006 season. Murphy and the Pumas will be visiting Michigan

on Sept. 9 when they play at Wayne State. Four former Chiefs will compete in the game: Wayne State's Ryan Jonik and Chris Smilo; and St. Joe's' Mike Lafata and Zack Caswell.

Officials clinic

The Metro Detroit Officials Association and the Southeastern Michigan Officials Association will be hosting the 11th Annual high School Football Officials Clinic on Saturday, Aug. 19, at Birmingham Groves High School. Registration for the clinic begins at 8 a.m.



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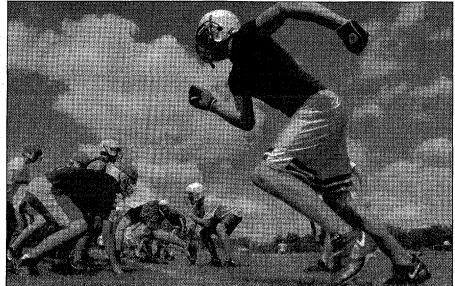
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New Salem coach

Parker Salowich is implementing the

West Coast offense,

which emphasizes

the short-passing

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my personality and the offensive coordinator's personality, plus he has to pick up the offense," Salowich said. "Jon may not have the best arm in the league and he may not be the fastest quarterback around, but he's a coach on the field, which is what this offense needs. And of all the players we have, Jon is one who has the swagger that's necessary to be successful."

The only other sure-fire starter in the offensive backfield is junior fullback Brandt Thomas (5-10, 200), who will also start at linebacker. Thomas received significant playing time on the varsity as a sophomore.

"I wish I had 30 Brandt Thomases," Salowich said. "He's one of those players that won't be leaving the field. He'll start on offense, defense and he'll be on every special team. He's a football player."

A pair of players — senior Royce Dixon (6-0, 170) and sophomore Anthony Mullins

(5-10, 180) will share tailback duties, at least early in the season, Salowich said. Junior Justin Burke will serve as the backup QB as well as a starting defensive back.

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The No. 1 target of Wilson's passes will be junior split end Jesse Pointer (6-0, 180).

"Jesse has good speed and very good hands," Salowich said. "In fact, he can catch the ball as well as any high school player I've ever coached."

Seniors Tony Fracassa (5-10, 175) and Mark Smith will see plenty of time at the end positions, their coach said.

Speaking of confidence, Salowich has plenty of it when it comes to his all-senior offensive line. Tackle Brian Baumgart (6-7, 250) will anchor the unit, which also consists of tackle David O'Leary (6-3, 270); guards Jim Crabil (6-2, 220) and Brian Walsh 6-2, 220) and center Andrew Kirby (6-3, 250).

"This is a strong group," Salowich said. "Baumgart has Division 1 (college) written all over him and Kirby is big, strong and as smart as the day is long.'

Several starting defensive spots hadn't yet been cemented as of Tuesday, Salowich said. However, he did add that junior Justin Bader (5-10, 190) would be seeing plenty of time

tions. "A lot of our offensive starters will be seeing time on defense, too," he said. "We're going to try to do a lot of subbing and getting a lot of kids into the mix."

at one of the linebacker posi-

While the coaching staff hasn't discussed long-term goals with the squad yet, the players are well aware of their shortterm ones.

"Right now, we just want to beat Pinckney," Salowich said. "Other than that, we've talked to the team about how we expect them to be good citizens and act like adults. And I also told them about something I heard John Madden say that he always told his Oakland Raider teams: 1. always be on time; 2. always pay attention; and 3. always play as hard as they can. If they play hard every down, good things will

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happen."

THOMAS

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"Things have been going well so far," he said Monday, following the Spartans' afternoon practice session. "It's definitely been a learning experience for me. They're opening up the playbook more with each practice, so I have a lot to learn. I'm just working hard and trying to get better every day I'm out

"It's definitely a faster game here than it was at Coffeyville. In D1, everybody you line up against is a great athlete, so you know you have to step your game up."

TIGHT SPIRALS

Thomas, who still has three years of college eligibility, said one of the early highlights of his career at MSU has been the opportunity to work with Drew Stanton, the Spartans' highly touted, fifth-year senior quarterback.

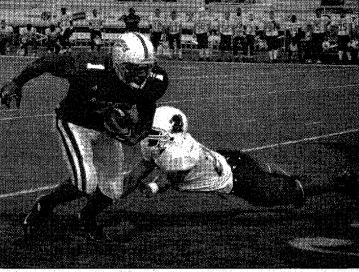
"He's a great quarterback," Thomas raved. "It's easy to see why he has such a bright future ahead of him. I consider myself lucky that I get to run routes and catch passes from him."

Stanton, who will probably be drawing paychecks in the NFL beginning next season, has more zip on his passes than any quarterback Thomas has played with.

"Even though the ball is coming in faster, it's easier to catch because Drew puts it either right on my number or right on my hands," Thomas

PRODUCTIVE CHIEF

Thomas enjoyed a stellar career at Canton. A two-year starter, the running back/receiver/kick returner piled up more than 1,000 allpurpose yards as a senior, which earned him Division 1



COFFEYVILLE (KAN.) COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Former Canton football player Devin Thomas is pictured above picking up yardage following a catch last season as a member of the Coffeyville (Kan.) Community College football team. This year, Thomas will be hauling in aerials from future NFL star Drew Stanton at Michigan State University.

'... There was a lot of alone time for me which made me concentrate on getting good grades. It also motivated me to get somewhere."

Devin Thomas Former Canton football player

All-State accolades.

"I still keep in touch with a few of the guys from that team," Thomas said. "And I talked to coach (Tim) Baechler in July at the high school football All-Star game.

"I learned a lot during my two years at Canton. My work ethic really improved. The most important thing I learned from coach Baechler was that things don't always come easy. You don't always get your way, so you have to grind it out sometimes."

While there was little doubt Thomas possessed Division 1 football skills after he graduated from Canton, he needed to polish his academic skills before he could play at the next level.

Coffeyville proved to be the ideal fit because it offered a high-caliber football program and an environment that helped the talented Thomas focus on improving his studying skills.

"Moving out there made me grow up fast," Thomas said, smiling. "Coffeyville is out in the middle of nowhere. It's nothing but cornfields out there. There was a lot of alone time for me which made me concentrate on getting good grades. It also motivated me to get somewhere."

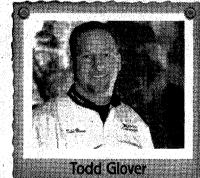
That somewhere is 80,000seat Spartan Stadium, where he'll be catching passes from a future NFL star and out-running opponents who are more than slightly larger than the munchkins Dorothy had to deal with.

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visit www.ymcadetroit.org.
The Plymouth Family YMCA is also looking for preschool instructors for these programs. If you are interested, call the

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The Plymouth High School girls swimming and diving team will be holding a car-wash fundraiser Saturday, Aug. 19, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Walgreen's located at Ford and Sheldon roads in Canton.

SOFTBALL TRYOUTS

Tryouts for the Thunderbirds girls fastpitch softball organization will be held on Saturday, Aug. 26, and Sunday, Aug. 27, at the Canton Softball Center on diamonds 5-8. Tryouts for 10U's will be held from 10-11 a.m.; 12U will be from 10 a.m.-noon; 14U will be from 11 a.m.-1 p.m.; and 16U will run from noon-2

BASEBALL TRYOUTS

■ The Tigers, a U12 Plymouth/Canton travel baseball team, will be holding tryouts for the 2007 season on Monday, Aug. 28, from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Tryouts will be conducted by professional baseball coaches at Massey Field, which is located on Plymouth Rd., just east of Hagger

Eligible players must be younger than 13 years old by April 30, 2007. For more information, contact Larry at (734) 812-3280.

n Tryouts for the 2007 U13 Canton Alley Cats travel baseball team will be held at Heritage Park Sunday, Aug. 27, beginning at 4 p.m. Players should arrive 20 minutes early to register.

The Alley Cats compete in the Kensington Valley Travel League as well as in several USSSA tour-

naments each season. To be eligible, players must be 13 years old (or younger) as of

April 30, 2007. For more information, contact head coach Glen Potter at (734) 844-8941 between Aug. 20-27.

■ Tryouts for the 2007 Vipers, an 11-and-under Plymouth-Canton travel baseball team, will be from 1-4 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 20, at Plymouth Township Park (field No. 2), which is located off Ann Arbor Trail (between McClumpha and Beck roads).

Eligible players must be younger than 12 years old by April 30, 2007.

For more information, contact Tony Boucher at (734) 454-4992 or tboucher14@yahoo.com; or Don Clark at (734) 455-1224 or

arg8@aol.com. ■ The Pirates 2007 14-andunder baseball team, which represents the communities of Plymouth and Canton, will be conducting tryouts on Wednesday, Aug. 23, at 6 p.m., and Sunday, Aug. 27, at 2:30 p.m. at Heritage Park in Canton Township. Heritage is located behind the Canton Township offices on Canton Center Rd.,

just south of Cherry Hill. Players must have a birth date on or after May 1, 1992, and enjoy playing at a competitive

level. The team is expected to participate in a total of approximately 40 games — both league and tournament — beginning in April of 2007. Players will also have the option of participating in a fall baseball league beginning in mid-September.

For more information, contact coach Bruce Price at (734) 635-

■ The Plymouth Grizzlies travel baseball team is seeking an additional player for the fall 2006 season. Interested 11- and 12-year-olds should contact Rob Sudz at (734) 420-058, Players must be residents of or attend school in Plymouth, Plymouth Township or Canton.

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The City of Plymouth Recreation Department is offering a fall instructional lacrosse program for boys and girls in grades 3-8. Registration runs through the entire month of August. The season runs from mid-September through the first week of November. Practices will be mid-week nights only. The program will also help prepare players for the spring competitive season. Visit www.ci.plymouth.mi.us; or call (734) 455-

Livonia golfer wins second straight O&E title

STAFF WRITER

Livonian Jim Omietanski made history in Sunday's Observer & Eccentric Men's Golf Tournament.

The 46-year-old supervisor at Ford Motor Co. became the first back-to-back champion when he carded rounds of 69 and 72 for a six-shot victory over Livonia dentist William Himm in the two-day event held at Whispering Willows and Fox Creek golf courses.

Omietanski's two-day total of 141 eclipsed his 2005 firstplace total of 144.

"I was consistent, I didn't miss many greens, and the ones I missed, I made a lot of up-and-downs," said Omietanski, who took home a \$200 gift certificate and firstplace trophy. "I hit a lot of good irons and I putted well. I had only one double-bogey in two days.

"Yesterday (Saturday) was big day because I played well at the Willows.'

Ironically, Omietanski had logged only 15 rounds of golf this season after being moved to the afternoon shift back in April at Ford.

And for the time being, he had to shelve his Tuesday night league play.

But despite his inactivity, Omietanski believed he could defend his title.

"I've been to the range more than I played," he said. 'I was confident I could be close to, or even-par. I was confident I could hang even thought I did not play a lot. "I don't play the big tour-

neys, but this is a great tourney. I enjoy the competition and the course was in great shape."

Meanwhile, the 55-year-old Himm was making his first O&E Tourney appearance in over 15 years.

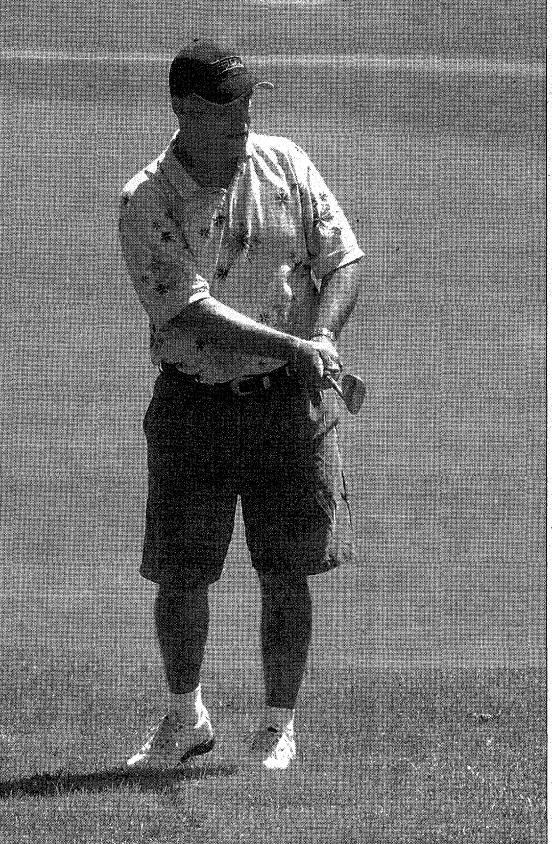
A member of Western Golf & Country Club in Redford, Himm will play later this month in the Golf Association of Michigan Seniors.

At the O&E Tourney, Himm relied on his putting, short game and his prized Taylor Made Burner Bubble 5-wood with a graphite shaft, which he affectionately calls his "Stradivarius.

"I've played a lot, probably around 100 rounds so far this year," said Himm, whose last tournament was the Frank Syron.

Himm carded a 74 on Saturday at Whispering Willows and added a 73 on Sunday at Fox Creek for a two-day total of 147.

Novi's Justin Chamberlain was one-stroke back at 148, while Livonia Churchill High senior-to-be, Tommy Lucko, who lost to Omietanski in the



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Jim Omietanski captured his second consecutive Observer & Eccentric golf championship Sunday at Whispering Willows Golf Course in Livonia.

playoff last year, wound up tied for fifth with Northville's Dan Longeway after carding the best score on Sunday (71) at Fox Creek.

Higham rules 1st flight

Livonia native Dan Higham shook off the rust to win the first flight title in the O&E Tourney as he shot 77-78-155 to beat Plymouth's Rick Wheeler by six strokes.

The 30-year-old Higham, whose younger brother Dave is the assistant pro at

Whispering Willows, made only two double-bogeys during the two-day event

Not bad for the 10-handicapper who plays only once a

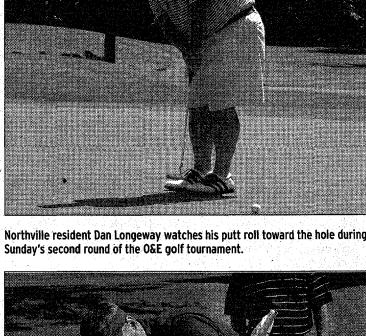
And despite 37 putts on the second day, the Churchill High and former Schoolcraft College golfer managed to add two more strokes on the field following a four-shot lead after the opening round.

"This was my first competitive round in three or four years," said Higham, who works for a local vending company, AVI Food Systems.

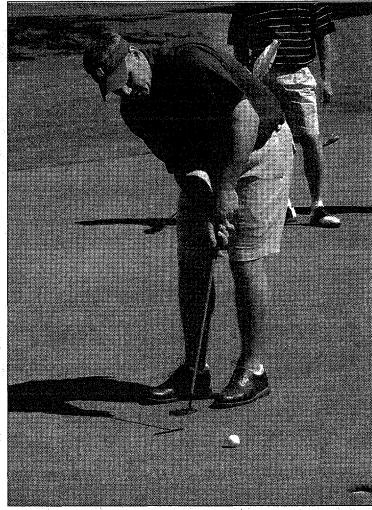
"I hit the ball pretty well. I never got myself in trouble and I made putts when I had to. I kept the ball in play all weekend.

"I went tee-to-green the first six holes (on Sunday). At No. 5 I saved par. I know these courses really well. At Fox Creek you need more accurate tee shots than Whispering. The pins were fair, but yesterday they were tough at Whispering Willows."

Two former area prep football standouts from the . 1970s, Livonians Jim



Northville resident Dan Longeway watches his putt roll toward the hole during



Livonia resident Dan Higham captured the first flight title in the O&E golf tournament.

Dolmetsch and Sam Williams, tied for third at 169

Dolmetsch was a quarterback from Stevenson High who set passing marks at Northwood Institute, while Williams, son of former Lions defensive end Sam Williams (of the Fearsome Foursome), was an All-State tight end and linebacker on Livonia Franklin's 1975 state Class A championship team.

Jacobs top women

In Saturday's 18-hole O&E Women's tourney, Livonian

Janina Jacobs also repeated as champion, firing an 82 at Whispering Willows to b fellow Livonian Molly Gibson by six shots.

Jacobs, who took home an \$80 gift certificate and firstplace trophy, also captured the closest to the pin contest on hole No. 7 at Whispering Willows.

Northville's Kathy Konkel grabbed the first flight women's title by six shots over Alice Stanley of Livonia.

A total of nine women and 112 men competed in the tournament.

New football league offers kids noncontact fun

Beginning in September, the Michigan Youth Flag Football Association will be offering NFL Youth Flag Football leagues for Plymouth and Canton students in the second through fifth grades, as well as clinics for kids in kindergarten and first grade.

Each league team will consist of eight to 10 players, who will be grouped with students from their school. One league will consist of second- and third-graders; a second will include fourth- and fifth-graders.

The format for league games will be 5-on-5 non-contact flag. Games will be played on a 25- by 64-yard field (50-yard field with seven-

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yard end zones). The \$110-per-player entry fee covers the cost of eight practices and eight games. Each player will also receive a reversible NFL jersey.

"One of the nice things about the 5-on-5 format compared to the usual 11-on-11 is that every kid has an opportunity to get the ball on every offensive play," said Bryan Ledin, the MYFFA executive director. "In 11-on-11, if you're not the running back or quarterback,

you probably won't touch the ball. With 5-on-5, there's one quarterback and four receivers, so everybody can be a superstar."

Ledin said similar leagues the MYFFA operate in Bloomfield Hills have experienced phenomenal success. There are around 600 kids in the

Bloomfield leagues," he said. "The concept is that it's an alternate to tackle football for the younger kids. The time commitment is a lot less as well as the financial commitment. We've found that this is a great feeder league for the tackle-football program, too."

The season will begin the week of Sept. 11.

Practices will be held on either Monday or Thursday evenings with games being held Sunday afternoons at the Canton Sports Center.

The registration deadline is Friday, Sept. 8. To register, visit www.MichiganYouthFlagFootball.com.

The one-hour fundamentals clinic for kindergarten and first-grade students will be held on six consecutive Mondays (6-7 p.m.) beginning Sept. 18 at the Canton Sports Center. The cost of the clinic is \$75, Ledin

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Pair of Canton wrestlers college-bound

STAFF WRITER

Two of the architects of Canton's revitalized wrestling program are taking their mat skills to the next level.

Recent graduates Marwan Faraj and Konrad Konsitzke, who led the Chiefs to their firstever appearance at the Division 1 team state championship tournament in March, will be prolonging their wrestling careers at Muskegon Community College and Iowa Central Community College, respectively.

"Right after last season, I wasn't sure if I wanted to keep wrestling," said Faraj. "But after I thought about it, I didn't want to be in a position years from now where I asked myself, 'What if? What if I would have wrestle

"Muskegon Community College showed a lot of interest in me and they have a good team, so I decided to give it a shot."

Faraj, who plans on pursuing a degree in

health sciences, will receive a partial scholarship after he has established residency in Muskegon for six months. He also earned an academic scholarship.

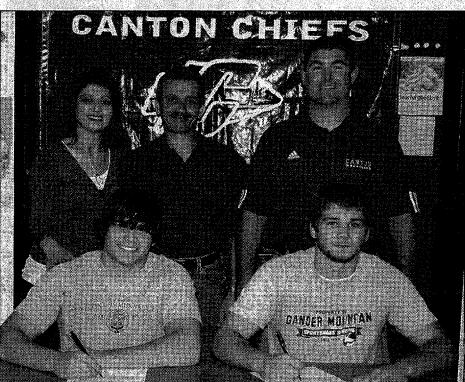
Konsitzke will be joining a team that captured a national title this past spring.

"Coach Randolph sent them tapes of me wrestling this past year and they liked what they saw and contacted me," he explained. "My dad has hunted out there a lot the past 10 years, so we really like the area. I also like the fact that it will be a competitive wrestling

room and everybody around me will be good." Konsitzke said he chose ICCC over several Division III schools that also showed an interest in him.

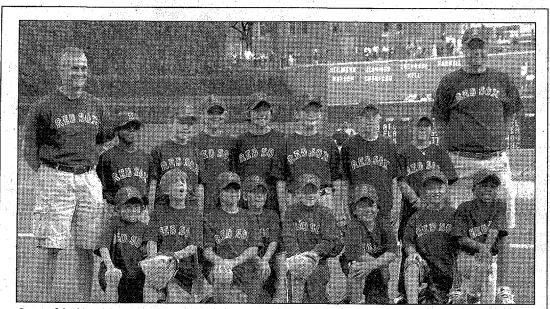
Both Faraj and Konsitzke said they will decide whether to pursue wrestling careers at larger colleges once their two-year community college stints are over.

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wrestlers Marwan Faraj (seated left) and Konrad Konsitzke will take their talents to the collegiate level in the fall. Faraj will be competing for Muskegon Community College while Konsitzke is headed to lowa Central Community College. Pictured standing (from left) are Faraj's parents, Fadia and Ahmed, and Canton wrestling coach Casey Randolph.

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The 9-and-under Canton Red Sox finished their 2006 Greater Canton Youth Baseball & Softball Association season with a 13-3 record and a league championship after ousting the Pirates, 8-2, in the title game. During the play-offs the Red Sox defeated the three teams they lost to in the regular season. The picture above was taken before a Detroit Tigers game on the field at Comerica Park. Pictured (front row from left) are Noah Lindlbauer, Matt Cade, Ryan Watson, Lucas Albrecht, Pete Carravallah, Mitchell King, Alex Zoltowski, Matt Cook, back row from left) coach Rob Brooks, Lawrence Cook, Adam Cousineau, Tyler Brooks, Nicholas Glud, Joe Kenzie, Jakob Lenders, Kyle Bauer and coach Pat Watson.

Madonna spikers 1st in preseason poll

The Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference (WHAC) unveiled the 2006 volleyball coaches poll and preseason all-conference team today with defending champion Madonna University the unanimous choice to win their 10th straight conference crown.

Madonna senior middle hitter Caryn Inman and Cornerstone University senior libero Julie Brusie were tabbed as the co-preseason Player-

In a vote of all eight league coaches, Madonna, coming off a 48-2 record last season and No. 3 national ranking, received 64 total points and all eight first place votes, besting No. 2 pick Cornerstone, which earned 57 points.

The University of Michigan-Dearborn was picked third with 38 points while second-year WHAC volleyball member Indiana Tech was the fourth place pick.

Aquinas and Siena Heights are the fifth and sixth pick while WHAC newcomer Davenport University was tabbed seventh and Concordia University eighth.

Inman and Bruise received four votes each to share preseason top player honors, with each coming off All-American selections in 2005.

Joining Inman on the preseason team from Madonna are senior middle hitter Heather

COLLEGE VOLLEYBALL

Spooner, sophomore outside hitter Lubovj Tihomirova and junior defensive specialist Jacqui Gatt (Livonia Churchill).

The Crusaders enter the 2006 campaign fresh off a 48-2 record in 2005 when they advanced to the programs second eyer NAIA Final Four appearance and a No. 3 national ranking.

Inman and Spooner are the two seniors returning to that squad which replaces four departed senior starters and six total players who saw significant court time from last season.

If the preseason prognosis comes true it would mark the 10th straight WHAC volleyball title for Madonna and 20-year Hall of Fame head coach Jerry Abraham.

Inman would also become the second straight Player of the Year for Madonna and the fourth in the last five years.

Four MU volleyball players have won the postseason award as Inman would join Kelly McCausland, Shelley Stanton, Amanda Suder and Natalja Tinina.

The regular season gets under way on Thursday, Aug. 24 with a home match versus Wayne State University.

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ESSON ON GOLF

by Jeff Lesson

THE PGA CHAMPIONSHIP

With the PGA Championship, the final major of the year being contested this week at Medinah, all eyes will once again be focused on Tiger Woods.

Thirty year old Tiger has won the last two events he entered (The British and Buick Opens), once again establishing himself as the top golfer on the planet. He now has won a total of 50 PGA Tour events and 11 majors, enroute to breaking the all time marks in both categories.

Medinah is also a course that Tiger has won on before. But that was before they made this course the longest in major championship golf history. Tiger also won at Medinah when he was driving the ball much

At most of the PGA Tour venues, accuracy off the tee is NOT a premium. Tiger is way down in those rankings (well out of the top 100). But as his swing coach Hank Haney told me at the Buick Open, it is really all about how many greens you hit.

And as long as the rough is not that long (i.e. most PGA Tour stops outside a U.S. Open or PGA Championship course), Tiger can overpower the course. But such is not the case at Medinah. There, Tiger must hit long and straight due to the difficult rough and length of the course. That is not something he has done well in a few years.

Will he keep the driver out of the bag and hit two irons and three woods off the tee? Or does he need the distance a driver gives him? Should be interesting

Jeff Lesson hosts "Lesson on Golf" weekend mornings on WWJ Newsradio 950 and Saturday mornings 7-8am on 1270 XYT. He also co-hosts "Michigan Golf Weekly Saturdays at 6pm on CBS Detroit TV.

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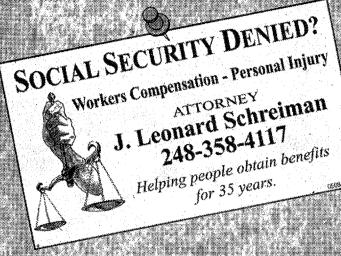
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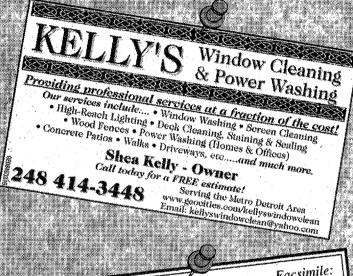
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WORKWISE Networking is one of the most difficult parts of job seeking because of its emphasis on personal contact. It s essential.

because your chances of finding a job this way are 75 percent, except at the junior level, which requires greater investment in jobs sites, according to Jo Bennett. She is a partner at the \$15.9 million executive search firm Battalia Winston International, headquartered in New York City, which has 82 offices worldwide.

Brian Marchant-Calsyn, president of Strategic Research Network, a custom leadgenerator in St. Louis, maintains that the 75 percent figure applies especially to baby boomers, because they aren t going to get a fair shake otherwise. They have to meet faceto-face to diffuse the perception that they re too costly.

VEHICLES

If you re allergic to picking up the telephone to speak with strangers, you risk increasing the length of your search. You now have more vehicles to tap for networking than ever before. Genie Fuller, founder of CEO Network Partners in Houston, which networks largely for business referrals, points out that a nicheoriented networking group, such as Netweavers for CEOs, can enhance your prospects: As they find openings, she says, they share with other people. They re very specific, (targeted to the) upper-level job search. Bennett mentions that online

networking groups are also new. Through them you can bypass face-to-face contact.

You can network on your own, which may seem grueling, but Bennett, who s been in executive search for 17 years, cuts to the chase. I ve heard of people doing a lot of research themselves to find the right person, she says. Now it s harder to do a cold call -- you really need a warm introduction, such as one of their clients. They have to take your call then.

However, if you re launching a frontal attack on the market -- or, if you re underemployed rather than unemployed, as Marchant-Calsyn comments -- you might explore marketing services. Fuller, who has conducted outplacement seminars, thinks that using one would be an excellent approach (if you) can find out what s going on in companies, asking candid questions, about culture of the company -- not just the specifics of a job or position. Marchant-Calsyn says that his new service is particularly helpful for highly-qualified candidates who are determining what they want to do and could use a live voice to help oversee the process. At \$2,500, his package isn t cheap. It also requires sweat equity, with a recommended 40 to 80 calls per day to maximize results, he states. However, 20 to 40 is better than nothing and will still get results.

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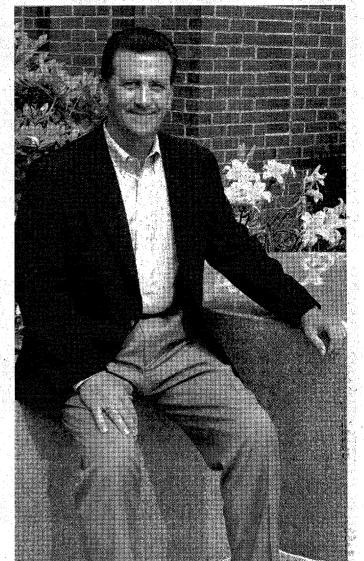
The most pronounced change in networking has less to do with vehicles than style. Fuller recounts a telling story about a job seeker who called a friend in Personnel at a major airline. She d been sending her contact an annual holiday card and

immediately launched into job search mode, asking if there were any openings at the airline. That could have waited for a second telephone call, Fuller remarks, and would have secured multiple opportunities without ending their relationship.

The pounce turns people off, Fuller advises. Soften your approach by getting the other person talking. Ask what's going in the company. Then, when they ask you about you, state your occupation, even if you re not working now. If you ve been an engineer and want to work as one again, that makes you an engineer. After you build up your accomplishments, add, Actually, I m looking for a new opportunity now. She advocates a soft opening in all kinds of networking environments, including mixers and Chamber

Bennett remarks that people have been over-networked; so they re not as inclined to give networking or informational interviews. People have to be much more creative, targeted and subtle. Make it occur more naturally. Opportunities like social events and college reunions are wonderful. You have not to ruin the person s time at the party. Call the next week.

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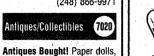
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Canton 1737 Scenic Dr., W. o Beck Rd & btwn. Cherry Hill & Geddes. Aug. 17-18, 9-5 Crib, golf balls, household

CANTON GARAGE SALE Fri.-Sat., Aug 18-19, 9-3pm 46707 Mornington, Canton Center Road & Cherry Hill. Girls bdrm furniture. Misc.

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19, 9am-5pm. Kids toys, misc CLARKSTON-Massive 4 family sales. Sheringhams Sub. off Maybee Rd. Aug. 17-19, 8-4 Baby,

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15 Mile, just W of Livernois.

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FARMINGTON HILLS 3 fami

lies! 36511 W. Lyman, N of 11 Mile, W of Drake. Thurs -Sat., Aug. 17-19, 9am-5pm, Misc., girls & mens clothing. **FARMINGTON HILLS** LARGE SALE! Collectibles

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FARMINGTON HILLS antiques, collectibles & lots of misc. 23717 Springbrook, S/10 Mile, W/Middlebelt. Aug. 17 & 18, 10-4.

FARMINGTON HILLS

SUBDIVISION GARAGE SALE

Between 12 & 13 Mile, off Middlebelt.

Aug 18-19-20. 9-5pm

Garage Sales

FARMINGTON HILLS- 30974 Country Ridge Circle, Mile/Halstead. Child books, toys, games, clothes dress-up

GARDEN CITY Garage Sale

28751 Florence, btwn Ford &

Cherry Hills & Inkster & Middlebelt.. Fri. & Sat., Aug. 18 &19, 10am-4pm. GARDEN CITY - Sat.-Sun

dles, furniture, misc. sale! Clothes, baby clothes, baby items, household items & lots more! Thurs-Sat, 9am-3pm, 32425 Pardo,1 blk

south of Ford Rd., between Venoy & Hubbard. GARDEN CITY Huge 3 Family Garage Sale. 30621 Sheridan

GARDEN CITY N. of Cherry Hill, W. Merriman. Aug 18-20, 9-4pm GARDEN CITY HUGE SALE! Clothes, electronics, books gift items. 9am-5pm, Sat., Aug. 19- Mon., Aug. 21, 29538 Chester, Middlebelt, N

of Ford Rd. **GARDEN CITY** Aug. 18-20, 9-5, 7042 Gilman, 1 blk S/

GARDEN CITY- Aug. 16-18, 9-28821 Dawson, N/Ford E/Middlebelt. Clothes, 100's of Beanie Babies, small appliances, Jet boat, yard tools, too much to mention.

> Lake Orion 2842 Aurora Dr. 9am - 3pm

plies, flannel sheets, clothes, Christmas, etc. Aug. 18, 9am-5pm & Aug 19, 9am-12pm. 14252 Loveland, btwn Farmington & Merriman, btwn LIVONIA Estate Sale. 30425

Furniture, household acces sories galore, jewelry, more! LIVONIA 18432 Gillman 7 Mile Rd. & Inkster, Aug 17-19, 9-5. Three-family. Baby items, household, antiques, furni-

ture, collectibles, & more! LIVONIA 18650 Doris, 7 Mile & Middlebelt Rd., Aug. 18-19th, 10-4pm. HUGE SALE! Furniture, household, home school, FREE BIKES!

kids clothes, fitness, couch

9am-4pm, 31704 Haldane, N

misc. household. Aug.

of 7 Mile, W of Merriman

Garage Sales

7110 LIVONIA 30976 Robert Dr., 1 blk E of Merriman. Plymouth Rd & W. Chicago Aug. 17 & 18, 9am-4:30pm. Women's clothing (including larger sizes), household

LIVONIA Aug. 17-20, 9am-3pm, 15380 Huff, 2 blocks W of Newburgh off 5 Mile. Toys, books, childrens clothes, household, & more!

baby equip., child clothes/toys, household. LIVONIA 17727 Rougeway, W/Inkster, N/6 Mile. Aug. 17-19, 9-5. Picnic tables/bench

LIVONIA 16555 Savoie, 6 Mile & Middlebelt Rd. Aug. 17-19, 9-4pm. Crafts, toys, skis, household items, & much, much more!

Chicago & Merriman Rd., Aug 18-20, 9-5. Household goods, girls' clothing (infant-8yrs.) Mary Kay avail., some tools. LIVONIA 35601 Minton St.,

LIVONIA 32046 Delaware, W.

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LIVONIA Huge Garage Sale

11474 Cavell, S. of Plymouth

household, misc, china, cab net. Something for everyone! LIVONIA Garage/ Estate sale. Washer, dryer, hockey equip., dining room set, bdrm set (dbl), dorm loft, piano, treadmill, desks, living room furni-

ture. IronRite mangle, dishes

Fri. only, 9am-3pm. 168 Westbrook. 248-348-5584. LIVONIA Multi family garage sale, lots of household & kid's items. Aug. 18-20th, 9-5pm. 38415 Lancaster, N. of 5 Mile.

items to list! LIVONIA- Aug. 17-19, Thurs. Sat., 9-5 20237 Southampton S/8 Mile, E/Gill. Toys, clothes furniture, books. Bargains

LIVONIA- 2 FAMILY Aug. 17 & 18, 9am-5pm. Clothes, toys, collectibles baby items, 36981 Dardanella, corner of Margaretta & Dardanella, S of 7 Mile, E of Newburgh.

Garage Sales

(7110) NORTHVILLE~8/17-8/20 From 9AM-6PM. Furniture antiques, households, appli ances, books, bedding, & more! 326 Sherrie Ln. N. of 8 Mile & E. of Taft.

Dr. at Foreland PLYMOUTH 8831 Manton Aug. 18-19, 9am-5pm. Antiques, furniture, Shopsmith10E, Household, lots of

clothes, especially girls size 8-10 clothes, boys and girls' toys, bike, misc PLYMOUTH GREAT BUYS for dorms,1st apts, moms, ba gain hunters! YARD SALE

PLYMOUTH Multi Family urniture, Large TV's, clothing, dren's Hockey equip., much more 13307 Mystic Forest, N Territorial/Beck.

11832 Cantor

9am-5pm

Plymouth

PLYMOUTH - Multi-Family Kid's stuff, toys, computers lawn equip. Thurs.-Sun., 9am 5pm. 11675 Butternut Ave. Haggerty & Ann Arbor Trail. PLYMOUTH SIDEWALK SALE Holiday Toys & Collectibles Beanies, Disney, Shirley Temple: animated window di plays at U TAKE THE CAKE 42865 5 Mile Rd., 5 &

Center Rd. btwn. Ann Arboi Rd. & Ann Arbor Trail. Aug

17-19. 9-5. Baby clothes

Thurs.-Fri. 9-5pm & Sat. 9noon. 11817 Wildwing, off Ann Arbor Trail. Toys, children's clothing & household items. PLYMOUTH- Fri. & Sat., Aug 18 & 19, 8am-4pm.

Haggerty, Tues.-Sat., 10-6.

PLYMOUTH TWP. - Aug 17-19

PLYMOUTH~ 8/17 & 8/18 From 9-4. Art, furniture household, bikes, electronics toys, & more! 9610 Shearson Arbor Rd/Canton Center Rd. REDFORD 16711 Glenmore

clothes, antiques, household.

8/17-8/28, 9-6. Household kids, furniture (dining/ bdrm/ office), boats, plumbing, misc REDFORD Ten sales or Gaylord St. btwn. 6 & 7 Mile & Beech Daly & Inkste Rd. Aug. 17-20th, 8-5pm.

Highway, Grand River & Beech Daly Aug 18-20, 1 7nm Sewing, tools, furniture antiques: NO Early Birds!

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Garage Sales ROCHESTER 306 Northwood, off Main St., Aug. 18-19th, 10-Teaching materials, books elementary, special education and Orton-Gillingham, antique sewing machine, household.

Warren and Venoy, 33185 ROCHESTER HILLS Thurs. 8 Fri., Aug. 17 & 18, 8am-4pm, 1485 Royal Crescent, off Tienken btwn Livernois &

Brewster, Furniture, household, collectibles, misc. ROCHESTER HILLS

SOUTH LYON Aug. 19, 20 12370 Sunview Ct., W/Rushton, S/10 Mile, 9am-6pm. Antiques, furniture, can ning jars, collectibles, sport & exercise equipment. Down

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SUPERIOR Twp Garage Sale

1705 Savannah Lane, Geddes & Harris, Brookside Sub-division; Friday & Saturday, from 8:00am - 3:00pm. TROY 3 Family Sale, Aug. 18-20, 9am-5pm, 5117 Allison, N side of Long Lake btwn Rochester & John R. Antique

TROY - 5414 Berwyck, N. off

Long Lake, E. of Livernois. Fri.-Sat., 9-4pm. Furniture, Little Tykes playhouse, climber, lots more! We're moving!! TROY - YARD SALE Retail 5 ft. glass display case lots of vintage & misc items Fri.-Sat., Aug 18-19, 9-4. 44 Hickory, 15 1/2 & Livernois.

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Garage Sales

FAMILY SALE. Collectibles, misc. items: Aug. 18,19,20, 10am-? 4180 First St., Clinton & 2nd St. area. WAYNE Thurs, Fri., Sat., noon-?, Aug. 17-19, 34947 Phyllis Van Born & Chamberlain

Clothes (Baby Phat, Girbaud)

name-brand stuff! WAYNE MULTI-FAMILY SALE Aug. 17-19, 9-5pm. 36945 Glenwood, between Wayne Rd. & Newburgh Rd.

WEST BLOOMFIELD Multi-Family Sale, Thurs.-Sat., 8am-5pm. 5586 Powderhorn Dr., off Walnut Lake Rd., btwn Orchard Lake & Middlebelt. WEST BLOOMFIELD MOVING SALE - August 19th, 9am-4pm - ONE DAY ONLY! 5572

Items, household goods, toys, appliances and misc. items. WEST BLOOMFIELD 3056 Brewster, N/Maple, W/Middle belt, Cumberland Commons Sub. August 17-19, 9am-4pm Antiques, furniture, household

West Bloomfield 4473

items and much more.

Swan Lake Dr. 3 piece Leathe

Living Set other furniture

Greenstown Dr., Orchard Lake & Walnut Lake off Gre Aug. 18-19, 9-3. Movina Household, snowblower, ladders, women's 10-12 petite TV's, fishing. No Early Birds! WEST BLOOMFIELD- 5025 West Pond Circle, Off Walnut Lk, btwn Drake/Halstead. Aug. 17-19, 10-5. Furniture,toys clothes (mens, womens, kids)

WESTLAND

6 Family Garage Sale, Aug.17, 18 & 19, 9am-5pm. 7782 Gary, S of Ann Arbor Trail, btwn. Middlebelt & Merriman. WESTLAND Something for everyone! Furniture, dishes, lamps, knick-knacks, toys, Power Wheels. Sat.-Mon., Aug.19- 21, 9-6, 39201 Palmer, btwn Newburgh & Hannar WESTLAND 2 Family Sale 8731 Hubbard, South of Joy West of Merriman - Follow pink signs. Thurs-Sat., 9am-5pm. Clothes, kid/baby items housewares, electronics

bed, desk, chairs, tables futon, clothes, shoes, accessories, home decor, great col-Avon & John R. Sat. & Sun. 9am-5pm. WESTLAND Great Christmas gifts, Home Int., computer

ROCHESTER HILLS Hospital

dame boy, board games ooks, Nintendo *64, videos, misc. Thurs - Sat 9-4 5681 N. Karle, Ford & Wayne WESTLAND - Three family garage sale. Clothes, dishes toys, knickknacks, some fur niture items and lots more. Aug. 18-20. 9am-5pm. 6015 Crown. Ford Rd. to Crown of the north side of Ford Rd. WESTLAND- Aug. 18-20, 9am -7pm. 27961 Hanover, 1 blk. N/Vanborn, W/Inkster, Must sell lots of antiques, collectibles, tools, some furniture

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Northwick 13 Mile Farmington Rd., Aug. 18-19, 9-3pm. Sports equip., toys, and much, much more! FARMINGTON HILLS

MULTIPLE HOMES

Sat., Aug. 19, 9am-5pm, 21742 Albion, Middlebelt & Grand River area. FINE FURNITURE 40 Yr. Bloomfield Hills home moving Living room, Henredon dining

size 10 galore!) and more!! NORTHVILLE New bdrm., dining & living set (separates), sport, electronics, household, Must sell! 248-735-2993 NORTHVILLE Pre-moving sale

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Joy Rd. & Inkster, Aug 19th, 9-3pm. Furniture, houseblower, bdrm sets, appliances TROY MULTI-FAMILY, Fri.

REDFORD 8812 Hemingway

Sat., 10am-5pm, 290 E Long Lake Boys/ womens clothing,

Antique, collectibles, furni-ture glass. \$5 OFF with \$25 purchase! 5462 Plymouth Rd. Thurs., 12-7pm. Fri., 9am-7pm, Sat., 8am-4pm. Power

BERVERLY HILLS Furniture, tools, housewares, clothing, electronics, sports. 8am-5pm.

BEVERLY HILLS Thursday Onlyl, 8am-3pm. 22724 KING RICHARD CT., (off 14, west of Lanser). Multi-Family. Deck sports

E. of Cranbrook Aug. 17-19.
4. Cats-Great Stuff. Antiques, Stickley, Round Oak clawfoot table, mahogany china cabinet, loveseat, bookcases, vintage

no clothes. BLOOMFIELD Thurs-Fri 9-4 Bargains! Exc. cond. Snow vi lage, furniture, records, trailer



7110 Garage Sales

4pm. 3578 Burning Bush, N of Something for Everyone!

49566 Taft Lane

books, kids' clothes & more!

Ct., Beck & Warren. Furniture, clothing, bedding, weight bench, etc. No early birds. toys, & miscellaneous items.

Ct., Glengarry Sub, Canton Center, btwn Cherry Hill & Palmer. Fri & Sat., Aug. 18 8

Something for ever (248)981-7903 for info.

7110 **COMMERCE TWP** 3400 & 3410 Sutton Lane, S. Commerce & Oakley Park

DEARBORN HTS- Aug. 17-19, 9-6, 6564 Rockdale at Ann Arbor Trail. Rare guitars,

AMILY GARAGE SALE - 2811

Ravinewood Drive. Baby

Farmington Rd. ,Aug. 18-20, 9am-5pm. clothes, antiques,

of 10 Mile, off Orchrd Lake,

18-19, 9-4pm. Household

clothes, misc. Fri., Sat., Aug. 18 & 19, 9am-4pm, Wellspring Church, 36350 8 Mile Rd., 1/4 mile E of Halsted.

washer/drver).

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Children's household items. Aug. 17-19, 9-5.

Aug 19-20, 10-6pm 28540 Alvin, Cherry Hill & Middlebelt. Baby items, appliances, can-**GARDEN CITY HUGE Garage**

Baby and Kids stuff, CD DVD's Clothes and much more. Thurs.-Fri., 10am-5pm Sat., 9am-5pm. - Precious Moments, household, toys & kid's clothes. 31523 Kathryn,

Warren, btwn Middlebelt &

Saturday, August 19 LIVONIA TV, canning sup-

Bonnydale, S. of 5 Mile off Henry Ruff, Aug. 17-19, 9-6.

LIVONIA Lots of everything! COME ONE, COME ALL! Aug. 17 & 18, Thurs. & Fri., 10am-4pm. 37523 Myrna. W off Newburgh btwn 5 & 6 Mile. LIVONIA Baby items, baby

btwn larger sizes), househ-items, books & lots more.

LIVONIA Aug. 17-18, 9-5. Susanna Circle, N. of 5, W. of Newburgh. Wood furniture, children's

es, glass doorknobs. ware, lamps, mink coat, boots,

Plymouth, W Wayne. MOVING SALE, Multiple Families! Priced to Sell! Aug. 18, 8:30-3pm, Aug. 19, 8am-Noon.

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What took BMW so long to bring this back? One can only guess, but if time has any indication of performance, then it was time will spent. Available in a four-passenger luxury coupe or convertible, the M6 was developed by BMW s racing arm, BMW M.

What does that mean to the average driver? The BMW M6 is a racing machine. If you want a car to pitter patter around town, this is probably not the one. But if you want a fast, high performance sports car, the M6 is the answer.

This is a vehicle that s truly fast enough to take on the race track. Inspired by BMWs Formula 1 racing engine, the M6 is powered by a 5.0-liter, V-10 engine with 500 horsepower. The M6 rockets from 0 to 60 mph in 4.5 seconds.

Its a coupe, not a sports car. But with all that power under the hood, we won t fault you for forgetting from time to time. Part of what makes the M6 so fast is the engine s design.

There are three levels of engine power and torque response. The V-10 engine uses high rpm to avoid excessive torque. Each cylinder has an electronically controlled throttle. Matched with a seven-speed transmission, the result is maximum performance.

Lightweight valves, pistons and rods also help, too. Ditto for a high pressure Double Vanos system that varies the intake and exhaust valves timing.

Sharing a drive train with the BMW M5, the entire engine weighs 529 pounds almost the same as a V-8 engine in the M5, but with more



2006 BMW M6. Vehicle class: Luxury car. Power: 5.0 liter, V-10. Mileage: 12 city / 18 8 highway. Where built: Dingolfing, Germany. Base price: \$96,795.

horsepower. Lightweight body panels, along with the aluminum front of the vehicle, make the M5 faster with nearly equal front and rear weight distribution.

The M6s speed could almost make you forget that this is a luxury car. But myriad standard features will quickly bring you back to the reality that yes, you are driving a luxury coupe. Nineteeninch tires with five M double spokes are aggressively styled. The M6 also comes with an M Mobility System that temporarily repairs and inflates a tire if it is damaged.

Doorsills are trimmed with M6 logs and colors. The speedometer, shift paddles and interior door handles have a Titanium II finish, while heated seats are adjustable 14 ways, including a 4-way lumbar and backrest width and manual thigh support adjustment.

Leather seats are upholstered in Merino leather, BMWs finest grade, with leather touches on the seats, head restraints, door panels and center armrests. Dark walnut trim is standard, while lighter Olive Carrara wood and Carbon Fiber black trim are optional.

There are safety features galore. Brake standby

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reduces stopping distance by applying pressure to brake pads and rotor when a driver lifts off the throttle quickly. Rain sensors on windshield wipers raises periodically brings brake pads up to rotors to eliminate water on the braking system.

An onboard navigation system with voice command is standard. Thirteen speakers, along with two sub woofers, are included with a six-CD changer that is accessible from the glove compartment.

With so many standard features, there are still some optional add-ons. A comfort access system eliminates a remote to lock and unlock doors. A vehicle access system allows drivers to pull a handle or open the truck without a remote.

Drivers can also start the engine by pressing the start button, thanks to a remote inside the vehicle. Leave the remote inside and the car will not lock. Gently close the door and an electronic device gently shuts it. Clearly, the M6 sets the standard for high-

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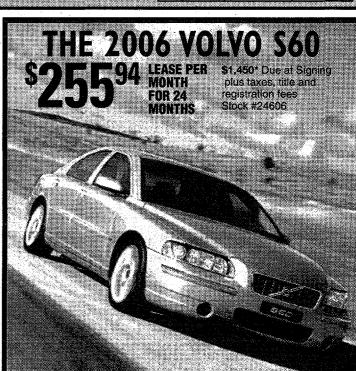
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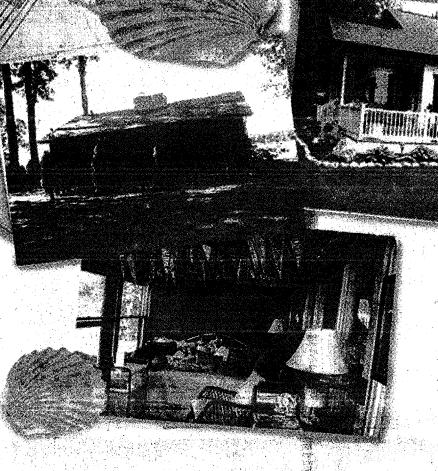
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> Summer is going by all too fast. Some readers who travel to their own getaway during the season have sent us photos of their Summer Places. We thank them for sharing. Take a few moments to savor their special sites.

> > Mary Klemic

Savor these summer



At center right is the Summer Place of Ron and Darlene Krieg of Livonia. It is on an inland waterway on the Indian River. The Kriegs have had the getaway for almost six years.

There, Ron golfs, fishes every day, and hunts deer. Darlene spends the summer - June through Labor Day at the site with the family dog. The view across the way is a wooded area. "It's just the best thing I've done," Ron said.

"This (photos at left, top and bottom) is our 900-square-foot log cabin on Strawberry Lake in Hamburg Township. It's called N'houraway because it is just an hour away from our permanent home in Birmingham. "When we first saw it, it was

covered in yellow aluminum siding with aluminum windows. The Realtor said, "Before you say 'No Way,' wait until you see the inside." N'hour later it was ours "We've added a few personal

touches and updated the bathroom, but we like to keep it

Randy and Rochelle Forester

"Welcome to Rancy's Sugar Shack!" (This is the photo at top left. Rancy is a combination of the names Randy and Nancy.) "The Sugar Shack is our little home away from home located within Sugar Springs Association, Gladwin, Mich.

"This is where we go to recharge after a hectic work week in Canton. We love to entertain family and friends at the Shack - all are welcome! "My husband, Randy, enjoys fishing off the dock and someday would love to buy a boat. "I like to run the country roads and play with our

wonder dog Harley. "Harley loves to swim, chase the geese and dock

"Randy and I both enjoy the quiet time reading and spending quality time together."

Nancy Phalin

Use these Web sites to trade books, **CDs and DVDs**

he Internet has turned into one big swap

Borrowing from the idea that one man's junk is another man's treasure, new Web sites enable you to trade unwanted books, CDs and movies for titles you actually do want.

Think of it: You can unload your copy of Monica Lewinsky's biography (What were you

thinking?) and get The Kite Runner (a truly exceptional book) in return.

All done with those Weird Al Yankovic CDs? Trade them for some Brendan Benson or Iron & Wine.

And say good-bye to the kids' old Barney DVDs; you can swap them for Arrested Development, Firefly, Master and Commander and other At least, that's the theory.

The reality is that one man's

junk is often, well, another man's junk. It's not always easy, or even possible, to mine treasure from these swap sites. Still, they're definitely worth a look. Let's start with Peerflix (peerflix.com),

January. Back then, it was relatively new and experiencing some growing pains. Today it's a much more polished and stable

the DVD-trading service I wrote about last

service, though not perfect. To get started, you sign up, provide a credit card number (each DVD you receive costs 99 cents, plus postage) and build a list of the movies you want to receive.

You also create a list of the DVDs you own and are willing to trade. When a movie on another user's "want" list matches one on your "have" list, you're notified via e-mail to send it

You don't even need to mess with envelopes; instead, you print a fold-up mailer right on your printer, complete with electronic postage. Pretty slick.

Meanwhile, when one of your wanted DVDs finds a match on someone else's list, they send it to you. It's a pretty easy way to refresh your movie library.

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The modus operandi is similar at La La (lala.com), where you can trade CDs for a buck apiece. Even better, the service supplies plastic cases and prepaid mailers.

PLEASE SEE BROIDA, D4

Gear up for 12th annual Woodward Dream Cruise

n the off chance you haven't heard, the 12th annual Woodward Dream Cruise is this Saturday.

Of course, if you are anywhere along Woodward at this time of year you know that Dream Cruise day has turned into Dream Cruise week as car enthusiasts from around town and around the world show off and take in

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ingenuity. We all have our favorite vehicle - one that is guaranteed to elicit an "Oh, wow" as it cruises by.

For me all it takes is one look at a classic Chevy Impala and I'm immediately transported back to my parents' driveway.

There I am behind the wheel, feeling the raw power of this awesome machine. I was on the endless American highway. I was the definition

of cool. I was James Dean, Marlon Brando and Steve McQueen all rolled into one.

I was also in big trouble. You see, I thought it was a great idea to pile five or six of my best buddies on the hood of that Chevy as I backed out at top speed.

My dad was far from amused. I'll never forget his running after us, screaming: "Hey, you hoodlums - get

off that car!" (For those of you unfamiliar with the term "hoodlum," it was the "then" version of a "wiseguy." Think Tony Soprano.)

This weekend, we have a chance to celebrate all those great car memories as we pay tribute to what made the Motor City the Motor City.

More than 40,000 of Detroit's finest creations will be chugging up and down Woodward Avenue from Ferndale to Pontiac. More than 1-1/2 million of us will be on hand to witness this sheet metal-to-the-pedal parade. To put that into perspective, that's one person for every orange barrel on 696.

 This is the biggest one-day car event in the world. It is certainly the largest gathering we'll see on Woodward until this year's Tigers World Series victory parade. Now that would be a Dream

So, grab a lawn chair, pack a cooler and enjoy the show. And enjoy the fact that the term "top down" has nothing to do with Janet Jackson.

Dick Purtan & Purtan's People will be broadcasting live on The Motor City's 104.3 WOMC 8-11 a.m. this Saturday in the median at the corner of Nine Mile and Woodward in Ferndale, Honk if you drive by.



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It's time to review dorm safety rules

Observer & Eccentric | Thursday, August 17, 2006

Before getting into today's column I'll say that I always enjoy getting questions and comments from readers.

After my last column dealing with garden pests, I received some e-mail questioning the mentioned use of lethal control methods.

I want to stress that the use of lethal methods of pest control MUST be used cautiously, judiciously and, as stated, as a last resort.

Children and pets can be injured by careless use of poisons and traps. However, garden pests themselves can create health problems and injuries to children, pets and adults.

Jachym All mammals - especially bats, skunks and raccoons - can carry rabies. They can also cause flea infestations. We experienced this several years ago when an opossum took up residence under our deck.

Betty S. suggests controlling moles by placing used kitty litter into their tunnels. She said, "Moles fear cats and they will leave upon smelling the litter."

She also suggests baby powder as a deterrent for rabbits.

Gina from Livonia says native plants such as daylilies, hosta, purple coneflower, coral bells and sedum naturally don't attract pests.

She also said a 'little dish soap solution in a sprayer helps sometimes."

Thanks so much for the suggestions. Please feel free to send comments or questions to me anytime.

DORM SAFETY

It's this time of year when many young people are moving to their college homes, some for the first time. What a good time to talk about some safety issues that arise in college dorms every-

My first thought was to look at lofts. For those of you who aren't familiar with lofts, they are like bunk beds with no bed on the bottom. This allows more floor space under the bed.

Lofts need to be constructed in a sturdy and safe manner. Here are a few sug-

gestions for loft construction: The occupant needs be able to get out of the loft quickly.

■ Lofts mustn't obstruct egress windows and shouldn't block rapid egress from the room.

■ Don't attach wiring to a loft.

Flammable materials such as paneling, fabric or paper shouldn't be used to enclose the loft.

■ Avoid placing objects such as coat hooks and nails on the loft.

Ask your college residence hall about loft rules. Some simple plans for a loft can be found at

http://www.oploftbed.com/. Fire safety is another issue. Often the

causes for fire emergencies are due to a lack of knowledge about fire safety and prevention. Student apathy also plays a significant role.

There is also a strong link between alcohol and fire deaths. In most cases where fire fatalities occurred on college campuses, alcohol was a factor.

To help keep safe from fire-related injuries in college dorms:

■ Know where at least two exits are. ■ Properly use cooking appliances. Unplug them when not in use. ■ Properly use extension cords.

Remember: Overloaded electrical circuits increase the risk of fires.

Be cautious of blankets and other fabrics near heating vents.

Curling irons and other heating appliances need to be off when not in General dorm life safety points are:

Lock your room doors and windows even if you will only be gone for a couple

■ Never lend your keys to anyone. ■ Never prop open building access

doors. Don't leave your books, purse or other valuables unattended.

■ Don't let strangers follow you into the building, even if they look like they belong there.

Use common sense ALWAYS. Good luck to you in your college years.

Harry Jachym writes Ask Dad, a column on home issues ranging from repairs and maintenance to building and remodeling projects. He is a Plymouth resident.

Send any questions or comments to Jachym at askdad@ comcast.net or in care of Mary Klemic, Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 805 E. Maple, Birmingham 48009.

HOME CALENDAR

Dog training

The Wolverine Dog Training Club is celebrating "50 great years of training dogs and people." It has classes for every level in obedience and agility, and incorporates Rally in some of its obedience classes. The club's next class session will begin Thursday, Aug. 24. Visit its Web site, www.wolverinedtc.com, for information.

Panel discussion

Michigan Design Center (MDC) invites design and architecture enthusiasts to a panel discussion, Influences in Contemporary Architecture and Design in Detroit, 4-5:30 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 24, at MDC in Troy. Admission is free, but space is limited and advance reservations are strongly recommended. Call (248) 649-4772 for reservations. MDC is at 1700 Stutz Drive, north off Maple, between Crooks and

Dwell magazine editor in-chief Allison Arieff will moderate the discussion. It will be followed by a reception in the Mid-America Room, Suite 86. at MDC.

Featured will be John Gallagher, architecture critic for the Detroit

Free Press; Victor Saroki and Michael Poris, noted local architects; William Massie, architecture department head at Cranbrook Academy of Art; and Clay Dean, automotive designer for General Motors. **Detroit walking tours**

Preservation Wayne presents guided walking tours of five historical areas of Detroit (downtown, Eastern Market, Midtown, Auto Heritage and the Cultural Center), 10 a.m. Saturdays through September. It also presents Tuesday After Work tours in downtown Detroit 5:30 p.m. every week.

Tours of the New Center area are available by appointment. Each tour offers a blend of the history of the area and what is happening now. Cost is \$10. Visit www.preservationwayne.org or call (313)

Send calendar items at least two weeks ahead of the event to Mary Klemic, At Home Editor, Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 805 E. Maple, Birmingham 48009, e-mail mklemic@hometownlife.com, fax (734) 591-7279 or (248) 644-1314.

Wrenches, with a twist, and pliers with a grip

BY MORRIS AND JAMES CAREY FOR AP WEEKLY FEATURES

We were pleased when we opened the mail recently and discovered that someone had sent us a sample of a new ratchet-style box wrench.

We were a little disappointed, though, when we thought that the package only contained two wrenches, not a full set.

But it wasn't a partial set at all. The two wrenches constituted a full eightpiece set of box wrenches.

Each of the two-box wrench ends is shaped into two sizes (two ends on each wrench, two sizes on each end, four sizes per wrench). Two wrenches eight sizes.

Each end of each wrench boasts a reversible ratchet and a 5-degree ratchet lock. This means that the tool can be operated in a very tight space.

If you live in an apartment and want the most tool for the storage space available, then you want to look into this one.

The tool is called the QuadBox. For more information on this product, go to www.gearwrench.com/.

V-JAW PLIERS

When a major plumbing job arises, there is always the chance that a pipe wrench will be needed. But, for the smaller jobs, we like to use adjustable

We recently discovered that there is an adjustable pliers that is made specifically for use with round stock like plumbing pipe.

What makes this puppy different is its "V-shaped jaws." The curvature gives the jaw more contact surface on

round or curved stock, resulting in a better grip with less force you need to

We strongly recommend using adjustable pliers instead of a pipe wrench for most plumbing finish work. You can "feel" the pressure being exerted more readily with pliers. Over-tightening a connection is still possible, but less likely when using pliers.

For more information on V-jaw pliers, go to www.channellock.com/.

LOCK JAW PLIERS

There is nothing new about locking pliers. If you began looking you would probably find a pair in just about every tool box on the planet.

Locking pliers have a screw at the end of the handle that adjusts the size of the bite so that various things can be securely gripped - regardless of thickness or diameter.

Unfortunately, it sometimes takes two or three tries to properly adjust the tool to the task at hand. When you're in a hurry to get the job done, this can be an annoyance.

Someone just invented a pair of "self-adjusting" locking pliers.

There is no adjusting screw at the end of the handle because the tool automatically adapts to whatever size item you want to hold on to.

The tool is named Lock Jaw. For more information, go to www.lockjawpliers.com.

SURECONNECT VALVE

There are non-tool innovations that are equally as much fun to discover and work with.

Here's one if you're planning a

kitchen or bath remodel.

The little valves under the sink that are used to turn the water off to the faucet are called angle stops.

The problem with these is that it takes forever to shut them off, and once turned off, they usually leak.

Replacing them is heartache because the kind that work with copper have compression fittings and there isn't anything good about that kind of connection. They leak, they are almost impossible to replace and they are a pain to install.

We are used to placing a container beneath the angle stops that we have to work on to catch the drips that almost always occur.

Now, someone has designed a brand-new style of angle stop with a quick shut-off feature. This particular valve can be completely replaced with a flick of your wrist.

It comes with its own special piece of copper pipe (which has to be soldered into the line). In combination, the valve and the pipe marry via the push of a latch - and reversing the process for removal is just as quick and easy.

By the way, we don't think there would be value in using this valve unless you were doing new construction or a remodel. It isn't something made for retrofit installation. The product is called SureConnect.

For more on this valve, go to www.brasscraft.com/. And that's all there is to it.

For more home improvement tips and information, visit the Careys' Web site at www.onthehouse.com, or call their listener hotline at (800) 737-2474.





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GARDEN CALENDAR

Rain gardens

The Clinton River Watershed Council will teach a step-by-step process for creating your own rain garden 7-9 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 17, at the Rochester Hills Museum at Van Hoosen Farm, 1005 Van Hoosen Road in Rochester Hills (phone (248) 608-8261).

Admission is free. Registration isn't required. Call Tracie Beasley at (248) 601-0606 for more information. The Stony/Paint Subwatershed Group of the Clinton River Watershed has designed various rain gardens and bioswales on the museum property. Rain gardens and bioswales help improve storm water quality.

Bromeliad show

The Southeastern Michigan Bromeliad Society will host its annual show and sale 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, Aug. 19-20. at Matthaei Botanical Gardens, 1800 Dixboro Road in Ann

Admission is free. For more information, call (248) 380-7359.

More than 200 plants will be on display from this fascinating and diverse plant family, which includes the pineapple and Spanish moss.

Demonstrations, books, supplies, and plants for sale will be featured.

Learn about major and minor hardy bulbs, how to plant them and what to expect over the years once you've put them in the ground, in a class at The Community House, 380 S. Bates in

Birmingham. The class, Tips on Choosing and Using Bulbs, will take place Wednesday, Aug.

23. Fee is \$22. To register and for more information, call (248) 644-5832 or visit www.com-

munityhouse.com. Instructor Pam Palechek owns and operates Petal Pushers and has been a senior instructor at the Michigan School of Gardening since its inception.

Native wildflowers

A free workshop, Native Wildflowers for the Home Landscape: Planting and Maintaining an Earth-friendly Fall Garden, will take place 7-8:30 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 29, in the second floor Multi-purpose Room of the Bailey Recreation Center, 36651 Ford, behind Westland City Hall. Sign-in will be at

Advance registration is requested. Call the Westland Community Relations Department at (734) 467-3198 or e-mail LFDean@aol.com.

Native plant specialist Vern Stephens of Designs by Nature of Laingsburg, Mich., will be the quest speaker.

The program will review the origin of native wildflowers, identify easy-care plants for the fall garden, and provide maintenance tips.

Native wildflowers will be available for sale before and after the slide presentation.

Pests and problems

English Gardens hosts free seminars 7 p.m. Wednesdays in August at all six stores, including locations in West Bloomfield, (248) 851-7506); Royal Oak-Trov. (248) 280-9500): Dearborn Heights, (313) 278-4433); and Ann Arbor, (734) 332-7900). Visit www.englishgardens.com.

Pests and Other Plant Problems will be the topic Aug. 23. If your plants aren't looking so great this year, the seminar will help you figure out what's wrong and provide solutions to help your plants thrive. Ways to keep pests and insects away will also be discussed. Perennial Gardening will be the topic

Aug. 30. Rose programs

Roger and Nancy Lindley, owners of Great Lakes Roses, present a series of educational programs for the public. The popular programs are at the historic 1890s barn and display garden at Great Lakes Roses, 49875 Willow Road in Sumpter Township. Admission is free. Reservations aren't

required. Each presentation lasts about 1-1/2

hours. Dress for the weather. For information, visit www.GreatLakesRoses.com or call (734)

The schedule includes Cooking with Roses (1 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 20, repeated 11 a.m. Monday, Aug. 21), and Rugged Rugosa Roses (1 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 27, repeated 11 a.m. Monday, Aug. 28). In the cooking program, learn how to grow edible roses and prepare tempting rose recipes, and sample rose treats. The rugosa program is a slide lecture with growing tips and garden tour of fragrant, hardy rugosas.

Bonsai show

461-1230.

The Ann Arbor Bonsai Society will have its annual show 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, Aug. 26-27, at the University of Michigan Matthaei Botanical Gardens, 1800 N. Dixboro Road in Ann Arbor.

Admission is \$6 for adults (which includes the Matthaei conservatory), \$2 for children and teens.

Visit http://www.annarborbonsaisociety.org. More than 100 member trees will be on-

display. Members will be available on the show floor to answer questions. Demonstrations of bonsai design will be offered each day. Vendors of plants, pots and bonsai tools will be available.

Summer Faire

Bring the whole family for some good

old-fashioned summer fun at Heavenly Scent Herb Farm's 17th annual Summer Faire, Saturday-Sunday, Aug. 26-27, at 13730 White Lake Road in Fenton. Hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Aug. 26, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Aug. 27, rain or shine.

Admission is \$2 The event will feature complimentary garden tours, lunch by Heavenly Scent, master gardeners on hand to answer questions, a free children's activity center, harp and dulcimer music, and the crafts of many unusual artisans. Spend some time enjoying, learning and creating with herbs. Browse the shoppe and stop by the greenhouses. For more information, call (810) 629-

9208 or visit www.heavenlyscentherbfarm.com.

Owl prowl

Tecumseh High School biology teacher Carl Harsh will lead a twilight walk in search of screech owls 7:30-9:30 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 29, at Michigan State University Hidden Lake Gardens in

Cost is \$9 for adults, \$6 for children (the class isn't suitable for very young children). Bring a flashlight and insect repellent. An adult must accompany

Pre-registration is required. Call (517) 431-2060.

Participants will learn about the life and habitats of these nocturnal birds of prev. and see how screech owls respond to calls.

Conference

Registrations are being accepted through Thursday, Aug. 31, for the Unusual Gardening Conference, which will take place 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 17, at the Ford Education Center at the Detroit Zoo. The conference is presented by the

Michigan School of Gardening, in cooperation with the Practical Gardening

Space is limited, so sign up soon. Registration is \$95 (\$75 for Practical Gardening Institute members), including parking, admittance to the zoo, lunch, all five presentations, questionand-answer sessions, and book signing with Janet Macunovich, Bring your books to the signing, or buy copies at the conference.

To register, go to www.practicalgardeninginstitute.com and visit the Gardeners' Market.

The conference will feature in-depth seminars, and time to interact and talk with presenters and fellow gardeners. Tonics will be Gardens of the World (Pam Palechek), Vines and Vertical Features (Sue Grubba), Water Gardens (Scott Bates), Rock Gardens (University of Michigan Herbarium curator Tony Reznicek) and 8 Months of Color (Janet Macunovich and Steven Nikkila).

Master gardener

The Michigan State University Extension-Oakland County Master Gardener Training Program will begin Aug. 22 and run through Nov. 14. Seats will be offered on a first comefirst served basis. The application fee is \$25 and the class fee is \$300. For an application, call MSUE-Oakland County at (248) 858-0887, or go to the MSUE Web site at www.msue.msu.edu/oakland and look under horticulture and gar-

dening. The 13-week class will meet 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Tuesdays in the MSUE offices in the Oakland County Service Center, 1200 N. Telegraph in Pontiac. Each session will focus on a different horticultural topic that will prepare participants to fulfill a 40-hour community service commitment to earn master gardener certification.

Volunteers sought

Do you live in a condo or apartment and miss gardening? The Royal Oak Garden Club is seeking volunteers (club members only) to tend these Royal Oak community gardens now to October: Gilda's Garden, Community Center Garden, Community Center Iris Garden, Cemetery Garden and the Zoo Garden. Club membership is \$10 per year.

4 steps lead to a good concrete pour

BY JAMES AND MORRIS CAREY FOR AP WEEKLY FEATURES

A previous article about concrete discussed grading, forms and form oil, and preparing the soil.

This article describes other important steps that contribute to a successful concrete pour:

Concrete alone isn't much stronger than plain old dirt. Pour a slab of concrete over a bed of adobe soil and the adobe will soon crack the concrete to bits, unless the concrete has gobs of steel bracing.

Steel reinforcing bars or "rebars" are used to substantially enhance the strength of con-

The bars are placed perpendicular to each other, creating a kind of "tic-tac-toe" grid that adds strength to concrete. The amount of strength depends on the diameter of the rods and the distance between them.

The most common configuration uses half-inch rebars placed 2 feet on center in both directions. Each intersection of the rebars is tied together with heavy "tie wire." The steel bars are lifted to and held within the center of the proposed slab with small square concrete spacers called "dobies."

Each intersection of the rebar mat is supported by a doby acting as a spacer between the rebar mat and the ground.

A steel mat laid on the ground beneath the concrete provides no support. To properly strengthen the slab, the rebar mat must be as close to the center of the slab as possible.

Keep in mind that adding steel is an inexpensive way of substantially strengthening concrete.

THE MIX

There are many different kinds of concrete, and the many combinations of rock (or gravel), sand and cement can result in

various concrete strengths. Concrete shouldn't be bought

based on the "number of sacks of cement" it contains. Five-sack concrete mix (five sacks of cement per cubic yard) isn't always better than four-sack mix. More cement in a given mix doesn't necessarily mean more strength.

Buy concrete based on its compressive strength," that is, how much pressure it will take to crush it. The higher the compressive strength, the stronger the concrete.

Concrete rated 2,500 PSI is about standard; 3,000 PSI is better, recommended and worth the extra cost.

PRE-POUR SOIL **PREPARATION**

mercial concrete pour you might have noticed someone watering the area with a garden hose. This is done to saturate the soil so it won't draw water from the concrete before the water and

If you have ever seen a com-

the cement in the concrete mix have time to properly harden, or "cure."

This is why it is so important not to pour concrete on an extremely hot day. If it cures too rapidly, the concrete will be weak and the lasting quality will diminish.

CURING

Wetting the ground helps reduce the escape of water through the bottom of the concrete. But water also can escape from the top as evaporation. This is prevented by applying a light layer of oil, called "curing compound," to the top of the concrete. The oil holds the moisture in the concrete from the top in the same way plastic wrap prevents food from drying out.

The clear oil will eventually evaporate, but it remains long enough to slow down and stabilize the curing process. Visit the On the House Web site: www.onthehouse.com Listener hotline: (800) 737-2474, Ext. 59.

Angie's List offers tips for tasks in August

The following August checklist was put together by Angie's List to help you get routine maintenance and other projects done this month.

Examine your dryer vents to see if a significant amount of lint has accumulated.

Lint is extremely flammable, so it's important to clean the entire ventilation system or have an air duct-cleaning company remove the lint all the way to the dryer cap on the outside of your

While checking your plumbing system, check faucets for leaks and drips. If your faucet drips one drop per second, vou'll waste about 2,700 gallons per year!

Save on your water bill by getting those drips repaired. It

could be as simple as a new washer in the faucet joint.

Make sure you have screens on all exterior vents, and close up open spaces around the basement, attic, windows and doors.

As the weather gets cooler, rodents will try to make your home their home. Rats and mice can squeeze through spaces as small as /4-inch.

Focus on lawn fertilization and treatment, as well as reseeding your grass before the cold weather sets in. If your soil is highly compact-

ed, consider using an aerator to allow better penetration of air, nutrients and water. Also, herbicide applications to

get rid of weeds are also most

effective this time of year.

Treat yourself to a housecleaning service, especially if your home saw plenty of traffic from children, friends, relatives and pets during the summer months.

Keep in mind that companies with a regular clientele might need three to four weeks' notice.

Fix any computer problems before the school year kicks off. Many computer repair centers are busiest the first few months of the school season, when students are just turning their PCs back on after months of rest. Computer repair centers often

do preventative maintenance services, so consider taking your PC in for a tune-up, even if nothing is wrong - yet. Angie's List is where thou-

sands of consumers share their

ratings and reviews on local contractors and companies in more than 250 different categories.

Currently, nearly 500,000 consumers across the United States rely on Angie's List to help them find the right contractor or company for the job needed done.

Members have unlimited access to the list via Internet or phone; receive the Angie's List magazine, which includes articles on home improvement and maintenance, consumer trends and scam alerts; and can use the Angie's List complaint resolution service.

Get more information and consumer tips at www.angies-

ReBox rescues, resells gently used boxes

ReBox LLC, based in Oakland County, has discovered a hidden treasure at retailers and businesses all over metro Detroit.

Corrugated cardboard boxes in excellent condition are often thrown into back allevs and carted off to landfills where they go to die, replaced by new

boxes that are manufactured using millions of trees and depleting natural resources.

ReBox is giving corrugated boxes a second lease on life by rescuing them from local merchants before they reach the dumpsters and offering them for sale to the public for moving, shipping and storage.

ReBox has found a way to make doing something good for the environment easy and affordable.

The price to the end user is up to 75 percent cheaper than new boxes, with reBox offering excellent-quality items. ReBox also delivers for a

nominal fee.

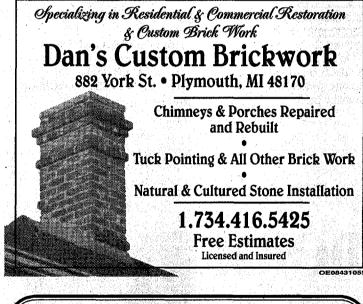
ReBox's latest promotion, Boxes for a Buck!, has made ordering boxes simple. Customers may order box bundles of 20, 30, 40 or 50 assorted sizes for \$1 per box.

For more information about reBox, visit www.reboxusa.com or call (248) 410-5582.











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SUMMER HOURS:

FROM PAGE DI

La La is much more of a community-oriented site, allowing you to share album reviews, blog about music, listen to song snippets, and so on.

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My first few weeks with La La weren't particularly fruitful. I quickly traded one CD and got another in return, but after that, nothing happened. I listed to more than two dozen discs - decent stuff, too, like Green Day and Elton John but never got any takers.

And because I'd used up my one "starter" credit, I couldn't receive any more CDs until I sent at least one. I was stuck in a kind of swap-meet limbo.

Then I discovered that the (inconvenient) path to La La success is to stay logged into the site and watch for a flag to appear next to your Have List.

Clicking it right away is like being first in line to ship that particular CD (which others may also have).

You can also have the site notify you via e-mail when someone has requested one of your CDs, but by the time you respond it may be too late someone else may already have fulfilled the request.

What's more, this e-mail notification option isn't enabled by default — you have to select it in your account settings.

There's also a plug-in you can download for iTunes, Winamp and Windows Media Player. Among other things, it can alert you when someone has requested one of your CDs.

BOOK SWAP

I was particularly excited to try PaperBackSwap.com, which promised to let me unload those old Star Trek novels I'll never read again and stock up on Junie B. Jones books for my daughter.

PBS charges nothing — you pay only the postage for each book you send.

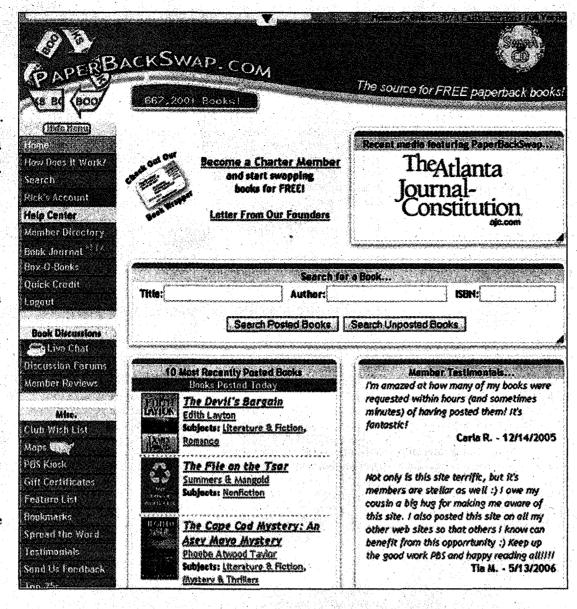
The site even calculates the amount (based on Media Rate) and lets you print a completed mailer/wrapper. (You may have to get creative if the two sheets of paper aren't enough to cover the entire book.)

The PBS site is crude and not terribly well-organized, but I found it easy enough to use after some poking around.

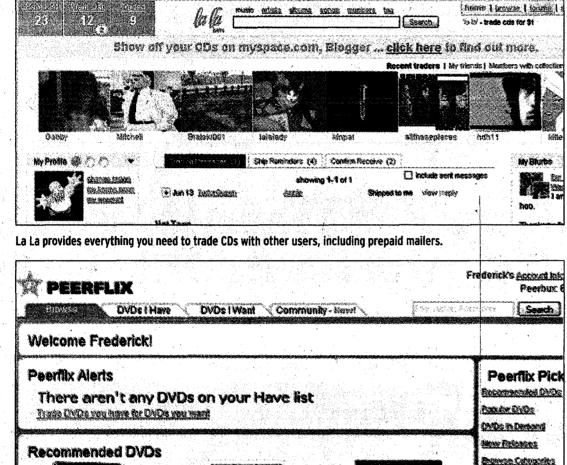
Best of all, several of the books I posted were requested right away, and several of the books I wanted were immediately available.

Even so, as I noted earlier, you may not always get what you want - from PBS or any other swap site. Everyone is trying to spin their straw into gold, and there's only so much gold to go around.

So don't be too disappointed if no one snatches up that Lewinsky bio.



At PaperBackSwap.com, you can trade paperbacks, hardcovers and even audiobooks. You pay only the postage.



Peerflix makes DVD trading fairly easy, but you may end up waiting a long time to receive anything good.

But could someone please take this Benedictine Monks Chant CD off my hands? Honestly, I don't know what I was thinking.

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Let us spray-paint the correct way

FOR AP WEEKLY FEATURES

Spray-painting with an aerosol can is a snap, right? All you have to do is shake the can, take off the cap, aim it and hold down the button.

Not so fast. Before you start, you should know there is a right way and a wrong way to

If you're painting a flat surface, start with the side nearest toward the opposite end with a smooth stroke and a steady sweeping motion that overlaps the pass made just before it.

You'll notice that "overspray" settles ahead of you, which is good because you can cover it up as you go.

If you were to work in the reverse, spray would settle all over your smooth, just-painted finish - leaving a pebbly texture in its wake.

So, cover it as you go and

High humidity can make your home sick, too

BY JAMES AND MORRIS CAREY FOR AP WEEKLY FEATURES

A common summer complaint is: It's not the heat, it's the humidity.

Too much moisture in the hot summer air can turn your home into a steam bath.

Beyond leaving you feeling hot, sticky and generally uncomfortable, high humidity can be bad for your home's health as well.

It can cause warped wood floors, furniture and trim; chipped and peeling paint and wallpaper; wet stains on walls and ceilings; and musty, foul-smelling odors.

It also can encourage the growth of dust mites, fungi, bacteria, mold and mildew.

According to the **Environmental Protection** Agency, the ideal relative humidity range for the home is between 35 and 50 percent. At this range you are comfortable and healthy and your home is protected.

The big question is how to effectively and efficiently accomplish this.

Most people try to use their air conditioner to remove humidity.

But according to air quality experts, homeowners should never lower the thermostat temperature in an attempt to control humidity in their

Setting the thermostat temperature lower does two things that are counter to your goal of reducing the moisture content in your home.

It increases the indoor relative humidity and it decreases the temperature of the materials in the walls, floors and ceilings of your home, thereby significantly increasing the potential for condensation on these elements.

Secondly, with today's super energy-efficient homes, a typical air conditioning unit will cycle on and off too quickly to eliminate excess moisture in the air.

As a result, homeowners resort to overcooling the living space while attempting to remove moisture, which leads to uncomfortable air temperatures, high energy bills and excess wear on the cooling system.

DEHUMIDIFIERS

An alternative is a portable dehumidifier, which by definition will only address a small area of the home.

A portable dehumidifier is designed to run at a temperature of about 80 degrees Fahrenheit, while basements have an average temperature of between 58 and 65 degrees.

Below 65 degrees, frost can form on the condensing coils, which negatively affects performance by causing the compressor to cycle on and off repeatedly without removing moisture from the air.

While a portable dehumidifier can be valuable for a small, isolated space, common complaints are that they are noisy and require regular maintenance.

Another option to consider is a whole-home dehumidifier. Better systems work in conjunction with the cooling system and can remove up to 90 pints of moisture from the home's environment each day.

Whole-home dehumidifiers are designed to remove moisture while the thermostat is designed to maintain temper-

A whole-house dehumidifier automatically senses moisture levels and maintains the optimum humidity level in the home.

In addition, these systems can switch between wholehome and localized areas (such as a basement), offering the best of both worlds. One of the most appealing

aspects of having dehumidified air is that it actually feels cooler to the skin, thus allowing homeowners to raise the thermostat.

This can result in significant energy savings (and a lower utility bill) and less wear and tear on the cooling system without sacrificing comfort.

And when it comes to maintenance, a whole-house dehumidifier contains a pump and drain line that will discharge collected water into a sump or drainage system, in contrast to a portable system with a collection system that must be regularly emptied.

Better whole-house systems have a high-efficiency filter that will usually need to be cleaned once annually.

PREVENTION

Though a whole-house dehumidifier is essential to managing excess humidity, there are preventive steps you can take that will further reduce the problem. They include:

Clean and repair roof gutters regularly; use covers to keep leaves and sticks from building up in the gutters. ■ Vent appliances that pro-

duce moisture, such as clothes dryers and stoves, to the outside where possible. Make sure the ground

slopes away from the building foundation, so that water doesn't enter or collect around the foundation.

Use down spout extenders that carry water at least 6 feet away from the founda-

■ Seal unwanted air leaks, such as around holes for plumbing and wiring, where humid outside air sneaks into the home.

For more home improvement tips and information, visit the Carevs' Web site at www.onthehouse.com, or call their listener hotline at (800) 737-2474

Keep caulk tubes running straight

BY MORRIS AND JAMES CAREY FOR AP WEEKLY FEATURES

Caulking inside corners and along trim is no problem. But sealing along outside corners is another matter.

When sealing outside corners, pros keep caulk tubes running

straight and true by cutting a V-notch in the plastic tip. It then acts as a running guide that slides along the corner, keeping the tube centered over the crack for a nice long, smooth





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Make sweet, savory sauce for pork

BY DANA JACOBI THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE FOR CANCER RESEARCH

Growing up in the city, I was lucky that my parents drove out to the country so we could pick wild berries in the summer and visit a pickyour-own apple orchard in autumn. They also took me to a country fair to see cows, chickens and pigs up close and to taste old-fashioned

homemade pickles and jams. Thanks to my parents' love of the country, I was comfortable later on in life tramping through some local fields and was able to recognize a thicket of bushes as a huge blackberry bramble. Coming back regularly after the weather turned warm, I watched the bushes flower, then become loaded with big, fat berries. I then waited attentively for the glossy berries to start looking dull. For blackberries, this signals they are fully

When the time was right, I went back with a big plastic

noon picking berries and ducking wasps. (Insects love sweet fruit and zero right in on it, so seeing them is another sign that fruit is

I had already found a store selling canning jars and was ready to turn my berries into jam. Instead of buying the usual pectin to set jellies and jams, I decided to use the traditional method of wrapping pectin-rich apple skins and cores in cheesecloth and boiling them with the fruit and sugar in an enormous pot, taking the risk that the proportions would be right and the jam would set. It came out perfectly: 15 half-pint jars of luscious, homemade blackberry jam. I felt as proud as a pioneer woman who had crossed the Great Plains in a covered wagon. The next year, I ended up with blackberry syrup, so now I add pectin for extra insurance. And I have learned to use blackberries in other ways.

Desserts are an obvious way to enjoy blackberries, but I

in this pork entrée.

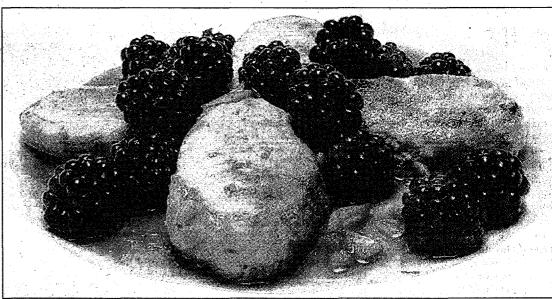
An easy sauté, its colorful sauce is made in the same pan as the meat. Ready in minutes, this sauce is equally good on pork or turkey cut-

PORK MEDALLIONS WITH BLACKBERRY PAN SAUCE

- 1 large pork tenderloin (12-14) ounces)
- 1 tablespoon canola oil 2 tablespoons finely chopped
- shallots ½ cup pomegranate concen-
- trate or juice
- 1-2 tablespoons honey 1/2 teaspoon dried oregano
- Pinch of ground chipotle chile powder or 1/4 teaspoon finely-chopped canned chile
- Salt and freshly ground black pepper to taste 1 container (6-ounce) fresh

blackberries, about 11/2 cups

Preheat the oven to 250° F. Cut the tenderloin crosswise into 12 slices, about half-inch thick for the round part, longer at the thin end.



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Pork Medallions with Blackberry Pan Sauce features a colorful sauce that is made in the same pan as the meat.

pieces on wax paper, cover with another sheet of paper, and pound to an even thinness using a meat-pounder or the side of a heavy knife.

Heat the oil in a large skillet over medium-high heat. Brown the meat well on both sides, using tongs to turn the medallions after about 4 minutes, and cooking them until they are no longer pink in the center, about 8 to 10 minutes in all. Transfer the meat to a heatproof plate and cover

loosely with foil. Place the meat in the oven to keep warm.

Add the shallots and juice to the pan, scraping vigorously with a wooden spoon to gather up all the browned bits. Reduce the heat to medium, add 1 tablespoon of the honey, the oregano and chipotle pep-

Simmer 1 minute. Add salt and freshly ground black pepper to taste. Mix in the

they are heated through and lighter in color, 2 minutes.

Divide the meat among 4 dinner plates, spoon on the

sauce and serve immediately. Makes 4 servings. Per serving: 188 calories, 7 g. total fat (1 g. saturated fat), 14 g. carbohydrate, 19 g. protein, 2 g. dietary fiber, 48 mg. sodium.

Dana Jacobi writes for the American Institute for Cancer Research and is author of "The Joy"



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FOOD CALENDAR

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If you have an item for the food calendar, please submit it at least two weeks prior to your event to Ken Abramczyk, Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI 48150, e-mail kabramcz@hometownlife.com, or fax (734) 591-7279.

Lieberman visits Somerset Join Dave Lieberman, Macy's Culinary Council chef and host of the Food Network's "Good Deal with Dave Lieberman," as he demonstrates some of his favorite recipes using Tools of the Trade cookware, 1 p.m. Aug. 19, Marshall Field/Macy's at Somerset. With any \$50 Tools of the Trade purchase, receive an autographed copy of Dave Lieberman's cookbook "Young & Hungry," Somerset Collection, 2800 W. Big Beaver, Troy, (248) 643-6360.

Cooking classes The Community House offers the following culinary classes to the public this summer: Olive Oil and Balsamic Vinegar, Italian Style, 7 p.m., Tuesday, Aug. 22, \$29, \$6 materials fee payable to instructor. To register for this class, contact The

Community House, 380 S. Bates, Birmingham, call (248) 644-5832, or visit online at

www.communityhouse.com. **Veggies in Motion**

Michigan's largest vegetarian/vegan outreach organization hosts the Third Annual Vegan Retreat at the Tibbits Nature Sanctuary & Land Stewardship Center in Columbiaville (10 miles northwest of Lapeer). Enjoy a fun and informative weekend (Aug. 25-27) of

lectures, guided hikes, canoeing, games, swimming, delicious vegan food (no animal products) and more, \$30 for adults (\$25 VIM members) and \$10 for children under 12 (\$5 members). Families are encouraged to attend. Accommodations are free camping on site or, for an additional cost, a nearby bed and breakfast, motel or hotel. For details and to register, visit www.veggiesinmotion.org or call (248) 616-9676.

Cooking demonstrations Chris Hessler, Kruse & Muer executive chef, prepares dishes using produce from Rochester Farmers Market, 10 a.m. to noon, Sept. 9, Rochester Farmers Market, Third and Water streets, one block east of Main, market open 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. every Saturday through Oct. 28, (248) 656-

www.DowntownRochesterMl.com. Indian cooking

Suvir Saran, master chef and author of "Indian Home Cooking," presents four cooking classes highlighting the world of Indian cooking, 6-9 p.m. Oct. 22-25, at the culinary arts instruction al kitchens at the VisTaTech Center at Schoolcraft College in Livonia. Each session is \$109, the series is \$399. Two hands-on sessions and two demonstration sessions are available. For more information, call Michele Bialo at (734) 462-4400, Ext. 5223 or email mbialo@schoolcraft.edu.

Grapevine School of Wine Register online at www.grapevineschoolofwine.com. For additional information, call (248) 990-4613.

FARMERS MARKETS

Several communities host farmers markets throughout the summer and

Ann Arbor Farmers Market 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. Wednesday and

Saturday, 315 Detroit St., Ann Arbor, (734) 994-3276. Detroit Eastern Market

7 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday-Saturday,

2934 Russell St., Detroit, (586) 393-8800, www.easternmarket.org. Farmington Farmers & Artisans Market 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturdays, the Walter

E. Sundquist Pavilion in Riley Park, Farmington Road and Grand River, www.downtownfarmington.org.

Livonia Farmers Market 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Wednesdays and Saturdays, through October, Middlebelt and West Chicago, Livonia,

(734) 525-8718. Royal Oak Farmers Market January-April: 7 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturdays; May-October: 7 a.m. to 1 p.m. Tuesdays, Fridays and Saturdays; 316 E. 11 Mile Road, two blocks east of Main, (248) 548-8822.

Northville Farmers Market 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Thursdays, Sheldon and Seven Mile roads, Northville, (248) 349-7640, www.northville.org.

Plymouth Farmers Market 7 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Saturdays, through October, 386 S. Main, Plymouth, (734) 453-1540.

Every Saturday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Rochester Farmers Market

through October. Located at the corner of Third and Water Streets just one block east of Main Street. www.downtownrochestermi.com

Walled Lake Farmers Market 7 a.m. to 1 p.m. Wednesdays, through October, 1499 E. West Maple, (next to Walled Lake Fire Station), Walled Lake,

(248) 926-9004, www.walledlake.com.

BY THE CULINARY INSTITUTE OF AMERICA FOR AP WEEKLY FEATURES

HYDE PARK, N.Y. (AP) -What would summer be without fresh, vine-ripened strawberries? Their unmistakable fragrance and sweet, juicy flesh help make it a magical season.

Sure, they're good eaten straight from the patch. But for a special-occasion treat, try a presentation that's still simple to do, but has a certain flair and a quite glamorous appearance.

Slice a pint and arrange them on a crisp tart shell with velvety pastry cream and you'll find you have created a combination of flavors and textures that can't be beat. Easy to make and a pleasure to eat, the Culinary Institute of America's strawberry cream tart is summer at its best.

The notion of making pastry dough from scratch can sometimes induce panic, but the CIA's tart dough recipe is simple to master. This kind of dough is known as short dough (French chefs call it pate sucree or pate sablee, "sugary" and "sandy" pastry) and it uses the creaming method, one of the easiest mixing techniques.

The creaming method produces a cookie-like pastry that can hold creamy fillings and custards without turning soggy. It is far more forgiving than the rubbed-dough method used to create flaky pie crusts. The creaming method can be done by hand or with a stand mixer using a paddle attachment. Just blend the butter and sugar until light and creamy, and add the remaining ingredients in sequence to produce a smooth dough.

Assembling a tart with precooked ingredients - as with this one using pastry cream and fresh strawberries requires baking the crust in advance, a process referred to as blind baking or prebaking.

Kate Cavotti, associate professor in baking and pastry arts at the Culinary Institute of America, offers this advice:

"To blind bake a pastry shell, line the pan with the dough and poke holes in the bottom

and sides of the pastry with a fork; this is known as 'docking' the dough. This keeps the pastry from puffing up as it bakes.

"Place the dough-lined tart pan in the refrigerator for 30 minutes or so. Resting the dough in the refrigerator solidifies the butter and relaxes the gluten to prevent shrinkage during baking.

"Next, line the pastry with parchment paper or aluminum foil and fill the pan with pie weights, dried beans or uncooked rice. The weights prevent the bottom of the crust from bubbling up and the sides from collapsing or sliding down during baking.

"Place the pan in a preheated oven and bake the pastry until the dough is just set and the edges look dry, about 10 minutes. Remove the weights and the paper or foil and finish blind baking until the desired color is achieved."

Gather the prepared components in advance – the pastry shell, pastry cream and strawberries - so the tart can be assembled in a few minutes and served immediately.

Brushing the crust with melted chocolate helps to keep it crisp. However, even with the chocolate layer, the tart will lose its texture contrast if it sits for more than 12 hours before serving. For the best results, serve fresh fruit tarts on the same day they are made.

This recipe, along with many other desserts, is from the Baking At Home with The Culinary Institute of America cookbook (Wiley, 2004, \$40).

STRAWBERRY CREAM TART

One recipe Tart Dough (recipe follows) ½ cup strawberry jam ¼ cup melted chocolate (option-

2 cups Pastry Cream (recipe follows)

2 pints fresh strawberries, hulled and sliced

Heat the jam in a small saucepan over low heat until it is warm enough to strain through a fine-mesh sieve. Strain the jam

into a small dish and keep warm.

Bake summer dream with strawberries, cream

If using chocolate to line the tart (to help keep it crisp), brush with the melted chocolate. Place the tart shell in the refrigerator so that the chocolate will harden. Remove from the refrigerator and spread the pastry cream in the tart shell in an even layer. Arrange the strawberries over the surface of the pastry cream.

Use a pastry brush to coat the strawberries very lightly with the warm jam. Let the glaze set for about 10 minutes in the refrigerator. If you are not serving the tart immediately, keep it covered and refrigerated for up to 12 hours.

Makes one 8-inch tart, 8 servings.

Nutrition information per 10ounce serving, including chocolate: 559 cal., 5.5 g pro., 95 g carbo., 18 g fat, 42 mg sodium, 168 mg chol., 2 g fiber.

TART DOUGH

8 tablespoons (1 stick) unsalted butter, room temperature 4 cup sugar ½ teaspoon vanilla extract 1 large egg yolk 1/2 cups cake flour, sifted, plus

extra for dusting

To make Tart Dough: In a stand mixer fitted with a paddle attachment, cream together the butter, sugar and vanilla extract

on medium speed, scraping down the bowl with a rubber spatula as needed, until smooth and light in color, about 2 min-Add the egg yolk and blend until smooth, 1 to 2 minutes more. Add the flour all at once,

mixing on low speed until just blended, about 30 seconds. The dough will be very crumbly when you remove it from the mixer. Use a gentle touch to press the dough into a disk. Wrap the dough tightly and refrigerate for 20 minutes before rolling.

Preheat the oven to 400° F. Roll out the dough and use it to line an 8-inch tart pan. Dock the dough, line it with parchment paper or foil, fill partially with pie weights, and fully blind bake the crust (as previously described). Cool to room temperature in the pan on a wire

PASTRY CREAM

1/4 cup cornstarch ¾ cup sugar 2 cups whole milk

4 large egg yolks, lightly beaten Pinch of salt 2 teaspoons vanilla extract 2 tablespoons unsalted butter

To make Pastry Cream: Combine the cornstarch with 4 cup of the sugar in a mixing bowl, and then stir in ½ cup of the milk. Blend the yolks into the cornstarch mixture, stirring with a wooden spoon until smooth.

Prepare an ice-water bath by filling a roasting pan or large mixing bowl half full with water and ice; reserve for later use. Combine the remaining 11/2 cups milk with the remaining 2 cup sugar and the salt in a heavybottomed saucepan over medium heat and bring to a boil. Remove pan from heat.

Temper the egg mixture by gradually adding about 1/3 of the hot milk mixture, whisking constantly. Add the remaining milk mixture to the eggs. Return the mixture to the saucepan and continue cooking over medium heat, vigorously stirring with a whisk, until the mixture comes to a boil and the whisk leaves a trail in the pastry cream, 5 to 7 minutes. As soon as the pastry cream reaches this stage, remove from the heat and stir in the vanilla extract and the butter. Place a sheet of plastic wrap directly on the surface of the pastry cream to prevent a skin from forming. Transfer the pan to the ice water bath.

Stir occasionally until the pastry cream is cool, about 30 min-

Transfer the pastry cream to a covered storage container and refrigerate until needed, up to 3 days.

This recipe, along with many other desserts, is from the Baking At Home with The Culinary Institute of America cookbook (Wiley, 2004, \$40), available at bookstores nationwide or at: http://www.ciachef.edu/enthusiasts/cookbooks/

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Chef reveals tasty secrets of crab cakes

FOR AP WEEKLY FEATURES

NEW YORK (AP) - Years before he ever imagined he would own restaurants and write cookbooks, Tom Douglas sometimes went crabbing with his dad in the Chesapeake Bay.

"You put a chicken neck on a string and hang it from a pole over the bridge to catch blue crabs," Douglas said. He comes from a large Delaware family he's the fourth of eight children - and prime fresh local crabmeat was too expensive to buy for home use. "That was a going-out treat," he said.

But even as a youngster, perhaps because of that early experience, Douglas' appreciation of food (and crab cakes) was keen. It led to his first job as a \$1.18an-hour cook's helper at the Hotel du Pont in Wilmington,

"My job was to open oysters and clams. I opened 400 oysters a day," he recalled in a phone interview from Seattle.

The chef there taught him important lessons he still follows for making crab cakes. "He said the number one rule was being gentle. No stirring, only folding. The more you work them the tougher they get," he

Douglas established his own cooking career in Seattle, where he happily discovered that the Pacific Ocean offered up Dungeness crabs that were fabulously tasty, too.

Now, at 47, more than 25 years, four restaurants, a radio show, a catering business, and three cookbooks later, the James Beard Award-winning chef is teaching some of his secrets in I Love Crab Cakes! subtitled 50 Recipes for an American Classic (William Morrow, 2006, \$19.95).

When he graduated from high school, Douglas said, "I wanted to try something new. I drove across the country and ran out of gas and money in Seattle." That was in 1977. He thought it was only a temporary stint when, following his natural instinct, he got a job in a hotel kitchen there. Restaurants always need workers, he said.

"To this day the hardest thing it to find good cooks," Douglas said. "Then I learned if you want to make more money you have to be good at managing people."

He stayed with the restaurant life. After making his reputation cooking at the city's Sport Cafe, Douglas, with his wife and business partner, Jackie Cross, opened his own restaurant in 1989 with money borrowed from his wife's uncle.

At the front of the book, Douglas gives the basics for making good crab cakes, whether with East or West Coast crabs; at the back are ideas for sauces and accompani-

Which crabs to use? According to the book, I Love Crab Cakes! features crabs from all over North America. "For all of the recipes, blue crab, Phillips brand pasteurized crab, and Dungeness crab are interchangeable. Jonah crab and Peekytoe also work well. King crab, while you can chop and use it, will give a different tex-

Besides the first lesson about the prime importance of a gentle touch in mixing that Douglas learned as a youngster, what does he think are the other key things for home cooks to keep in mind for making good crab cakes?

No. 2. "Always buy the best crab meat. And forget about the term blue crab; today blue crab is a crab from Indonesia, so it's not the same thing as what comes from the Chesapeake. If you can't get fresh crab, try the pasteurized crab usually sold in the refrigerated case of your supermarket or fish store, such as Phillips brand, which is not to be confused with shelf-stable canned crab."

No. 3. "I'm tired of hearing people say they need to wait till the bread gets stale to make bread crumbs. You don't need stale bread with \$25-a-pound crab meat. Use fresh crumbs."

No. 4. Another mistake is to serve tartar sauce with a crab cake that has a mayonnaise binder. Douglas suggests a contrast such as green tomato sauce, or something else sharp and acidic to complement the crab cake.

No. 5. "Don't overcook. Use a meat thermometer." He says 150° F to 155° F is the right temperature for doneness. If you overcook a mayonnaisebased crab cake, "the mayonnaise gets greasy, and the cake gets pasty.

Douglas' latest tribute to the lore of the crab cake:

He is holding a contest at his restaurants through October to find the most popular kind based on tallying up what customers order.

Here are recipes for two classics and one new take on crab cakes, from Douglas' book.

The traditional crabmeat for these Chesapeake Bay Classic Crab Cakes is East Coast blue crab. But the recipe works with Dungeness crabs, Douglas said, although you will probably need to squeeze out the excess liquid. "If your Dungie tastes salty, you may want to omit the salt in the recipe because there's already salt in the Old Bay Seasoning."

Traditionally, these cakes are served with tartar sauce, but Douglas prefers the tangy zip of green or red cocktail sauce to offset their creaminess.

CHESAPEAKE BAY CLASSIC CRAB CAKES

1 large egg yolk (see note) 1 tablespoon Old Bay Seasoning 1 tablespoon Dijon mustard ½ teaspoon grated lemon zest 1/2 teaspoons fresh lemon juice 1/2 teaspoons cider vinegar ½ cup peanut or canola oil ¼ teaspoon kosher salt 1/4 teaspoon freshly ground black

1 tablespoon minced scallions, both white and green parts I pound lump blue crabmeat drained and picked clean of

4 cups fresh bread crumbs 1/4 cup chopped parsley About 4 tablespoons unsalted

Red cocktail sauce 4 lemon wedges

Put the egg yolk, Old Bay, mustard, lemon zest and juice, and vinegar in the bowl of a mini-food processor or a blender and process until smooth.

Gradually pour in the oil with the machine running until the mixture emulsifies and forms a mayonnaise. Season with the salt and pepper.

Transfer the mayo to a bowl and, using a rubber spatula, fold until well combined.

Combine the bread crumbs and the parsley in a shallow container.

Form the crab mixture into 8 patties about 3 inches wide and3/4inch-thick and drop them into the bread crumb-parsley mixture. Dredge the crab cakes on both sides. If you have time, leave the crab cakes in the container of bread crumbs, cover with plastic wrap, and chill for an hour or

When you are ready to fry the crab cakes, put 2 large nonstick skillets over medium heat. Add about 2 tablespoons butter to each pan. When the butter is melted, add 4 crab cakes to each pan, patting off excess crumbs first. Slowly fry the crab cakes until they are golden brown on both sides and hot through, turning once with a spatula, about 4 minutes per side. If the crab cakes are brown too quickly, reduce the heat. The internal temperature of a cooked crab should be 155º F on an instant-read thermometer.

Transfer crab cakes to plates, 2 per person, and serve with your choice of sauce and lemon

Note: To use this recipe for crab cakes that are broiled. but not breaded, use 2 egg yolks, make the crab cake mixture, and shape into 8 cakes. Omit dredging in bread crumbs. Refrigerate for 1 to 4 hours or overnight. Arrange the cakes in a pan and broil until they're hot through and lightly golden brown, 5 to 6 minutes, rotating the pan as needed to brown the cakes evenly.

Makes 8 large crab cakes (4 servings).

Note: In a note on egg safety, Douglas writes: "Use very fresh Grade A or Grade AA eggs (check the expiration date on the label before buying) and always keep the egg refrigerated. It's important to be aware of the potential dangers of salmonella and other harmful bacteria that may occur in eggs and take precautions. Don't keep eggs at room temperature for more than an hour, and always wash your hands, work surface and equipment before and after using raw eggs. Use products that have been made with raw eggs within one day."

These cakes, the most popular crab cake at Etta's restaurant, are soft and need at least an

hour's chilling time before pan

ETTA'S NEW DUNGENESS CRAB CAKES

1 large egg yolk 1 tablespoon cider vinegar 1 tablespoon Dijon mustard

1 tablespoon finely chopped red bell pepper

1 tablespoon finely chopped onion 3 tablespoons plus 2 teaspoons chopped parsley

I teaspoon Tabasco ½ teaspoon paprika

1/2 teaspoon chopped fresh thyme

¼ teaspoon kosher salt 1/4 teaspoon freshly ground black pepper

4 cup olive oil

1/4 cup sour cream

1 pound fresh Dungeness crabmeat, drained, picked clean of shell, and lightly squeezed if

4 cups fresh bread crumbs About 4 tablespoons unsalted butter

Green cocktail sauce 4 lemon wedges

In a mini-food processor, combine the egg yolk, vinegar, mustard, bell pepper, onion, the 2 teaspoons of parsley, Tabasco, paprika, thyme, salt and pepper. Pulse to finely mince the vegetables and combine all the ingredients.

With the motor running, slowly add the oil through the feed tube until the mixture emulsifies and forms a thin mayo.

Transfer the mayo to a large bowl and stir in the sour cream, then use a rubber spatula to fold in the crabmeat. Gently form 8 patties, about 3 inches wide by 1/4inch thick.

Put the bread crumbs in a shallow container and mix in the 3 tablespoons parsley. Lightly dredge the patties on both sides in the bread crumbs. Cover the crab cakes with plastic wrap and chill for at least 1 hour or longer.

Put two large nonstick skillets over medium heat and add about 2 tablespoons butter to each pan. When the butter is melted, add 4 crab cakes to each pan. Gently fry the crab cakes until they are golden brown on both sides and hot through, turning once with a spatula, about 4 minutes per side. The internal temperature should be

Transfer the crab cakes to plates, serving 2 to each person, accompanied by ramekins of green cocktail sauce and lemon

Makes 8 large crab cakes (4

Here's Tom Douglas' version of an old-fashioned Chinese-American classic, egg foo yung. Simply squeeze a wedge of lemon over the tops of these delicately flavored crab patties or get feisty with some chili paste or Tabasco sauce.

CRAB FOO YUNG

4 large eggs 2 teaspoons soy sauce 2 teaspoons mirin (sweet cooking rice wine)

1/2 teaspoon Tabasco or to taste 3/4 pound crabmeat, drained. picked clean of shell, and lightly squeezed if wet

1 cup sliced shiitake mushrooms, stems removed 1 cup mung bean sprouts 1/4 cup minced celery, preferably

the tender inner stems and a ¼ cup thinly sliced scallions, white

and green parts About 6 tablespoons peanut or canola oil, as needed 4 lemon wedges

Whisk the eggs with the soy sauce, mirin and Tabasco in a large bowl until slightly foamy. Stir in the crabmeat, mushrooms, sprouts, celery and scallions.

Tabasco or Chinese hot chili paste

Heat 2 large nonstick skillets over medium-high heat with about 3 tablespoons oil in each

When the oil is hot, ladle as many patties as will fit into each pan (3 or 4) using a 4-ounce ladle or a/z-cup measuring cup. Fry the patties until golden brown on both sides and cooked through, about 4 minutes total, turning the heat down as needed.

Use a spatula to turn the patties from side to side a few times while .A they're cooking so they don't get

Remove the patties from the pan, and drain on paper towels. If all the patties don't fit in the pans at once, fry them in batches. Keep the finished patties warm in a 200 F oven while you wipe out the pan with a paper towel, add more oil, and continue to fry the remaining patties. You should get about 8

Serve with lemon wedges and Tabasco or hot chili paste.

Makes 8 patties, 4 servings.

Recipes adapted from I Love Crab Cakes by Tom Douglas with Shelley Lance, William Morrow, 2006, \$19.95)

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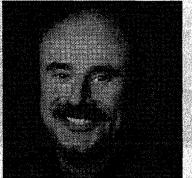
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Hollywood Milestones

Celeb expert dishes on Jewish life in film

By Wensdy Von Buskirk

the topic of how Jews are portrayed in the media is the talk of Tinseltown, thanks to the recent scandal involving Mel Gibson.

Famed author, fashion historian and Hollywood maven Sandy Schreier will tackle that subject during a talk in front of the National Council of Jewish Women on Thursday, Sept. 7. Her presentation, "Hollywood Milestones," is a part of the NCJW's opening meeting, a day of boutique shopping and lunch that's open to the public.

Schreier has interviewed Gibson in the past, but doesn't know if she'll divulge the details. Instead, she said she might write him a letter and invite him to speak for himself.

"Mel Gibson is going to be my opening act," Schreier quipped. "He's now calling up every Jewish organization there is and saying he will come and speak."

Schreier, author of "Hollywood Dressed and Undressed," and "Hollywood Gets Married," is known for sharing first-hand celebrity dish and never-before-seen photos during her presentations. This time, she'll focus on



Marilyn Monroe converted to Judaism when she married playwright Arthur, and learned to cook traditional Jewish dishes from his mom.

celebrities and movies with Jewish ties.

From the bris in "Crossing Delancey" to the blowout bar mitzvahs in "Keeping Up With the Steins," there's plenty to

"I will talk about how Jewish weddings, bar/bat mitzvahs and even circumcisions have been portrayed in the movies and how audiences react," she said. "The founding fathers of the film industry were all Jewish, along with many of the people who worked in



sandy Schreier shares insider stories about celebrities she knows, including Martha Stewart.

Hollywood then and to this day - producers, directors, office workers. But with this ugly beast of anti-Semitism rearing its head again, are Jewish people as comfortable being portrayed on screen?"

Schreier said the public is obsessed with stories of celebrities, even in the face of graver international subjects.

"Why are people talking about Baby Suri when we could be on the way to World War III? It's the ultimate escapism. It takes people's minds away from all their troubles," Schreier said.

The NCJW's Opening Meeting kicks off with boutique shopping at 9 a.m. at Congregation Shaarey Zedek in Southfield. Sandy Schreier will speak at 11:30 a.m., followed by lunch at 12:30 p.m. Tickets are \$45. Call (248) 355-3300, Ext. O.

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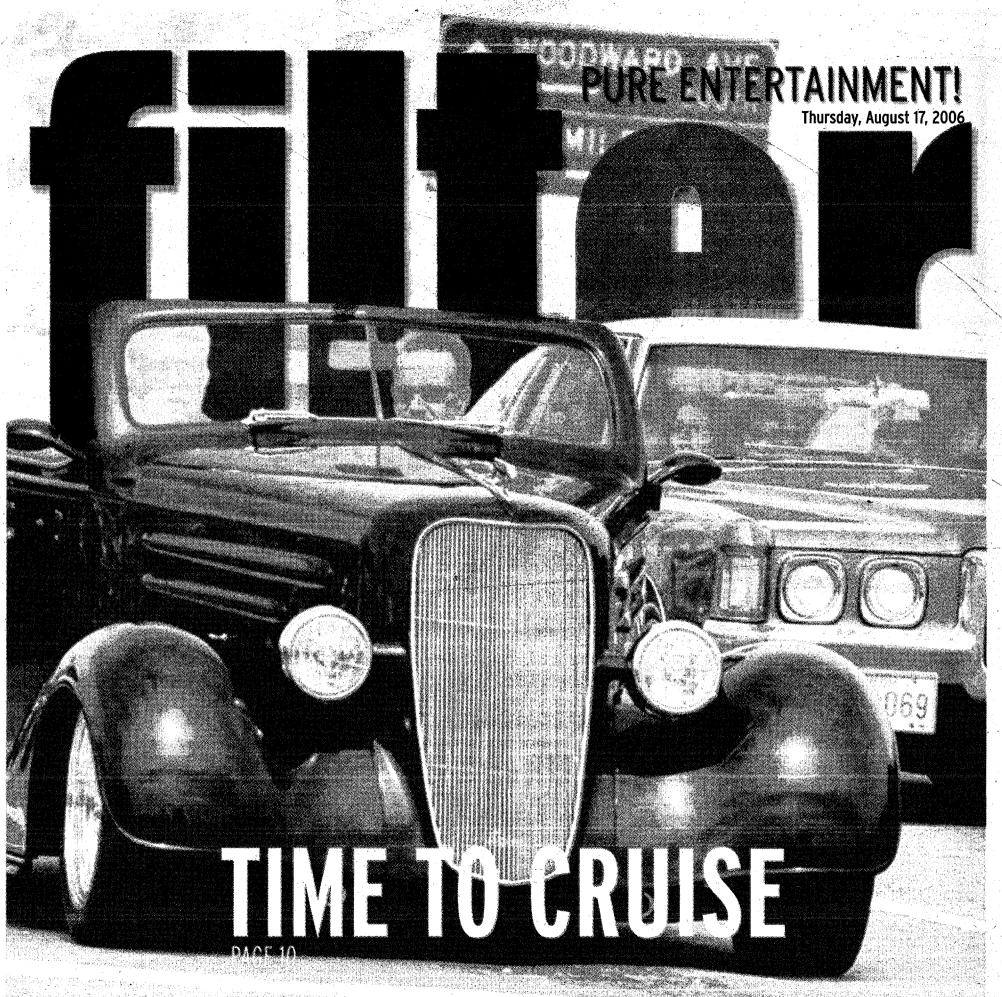
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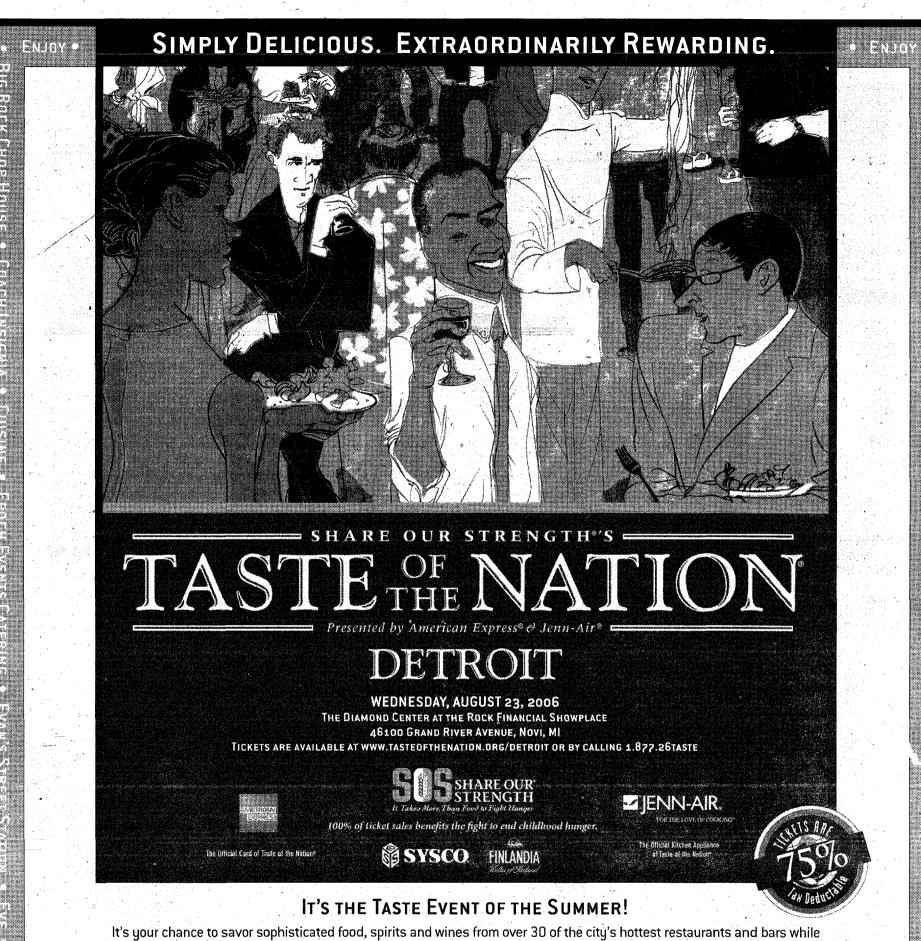


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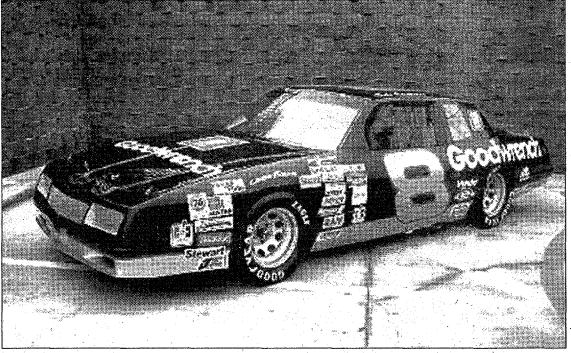
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Dale Earnhardt Sr. drove this Goodwrench Monte Carlo at Daytona as a tribute to his father.

Drivers, start your engines

The late Dale Earnhardt's Monte Carlo visits Dream Cruise

BY NICOLE STAFFORD STAFF WRITER

These famous **NASCAR** vehicles make many a racing fan sentimental.

And organizers in downtown Ferndale are bringing them from Illinois to the Woodward Dream Cruise.

The cars are the No. 8 Chevy Goodwrench Monte Carlo driven by the late Dale Earnhardt Sr. and the No. 12 Budweiser Monte Carlo driven by one of Earnhardt's best friends, Neil

Both are on view at Chapman Motor Sports' "Legends of the Best Friends Tour" car display, which

goes up along Woodward at East Nine Mile Road on Friday

and then on West Nine Mile Road in downtown Ferndale on Saturday and Sunday. The show is a new addition to Ferndale's Dream Cruise offerings. The No. 8 is the first Monte Carlo driven by Dale Sr., and he

drove it in 1988 at Daytona as a tribute to his father, Ralph Earnhardt, said Brenda Chapman, owner of Chapman Motor Sports.

"That's why Dale Jr. drives the No. 8 car to this day," she said, adding, "With Dale, you loved him or you loved to hate him."

If you're not up on such NASCAR trivia, "Legends of the

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What: Chapman Motor Sports NASCAR® "Legends of the Best Friends Tour" car display.

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The leading scooter brand is Vespa, and you'll see plenty of those at the judged show of scooters in Ferndale.

More than cars

Check out collectible scooters, other transportation modes

BY NICOLE STAFFORD STAFF WRITER

Cars, cars, cars.
If you tire of them come Dream Cruise weekend, feast your eyes on some scooters.

Yes, scooters. But not children's scooters with wheels and a footboard.

We're talking about vintage motor scooters like the Vespa scooters driven by the mods in the movie *Quadrophenia* or by Audrey Hepburn and Gregory Peck in the movie

A RETRO RIDE

What: Second annual Metro Detroit Scooter Show.

When: Noon to 7 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 20. (Detroit Euro Cycle will have a retail booth with scooters on Saturday, Aug. 19, and Sunday, Aug. 20).

Where: West Nine Mile Road, downtown Ferndale (within RetroFest). Information: Visit www.ferndaledreamcruise.com.

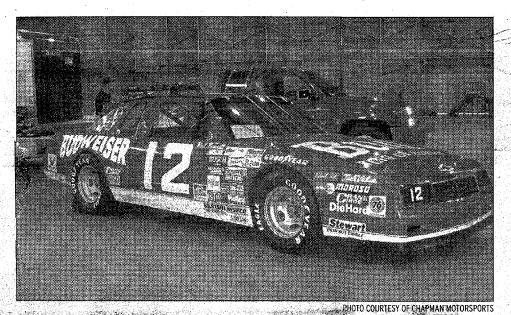
Roman Holiday.
Still not ringing a bell?
Think European scooter and imagine an adorable guy with an Italian accent somewhere in Rome riding a mini-motorcycle. The Italians

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Local scooters go on display in downtown Ferndale as part of Retrofest during the Dream Cruise.



Neil-Bonnett drove the #12 Budweiser Monte Carlo.

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Representatives of Chapman Motor Sports will bring novices up to speed on the stories behind the vehicles and drivers. There's also a photographic history of NASCAR from the 1970s to today.

If the stories don't impress you, ask to hear the 800-horsepower engine roar.

"We do start 'em on request," Chapman said.

Even strangers to NASCAR will notice the look of these vintage racing vehicles.

"It's an actual car," Chapman said. "It

was what you and your friends and team made out of a car."

Today's race cars are built to specifications to meet a host of rules and regulations. But the race cars of yesteryear had noticeable differences and greater individuality.

These cars recall the days when fewer rules regulated the sport and a team could race with a car that didn't cost millions of dollars.

"It's back to the grassroots of NASCAR," Chapman said. "For yesterday's NASCAR fans that are coming out to see these cars, this is the NASCAR that they remember."

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are famous for using Vespa scooters for getting around town.

In the United States, scooters are a collectible, and local collectors are gearing up to showcase their best scooters in the second annual Metro Detroit Scooter Show on Sunday in Ferndale.

The judged show goes up on West Nine Mile Road within the downtown's RetroFest activities.

"There certainly is a scooter scene, and it's very evolving right now in Detroit," said Andy Schwartz, general manager of Detroit Euro Cycle, the Eastpointe shop that helps coordinate the show.

"You're gonna see a lot of really nice bikes, and especially Vespa, it being the primary brand. Everything from really beautiful restoration to tour bikes," Schwartz said. "There are some people who spend a lot of time and a lot of money on these bikes."

Last year's scooter show drew about 30 entries and apparently an

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impressive crowd.

"People were into it. Maybe they got tired of looking at cars," Schwartz said. "These days, with gas prices as they are, people are becoming more aware of them."

A best-in-show prize, as well as a "Mayor's Choice" award will go to the best scooters.

Ferndale Mayor Robert Porter also will give out "Mayor's Choice" awards at Ferndale's Classic Car Show (10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday) and the MotorCity Cycle & Chopper Show (noon to 9 p.m. Saturday)

Organizers incorporated non-automotive shows into Ferndale's RetroFest — which includes a food court, live entertainment and children's activities — as a way to expand their offerings and reflect Ferndale as a place that embraces diversity, said Michael C. Lary, event coordinator for Ferndale Woodward Dream Cruise and RetroFest.

"I wanted to create a theme that is inclusive to 'auto-motion,' "he said. "The automotive enthusiasm of the car is just the beginning."

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Red Hot Chili Peppers coming to the Palace

Following the sold-out European tour, an appearance at the Fuji Festival in Japan and a headlining slot at Lollapalooza, the Red Hot Chili Peppers tour North America to sup-

port their already platinum CD
Stadium Arcadium.
The band visits The

The band visits The Palace for a performance on Friday, Nov. 3. Tickets went on sale in May, early for a November show. Tickets are still on sale, but with

Stadium gaining momentum, don't expect tickets to be available very much longer.

The band's lead single Dani California spent 14 weeks at No. 1 on the Billboard Modern Rock chart.

The video earned the band seven nominations for MTV's Video Music Awards.

The second track off *Stadium* is already making the charts. *Tell Me Baby*, with its bass-heavy cut and hard-grooving core, is reminiscent of old Chili Peppers' style.

Said bassist Flea recently on his blog Fleamail regarding the video for the new track:

"(It's) the best the band has ever



The Red Hot Chili Peppers visit The Palace of Auburn Hills Nov. 3.

done," he writes. "It portrays people pursuing their dreams in a heartfelt audition scenario."

Stadium Arcadium is the ninth studio album from the Chili Peppers and the first since 2002. The band has sold more than 50 million albums worldwide.

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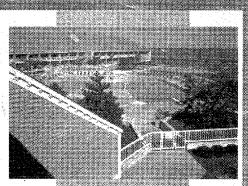
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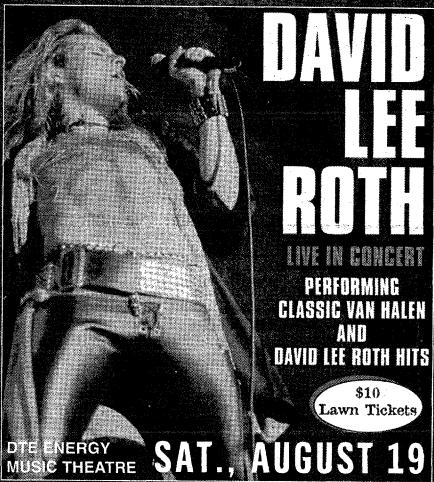
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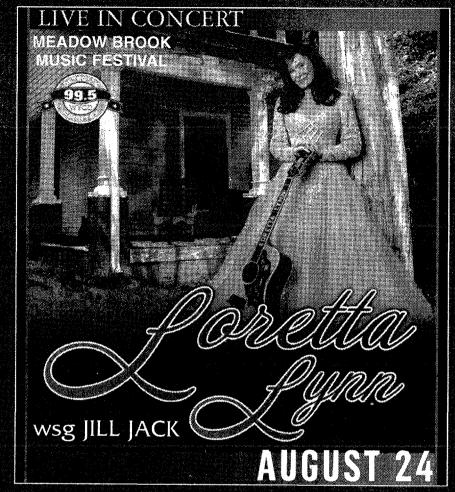


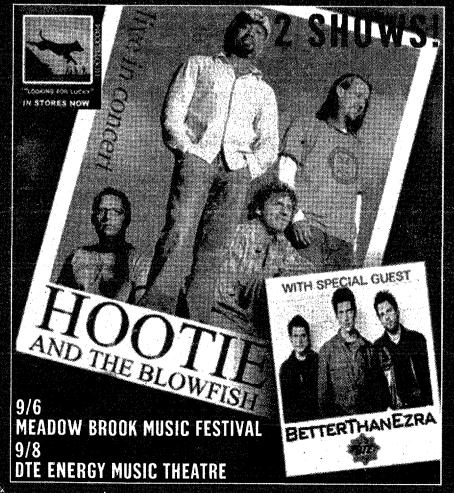


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Take a SMART bus down Woodward

BY NICOLE STAFFORD

You can watch the Woodward Dream Cruise from the sidelines and try to beat the heat or you can drive your own car

slowly up and down Woodward Avenue as a way to take in the cruisin'

experience.
Or, you can sit back and let somebody else do the driving for you. Suburban

Mobility Authority for Regional

Transportation is offering free rides along the entire length of the Dream Cruise, between downtown Pontiac and the Michigan State Fairgrounds in Detroit.

SMART buses will run the route from 8:30 a.m. to 11 p.m. on Saturday only, and passengers may board at any of the red SMART bus stop signs along Woodward. In Birmingham, bus stops are located at Woodward and Maple and Woodward and Bowers.

SMART has offered the free service since the first Dream Cruise. It's a great

EASY CRUISIN'

What: Free SMART bus shuttle service runs entire Dream Cruise route along Woodward Avenue

When: 8:30 a.m. to 11 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 19. Where: Runs Woodward Avenue, north and south, between Pontiac (at Perry and Pike streets) and the Michigan State Fairgrounds at Eight Mile in Detroit. Passengers may board at any red SMART bus stops along Woodward.

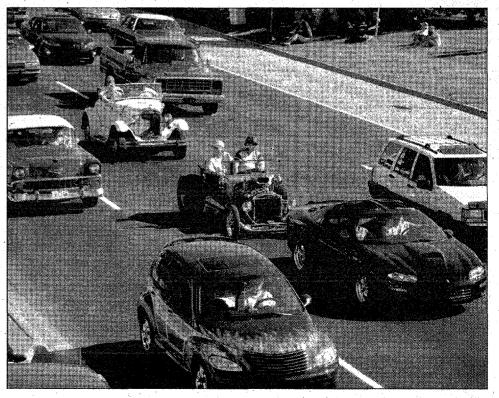
Information: Visit www.smartbus.org or call (866) 962-5515.

way to travel to and from different points along the Cruise strip, as well as for cruise-watching.

"We provide this free shuttle service to show our support for this great event and to give the community an opportunity to experience the comfort and convenience SMART offers," said Dan Dirks, SMART general manager.

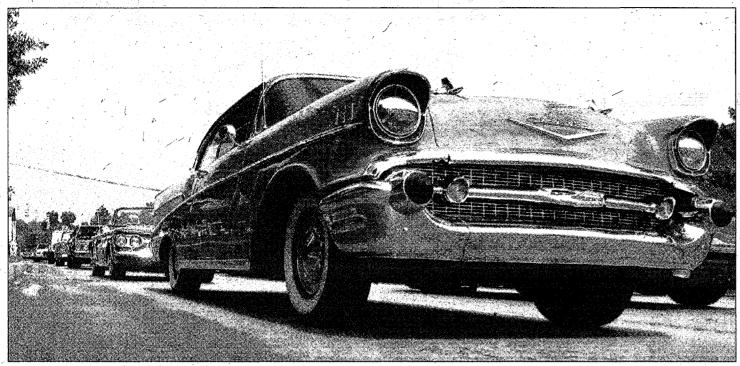
All buses are air-conditioned and wheelchair-accessible. A fleet of 50 buses will operate during Dream Cruise this year.

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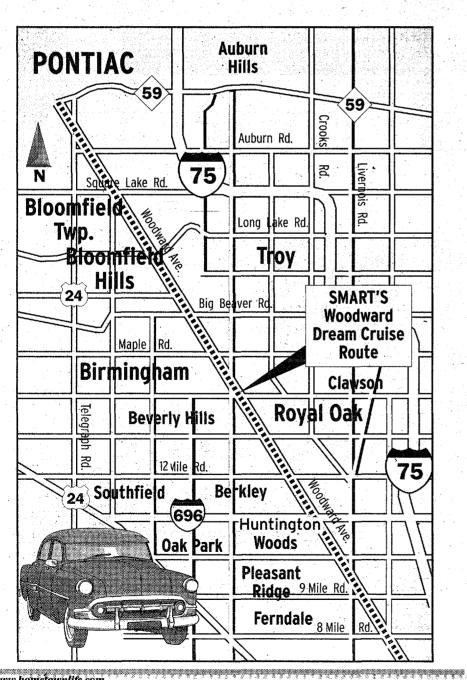


A variety of cars will be take to the street during the Woodward Dream Cruise on Saturday, Aug. 19.

WOODWARD DREAM CRUISE GUIDE



A 1957 Chevy cruises Woodward Avenue, one of the thousands of vehicles that will do so on Saturday.











WOODWARD DREAM CRUISE GUIDE

Each community along Woodward Avenue has plans to celebrate the Woodward Dream Cruise.

No matter where you might be along the cruise route, you're bound to find some wonderful events nearby.

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Here's what each city is hosting, courtesy of www.woodward-dreamcruise.com



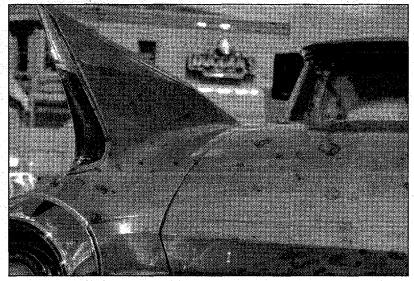
BERKLEY

Its downtown centers are located along 12 Mile and Coolidge.

FRIDAY, AUG. 18

6-9 p.m., Kids Inflatable Games (north side of 12 Mile between Tyler and Gardner streets).

6:30 p.m., Classic Car Parade (beginning at Roseland Park Cemetery at 12 Mile and Woodward.) Parade Grand Marshal: Barry Meguiar of Speed TV's *Car Crazy*: 7:30-9 p.m., Tri-Community Coalition Street Dance on Griffith, north of 12 Mile. 7:30 p.m., Musical entertainment featuring Three Men and A Tenor at the stage on Woodward.



The sleek look of classic cars will fill Woodward Avenue on Saturday.

9:30 p.m., Musical entertainment featuring The Spyder Turner Show. All day Friday and Saturday, sidewalk sales will be set up throughout the Berkley business district.

All evening, downtown food booths and official cruise merchandise will be operated by Berkley community service organizations.

BIRMINGHAM

The City of Birmingham fronts
Woodward from 14 Mile to Big Beaver
roads.

SATURDAY, AUG. 19 Classic Car Parking: Birmingham

PLEASE SEE CRUISE, E16

THE 12TH ANNUAL WOODWARD DREAM CRUISE

What: A celebration of cars and Woodward Avenue

Where: Officially the Dream Cruise runs from Ferndale to Pontiac

When: 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 19 **Kickoff:** The city of Berkley hosts a parade at 6:30 p.m. Friday, Aug. 18, plus music and kids events.

The city of Ferndale hosts a ribbon-cutting ceremony and police cruise at 5 p.m. Friday.

Alcohol policy: The Woodward Dream Cruise is a non-alcoholic, family event. Consumption of alcohol on streets and sidewalks and in parks or any area open to the public (except in licensed establishments) is prohibited.

If you're driving: Don't even think about spinning your car's tires (burnouts), speeding, drag racing, riding outside of the vehicle and littering. You'll be ticketed by the police. And the outside lanes are designated for those not participating in the cruise.

Details: The official Web site is www.woodwarddreamcruise.com

Artists try to beat the clock at Dream Cruise

MotorCity Casino is challenging local artists to rev their creative engines and paint the town for "Cruisin' Art."

It's a competition where nine artists on Dream Cruise day — Saturday, Aug. 19 — will set up in a different participating city and be timed to create art. (Locations were not determined as of Tuesday morning.)

Cruise-goers can watch while artists incorporate three specific elements into their 3-foot by 5-foot pieces: MotorCity Casino's new "flames," the MotorCity Casino logo and the essence of the Woodward Dream Cruise.

They will have six hours to complete their pieces on any media they choose. Each of the nine finalists will be awarded a cash prize from \$100 to \$1,000 and will also have an opportunity to have their piece displayed at MotorCity Casino.

The Woodward Dream Cruise, presented by Eaton, is the largest one-day car event in the world; it is said to attract more than 1 million participants and 40,000 classic cars.

This summer classic celebrates the 1950s and '60s when car buffs cruised Woodward Avenue.

Book pays tribute to the Cruise

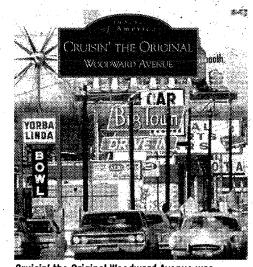
By now we all know that Woodward Avenue was the place for cruisers all summer long back in the 1950s and '60s.

Nostalgic folks might enjoy a new book Cruisin' the Original Woodward Avenue by co-authors Anthony Ambrogio and Sharon Luckerman.

The publication is a collaboration of the Woodward Heritage Team and the Woodward Avenue Action Association that chronicles America's love affair with the automobile and the evolution of Woodward Avenue.

There's more than 200 vintage

Portions of proceeds from *Cruisin' the Original Woodward Avenue* will benefit future Dream Cruise events and can be purchased at the cruise and at www.woodwarddreamcruise.com.



Cruisin' the Original Woodward Avenue was written by Anthony Ambrogio and Sharon Luckerman.

Gem preview benefits COTS

"The Rat Pack Is Back," fresh from Las Vegas, is a tribute to Dean Martin, Sammy Davis Jr., Frank Sinatra and Joey Bishop, recreating some of the great adlib and improvisation that the infamous "Rat Pack" was known for with song, dance and comedy,

Fans who remember some of these performances will be transported back in time as this show unfolds.

Detroit's Gem Theater will offer a charity preview of "The Rat Pack Is Back!" benefiting Detroit's Coalition On Temporary Shelter, at 8 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 13. Tickets are \$100 per person and

include a pre-show dinner reception in the Gem's Century Grille.

For reservations and information, call (313) 963-9800.

The Gem Theater web site at www.gemtheater.com lets you view actual video of the show.

Founded in 1982, the Coalition On Temporary Shelter is a private, nonprofit organization that provides emergency shelter, transitional and permanent housing and comprehensive support services for Detroit's homeless population.

For more information, visit the Web site at www.cotsdetroit.org

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Take it out

Hungry at the Dream Cruise? Try carryout



Cuban sandwiches, featuring roasted pork loin, ham, mayonnaise, mustard, Swiss cheese and pickles on a grilled sub bun, will be sold by Aunt Olive's Good Food 2 Go during the Woodward Avenue Dream Cruise.

STAFF WRITER

The Woodward Dream Cruise officially arrives Saturday, Aug. 19, but the cruisin' will be well under way by the time you read this.

That might mean you're in a hurry to get back out and enjoy the sites of all the cars takin' it to the streets, namely Woodward Avenue.

If you are in a hurry, you can get a bite to eat at the following takeout eateries, all within a hop, skip and a cruise from the cruise.

From Ferndale to Pontiac, Woodward Avenue is chock full of good eats.

Matt Schellig, new owner of Aunt Olive's Good Food 2 Go on Old Woodward and former chef at A Matter of Taste in Commerce Township, expects his first cruise to be a dandy.

He'll be serving up Cuban sandwiches, which he says are popular in Miami, and stromboli at a booth set up near the 555 Building. The Cuban sandwich features ham, pork, mustard, mayonnaise, pickles and Swiss cheese on a grilled sub bun. The stromboli is ham, salami and four different cheeses, seasoned with garlic and pepper.

After all, you just might want something to go that you can enjoy in a park or just seated in your chair someplace along Woodward. You don't want to miss the classics that are headed your way, as you cheer your approval along with the other cruise fans. Check out our list of some of the locations where you can get food to go.

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Margarita's Cafetal, 27861 Woodward (248)

Westborn Market, 27659 Woodward (248) 547-1000

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220 Restaurant, 220 Merrill (248) 645-2150

Alban's, 35064 Woodward (248) 258-

Aunt Olive's Good Food 2 Go, 525 N.

Old Woodward (248) 593-0364

Cosi, 101 N. Old Woodward (at Maple), Birmingham (248) 203-9200

Canella Patisserie, 300 Hamilton,

Birmingham (248) 203-9704 Deli Unique, 39495 Woodward, Bloomfield

Hills (248) 646-7923 ?How About Lunch, 33757 Woodward,

Birmingham (248) 645-6644 Hunter House Hamburgers, 35075 Woodward

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Leo's Coney Island, 154 S. Old Woodward (248) 540-8780

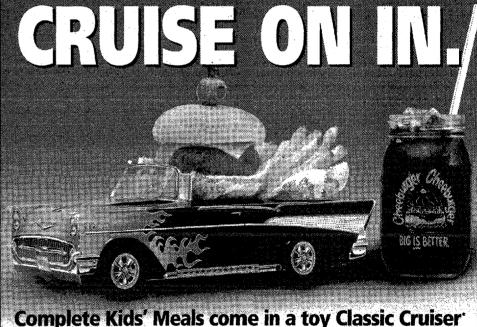
Old Woodward Deli, 768 N. Old Woodward (248) 642-0768

Papa Jóe's Gourmet Market, 34244 Woodward (248) 723-9400

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ROYAL OAK

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Zumba Mexican Griffe, 121 N. Main St. (248) 542-

Chocolate store opens; Livonia eatery changes hands

Northville residents Lynne and Tim Porter have opened the Northville Schakolad Chocolate Factory at 20450 Haggerty.

The Northville Schakolad Chocolate Factory features fresh, handmade, European-style chocolates; over 70 varieties of truffles, exotic fruits, and nut clusters, hand-dipped chocolate strawberries and pretzels, and homemade Italian gelato with flavors of Turkish coffee, white chocolate, tiramisu, toasted coconut, vanilla, chocolate and a variety of sorbets. Each chocolate is prepared on the premises.

The store also has cappuccino, lattes and espresso and a chocolate fountain rental.

Store hours are 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday-Thursday; 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Friday and Saturday, and noon to 5 p.m. Sunday.

The phone number is (734) 464-7040; Web site is www.schakolad.com.

FROM TIRAMISU TO TAMALES

As Fonte D'Amore's closing may mark an era of Italian dining in Livonia, the restaurant is about to take on a new Mexican flair.

Giulio and Mario Ledda, owners of



Giulio's Cucina Italiana, have joined forces with Eric D'Andrea and Larry Weiss of The Draft sports bar in Commerce Township.

Together, they'll revamp the familiar space and re-open next month as Los Amigos.

D'Andrea said the new restaurant will fill a need on Plymouth Road, with a Mexican restaurant at a lower price point for patrons.

D'Andrea said the food will be authentic Mexican and Tex-Mex, under \$10 a plate and lunch specials for \$5 or \$6. Los Amigos also adds variety to the Italian offered along the corridor.

The restaurant will offer seating for 140, with a few tables outside during the

warmer months. Owners are considering some changes, though D'Andrea noted the architecture looks "more Mexican than Italian."

Of course, there won't be as much signature white linen. And at least one familiar face from Fonte D'Amore won't be traveling too far from her loyal customers.

Lula Kulaj, a chef at Fonte D'Amore for 26 years, continues creating inspired Italian dishes across the street at Giulio's Cucina Italiana

Subtle changes will be made to Giulio's decor, and the restaurant will now be open seven days a week, adding Mondays to attract new patrons.

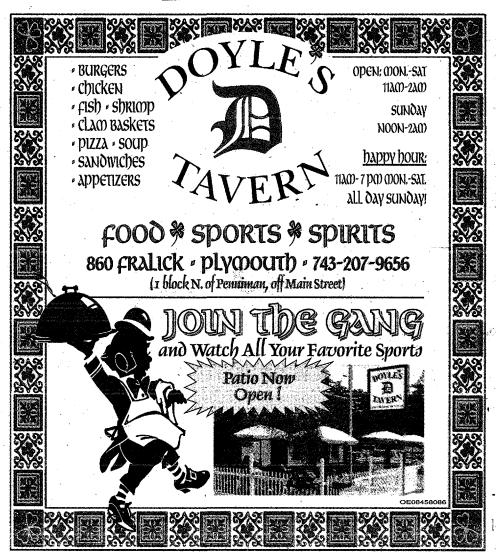
D'Andrea said the Plymouth Road corridor, which is also home to Los Amigos, offers "a wonderful neighborhood feel, with a spectrum of people from all age groups, and families."

Owners say they hope to open the doors of Los Amigos in mid-September.

"It's a great opportunity for us to expose people to another type of cuisine," D'Andrea said. "We hope to bring a little more life to Plymouth Road."

Compiled by Ken Abramczyk and Observer & Eccentric staff reports.





Send, fax or e-mail items for consideration in Get Out! at least two weeks in advance, to Ken Abramczyk, Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 805 E. Maple, Birmingham, MI 48009, fax (248) 644-1314 or e-mail kabramcz@hometownlife.com.

ART EXHIBITS

Detroit Institute of Arts

The Art of Screenprint, at the Detroit Institute of Arts, 5200 Woodward, Detroit, \$3-\$6, (313) 833-7900 or visit www.dia.org

Cranbrook Art Museum

An exhibit of Philip Treacy's hats for muse Isabelia Blow runs through Aug. 27, 39221 Woodward, Bloomfield Hills, \$4-\$6, call (877) GO-CRANBROOK or visit www.cranbrookart.edu.

Metalsmithing

Critical Mass: Metalsmithing at Cranbrook under Gary Griffin, through Oct. 15, 39221 Woodward, Bloomfield Hills, \$4-\$6, call (877) GO-CRANBROOK or visit www.cranbrookart.edu

Moving Sculpture

Time and Transformation, through Sept. 17, University of Michigan Museum of Art's temporary space, 1301 S. University, U-M campus, Ann Arbor, (734) 763-UMMA or visit www.umma.umich.edu

More DIA

Annie Leibovitz: American Music, intimate portraits of those influenced by American roots music, Sept. 24 through Jan. 7, visit www.dia.org

ART GALLERIES

Sherry Gallery
Abstractions of life paintings, through Aug. 26, 1274 Library St. at Grand River, Detroit, (313) 961-4500.

Arnold Klein

Gallery's 35th anniversary celebration, urban views exhibition with Arms, Christo, Mershimer, Murphy and others, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday, 32782 Woodward, Royal Oak, (248) 647-7709.

Different Strokes Gallery

Objects in Motion - Part II, acrylic paintings, meet artist Marvalisa Coley at reception, 3 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 19, 21770 W. 11 Mile Road, Southfield, pear Labser Road in Harvard Road Mall, (248) 263-1100, www.marvalisa.com

Meadow Brook Art Gallery

Oakland University, 208 Wilson Hall, Rochester Hills, free, call (248) 370-3005 or visit vw oakland edu*l*mbad

Orchard Lake Art Gallery

4301 Orchard Lake Road, West Bloomfield, (248) 538-9021.

Oakland Community College

Student Art Show at the Highland Lakes Campus, Woodland Hall Library, 7300 Cooley Lake Road, Waterford, 8 a.m. to 10 p.m. Monday-Friday, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Friday, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday.

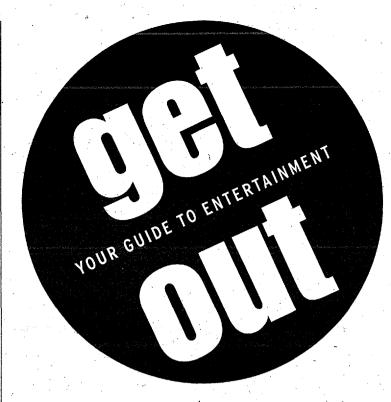
Paint Creek Center for the Arts

Pi Benio, fiber, and John Leyland, ceramic sculptures, Aug. 18 to Sept. 23; gallery talk, 2 p.m. Sept. 16; closing reception, 6-9 p.m. Sept. 22, 407 Pine St., Rochester, (248) 651-4110, www.pccart.org

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Birmingham Bloomfield Art Center

John Glick, part of Michigan Masters Series, Sept. 8-29, opening reception, 6-8 p.m. Sept. 8, Robinson Gallery, special slide show by Glick, 7 p.m. Sept. 21, 1516 S. Cranbrook Birmingham, www.bbartcenter.org, (248) 644-



Birmingham Community House

Sylvia Clark's works in oil are being show cased during the month of August in the Martha Maxwell Gallery located on the second floor of the Community House of Birmingham 380 S. Bates, Birmingham, (248) 644-5832.

Kindred Spirits, Birmingham Society of Women Painters

62nd annual juried exhibition, Birmingham Bloomfield Art Center, DeSalle Gallery, Sept. 8-29, opening reception 6-8 p.m. Sept. 8; 1516 S. Cranbrook, Birmingham, www.bbartcenter.org, (248) 644-0866.

32nd Art in the Park

Event with more than 190 artists, music, food, activities and auction to benefit Common Ground Sanctuary, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Sept. 16 and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sept. 17, Shain Park, Birmingham.

Michigan Watercolor Society

59th annual Exhibition Travel Show, 217 Farnsworth, Detroit, mwcsart.com, (313) 831-

Farmington Library

Rosa Paulus, one -woman art show, month of August, 23500 Liberty, Farmington. (248) 553-

Kresge Art Museum

Closed August, first floor of the Kresge Art Center, on Michigan State University campus, www.artmuseum.msu.edu, (517) 353-9834.

BLUEGRASS

Bluegrass Festival

Noon to 7:30 p.m. Sept. 9, Civic Center Park, featuring Cherryholmes, Steep Canyon Rangers, Valerie Smith & Liberty Pike, The Cats & The Fiddler, and host band Special Consensus, free, Auburn Hills Community Center, 1827 N. Squirrel Road, (248) 370-9353

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316 S. Main, Ann Arbor, (734) 761-1451. www.theark.org.

Bachelor's One

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Belmont Bar

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Blind Pig

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Blue Martini

Live music 8-11 p.m. Tuesdays through Thursdays, and Saturdays and Sundays, 201 Hamilton, between Woodward and Old Woodward, one block north of Maple, (248) 258-3005.

Bosco

Enjoy noWax nights at 7 p.m. every Wednesday, download music into your MP3 Player, take a number and wait your turn to be DJ and spin three songs, no cover, 21 and over only, 22930 Woodward in Ferndale, www.thebosco.com, (248) 541-8818.

Buddha Lounge

Thursday, DJ Shug plays super sonic smooth music and beer pong tournament. Saturdays DJ Terrence Parker & Mo Reese; Sundays, Karaoke; Tuesdays, Deep House; Wednesdays Jamtramck jazz band, www.gobuddha.net. (313) 535-4664.

Club 2000

Fat Twosdays with DJ Carl the Invisible Man 9 p.m. Tuesdays hip-hop, 18 and over, 299 E. Woodbridge, Detroit, (313) 235-2233.

Crazy Moe's Cafe

Food, dancing, music, 2 N. Saginaw St., Pontiac, (248) 322-5550.

Danny's Irish Pub

Laid-back, small, friendly, 22824 Woodward, Ferndale, (248) 546-8331.

Dino's Lounge

Live bands on weekends, hip, laid back,

friendly, 22740 Woodward, just south of Nine Mile in Ferndale, (248) 591-DINO.

Edison's

220 E. Merrill, Birmingham, (248) 645-2150.

Elvsium

Lounge, dance and happy hour 3-9 p.m. Tuesdays-Fridays, nightclub hours Fridays and Saturdays, 9 p.m. to 2 a.m., (313) 962-2244, 625 Shelby, Detroit, www.elysium-lounge.com.

Emerald Theatre

Concert house, dancing, 32 N. Walnut, Mount Clemens, (586) 913-1920.

Fiamma Grille

Roy Scoutz, 7-10 p.m. Tuesdays and Wednesdays, George "The Kat" plays saxophone, 7-10 p.m. Thursdays, 380 Main, Plymouth, (734) 416-0100.

Gus O'Connors

Brittány Evans, new St. Pauli Girl for 2006, 4:30-6 p.m. Aug. 17, 42875 Grand River, Novi (248) 465-9670

Gator Jake's

DJ Tony T, Wednesday-Friday, 36863 Van Dyke, Sterling Heights, (586) 983-3700, www.gator-

Ginopolis on the Grill

Don Swindell and Shuffle Play, with Swindell, Sheila Brown Mike Lorenz and Jake Reichhart, 7:30-11:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday. 27851 Middlebelt at 12 Mile in Farmington Hills, по cover. (248) 851-8222.

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Leland City Club

Avant garde, open until 4 a.m., access through unmarked door on the First Street side of the Ramada Hotel building, 400 Bagley, Detroit, www.lelandcitvclub.com.

O'Mara's Restaurant and Pub

2555 W. 12 Mile Road (at Coolidge) in Berkley, (248) 399-6750. For information on Blackthorn, visit www.blackthornt.com.

The Locker Room Saloon

Wild Wednesdays with DJ Oz, Trivia Night and Ladies Night Thursdays, Funky Fridays with DJ Paul, Insane Saturdays with DJ Oz, 7790 Auburn, Utica, (586) 731-3323, www.lockerroomsaloon.com, www.ckpep.com

The Magic Bag

Gary Jules & Jim Bianco, Aug. 24; Glengarry Bhoys, Aug. 27; Charlie Hunter, Aug. 31; Chris Duarte, Sept. 7; The Surrogate Band (The Pink Floyd Tribute), Sept. 8; Melissa Ferrick, Sept. 12; Jamie Kennedy, Sept. 15; PM Dawn, Sept. 21; Joseph Arthur, Oct. 2, and Ekoostik Hookah, Oct. 13, 22920 Woodward, Ferndale, (248) 544-1991, event hotline (248) 544-3030, www.themagicbag.com

Rainbow Room

Laid-back atmosphere, dancing, 6640 E. Eight Mile, Detroit, (313) 891-1020.

High-energy dance club, 1500 Woodward, northeast corner at John R, Detroit, (313) 963-

Seldom Blues

Big Band Wednesdays with Johnny Trudell and his 18-piece band, 7-11 p.m., playing a mix of jazz favorites.

The restaurant also features live jazz every night of the week, located in Tower 400, Level 1 of the GM Renaissance Center next to the Marriott, call (313) 567-7301.

Sky Club

Tango, salsa, and Latin dancing every Wednesday beginning at 8 p.m., located above Sangria's Restaurant, 401 S. Lafavette, Royal Oak, (248) 543-1964.

Token Lounge

28949 Joy, Westland, (734) 513-5030.

Wild Woody's

DJ Doug E Fresh, Thursday-Saturday, 32500 Gratiot, Roseville, (586) 294-5331, www.wildwoodys.co

COMEDY

Ann Arbor Comedy Showcase

Comedy Jamm, open mic night Thursday nights, starting 8 p.m. through October, 314 E. Liberty, Ann Arbor, (734) 996-9080.

JD's House of Comedy

Stand-up shows, 8 p.m. Thursday and 8 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday; Apollo amateur night, 8 p.m. Wednesday, \$10-\$15, 25333 W. 12 Mile, inside Star Theatre complex, Southfield, (248) 348-2420 or www.ticketmastercom

Improv Inferno

Citizen Improv, 8 p.m. Wednesdays; Super Fun Karaoke, 10 p.m. Wednesdays: The Catfight, 8 p.m. Thursdays; High Octane, 10 p.m. Thursdays; Biff! Bang! Pow!, 8 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays; The Damnation Game, 10 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays; The X Show, midnight, Fridays and Saturdays; The Corner, 7 p.m. Sundays, Get Up! Stand Up!, 8:30 p.m. Sundays: The Weekend Wild Card, 10 p.m. Sundays, The Sweet Spot with Eve Candy, 11 p.m. Sundays, 309 S. Main, Ann Arbor, (734) 214-7080, www.improvinferno.com

Joey's Comedy Club

Harrold Gomez, Aug. 16-19; Big Baby, Aug. 23-26; John Evans, Aug. 30-Sept. 2, 36071 Plymouth, Livonia, (734) 261-0555, www.ioeyscomedy.com.

Second City

Bobble Heads of State, performances are Wednesday-Sunday, \$15-\$20, 42705 Grand River, Novi, call (248) 348-4448. For tickets, call (248) 645-5555 or www.ticketmaster.com.

Wise Guys Comedy Club

Mark Ridley's Comedy Castle

40380 Grand River, Novi, (248) 919-3216.

Stand-up, 269 E. Fourth, Royal Oak, (248) 542-9900. www.comedycastle.com.

Joey's Comedy Club 36071 Plymouth Road, Livonia, (734) 261-0555, also has comedy at second location, 5070 Schaefer, Dearborn, (313) 584-8885; www.ioevscomedv.com.

DANCE

Dance Challenge

The sixth annual Michigan Dance Challenge **Ballroom Dance Competition for professionals** and amateurs, plus a fabulous Saturday night show, Aug. 18-20, Hyatt Regency, Fairlane Town Center, Dearborn, for tickets call Mark Brock at (248) 561-7711 or visit www.michigandancechallenge.com

Hip Hop Dance Workshop

TaQuita Thorns, Making the Band star, share cool dance moves Saturday, Aug. 19, at Universal Mall, 28582 Dequindre in Warren, registration and meet Thorns at noon, sessions begin at 1 p.m. for children; 2:30 p.m. for adult intermediate and 4 p.m. for adult advanced, Industry 101 Workshop (modeling, dancing, acting and singing) by Jordan Mac with registration at 5:30 p.m., (248) 556-0719

DOWNTOWN DISTRICTS Chelsea

Sounds & Sights through Sept. 7. live entertainment, carriage rides, kids activities, art market, (734) 475-1145 or www.chelseafestivals.com.

Ferndale

3rd Thursdays on the Nine, live entertainment, Aug. 17, Nine Mile, www.downtownfern-

FAMILY

Thomas the Tank Engine

40-minute ride with Thomas the Tank Engine, meet and take a photo with Sir Topham Hatt, arts and crafts, storytelling, live music, Aug. 18-20, Aug. 25-27, Crossroads Village & Huckleberry Railroad, 6140 Bray Road, Flint, \$16 ages 2 and up, for information, call (800) 648-PARK or www.GeneseeCountyParks.org, for tickets call (866) 468-7630, or visit www.ticketweb.com/thomas

Robot exhibit

"Robot City." new interactive exhibit, continues through Sept. 17, 5020 John R, Detroit, \$6-\$7, call (313) 577-8400 or visit www.detroitsciencecenter.org.

Cranbrook Institute of Science

"Playing With Time," runs through Sept. 4, 39221 Woodward, Bloomfield Hills, \$5-\$7, call (877) GO-CRANBROOK or visit www.cranbrook edu.

Detroit Science Center

Exhibits include As Time Goes By, new exhibit about the aging process, and A Journey to Our Future, now open to accompany center's new permanent Space Laboratory exhibit, 5020 John R, Detroit, \$6-\$7, call (313) 577-8400 or visit www.detroitsciencecenter.org.

Detroit Zoo

"The Peregrine Falcon: Return of an Endangered Species" exhibit with photos, interactive displays and videos, runs through Sept. 8, open daily during regular zoo hours, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., at no additional charge, zoo admission \$7-\$11, (248) 398-0900, www.detroitzoo.org.

FESTIVALS

Melon Festival

47th annual Howell Jaycees Melon Festival, Aug. 18-20, historic downtown Howell, (517) 546-7477, jcmelonfestival.com

FILM

Comcast Summer Film Series

Free films, through Aug. 26, every Saturday at Campus Martius Park, downtown Detroit, entertainment starts at 8 p.m., films show at about 9 p.m. Visit www.comcastfilmseries.com.

FUND-RAISERS

Vin Voyage

Features Michigan's three master sommeliers, wines, gourmet foods, 7-11 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 26, McInerney Center, Oakland County International Airport in Waterford, proceeds benefit research, prevention and treatment of cardiovascular diseases at Henry Ford Hospital's Heart & Vascular Institute, tickets \$100-\$1,000, (313) 874-4088 or henryford.com/wine, preview dinner 6:30 p.m. Aug. 22 at Coach Insignia in Detroit, \$500, (313) 874-4088, henryford.com/wine.

Guts & Glory Walk

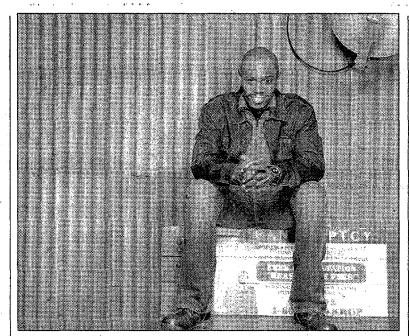
Benefit Crohn's & Colitis Foundation of America, Saturday, Sept. 9, at Maybury State Park in Northville, michigan.ccfa.org, (248) 737-0900.

Gem Theater

"The Rat Pack is Back!" tribute to Dean Martin, Sammy Davis Jr., Frank Sinatra and Joey Bishop, charity preview 8 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 13, benefits Detroit's Coalition on Temporary Shelter, \$100, includes pre-show dinner reception at Gem's Century Grille, (313) 963-9800, www.gemtheater.com

Birmingham Area Seniors Coordinating Council and Center

Third annual Peanut Butter and Jelly Drive to benefit The Lighthouse of Pontiac through Friday, Sept. 15, jars of peanut butter and Jelly can be dropped at BASCC, 2121 Midvale, Birmingham, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday, Lighthouse of Pontiac distributes the



COMED

Comedian Dave Chappelle has added a second show at 10:30 p.m. Friday, Aug. 18, at Detroit's Fox Theatre. For tickets, call (248) 433-1515 or visit OlympiaEntertainment.com or Ticketmaster.com.

jars to families in need, call (248) 203-5270 for information.

Steppin Out

16th annual AIDS Walk Detroit, 3.2 mile (5K) walk and run, 10 a.m. Sunday, Sept. 17, walk begins at 11 Mile and Troy street in downtown Royal Oak, (248) 399-WALK, www.aidswalkdetroit.org

Culinary Extravaganza

Dishes from 50 of southeastern Michigan's eateries and beverage suppliers, benefit for student scholarships, 2-5 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 24, S50, VisTaTech Center, Schoolcraft College on Haggerty Road, between Six Mile and Seven Mile roads, Livonia, (734) 462-4400, Ext. 5008.

Detroit Uncorked

Wine event features 800 wines from around the world Sept. 29 at Ford Field, presented by Ford Motor Co. and created and organized by Detroit Wine Organization, hors d'oeuvres, entertainment, silent auction and more, bene fits The Children's Center, \$75 for DWO members and \$80 for non-members. DWO membership is free, visit

www.detroituncorked.com or call (313) 262-

JAZZ

Windsor Detroit Jazz Club

Chuck Moss and the Paint Creek Jazz Society Band, 1-4 p.m. first and third Saturday of every month, Shield's Pizza, 25101 Telegraph (northwest corner of 10 Mile and Telegraph), Southfield, \$8 cover, (248) 478-0172.

Jazz and dinner

"Kind of Blue Tuesdays," at Lola's, Harmonie Park. Led by the Gerard Evans Quartet, the shows help musicians play with the core group at 9 p.m. every Tuesday, 1427 Randolph St. in Detroit's Harmonie Park, (313) 962-0483.

MORE MUSIC

Music in the Park

Concert starts at noon, featuring Matt Watroba, Aug. 23; Kellogg Park, Plymouth, sponsored by Plymouth Community Arts Council, (734) 416-4278, www.plymoutharts.com

KerryTown

415 N. Fourth Ave., Ann Arbor, reservations

recommended, (734) 769-2999, www.kerry-townconcerthouse.com.

Station 885

Tony Ruda and Pat Smith play jazz 7-10 p.m. every Thursday (bass and piano), 885 Starkweather, Plymouth, (734) 459-0885.

Trinity House

Reservations recommended for 87-seat concert house, 38840 W. Six Mile (just west of I-275), Livonia, shows 8 p.m., no alcohol, no smoking, (734) 464-6302, www.trinityhouse.org.

MUSEUMS

Henry Ford Museum

20900 Oakwood Blvd., west of the Southfield Freeway and south of Michigan Avenue, Dearborn. Additional charges and varying hours for entry to Greenfield Village, Ford Rouge Factory Tour and IMAX Theatre. For more information, call (313) 982-6001 or visit www.hfmqv.org.

Cranbrook Science Museum

Featured exhibit is It's a Nano World.
Permanent exhibits include planetarium, nature center and Bat Zone Conservatory, 39221 Woodward, Bloomfield Hills, general admission is \$5-\$7, planetarium, \$1-\$3, (248) 645-3200 or www.cranbrook.edu.

Detroit Science Center

Premiere of Magnificent Desolation: Walking on the Moon narrated by Tom Hanks and new planetarium show, Journey to the Edge of Space and Time, \$6, shows run indefinitely, 5020 John R, Detroit, \$6-\$7, (313) 577-8400, www.detroitsciencecenter.org.

Rochester Hills Museum at Van Hoosen

1927 Dairy Barn, 1850 and 1840 furnished farmhouses with permanent and temporary exhibits about regional history. General admission \$5 adults, \$3 seniors and students, (248) 656-4663, www.rochesterhills.org.

SOMETHING DIFFERENT

Haunted Garage Sale and Swap

1-5:50 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 26, University of Detroit Mercy, Chemistry Building of the McNichols campus, 40001 W. McNichols, Detroit, visit www.motorcityhauntclub.com

Rochester Hills Museum at Van Hoosen

Farm

"Earth's Changing Climate: What's in Store for the Future," 7-8:30 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 5, discussion with Henry Pollack, professor emeritus, \$5,1005 Van Hoosen Road, Rochester Hills, register at (248) 656-4663.

Michigan's Family Album

Special historical photography exhibit of 1,200 photographs from David Tinder collection, runs through Jan. 14, 2007, Michigan Historical Museum, inside Michigan Library and Historical Center, 702 W. Kalamazoo St., Lansing, for more information, visit www.michigan.gov/museum or call (517) 373-3559.

Drive-In movies

Compuware Sports Arena, double features, through Sept. 3, S6-S8, 14900 Beck, Plymouth Township, (734) 927-3284.

Meadow Brook Hall and Garden

Special Little Ladies Tea, Aug. 22, \$45 per per son, reservations required, on campus of Oakland University in Rochester, (248) 364-6263, www.meadowbrookhall.org

Veggies in Motion

Third annual Vegan Retreat, Aug. 25-27, Tibbits Nature Sanctuary & Land Stewardship Center in Columbiaville (10 miles northwest of Lapeer), \$30 adults, \$10 children under 12, free camping on site, www.veggiesinmotion.org, (248) 616-9676.

Ballroom dancing

8-11 p.m., third Friday each month, Costick Center, 28600 11 Mile, Farmington Hills, (248) 473-1830

Rochester Hills Museum:

Fun Friday events, bring picnic lunch, swimsuit and water shoes to enjoy entertainment noon to 2 p.m. and 100-foot Slip & Slide, \$2, 1005 Van Hoosen, Rochester Hills, (248) 608-8261, www.rochesterhills.org.

St. Joseph Mercy Health Exploration Station

Free Family Fun Days, fourth Thursday of each month, 10 a.m. to 8 p.m., inside the St. Joseph Mercy Canton Health Building at 1600 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, (734) 398-7518, www.healthexplorationstation.com.

Preservation Wayne

Walking tours offered of five historic areas of Detroit (downtown, Eastern Market, Midtown, Auto Heritage and the Cultural Center), Saturdays at 10 a.m. or Tuesdays after work, through September, \$10 per person, visit www.preservationwayne.org or call (313) 577-7674

Southfield Public Library

During August, sneak peek of Books & Beyond Festival, Sept. 16-17, clay sculptures, wall hangings, contemporary paintings, needlework, wearable art clothing, 26300 Evergreen Road, (248) 796-4224, www.sfldlib.org.

UniverSoul Circus

Sept. 7-17, Chene Park, Detroit, \$10-\$35, www.ticketmaster.com

Movies at the Redford Theatre

Located at 17360 Lahser, Detroit. Visit www.redfordtheatre.com or call (313) 537-2560.

Mosaic Youth Theatre of Detroit

Purlie!, Detroit Film Theatre, Detroit Institute of Arts, Aug. 18-27, \$12-\$18, children 5 and under not permitted in theater, www.mosaicdetroit.org, call DIA to charge by phone (313) 833-4005.

Flint Institute of Music

Open house showcases music and dance classes, 6-8 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 22, Dort Music Center, 1025 E. Kearsley St. in Flint, (810) 2381350, FlintInstituteofMusic.org.

Ann Arbor Bonsai Society

Annual show featuring 100 member trees on display, demonstrations, 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Saturday and Sunday, Aug. 26 and 27, Matthaei Botanical Gardens, 1800 N. Dixboro Road, Ann Arbor. Visit www.annarborbonsaisociety.org

SUMMER SERIES

Detroit Zoo

Wild Summer Nights at the Detroit Zoological Institute featuring live entertainment and extended hours, Wednesdays, through Aug. 30, 10 Mile and Woodward, Royal Oak, (248) 398-0900 or www.detroitzoo.org.

THEATER — COMMUNITY

Oakland Theatre Guild

Cabaret, Aug. 18-20, \$13-\$15, Starlight Theater, inside Summit Place Mall (between Kohl's and Claire's stores), 315 N. Telegraph, Waterford, (248) 335-1788,

www.starlighttheater.net/Box_Office

Oakland Theatre Guild

Barefoot in the Park, Aug. 25-Sept. 3, Starlight Theater inside Summit Place Mal between Kohl's and Claire's stores, 315 N. Telegraph, in Waterford, (248) 335-1788, www.starlighttheater.net/Box_Office.

Village Players of Birmingham

Quilters, musical celebration of the pioneering spirit, Sept. 8-24, 34660 Woodward, Birmingham (2 blocks south of Maple), \$15, (248) 644-2075.

THEATER - COLLEGE

Oakland University

The Lesson, featuring troupe of performers from the Ukraine performing story of graduate student who finds more than he bargained for in the pedagogical style of a maniacally progressive professor, Sept. 14-16, Varner Studio Theatre at Oakland University, \$6-\$16, (248) 370-3013 or e-mail mtd@oakland.edu

THEATER — PROFESSIONAL

Purple Rose Theater

Honus & Me, through Aug. 26, The Purple Rose Theatre, 137 Park, Chelsea, \$25-35 call (734) 433-7673 or visit www.purplerosetheatre.org.

Fisher Theatre

3011 W. Grand Blvd., Detroit, call (248) 645-6666 or visit www.NederlanderDetroit.com or www.ticketmaster.com.

Breathe Art Theatre

Call (519) 980-0607 in Windsor or (313) 965-1515 in Detroit.

Menopause the Musical

Celebrate the longest-running professional production in Detroit history at the Gem Theatre. Show times are 8 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday and also 4 p.m. Saturday and 2 p.m. Sunday, \$39.50, (313) 963-9800, or Ticketmaster charge by phone, (248) 645-6666, or visit www.ticketmaster.com.

TICKETS ON SALE

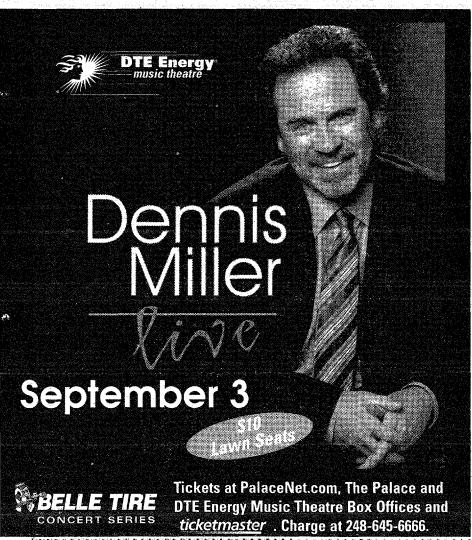
DTE Energy Music Theatre: Ted Nugent, Aug. 17; Styx/Foreigner, Sept. 7; Hootie & the Blowfish, Sept. 8; Alan Jackson, Sept. 23, and ³ Aerosmith with Motley Crue, Oct. 11.

Meadow Brook Music Festival: Billy Ray Cyrus, Aug. 17; Ted Nugent, Aug. 18; Hootie & the Blowfish, Sept. 6, and Jim Gaffigan, Sept. 23.

For DTE, Meadow Brook Music Festival and Palace shows, visit www.palacenet.com or call Ticketmaster at (248) 645-6666 or visit any Ticketmaster location



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CRUISE

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residents and classic car owners from around the world will be able to pre-register for parking spaces in the downtown area to showcase their classic vehicle for the event. Your individual classic car (1978 or older) or club can be included for a \$20 registration fee per vehicle. Registered vehicles will be provided with a parking space in the middle of the action and receive a 2006 commemorative hang tag for participating. More than 1,000 classic vehicles participate

a 2006 commemorative hang tag for participating. More than 1,000 classic vehicles participate. Thousands of visitors are expected to check out displays from Ford Motor Co. and the Chevrolet Motor Division.

Ford Motor Co. invites the whole family to Shain Park in downtown Birmingham for their Cruisin' Legends car show and celebration. Stop by to admire the legendary automotive designs of classic Ford vehicles, Ford Racing, Saleen and Roush Racing, while live entertainment performs.

Saturday's music schedule:

Noon, Thrill. 1:30 p.m., The Beat Club. 3 p.m., The Satin Dolls. 4:45 p.m., Benny and the Jets. 6:30 p.m., The Teen Angels.

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Chevrolet is cruising into the city to take over the Birmingham Triangle. Located at the junction of Woodward and South Old Woodward, the triangle will be packed all day. There's the Chevy Racing Tour, XM Satellite Radio Display, Chevy's Full Line of Cars, Trucks and SUVs and music from noon to 8 p.m. There's also a return of a classic nameplate ... that's a mystery. For more information about Dream Cruise parking in Birmingham, visit www.ci.birmingham.mi.us.

BLOOMFIELD HILLS

The city of Bloomfield Hills is located from Quarton to Hickory Grove roads along Woodward Avenue.

For the week of the Woodward Dream Cruise, Bloomfield Hills offers the following entertainment at Fox & Hounds, 39560 Woodward Ave.: 6 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 17, music by BLU Pearl. 6 p.m. Friday, Aug. 18, music by The Viceroys. 11 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 19, music by The Viceroys. 2 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 19, music by Jimmy Howard & Company.

7 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 19, music by Funkee Station.

BLOOMFIELD TOWNSHIP

Bloomfield Township fronts Woodward from Oak to Strathmore on the west and farther north from Hickory Grove to Alice Avenue on the east. 1-5 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 19, the second annual Bloomfield Township Dream Cruise Classic, held at Mercedes Benz of Bloomfield on Woodward just south of Big Beaver. The event will benefit Oakland Family Services, the Bloomfield Fire

Department Charities and the Bloomfield Optimist Club. The event is open to the public and there is no charge to attend.

FERNDALE

The city of Ferndale fronts Woodward from Eight Mile to 10 Mile.

Through Thursday, Aug. 31, Cruiz'n Art Exhibit is displayed at the Paramount Bank & Art Gallery, 22635 Woodward Ave.

Aug. 18-20, NASCAR: Legends of the Last Century. Chapman Motor Sports presents NASCAR Original Busch Grand National & Winston Cup Series race cars at this exhibit.

FRIDAY, AUG. 18

1-6 p.m., Entertainment at MotorCity East Stage featuring DJ Sounds.

1-10 p.m., Sixth annual Ferndale International Police, Military & Emergency Vehicle Show. 5 p.m., Official WDC Ribbon-Cutting Ceremony and Police Cruise.

6-9 p.m., Entertainment at MotorCity East Stage featuring Clear Avenue Band.

SATURDAY, AUG. 19

10 a.m. to noon, entertainment at MotorCity East Stage featuring DJ Sounds.

10 a.m. to 6 p.m., 12th annual Ferndale Classic Car Show.

10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Eighth annual Mustang Alley. To register, visit

www.motorcityterminators.org/mustangalley.
10 a.m. to 9 p.m., RetroFest and KIDS ZONE.
Located on West Nine Mile Road, RetroFest features merchandise vendors, a food court and the MotorCity Casino Stage West. Watch some of the best local and regional bands, enjoy a delicious meal and have the kids play in the Zone.
11:30 a.m., Entertainment at MotorCity West Stage featuring Liz Larin.

Noon, Entertainment at MotorCity East Stage featuring The Tones Band.

Noon to 9 p.m., MotorCity Cycle & Chopper Show. Noon to 6 p.m., Second annual Metro Detroit Scooter Show.

1 p.m., Entertainment at MotorCity West Stage featuring Kevin Tees & the Firebirds.

2 p.m., Entertainment at MotorCity East Stage featuring The Tones Band.

4:30 p.m., Car Show Awards.

4:30 p.m., Entertainment at MotorCity West Stage featuring Paisley Fogg.

5:30 p.m., Entertainment at MotorCity East Stage featuring Nobody's Business.

6 p.m., Entertainment at MotorCity West Stage featuring Cass Avenue Ramblers.

8 p.m., Entertainment at MotorCity West Stage featuring Shout!

SUNDAY, AUG. 20

Noon to 7 p.m., RetroFest and Kids Zone. Located on West Nine Mile Road, RetroFest will feature merchandise vendors, a food court and the MotorCity Casino Stage West. Watch local and regional bands, enjoy a meal and have the Kids play in the Zone.

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HUNTINGTON WOODS

The City of Huntington Woods fronts Woodward from 10 Mile to 11 Mile (on the west side). Friday-Saturday, Aug. 18-19, all day, official Woodward Dream Cruise Merchandise booths

PLEASANT RIDGE

Pleasant Ridge fronts Woodward in a half-mile area between Nine 1/2 Mile and 1-696.

SATURDAY, AUG. 19

Noon to 6 p.m., Children's park with clowns and magicians, opens at 11 a.m. Live entertainment begins in Memorial Park at noon.

PONTIAC

The City of Pontiac fronts Woodward from Square Lake Road to M-59.

FRIDAY, AUG. 18

10 a.m. to 10 p.m., Oakland Press Opening Official

10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Entertainment at Hidden River Park Stage featuring Sock Hop-Phil Brown. 3:30-4:30 p.m., Entertainment at MotorCity Casino Main Stage featuring Mark Reitenger &



Company

5-6 p.m., Entertainment at MotorCity Casino Main Stage featuring New Strategy.

6 p.m., Pontiac Osteopathic Hospital Pontiac Cruise Parade.

6:30-8 p.m., Entertainment at MotorCity Casino Main Stage featuring Kevin Tee & Firebirds.

6:30-8 p.m., Entertainment at Hidden River Park Stage featuring Straight Ahead. 8-9:30 p.m., Entertainment at Hidden River Park Stage featuring Charles Anthony. 8:30-10 p.m., Entertainment at MotorCity Casino Main Stage featuring Mitch Ryder. All Evening, Jazz in Hidden River Park

SATURDAY, AUG. 19

8 a.m. to 10 p.m., Oakland Press Opening Official

9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Entertainment at Hidden River Park Stage featuring Sock Hop - Phil Brown. 3:30-4:30 p.m., Entertainment at MotorCity Casino Main Stage featuring Forever and a Day. 5-6 p.m., Entertainment at MotorCity Casino Main Stage featuring Larry Lee "Back in the Day." 5:30-7 p.m., Entertainment at Hidden River Park Stage featuring Quincy Stewart.

7-9:30 p.m., Entertainment at Hidden River Park Stage featuring Daniel Carthane.

6:30-8 p.m., Entertainment at MotorCity Casino Main Stage featuring Carl Graves "Motor City

8:30-10 p.m., Entertainment at MotorCity Casino Main Stage featuring Priscilla Price. 10 p.m., Star Bright Entertainment Drive-In

All evening, Jazz in Hidden River Park.

ROYAL OAK

The City of Royal Oak fronts Woodward from 10 Mile to 14 Mile roads.

Friday, Aug. 19, all day Grand Nationals at Northwood Shopping Center; Auto Trader display at Pioneer Park: downtown Royal Oak stores willhave sales all weekend long.

For example, the hip women's boutique Rise Clothing on Washington will sell its funky accessories as low as \$5.

National Geographic offers podcasts

Cocooning from the Woodward Dream Cruise?

Watching classic cars drive by under a hot summer's sun seem unpleasant to

Why not venture around the world, at home, via podcast.

National Geographic now makes it possible for consumers to take a guided walk through the streets of Venice, experience an African safari and hear the week's top science and nature news, with audio and video podcasts for free download.

Available at www.nationalgeographic.com/podcasts as well as on iTunes and Yahoo!, the podcast show's offerings aim to inspire audiences to care about the planet.

"For more than a century, National Geographic has crossed borders in its storytelling," said Betsy Scolnik, vice president, content operations, National Geographic Digital Media.

"Podcasting is shaping up to be the ultimate tool for crisscrossing the globe, making it easy for everyone - from the armchair traveler to the on-the-goadventurer - to access great stories through video, audio, music and still photos.

Free audio podcasts from National

Geographic include:

"National Geographic News," the week's top science and nature news, world music features, interviews with innovators, audio quizzes and a "Photos on the Radio" feature.

reports on the music and culture of Africa and the Americas and their transatlantic connections.

■ Traveler Magazine's "50 Walks of a Lifetime," some of the greatest walking tours, including San Francisco, Tribeca (NY), Paris and Venice, selected by editors of National Geographic

■ "National Geographic World Talk," interviews with scientists, explorers, photographers and thinkers Free video podcasts include:

■ "National Geographic Video Shorts," videos from National Geographic

"National Geographic Atmosphere" features video with ambient sound that exposes users to exotic settings and locations.

"National Geographic Spotlight" features interviews with superstars from around the globe, from Brazilian crooners to Senegalese superstars.

By Lana Mini









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JOEY DEE & THE STARLITERS

#1 Hit: PEPPERMINT TWIST



#1 Hits: Only You & The Great



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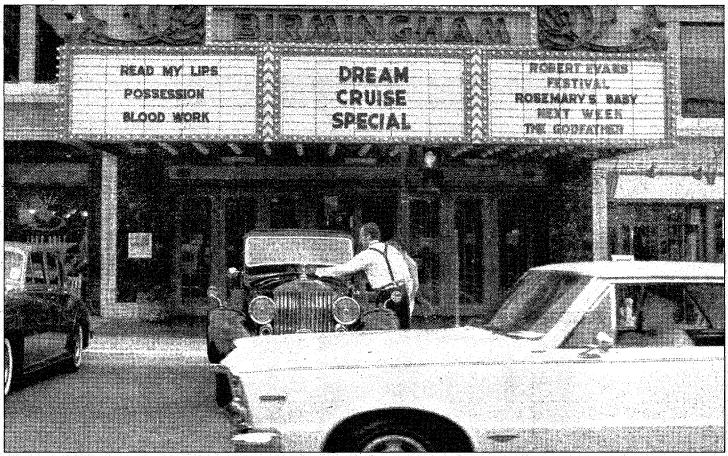
PBS Specials!











If you need a retreat from the cruise chaos, head into downtown Birmingham. Don't worry, there are plenty of cars to see, too.

Calm of the Cruise

Downtown Birmingham offers cars, entertainment and crowd relief

BY NICOLE STAFFORD STAFF WRITER

Ah, the smell of exhaust fumes and burning rubber in the morning.

Not every Dream Cruiser can endure the heat. sounds and smells of

Woodward Dream Cruise all day long.

Not to mention the crowds.

Almost 2 million people attend the event with about 40,000 cars edging along Woodward Avenue.

But there's relief nearby, if a few hours of car-

watching has your head spinning. Head into downtown Birmingham away from the crowds and you'll find a little breathing room and plenty of places to sit down and recharge with a coffee, cocktail, snack or meal.

Besides, Birmingham has plenty of cars on view.

In Shain Park, Ford Motor Co. sets up shop — displaying its Ford Racing,

FORD FUN

What: Ford

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Legends car

show and celebra-

When: Noon to 8 p.m.

Where: Shain Park, down-

Saturday, Aug. 19.

town Birmingham.

Admission: Free. For

more information, visit

or call (248) 433-3550.

www.ci.birmingham.mi.us

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Saleen and Roush Racing vehicles - and offers free live musical entertainment from noon to 8 p.m. Performers include Benny and the Jets at 4:45 p.m. and The Teen Angels at 6:30 p.m.

At the corner of Woodward and South Old Woodward, it's Chevrolet central. The area will feature Chevy's full line of cars, trucks and SUVs, the Chevy Racing Tour, five restaurants and live entertainment (also noon to 8 p.m.).

On the streets of downtown Birmingham, local car clubs and collectors will be parking

JOIN THE SHOW

What: Showcase your vintage vehicle (1978 or older) in downtown Birmingham during Woodward Dream Cruise.

When: Saturday, Aug. 19. Day of cruise registration starts at 10 a.m. but arrive early as space is limited.

Where: Registration tent located at South Old Woodward and Brown, downtown Birmingham.

Cost: \$20, for more information, visit www.ci.birmingham.mi.us.

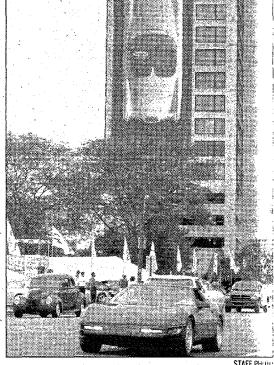
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Motor City Madman promises to 'Unleash' two nights of rip-roaring rock 'n roll

BY JIM TOTH STAFF WRITER

One night of the Motor City Madman an be quite exhilarating.

But back-to-back nights of the Whackmaster?



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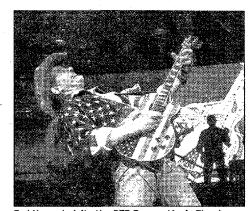
What: Two back-to-back concerts.

When and where: 7:30 tonight (Aug. 17) with Alex Winston at DTE Energy Music Theatre and 8 p.m. Friday, Aug. 18, at Meadow Brook Music Festival on the campus of Oakland University.

Tickets: \$39.50 pavilion, \$18.50 lawn for tonight's show, \$39.50 pavilion, \$15 lawn for Friday's show. Visit palacenet.com for information. Tickets also available at The Palace, DTE Energy and all Ticketmaster locations.

estival on the campus of Oakland Iniversity.

"It's a passion, it a mind-set, it's a spiritet," Nugent said when asked what keeps is energy level on a continuous rise. Some people who say they have seen ne perform in every decade, say it's ightening the energy level that's still out here."



Ted Nugent visits the DTE Energy Music Theatre tonight and Meadow Brook Music Festival on Friday.

Nugent's unmatched onstage intensity and insanity has carried over to bandmates Barry Sparks (bass) and "Wild" Mick Brown (drums), formerly of Dokken, who promise to make any night of the "Unleash The Best Global Scorch Tour '06" a memorable one.

"They had no idea they had it in them and it took little old me to get it out," Nugent said. "These guys have that burst of vitality and they erupt with spirit and enthusiasm."

Nugent credits his back-to-basics approach for his ability to maintain such a loud and loyal following over some five decades that began in the mid-1960s with the formation of the Amboy Dukes.

"A lot of guys have fallen prey to peer pressure and to be trendy," Nugent, 57, said. "I know what I stand for. My guitar is so f______ ferocious. I'm not bragging, just celebrating."

DTE has always been a favorite of Nugent's and this trip, which includes Meadow Brook, will be no exception.

So as the rocker's official Web site states, the "continuing saga of the Whackmaster's uninhibited primal scream of sheer defiance and over the top irreverent fun" will be twice as nice.

Don't forget Fash Bash

Fash Bash 2006 is fast approaching. This year's event — which will be held aturday, Aug. 26, at General Motors' ew Beaubien Place rooftop overlooking ne Detroit River — will feature Elie ahari's contemporary fall 2006 women's ollection and the premiere of his men's ollection.

Tickets are now available.

Premium Patron Packages for two are available for \$750, sponsorlevel tickets are \$250 each, and benefactor-level tickets are \$125 each

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DTE venue has hottest month in three years

In a sluggish economy and equally sluggish concert environment, life was good at DTE Energy Music Theatre in July with seven soldout shows.

That's a lot in the concert world. The seven sellouts make it the DTE's hottest July since 2003.

The shows were: Steve Miller Band with World Party on July 7, Sammy Hagar & The Wabos with The Other Half on July 8, Ozzfest 2006 on July 19, Counting

Crows and Goo Goo Dolls on July 21, Anita Baker on July 22, Def Leppard and Journey on July 24 and Poison with Cinderella on July 28.

Once our area concert-goers got past all the early-summer distractions and into the mood to enjoy outdoor shows, things really took off," said Tom Wilson, president and CEO of Palace Sports and Entertainment.

"July seemed to be the month when everyone started coming out and, with our back-loaded list of big concerts, the rest of the summer looks strong going into October for the first time ever.'

This year is DTE's busiest lineup season, including its first shows in October. Still to come this year are: Mary J. Blige with Jaheim and LeToya on Sunday, Aug. 20; Steely Dan/Michael McDonald on Saturday, Sept. 2; John Mayer/Sheryl Crow with Mat Kearney on Wednesday, Sept. 6; Jimmy Buffett on Tuesday, Sept. 12;

Godsmack/Rob Zombie with Shinedown on Friday, Sept. 15; Chris Brown/Ne-Yo with Lil' Wayne, Dem Franchize Boyz and Juelz Santana on Saturday, Sept. 16, Alan Jackson on Saturday, Sept. 23, and the monster Aerosmith and Mötley Crüe show on Wednesday, Oct. 11.

Summer's lasting just a little longer this

By Lana Mini



Charlie Hunter does.

As a young guitarist growing up in the 1980s in northern California, Hunter was looking for a way to separate himself from the pack.

Hunter was influenced by jazz great Joe Pass and Tuck Andress

(of Tuck & Patti), both six-string guitarists. But Hunter wanted to take it one step further, and set out to find an instrument that could simultaneously function as both a guitar and

a bass.

So he found a seven-string guitar. A few years later, he unveiled his custom-made Novax eight-string, the guitar that finally allowed him to realize his potential.

Designed by Ralph Novak, the instrument features special frets and separate signals for its guitar and bass portions. It is a difficult instrument, described as "picking bass notes with his right thumb while fretting them with his left index finger - while at the same time fingerpicking guitar chords and single notes with his right hand's remaining four digits as he frets with his left hand's other three fin-

On his latest CD "Copperopolis," Hunter plays with a trio.

"I think that this is the best record I've

The Charlie Hunter Trio (Charlie Hunter, above, on guitar, Simon Lott on drums and Erik Deutsch on piano) visit the Magic Bag on Thursday, Aug. 31.

ever made," he said.

"I learned to communicate my music better with a trio. I think the trio brings a better fit to the rhythmic and melodic voices that I try to bring to my music. With a bigger band, sometimes you add too much to the pot. I like being able to make quick turns in the music. With the extra voice, it's hard to do that sometimes. That's why I like the trio."

He and drummer Simon Lott and pianist Erik Deutsch perform at 8 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 31, at the Magic Bag, 22920 Woodward Ave. in Ferndale. Call (248) 544-1991.

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'Hello Muddah, Hello Fadduh' comes to West Bloomfield

Performances of Hello Muddah, Hello Fadduh!, the musical comedy by Allan Sherman, will be held at the Jewish Ensemble Theatre in West Bloomfield.

Conceived and written by Douglas Bernstein and Rob Krausz, the play has received the Outer Critics Award for outstanding off-Broadway musical and four Drama Desk Award nominations.

JET performs in the Aaron DeRoy Theatre, 6600 W. Maple Road at the corner of Maple and Drake in West Bloomfield.

Hello Muddah, Hello Fadduh! is spun off the hilarious song parodies originally written by Sherman. It's the story of Barry Bockman, played by Eric Gutman of Livonia, and his beloved wife, Sarah Jackman, played by Catherine

Lutz of Howell.

The story follows Barry from birth, to summer at Camp Granada, to marriage, to suburbia, and the shopping

mall, to retirement in Florida.
It features Fred Buchalter of
Troy and Matthew Stewart
and Leah Smith, both

from Detroit.

Sherman (1924-1973) was a Jewish-American musician, parodist, satirist and television pro-

Performances are 7:30 p.m. Tuesday-Thursday, Aug. 22-24; 5 p.m. and 8:30 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 26; after that, performances are through Sunday, Sept. 17.

Tickets range from \$29 to \$39. For more information, call (248) 788-



'Hello Muddah! Hello Fadduh!,' the Allan Sherman musical, kicks of the The Jewish Ensemble Theatre's 2006-07 season.









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Bartleby and his band of misfit freshmen take liberal arts literally when they fool their parents and peers and create the esteemed South Harmon Institute of Technology. Just as they are settling in, Bartleby and company realize they've done their jobs too well. Dozens of other college rejects show up for classes at this less-than-lofty institute.

Under the scornful eyes of the privileged students from the neighboring college, Bartleby and his friends forge ahead with maintaining a fake, functioning uni-

With his future in the balance, it's going to take more than just sleight of hand to keep Bartleby out of jail as he strives to get the girl, impress his parents and just become accepted. Directed by Steve Pink and written by Bill Collage and Adam Cooper. (Universal Pictures) This film is rated PG-13.

The Illusionist

A romantic thriller set in 1900 Vienna

during a period of political unrest. Eisenheim (Edward Norton) is a brilliant stage magician pitted against the power-hungry Crown Prince Leopold (Rufus Sewell) and the shrewd Chief Inspector Uhl (Paul Giamatti).

Between Eisenheim and the Prince is the woman they both desire. Duchess Sophie von Teschen (Jessica

As children, Eisenheim and Sophie begin an intense romance. But when they are forbidden to see each other, the young magician is driven from the town. He disappears after that, embarking on a journey in pursuit of secret powers.

Years later he appears in Vienna, now a successful stage magician, and there he meets Sophie again. After so many years, she had given up hope of ever seeing him and is now engaged to marry the Crown Prince. But Eisenheim and Sophie soon rekindle their affair and decide to escape together.

Inspector Uhl, who acts as a spy for the Crown Prince, exposes the lovers and later Sophie is discovered mur-

Eisenheim now must summon his extraordinary powers in a desperate attempt to prove the Prince guilty.

While Uhl tries to stop him, Eisenheim foments a political uprising to bring down the monarchy before it completely destroys him. Also starring Eddie

Written and directed by Neil Burger; Based on Steven Millhauser's short story Eisenheim the Illusionist, (Yari Film Group Releasing) This film is rated PG-

TOPPING THE CHARTS

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Weekly charts for the best-selling recorded music in the United States as they appear in this week's issue of Billboard magazine. Reprinted with permission. (Platinum signifies more than 1 million copies sold; gold signifies more than 500,000 copies sold.): Billboard Hot 100: Top 10

Compiled from a national sample of sales reports collected, compiled and provided by SoundScan; radio playlists; and monitored radio by Broadcast Data Systems.

1. "London Bridge," Fergie. A&M.

- 2. "Crazy," Gnarls Barkley Downtown.
- 3. "Promiscuous," Nelly Furtado (feat. Timbaland). Mosley.
- 4. "Me $\ \ U$," Cassie. Next Selection.
- 5. "Buttons," The Pussycat Dolls (feat. Snoop Dogg). A&M.
- 6. "Deja Vu," Beyonce (feat. Jay-Z). Columbia.
- 7. "When You Gonna (Give It Up to Me)," Sean Paul (feat. Keyshia Cole). VP. 8. "Ain't No Other Man," Christina
- Aguilera. RCA.
- 9. "It's Goin' Down," Yung Joc. Block. 10. "I Write Sins Not Tragedies," Panic! At the Disco. Decaydance.

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TOP MOVIES

Here are the top-grossing movies at the box office, according to estimates from IMDbPro.com.

- 1. "Talladega Nights: The Ballad of Ricky Bobby," \$23 million 2. "Step Up," \$21.1 million 3. "World Trade Center," \$19 million

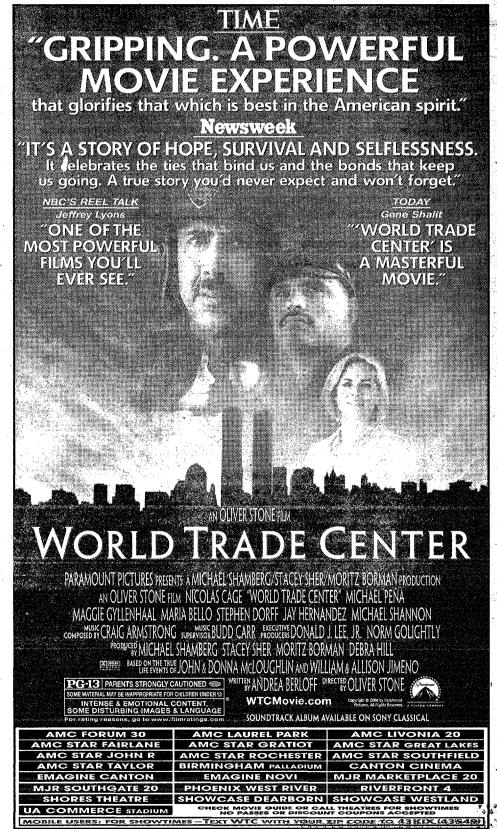
- 4. "Barnyard," \$10.1 million 5. "Pulse," \$8.5 million
- 6. "Pirates of the Caribbean: Dead Man's Chest," \$7.21 million 7. "Zoom," \$4.6 million

 - 8. "The Descent," \$4.6 million 9. "Miami Vice," \$4.5 million

 - 10. "Monster House," \$3.3 million

Top 10 U.S. DVD Rentals for the week ending Aug. 6, according to estimates from IMDbPro.com:

- 1. "V for Vendetta," \$9.43 million
- "The Benchwarmers," \$9.22 million "Final Destination 3," \$7.96 million
- 4. "The Shaggy Dog" \$7.7 million 5. "She's the Man," \$4.89 million
- "Failure to Launch," \$3.7 million
- 7. "ATL," \$3.1 million
- 8. "The Matador," \$2.7 million
- 9. "Syriana," \$2.7 million
- 10. "The Hills Have Eyes," \$2.6 million



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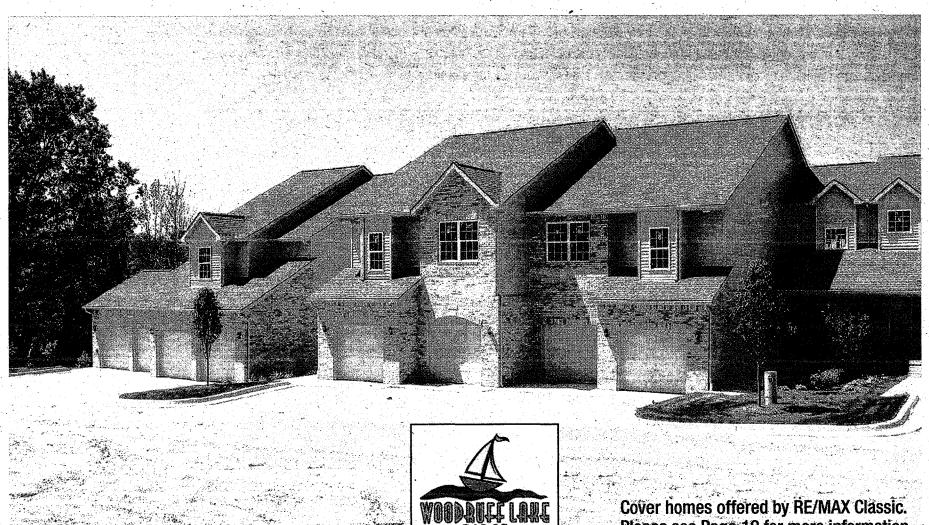
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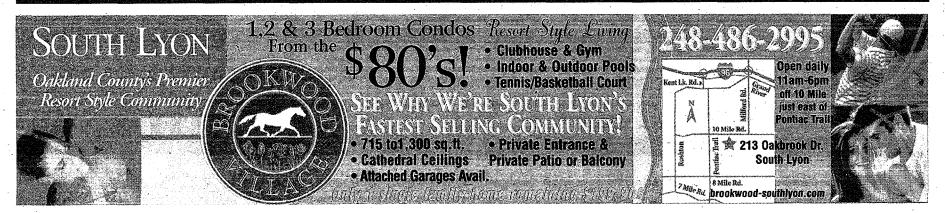
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er details. bath, Kitchen, bright finished electrical & more. Great (P-00BAR) bsmt w/new carpet, great yard w/ neighborhood, nice yard w/new privacy fence, Garage w/220 & fencing, Limitless potential.



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THE STAR ATTRACTION. Fantastic

golf course community home. Gorgeous formal LR & DR, den,

FR w/frol, dream kitchen, Master w/frpl, & brick paver patio overlooking the golf course.

REFRESHING. This ready to move

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A RARE FIND. 3100+ sq ft, 4 bd,
2.5 bath colonial offers fresh
paint, gourmet Kitchen, hwd
floors, Den, Master w/his & her

AUBURN HILLS

VACANT LAND. Gorgeous vacant lot in Auburn Hills w/wooded decorated wrop of the line views, great location, close to kitchen cab's, wood flooring, everything, & reasonably priced. open floor plan as for

BEAUTIFUL RANCH. 3 bd ranch w/newer carpet, windows, all appliances stay, all new doors, fresh paint, & backs to commons

YEARS NEW. Builder upgrades t/o every room in this end unit PERFECT LOCATION. Carrington rondo. Open spacious layout w/ ath ceilings, upgraded carpet, aths, kitchen, & more. (P-033AR)

\$459,900

in condo is in great shape & has plenty to offer large LR w/frpl, master w/bath, formal Dining, garage, deck, & bsmt. WHAT A BEAUTY! 4 bd, 2.5 baths, cul de sac lot backing to woods & Ply/Canton schools, & (C-572HU) more. You can't find better!

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EYE CATCHING FEATURES. Newly constructed condo offering ceramic foyer, 1st floor laundry, autumn maple kitchen, master INCREDIRIE FIND 2 story home eramic foyer, 1st floor laundry, Whofight Kitchen, new appl, new autumn maple kitchen, master flooring, FR w/wetbar, updated w/garden tub, treated deck & furnace & C/A, & close to

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MUST SEE. 3bd, 1.5 ba, updated kitchen, baths, roof, AC, windows, doors, carpet, gutters, **DEARBORN HEIGHTS** GREAT STARTER. 3 bd ranch is perfect for 1st timers. Bsmt,

> \$99,900 (P-908ET)

NEW CONSTRUCTION. Beautiful

floor plan, 1st floor bds, 2 car-Garage w/private drive, premium lot, over 22k of upgrades. (C-587ST)

& hwh, patio, sprinklers, & bsmt \$214,900 (P-8155)

CANTON AFFORDABLE RANCH. Many upgrades in this home inc roof, siding, Pergo, fresh paint, & Deck, partially finished bsmt, & 1 warranty.

(P-645GR) \$209,990

OPEN & SPACIOUS, 3 bd, 2 bath home w/newer Kitchen, oak flooring, ceramic Foyer, finished bsmt. updated windows. bsmt, updated windows, furnace, C/A, carpet, & a nice

\$224,900

CANTON EXOUISITE COLONIAL. Spacious 4 DEXTER bd. 2.5 bath Puite built home Formal LR & DR, Kitchen w/nook & hwd, 2 tier stamped concrete Patio. & private wooded

(P-607TI)

CANTON SPACIOUS COLONIAL 4 bd, 2.5 baths, formal Living & Dining, warm décor, hwd floors, grand Fover, Master w/bath, & a slate

open floor plan, gas frpl, attached garage, 2.5 baths, & great location. \$186,900 (C-855NO)

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area. \$184,900 (C-606RE)

model featuring 2 story entry, dual staircases, cherry Kitchen, hwd floors, Hearth Room, 3 car Garage, walking trails, & area pool. (P-720DE)

\$414,900 (P-755EC)

neighborhood park. (C-472GL) \$212,900 (P-474SA)

GARDENER'S PARADISE. Soak up nature & sit wifriends on the newly stained deck or under one of the many shade trees. Updated Kitchen, Formal LR & WIC's & private sitting area. \$379,000 (P-835PA) DR, & many other update \$239,900 (P-043UM)

garage, updated windows, flooring, electrical, gutters, & (P-815SC)

DEARBORN HEIGHTS

UPDATED RANCH, Brick ranch featuring 3 bd, remodeled bath, new furnace, A/C, Garage & cement, finished bsmt, & more. A/C, Garage & \$142,900 (C-699PE)

DEARBORN HEIGHTS
ADORABLE HOME. 2 bd, 1 bath, full bsmt, 2 car Garage, across from park, Crestwood Schools, & priced to s \$125,000

(P-031SI)

CHARMING Low traffic location for this 3 bd. 2 bath home. Updated kitchen, Family Room, finished bsmt, 2.5 car Garage, updated t/o, shows (P-122ST) beautifully.

\$174,000 (P-161NO)

SCENIC POND VIEWS
3 bd home set on a premium lot

backing to scenic pond. Cherry

cab's, master bath, daylight bsmt, formal Living & dining. (P-223BO) \$299,900

DEXTER TWP

1600 sq ft ranch sitting on 10 rolling acres. 3 bd, 1 bath, living room w/frpl, Den, Formal Dining, & 2 car Garage, (P-732PO) \$259,900

(P-718CO)





STUNNING LIVONIA CONDO! All HOME SWEET HOME. 2 story, all CHARMING COLONIAL. Located in BUILD HERE! Wooded, private, 10 CUTE BUNGALOW. Cute 3 bd, 2 UPDATES GALORE. STUNNING LIVONIA CONDO! All HOME SWEET HOME. 2 story, all CHARMING COLONIAL Located in Bull.D HERE! Wooded, private, 10 CUTE BUNGALOW. Cute 3 bd, 2 UPDATES GALORE. Check the openness & elegance you brick home w/3 bd, living room w/ desirable Westland sub. This home acre parcel on a private road, bath bungalow featuring newer these updates: Kitchen, could ask for. Hwd floors, frpl, updated Kitchen, hwd floors, freatures 3bd, 1.5 ba, partially Convenient Northfield Township siding, roof, furnace, C/A, carpet, windows, roof, furnace, cathedral ceiling, private covered full basement, & 2 car Garage finished, extended bsmt, some location. Call for further details. bath, Kitchen, bright finished electrical & more. balcony, spacious Kitchen, & open Lots of character, don't miss out updated vinyl windows, updated \$249,900 (P-00BAR) bsmt w/new carpet, great yard w/ neighborhood, nice yard privacy fence, Garage w/220 & fencing. Limitless potential. much more. \$229,900 (C-515RO). Patio off Kitchen. Quiet neighborhood. \$194,100 (C-424BO)



GREAT LOCATION. This 4 bd, 3 DESIRABLE LOCATION. Impressive QUIET SENIOR'S COMMUNITY. ALL THE WORK IS DONE! REDFORD RANCH, Built in 2001, 3 HANDYMAN SPECIAL. Incredible GREAT LOCATION. This 4 bd, 3 DESIRABLE LOCATION. Impressive QUIET. SENIOR'S COMMUNITY. ALL THE WORK IS DONE! REDFORD RANCH. Built in 2001, 3 HANDYMAN SPECIAL Incredible bath ranch will not last long. New Beacon Estates ranch w/4 bd, Superb layout for this 2 bd, 2 bath Beautiful 3 bd ranch is move in bd, 2 bath brick ranch. Open floor bargain on this 2 bd cases. Great more. Priced to sell, don't wait hearth area, updated roof, cedar frpl, formal Dining, oak island flooring, new windows, new freshly painted, new carpet, oak location near lake, needs carpet & top long.

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PRIVATE WOODED LOT. If you LIVONIA SPECIAL This is it! This ABSOLUTELY STUNNING. Beautiful CUL DE SAC LOCATION. Welcome STUNNING COLONIAL Look no GREAT AREA! Beautiful Canton enjoy the finer things in life this is lovely 3 bd, 1.5 bath brick home 4000 sq ft home on 1 acre. Seller to Nowland on the Court! Great further! 3 bd colonial on a corner cape cod w/3 bd, 2 baths, the perfect home for you. Puthe has it all. Updated include oak leaving all furniture! Lots of built-location. Lovely home w/open lot featuring an oak Kitchen, wildows, steel doors, ins, greanite, hwd foror, slarge floor plan, 15 floor Master, granite, new carred, hwd floors, 3 2 tiered Deck, 2 car Garage, close Kitchen, 2 story FR, hearth room, copper plumbing, roof, furnace, Master w/32x26 bath, finished bmt w/ car Garage, & oversized Deck. to everything, & quick occupancy. Master w/32maour bath, finished A/C, hwh, cement driveway, & lower level, 4 car Garage, & 2 kitchen & bath. A must see! Don't wait to long on this one! \$209,900. (C-8640L) \$312.999. (P-5300A)

(P-690NO) \$312.999

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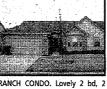
INVESTORS SPECIAL Roomy ranch AWESOME LOCATION. in Westland featuring thermal chance to buy in popular Royal ranch windows & doors Family Room, Oak | location: 2 bd condo Beauti generous Garage, fenced yard will separate dining area, spacious finished bsmt tall maple trees, & home Master wilarge closet; & close to Room, & more.

everything. (C-621PA) \$109,900 (P.2265H)

fresh Patio. The list goes on. story marble Foyer. \$185,000 (P-601MI) \$650,000



\$147,900



\$304,900

(P-456NO)

(P-554SH) t/o, & great price! \$209,900



ELOCATION. Great GREAT RANCH! Wow! Awesome RANCH CONDO. Lovely 2 bd, 2 THIS IS IT! Just move in! Everything CANTON RANCH. Spacious ranch buy in popular Royal ranch offers many updates, bath ranch style condo in great in this great ranch is brand new. 3 1940 sq ft, 3 bd, 2 ba, Prestigious rainch condo Beautiful hwd floors, fresh paint, Commerce Twp location. Attached bd, bath w/custom ceramic shower, master suite w.tray ceiling, WIC & large Living Room, updated windows, hwh, baths, 2 car garage, 1st floor laundry, brand new Kitchen w/appl, new private bath. Large Deck for dining area, spacious finished bsmt w/bath, Florida cathedral ceilings, doorwall flooring, carpet, paint, windows, entertaining, screened in porch, cathedral ceilings, doorwall flooring, carpet, paint, windows, entertaining, screened in porch, leading to Deck, full bsmt, neutral elec, plumb, furnace, doorwall off bay windows, & skylight. t/o, & great price!
\$209,900 (P-2635H) fenced yard, fresh landscaping, & \$299,900 (C-878ED) (C-878ED)

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PERFECT FOR FIRST TIMERS BUILD HERE! Almost an acre OUTSTANDING! Original PERFECT PLACE TO CALL HOME BEAUTIFUL RANCH 3 bd Walking distance to EMU of prime property on paved owner of this 2591 sq ft 4 bd, Beautiful ranch offering a brick ranch in popular with a huge 67x263 lot! New road. Close to everything, 2.5 bath Baybrook. Large ceramic kit, 2 full baths, nice Holiday Park sub. Nicely roof, windows, siding, Van Buren schools, ok to put step down family rm w/gas master, private study, custom maintained, Family Room w/ roof, windows, siding, Van Buren schools, ok to put step down family rm w/gas master, private study, custom maintained, ramily room w/ outer heater, modular or manufactured fp, formal living & dining blinds, huge basement and a frpl, attached Garage, car garage, island Glass block basement w/high home on lot. Call today for room, oak Kitchen, doorwall great backyard w/a deck & beautiful oak Kitchen w/ cherry & granit opening, new garage door more info.

glaundry, Master suite w/ Close to everything care, & Plymouth room, study w/b opener. Endless possibilities.

Call for more information.

(P-226PR) \$129,900 (C-000GR) \$38,000 (P-887WE) \$343,800 (P-868CO) \$199,900 (C-843ED) \$179,000 (P-056EM)





Nicely 3400 sq ft, & a walkout bsmt Room w/ Add to this an oversized if Garage, car garage, island kitchen w chen w/ cherry & granite

\$529.90



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them for you! Great location
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Close to downtown South

WOW Great 3 bd home w/

dining area, partially fin bsmt, new roof, all appl, & much

Carpet store & beauty salon.
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remodeled w/state of the art

LATHRUP VILLAGE IMMACULATE RANCH 3 bd, 2

ba, bsmt, garage, neutral fresh paint, bright Kit, Deck,

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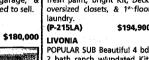
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l windows walkout w/full bath, ceda updated closets, & a wetbar. Jus minutes from downtow

Plymouth.



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POPULAR SUB Reautiful 4 bd. 2 bath ranch w/updated Kit, bath, roof; furnace, entry doors, cement, windows, plumb, refinished hwd, & much more

(C-182FO) \$192,900 LIVONIA

BRICK RANCH Huge private lot w/deck, many updates inc new Kit, furnace, hwd floors, paint, carpet, 4 large bds, & excellent location.

(P-214MI)

LÍVONIA BEAUTIFUL COLONIAL Nested on a quiet, large wood lot, updated windows, 6 panel doors, carpet, bath, 1ª floor laundry, & oak Kitchen.

\$319,900 (P-412ST) LIVONIA

LARGE PRIVATE LOT 4 bd nome w/hwd floors, vinyl windows, 2 car Garage, fin bsmt. close to neighborhood park. (P-520MI) \$214,000

LIVONIA
GREAT RANCH 3 bd, 3 baths, hwd & Pergo floors, open floor plan, full bsmt, 2 car Gar,

esome inground solar heated pool. (P-498YA) \$224,900

MADISON HGTS EXCEPTIONAL VALUE 6 bd home featuring hwd, 2.5 baths, bsmt, 2.5 car Garage, remodeled Kit, open floor much more \$219,500 (C-21250)

MARION TWP

Nicely SETTING decorated spacious home w/ finished walkout bsmt. 2 story Deck w/beaut views, 2nd floor laundry, great floor plan, &

NORTHFIELD TWP

IMMACULATE Beautiful end unit condo featuring 2 bd, 2 baths, gorgeous view, finished bsmt, walk to the lake all offers, seller motivat (C-023PI)

NORTHFIELD TWP GREEN OAK NORTHFIELD TWP
GREAT COLONIAL Open & DESIRABLE CAPE COD 5 GREAT COLONIAL Open & DESIRABLE CAPE COD 5 bright home wilbirary, formal Dining, oak Kit w/nook, large Deck w/great landscaping & from Deck, & too much more sprinklers. (P-950SP) \$324,900 (C-022PO) \$229,900

NORTHVILLE

ELEGANT COLONIAL Bright open floor plan. 4 bd, 3.5 ba, kitchen w/granite, 2 ba, kitchen w/granite, 2 story GR, WIC in each bedroom, hwd floors, & premium walkout lot just a from Stonebridge

(C-392BI)

NORTHVILLE DOWNTOWN Remodeled 3 bd; 2 baths, Kitchen w/ Pergo flooring, ceramic baths, new carpet, new furnace & C/A, updated elec, plumb, siding, & much furnace

(C-326PE) \$218,900

NORTHVILLE

AWESOME COLONIAL Built in 2004, this 4 bd, 3.5 bath home features soaring ceilings, open floor plan, loaded w/upgrades, maple Kitchen, granite, gorgeous landscaping, great location. (C-560WH) \$600,000

NOVI CLASSIC COLONIAL Sharp 4 bd brick home w/soaring ceilings, hwd floors, big windows, Library, master w/ cath ceiling, & master w/

jetted tub. (C-43550) ŇOVI LESS THAN A YEAR OLD Executive home in Novi built in 2005, nickel light fixtures, sound proof rooms.

prof landscaping, Kitch w/nook, Den, & Master

(C-202CL)

NOVI NORTHVILLE SCHOOLS Awesome cape cod located on a private cul de sac. Updates include Kitchen w/ granite, hwd, heated 3 car Garage, inground pool, & a putting green. (C-237HA) \$519,900

CAPE COD 4 bd, 2.5 bath home built in 2000. Open floor plan, island Kitchen, 1st floor Master, 1st floor laundry, finished stamped concrete Patio. \$350,000 (C-291HO) 24291 Homestead Ct.

NOVI

PRESTIGIOUS AREA 2 story condo w/3 bd, formal Dining, 1st floor Master, & 2 car Garage. Located in a resort concept complex w/ lake, beach, tennis, &

clubhouse (C-628TI) \$439,900

NOVI
BEAUTIFUL COLONIAL Many unique features, low traffic location, in-ground pool, Florida Room, 3 car Garage, hwd floors, & anything else you can think of!!

(C-013WI) \$389,000

PLYMOUTH

CUSTOM IN EVERY 1.75 acres! 3700 sq ft of living in this super brick ranch w/3 car garage, Kitchen, skylights, baths, & walkout bsmt.

\$174,900 (C-075PO) \$419,900

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opportunity \$234,500 (C-402HA) CANTON K41K42EHIII

condition. Great investment

\$210,000 (C-462HU) **FARMINGTON**

must see! \$179,999 (C-360LA)

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CURB APPEAL PLUS! Extremely COUNTRY FRENCH ESTATES GIVE YOURSELF A GIFT...This CANTON'S BEST Beautiful 3 ENJOY THE VIEW Immaculate VALUE PRICED All brick well maintained brick ranch Wonderful 3 bd home w beautiful brick ranch ideally bd, 2.5 BA, 2 story home 4 bd, 2.5 bath colonial on ranch in canton w/big Family with 2 bedrooms, 2 baths, & open floor plan, wood located on a quiet court with updated to perfection. Spac. open floor plan, wood located on a quiet court with updated to perfection. Spac. open floor plan, wood located on a quiet court with updated to perfection. Spac. open floor plan, wood located on a quiet court with updated to perfection. Spac. open floor plan, wood located on a quiet court with updated to perfection. Spac. open floor plan, wood located on a quiet court with updated to perfection. Spac. open floor plan, wood located on a quiet court with updated to perfection. Spac. open floor plan, wood located on a quiet court with updated to perfection. Spac. open floor plan, wood located on a quiet court with updated to perfection. Spac. open floor plan, wood located on a quiet court with updated to perfection. Spac. open floor plan, wood located on a quiet court with updated to perfection. Spac. open floor plan, wood located on a quiet court with updated to perfection. Spac. open floor plan, wood located on a quiet court with updated to perfection. Spac. open floor plan, wood located on a quiet court with updated to perfection. Spac. open floor plan, wood located on a quiet court with updated to perfection. Spac. open floor plan, wood located on a quiet court with updated to perfection. Spac. open floor plan, wood located on a quiet court with updated to perfection. Spac. open floor plan, wood located on a quiet court with updated to perfection. Spac. open floor plan, wood located on a quiet court with updated to perfection. Spac. open floor plan, wood located on a quiet court with updated to perfection. Spac. open floor plan, wood located on a quiet court with updated to perfection. Spac. op

hot tub & 2 car garage.

(P-468IN)

PHEASANT

(C-215CR)

VIEW

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ngs and a 3 car garage. Hurry on this one! (5CR) \$389,900 (C-921EL)

DETACHED CONDO! Nestled GORGEOUS CAPE COD 3 bd, PLYMOUTH

move in ready

\$319,300 (C-291WA)



ENVIABLE FLOOR PLAN-PRICED TO SELL NOW! PRICED TO SELL! This is a FOR SALE OR LEASE! Pulte's BRICK RANCH This south TRANQUIL SETTING This Extra large master on the Fabulous 4 bd, 2.5 bath must see! Beautifully Carlisle floor plan with 9' Redford, 3 bd brick ranch is bd, 3.5 bath town hous upper level and 2 bedrooms colonial in popular sub on remodeled 3 bd, 1.5 bath ceilings. 4 beds, 2.5 baths, a clean & well kept. Oak features a spectacular view on the main floor. Hardwood premium lot siding to ranch. Newer Kitchen, vaulted master wyprivate Kitchen, partially finished of Walden Pond from a feature of the proof, kitchen w/npok, 3 car garage, stone fireplace, tub, new carpet in living for bath, fireplace, walking central air, updated windows walkout w/full bath, ceda doorwall to fenced yard w/ park-like setting, quiet cul de room, & freshly painted t/o.

sac location, oversized bsmt, & more.

\$119.989 (P-885WA)

e on a corner lot, 1500+ sq ft, Livonia ranch we great finished bsmt w/4th bdrm, quality updates! offering updated ceramic bath, new finished

\$379.900 (C-727PI)

\$199,900 (C-600HA)

preserves in a up and coming carpeting. area. Call now! \$164,900 (P-748RAV)

\$215,000 (C-9615Y)

\$143,500 (C-053CO)



CAPE FABULOUS RANCH Huge CLEAN AND CONTEMPORARY VERY WELL KEPT! Beautiful SPECTACULAR HOME on a corner lot, 1500+ sq ft, Livonia ranch with many colonial in great sub much to list for this Ca ONTEMPORARY VERY WELL KEPT! Beautitul precincular inovidual with many colonial in great sub, much to list for this Canton custom brick ranch on a sil Gorgeous Backyard opens to field & is colonial. Formal DR flanked acre lot. Wooded area basement, in walking distance to park, by columns, 2 story GR w/cast back for added privacy, and Storida Kitchen has new corian & stone & marble fp, cherry baths, 2 fireplaces, but So COUNTRY IN THE CITY 3 bd room floor plan offering updated ceramic bath, new finished basement, in walking distance to park. By columns, 2 stury on wices back for advanced privacy, a dramatic ceilings, a gourmet carpet & Pergo to, vinyl remodeled heated Florida Kitchen has new corian & stone & marble fp, cherry baths, 2 fireplaces, buge kitchen with Jenn-aire windows, hwh, C/A, tear off room, newer central air, flooring. Some newer vinyl cabinets, designer ceramic & family room, attached 2 car appliances, 1st floor master roof, siding, pool, deck, furnace, carpeting and light windows, new carpet in paint. Paver patio, side entry Garage, & on a private road. with a jetted tub, crown cement Patio, & new garage. fixtures. Home warranty too! Living & Family rooms. A garage, & bridge must see! well-applianced a 3 car garage. Hurry on this one!

\$193,899 (C-110NO)

\$379,000 (C-7550A)



DUPLEX FANTASTIC VALUE! Enjoy the GREAT BUILDING SITE Extra STARTER among the pines is this 2.5 bath cape cod overlooks Outstanding duplex in private setting from your deep lot in Plymouth is opportunity to own in lovely 3 bdrm, 3 bath condo a natural preserve & is in Plymouth, 2 blocks from beautiful deck. Maintained waiting for your new home! popular Royal Oak near downtown Plymouth & short walking distance to all downtown. Central air, like new. Home offers Partially wooded, no community. Large Living thines. Top of the line sports Whitmore Lake, separate utilities, brick, hwd builder upgrades upgraded minimum sq ft for house, Room, spacious Master wlugrades throughout, Featuring a finished walkout floors, corner lot, bsmt, Kitchen & bath cabinets, tile, close to everything, & priced large closet, association dues include heat & water.

> \$154,900 (P-002BE) \$84,900 (P-230SH) WESTLAND/GARDEN CITY PKEIKEVÆHIIII

Everybody needs neighbors - preferably good ones

BY JULIE BROWN STAFF WRITER

A longtime insurance ad slogan touts the benefits of good neighbors. When you're selling a home, good neighbors can be a tremendous asset, even suggesting people who'd like to move in.

On the other hand, some neighbors can be a problem, hosting loud parties or not maintaining their property. Nanci J. Rands, associate broker with



Dande

SKBK/Sotheby's International Realty in Birmingham, has some advice.

"I think the best way of dealing with these kinds of problems if you will is to be forthright with people," said Rands, president of the Metropolitan

Consolidated Association of Realtors. Some neighbors may simply not know they're making a situation unpleasant.

"My feeling has always been make friends with your neighbors," Rands said. "You take the chocolate chip cookies over first." She feels you've lost the



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war if you have to resort to calling police; Rands adds you may not be aware your dog's been barking while you've been away.

"It's much more a human relations situation than it is strictly a real estate situation." In selling homes, Rands can contact neighbors to enlist help, finding people who'd like to move in.

"It will help us sell our property and get nice neighbors for you," she said. Rands recommends taking an active role in neighborhood/homeowner associations, meeting at least once a year for a potluck or other informal gathering.

That's an ongoing opportunity to deal with any problems, and has a lot of benefits, she said. "From a real estate point of view, it certainly is helpful." She adds much of the topic is common sense—and cents in that it carries economic benefits.

"That goes a long way to helping in any conflict resolution," Rands said of being on good terms with neighbors, something she recommends establishing early on and continuing with the Whetstine said most municipalities have ordinances on such things as grass length and general property maintenance. Birmingham, for example, will mow grass that's too long and put the fee on the tax bill if necessary.

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A good neighbor can help if you've canceled your newspaper while on vacation, but it continues to be delivered, she added. Such a neighbor will know if something has gone wrong.

Marge Whetstine, associate broker at Keller Williams Northville Market Center, agreed it's best to get along with neighbors. If you can't resolve a problem, you may need to enlist the help of your city/township officials.

"It's not worth having a fight with your neighbor," said Whetstine, 2005 president of the Western Wayne Oakland County Association of Realtors. "Most people are responsive."

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nance. Birmingham, for example, will mow grass that's too long and put the fee on the tax bill if necessary.

Whetstine has found it's good to know what your ordinances allow even for yourself. "Some places won't allow you to have an RV. It's a good idea to know what is allowed in your neighborhood."

She agreed with Rands that neighbors can be a good source of leads for potential buyers. Realtors often send out "just listed" and "just sold" cards to neighbors, and Whetstine finds the latter can give a sense of current property values.

"That gives them some knowledge base to go to their tax assessing meeting," Whetstine said.

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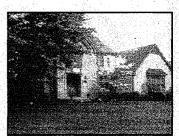


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Q. We are on the board of directors of our coop and have been approached by a converter to do a conversion to a condo. Do you have any information or experience in that regard?

A. Many cooperatives are considering converting to a condo for a multitude of reasons including increased resale ability of the units, the ability to obtain financing more easily and to come within the condominium statutes and laws which are, in many instances, better suited to community association development then landlord tenant law is as it relates to co-ops. Of course, the

cooperative should retain an experienced condominium attorney before considering the conversion process to insure that it is done in a proper fashion maximizing the benefits to the members of the co-operative.

Q. We understand that there has been an influx in conversions of various properties presently being held for lease. Do you have any information in that regard?

A. Marinas, industrial parks, garages, old warehouses, and apartment buildings are among the ever-increasing

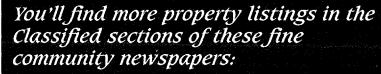


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real estate properties which are being converted from a leasing situation to fee ownership in the form of a condominium. Moreover, mobile home parks, which have been owned by their operators for many years, now find it financially feasible to convert the mobile home parks to condominiums. In short, there is a substantial

movement not only in Michigan but around the country toward conversions of various real properties into condominium units with the intended benefits of condominium development and operation.

Robert M. Meisner is a lawyer and the author of Condominium Operation: Getting Started & Staying on the Right Track, second edition. It is available for \$9.95 plus \$1 shipping and handling. He also wrote Condo Living: A Survival Guide to Buying, Owning and Selling a Condominium, available for \$24.95 plus \$5 shipping and handling. For more information, call (248) 644-4433 or visit bmeisner@meisner-associates.com.



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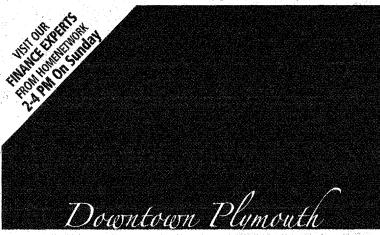


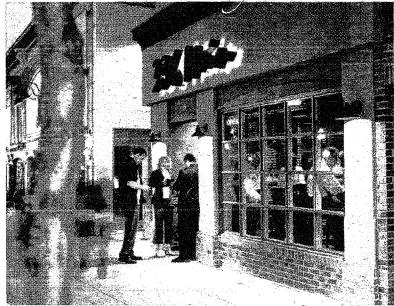
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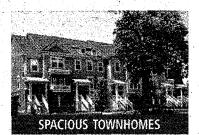
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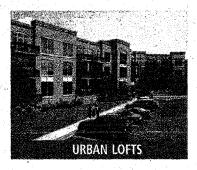
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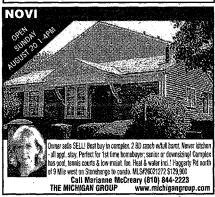


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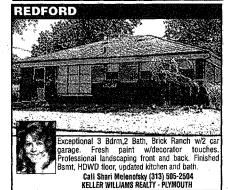


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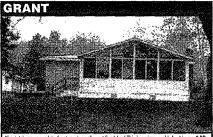
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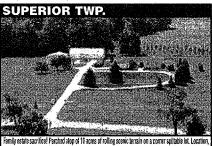
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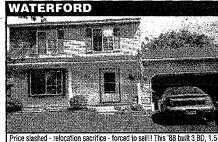
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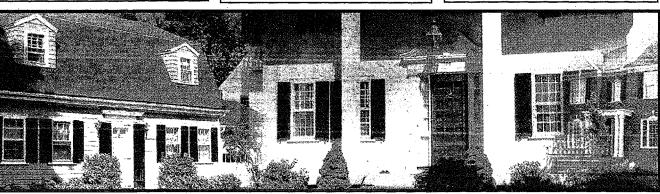


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2 story beauty, formal LR w/bay win, kit w/gmte cntrtps, island cherry cabs, FR w/gas Fp, hwd firs, sun rm, mstr suite w/WiG guest Ba, 1st fil Indry, Ubdates Inc: newer carpet, win & gad door, mature trees for privacy! MLS# 26099239 248-347-3050

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Pine Lake Estates colonial with subdivision beach on Pine Lake & 27 acre wooded lot. Never hieff furnace & 6/a, new roof, newer HWH; hid firs on 1st & 2nd lifs (except kif & study); 1st fir laundry, unfin baml MLS# 26130622 248-347-3050



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Colonial 4 bedroom and 2.1 bath on .5 acre with shed and fenced backyard. Home features a living room and great room. Also has a wonderful Florida room. MLS# 26135256 248-437-4500



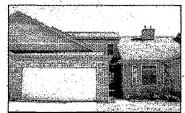
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Pulte Braymore offers spac floor plan w/vaulted clgs. Custom wind treatments & paint. HDWD 10 fs 1st In: Prof landscaping & lightling Custom "Killer% deck. Check out 1 of a kind 2-level bemt. 2n largest lot in sub. MLS# 26132248 734-453-6800

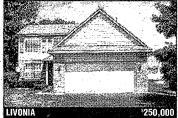


Gorgeous, condo w/beautiful pond view. Spac LR w/cath clg. Nev HDWD firs t/o entire 1st fir. Kit w/maple conts, includes newer appl;s Two mstr stes each having priv bath. Deck w/retrac awning. MLSs 20041589 73 455 6000.



Upgrades galore.New furnace & c/a,hwh,light fixtures t/o,remod ba's wicherry,imstne & grinte,virpt windows & roof,remod kit w/ cherry,grite & Imestine,hwd on 1st fir,extensive crown midng t/o,fin LL w/2nd kit & office. ML57-26128254 248-347-3050

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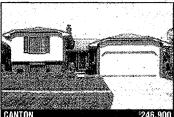
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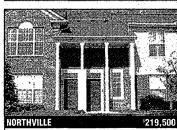
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Vaulted GRw/gas FP, open kit w/sland, nook w/view to spectacula wooded yard, 1st ffr Indry, mstr ste w/vaulted ceiling, WiC 8 glamour BA, prof finished lower level w/daylight wind & full BA MLS# 26134412 734-453-6800



3 BR, 2.1 bath Colonial on a low traffic court setting. Spac kit-nook w/plenty of chrt-cntrlop space & new sink (all appl,s included). Open-airy FR w/wauted cig & 6 ft doorvall. Formal OR. Beautiful finished bsmt. MLS# 26111974 734-453-6800



Contemporary Condo with High ceilings, Corner Fireplace in Gr Open Floor Plan, 1st Fl Laundry/mud Room. Balcony & Gr Overlool Resort Type Pool & Pond, Home Is light, Bright & Open. Convenien For Commuters. MLS# 26098858 248-347-3050



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Condo boasts beautiful hardwood floors t/o the main level, ston flooring & tons of cabinets in large kitchen, vaulted ceillings t/o great m with a gas fireplace, library, large bedrooms & kitchen, a and stay! MIS\$\mathfrak{F}\$26115351 248-347-3050

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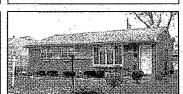
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Farmington Hills native Amine graduated from Harrison High School in 1999 and received his bachelor's degree in advertising from Michigan State University in 2003. He joined the Quicken Loans team in February 2005 and works at the Livonia branch.

Builders Institute

The Oakland Builders Institute will offer:

■ A 16-hour seminar to help students pass the Michigan state builder's license examination, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Saturday/Sunday, Aug. 26-27, at the Best Western ConCorde Inn of Rochester Hills, 1919 Star-Batt Drive.

The course is for those who want to subcontract construction of their own homes, real estate investors and build-

ing tradespeople. Cost is \$205, including manual, sample questions and test application. A \$25 deposit is needed by Aug. 24 to Oakland Builders Institute, 1277 Dutton Road, Rochester Hills 48306. Call (800) 940-2014 or (248) 651-2771 to register during business hours, or register online at www.buildersinstitute.com.

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Monday/Wednesday, Aug. 28 and 30, at the Dearborn Heights campus, 22586 Ann Arbor Trail. The seminar is designed to help people make better use of basement space. The instructor will explain space planning, meeting building codes, insurances, permits, estimating materials and the basics of construction. He will also discuss structural aspects of adding a home theater as well as working with subcontractors and finishing techniques. Cost is \$95

for residents plus \$10 for textbook and materials, or \$104 for nonresidents plus \$10 for textbook and materials. Preregistration with payment by Aug. 24 to Henry Ford Community College, (313) 317-1500.

■ A 16-hour seminar, How To Build Your Own Home, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturdays, Sept. 9 and 16, at the Hilton Suites Hotel, 2300 Featherstone Road. Auburn Hills. Designed for those who want to contract their own home construction as well as those who want to work with a builder, the course details each stage of construction as well as rights and responsibilities. It covers

home financing, the building process, builder's terms and contracts as well as building codes, insurance requirements and more. Cost is \$220 including textbook and a book covering home building information pertinent to southeast Michigan.

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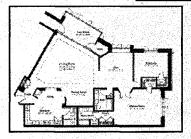
Building Industry Association

The Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan is offering:

Women's Council's "The Secrets of Succeeding in Business as a Female" 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 6, at BIA headquarters, 30375 Northwestern Highway, Suite 100, Farmington Hills. Mary Ellen Sheets, CEO and founder of . Two Men and a Truck, will be the speaker at the seminar, open to all BIA members and guests, including men. Fee, including lunch, is \$15 for BIA or **Apartment Association of Michigan** members and guests, with a portion to benefit the American Cancer Society.

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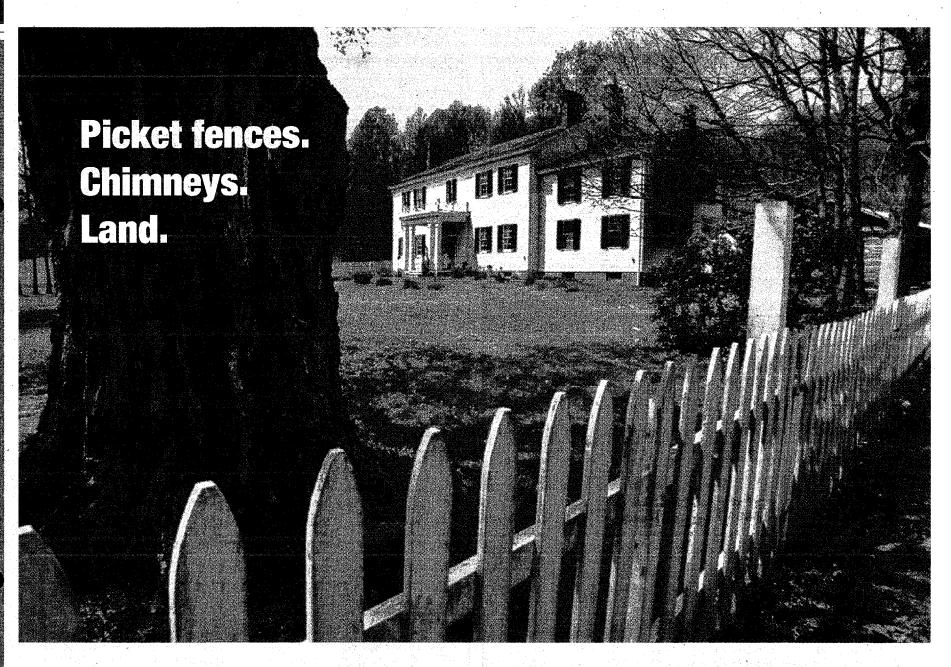
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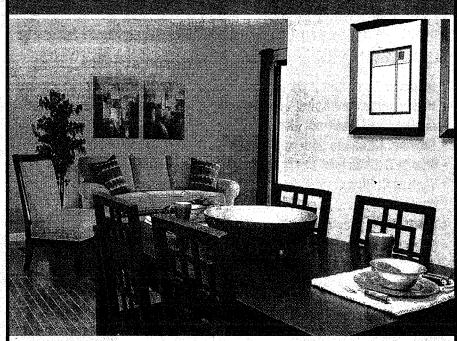
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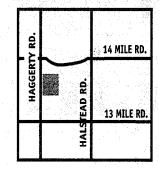
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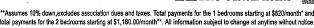
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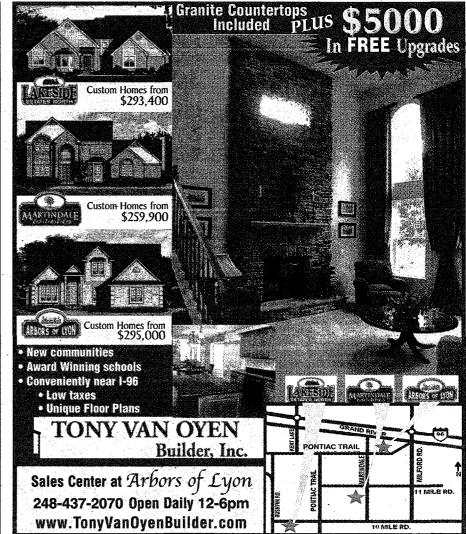


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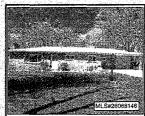
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S. Shore	'.4BR/2.5BA/2car/pool			realestateone.com/26128619	45776 Irvine Dr.	4BR/2.18A/2car/col	\$439,999	248-348-6430	realestateone.com/26009115	5741 Perrytown	4BR/3.1BA/2car/col			realestateone.com/26
5 Campbell Creek	5BR/3.1BA/3car/loft			realestateone.com/26049523	45788 Irvine Dr.	4BR/2.1BA/2car/col			realestateone.com/26032156	7411 Sherwood Creek	2BR/2BA/2car/ranch	\$235,000	248-644-4700	realestateone.com/26
lvy Hill Dun Roven	4BR/3.1BA/2car/pond 3BR/2.5BA/2car/W/O			realestateone.com/26047624 realestateone.com/26105652	26461 Fieldstone	3BR/3.1BA/2car/condo	\$399,900	248-348-6430	realestateone.com/26134218	6132 Palomino Ct. 17	3BR/2.1BA/2car/condo	\$224,900	248-644-4700	realestateone.com/26
5 Hideaway Pines	4BR/2.1BA/2car/bsmt			realestateone.com/26057792	22372 Heatherbrae Way	3BR/2.5BA/2car/loft			realestateone.com/26008588	WESTLAND	1.1			
Annison	2BR/2BA/car/lake			realestateone.com/26013213	28930 Hearthstone	3BR/2.2BA/2car/col			realestateone.com/26104972	38639 Alma Lane	5BR/3.1BA/2car/CpCod			realestateone.com/26
Borowy	3BR/1BA/2car/lake .			realestateone.com/26093189	41447 Glyme	4BR/2.1BA/2car/col			realestateone.com/26117177	38668 Watson	3BR/2BA/2car/ranch			realestateone.com/26
starling	2BR/1BA/2car/priv	\$189,900	248-363-8300	realestateone.com/26032610	24659 Edgewood Ct. N 23876 Heartwood Dr.	3BR/2.1BA/2car/frplc 4BR/2.1BA/2car/FR			realestateone.com/26055474 realestateone.com/26020361	1225 N. Hanlon St. 35126 Cherry Hill	4BR/2BA/2car/ranch 3BR/2BA/3car/			realestateone.com/26 realestateone.com/26
MERCE TWP	7				24685 Christina Lane	4BR/2.1BA/2car/co			realestateone.com/26041217	36515 Fairchild	3BR/1.5BA/3car/col			realestateone.com/26
Lee Wood Ridge	3BR/2.1BA/car/lg DR			realestateone.com/26049684	24382 Jamestowne	4BR/2.5BA/2car/bsmt			realestateone.com/26112050	8632 Berwick	3BR/2BA/1car/bnglw			realestateone.com/26
Jasmine	3BR/2BA/2car/condo	\$219,000	248-348-6430	realestateone.com/26089900	23597 Highmeadow	4BR/2.1BA/2car/col			realestateone.com/26081779	7801 Randy	3BR/1BA/2car/brick			realestateone.com/26
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N. Franklin	4BR/2.1BA/car/patio	\$ 199,900	248-348-6430	realestateone.com/26015646	31008 Eagle Dr.	2BR/2BA/2car/ranch	\$239,900		realestateone.com/26112053	7651 Randy	3BR/1BA/2car/ranch	\$148,500	734-455-7000	realestateone.com/26
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Whitefield Dolphin	3BR/2.1BA/2car/ 3BR/1BA/2car/bnglw			realestateone.com/26107611 realestateone.com/26096912	40187 Ladene Lane	2BR/2BA/2car/rainch			realestateone.com/25072285	1360 Berkshire	3BR/1BA/2car/ranch			realestateone.com/26
Lenore	2BR/1BA/2car/ranch			realestateone.com/26072484	28134 Carlton Way	2BR/2BA/2car/condo			realestateone.com/26094033	33623 Calumet	2BR/1BA/1car/ranch			realestateone.com/26
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Gulley Rd.	3BR/1BA/1car/updtd	\$124,900	734-455-7000	realestateone.com/26129768	22040 Edgewater	2BR/1.1BA/1car/condo			realestateone.com/26032037	2289 Stieber	2BR/1BA/car/duplex	\$72,900	134-433-7000	realestateone.com/26
ROIT					1127 S. Lake Dr.	2BR/2BA/car/condo			realestateone.com/26002082	WHITE LAKE 2300 Crested Butte	3BR/2BA/3car/ranch	`\$26a ann	248-365-85UU	realestateone.com/26
1 Annchester	3BR/1.1BA/car/	\$97,900	734-591-9200	realestateone.com/26107431	1289 E. Lake Rd.	2BR/1BA/car/lease			realestateone.com/26117947	2792 Shady Hollow	3BR/1.5BA/2car/tri			realestateone.com/26
9 Rockdale · .	4BR/1.1BA/1car/col			realestateone.com/26045418	PLYMOUTH					253 Williams Lake Rd.	5BR/1.5BA/2car/brick			realestateone.com/26
POINTE	7.			1,	13959 Tall Timbers Ct.	4BR/2.1BA/3car/xtras			realestateone.com/26092393	4880 Lindholm	3BR/1BA/car/ranch			realestateone.com/26
1 Holland Ave.	3BR/1.1BA/2car/hrdwd	\$140,000	248-348-6430	realestateone.com/26072107	12215 Appletree	3BR/2.1BA/2car/ranch	\$339,900	734-455-7000	realestateone.com/26000603	932 Village	2BR/1BA/car/condo			realestateorie.com/26
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Mayfield St.	3BR/2BA/1car/ranch	\$229,900	248-348-6430	realestateone.com/26077411	9241 Mapletree Dr.	3BR/2.1BA/2car/CpCod			realestateone.com/26110759	842 Calpernia	3BR/2.5BA/2car/condo			
AINGTON HILLS	200/204/2011		240 240 212		1273 Harvey	3BR/3BA/1car/col			realestateone.com/26087353 realestateone.com/26118676	750 N. Wixom	3BR/2BA/2car/ranch	\$209,789	248-363-8300	realestateone.com/26
Knollwood	2BR/2BA/2car/condo			realestateone.com/26076139	305 Pacific St. 14695 Bradner	3BR/2BA/2car/patio 5BR/3BA/2car/			realestateone.com/26083181	WOODHAVEN				
2 Orchard Creek 3 4 Orchard Lake 49	2BR/2BA/car/condo 2BR/2BA/2car/brick			realestateone.com/26118611 realestateone.com/26086596	41911 River Oaks	3BR/1,1BA/3car/cntmp			realestateone.com/26125265	24032 Juniper Dr.	3BR/2.1BA/2car/condo	\$206,400	734-455-7000	realestateone.com/26
W. Twelve Mile 50	2BR/2BA/car/condo			realestateone.com/26006596 realestateone.com/26115127	789 Deer	2BR/2BA/1car/condo			realestateone.com/26109976	YPSILANTI	200 in	44		
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DEN CLLY 4 Balmoral	3BR/1BA/2car/ranch	\$144 900	734-326-2000	realestateone.com/26085265	1046 York	3BR/3.1BA/1car/condo			realestateone.com/26133578	YPSILANTI TWP				
9 Alvin	3BR/1BA/1car/bnglw			realestateone.com/26050761	1185 Ann Arbor Road	28R/2BA/1car/condo			realestateone.com/26109857	7365 Essex Dr.	4BR/3.1BA/2car/Tudor	\$239,900	248-851-1900	realestateone.com/26
9 Elmwood	2BR/1BA/1car/ranch			realestateone.com/26083885	49433 Plymouth Way				realestateone.com/26082449	FORECLOSURES/CORP			210 (12 52-	
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B Lakeview	4BR/2.1BA/3car/lake	\$525,000	248-363-8300	realestateone.com/26016402	26225 Ross	2BR/1.1BA/2car/ranch			realestateone.com/26115395	563 Watkins	4BR/2BA/2CAR/Bham			realestateone.com/26
B Majon	3BR/2.1BA/2car/lake			realestateone.com/26028667	16872 Wakendon	3BR/2BA/2car/updtd			realestateone.com/26068712	20209 Lichfield	3BR/1BA/2CAR/Detrt			realestateone.com/26
1 Bel Aire	3BR/2BA/2car/ranch			realestateone.com/26046051	12116 Columbia	3BR/2BA/1car/fam rm			realestateone.com/26118997	6321 Mead 23260 Edinburgh	4BR/2BA/2CAR/Drbrn 3BR/2BA/2CAR/Sfld			realestateone.com/26 realestateone.com/26
Hillcrest -	2BR/1BA/car/läke	\$262,000	248-363-8300	realestateone.com/26061706	9320 Nathaline	3BR/1BA/2car/brick			realestateone.com/26109586	2301 Corunna	4BR/2BA/OCAR/Flint			realestateone.com/261
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48 Glenwood	3BR/2BA/car/ranch	\$70,000	734-326-2000	realestateone.com/26092317	11408 Norborne	oon/ 1. IBA/2Cat/onglw	\$14 4 ,900	134-391-9200	realestateone.com/26061371			,55,500		