## Local girl hopes to turn her singing into a career - Observer Life, C5



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## Layoffs loom as district eyes cuts

| By Tony bruscaio | the top of the list as the | shortfall because the district |  |  |
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|  | Plymouth-Canton Board of Education prepares to cut at | won't get a $\$ 200$ increase in its foundation grant originally | at layoffs," said Supt. Jim Ryan, who noted that people-related | they're trying to make |
| Employee layoffs and pay-to- | ast $\$ 3$ million to balance the | pproved by the state | costs make up 87 percent of the | he added. "Many of the people | Employee layofs and pay-to- least $\$ 3$ milion to balance the approved by the state ities and sports appear to be at The budget is left with a Legislature but eliminated by

ho noted that people-related osts make up 87 percent of the to lay off people ... its the hard-


## King Day celebration stresses building on diversity

| BY TONY BRUSCATO STAFF WRITER <br> Diversity in schools is a strength that should be used as a building block to further the dreams of the late Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. <br> That was a main theme Monday at the second annual Martin Luther King Jr. Day Celebration held by Plymouth-Canton Schools at Salem High School. <br> "Diversity in our school district is a major strength that makes things happen," Rev. Alfred Johnson, pastor at Bethel AME Church in Ann Arbor, told the approximately 100 people in attendance. "No longer are we just onesided, but now we're multi-faceted |
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We have students coming from
around the world and it should around the world and it chould be
reflected in our staff because it gives us more opportunities to share one with the other."
Board of Education Vice Board of Education Vice
President Mark Slavens said the public school system should be a conduit to teach and encourage ${ }^{\text {diversity }}$ "I absolutely believe that Dr. King was a strong supporter of th public school system because he knew it was an area that would help society reach the promised
land," Slavens said. "Where else do We have a place where people of different colors, different races, di
ferent religions, different origins,
ferent sexual orientation get
together to learn, to live and to together to learn, to live and to
play for over seven hours a day?" Sonya Reeves of Canton said she
phay Attended the Martin Luther King J. Day Celebration to show her
upport for the district's diversity program. program. live here four years and
I'm eve lived it's taken this long M surprised it's taken this long for it to get to where, an African-American. "I Reeves, an Afican-Amercan. I
think they have a long way to go,
but I think it's a lot better I think but I think it's a lot better. I thin Heyre really trying.

Her sister, Toni Robinson of Plymouth Township, said she | Pleass SEE MLK, A5 | $\begin{array}{l}\text { makes a speech during Mol } \\ \text { tion at Salem High School. }\end{array}$ |
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The Rev. Alfred Johnson, pastor of Bethel AME Church in Ann Arbor,
makes a speech during Monday's Martin Luther King Jr. Day celebra



Township, New Morning School reach agreement on soccer park

| BY Brad Kadr |  | hool students through nunity Education, but is now in danger of can |
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| The Plymouth Toun |  |  |
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| Board Tuesday night signed off on an agreement with New |  |  |
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| Morning School regarding the township's new Lake Pointe |  | taught at the WSDP studios at |
| Soccer Park that both sides feel will be mutually beneficial. |  |  |
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|  |  | motions. Bill Keith, WS |
| million project, located just north of the New Morning |  |  |
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| School property on Haggerty, near M-14, and the agreement between the two entities spells out what each side gets. |  |  |
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|  |  | The class was first offered in |
| The top benefit to the township is the ability to connect the water main to the park through |  |  |
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| New Morning property, rather than having to run it across | for connectin | We enjoy offering the class |
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| Haggerty. <br> The other top benefit, <br> according to township engineer | detention pond |  |
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|  |  | dents. Each one who com- |
| Michael Bailey, is access to a smaller piece of land between the smaller park property to the north, which connects to |  |  |
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|  | Elaine Yagie | egist |
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| Russet Lane, and the park proper. |  |  |
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| things, a 12 -by-195-foot strip of land to be used as a playground |  | NEW MORNING ENROLLMENT |
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| area. <br> "It's a very good agreement | youth soccer groups in the a |  |
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| for both sides," said township supervisor Steve Mann. |  | night to meet with teachers and |
| ${ }^{\text {supervisor Steve Mann. }}$ "We've been working with the |  |  |
| now, and we've come up with an agreement that benefits the |  |  |
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 Fields.

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(734) $455-6620$.


## Mother Nature does ice fans a favor by extending festival

By Brad
STAFF WRITER
Mother Nature may have Mother Nature may have
done fans of the Plymouth International Ice Sculpture Spectacular a favor. By blasting the area with
temperatures in the teens, sh gave festival organizers a reaon to leave the sculptures up an extra week.
It got so cold that we felt some people may not have had nioy the beautiful sculpture enjoy the beautiful sculpture
said Mike Watts of Watts-Up Inc., who handles the festival.
"We made arrangements wit extra week."
None of the lighting or othe None of the lighting or other
amenities will be used, but the sculptures themselves will be
up through he up through the weekend. festival appeared to be a complete success. Thousands of people poured through the streets of downtown Plymouth,
watching the competitions and watching the competitions
viewing the dozens of sculptures.
The festival's dinner-dand The festival's dinner-dance return, drawing more than 150


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George Charley offiating George Charnley officiating
Mrs. Barylski was born March 24,1949 , in Detroit and died Jan. 18 in Canton. Survivors include husband,
Richard Barylski; mother Esther Grannack; sons, Jason and Scott Barylski; and sister,
Karen (Vincent) Magi. Karen (Vincent) Magi.
Arrangements made by Arrangements made by
Neely-Turowski Funeral Home
Phyllis A. Mitchell 74, orvices for Phyllis Mitchell, 23 at Our Lady, of Good
Counsel Catholic Church Counsel Catholic Church with
the Rev. John Sullivan officiating. Burial was at Riverside Cemetery in Plymouth. Mrs. Mitchell was born July
16,1928 in in Highand Park and 16, 1928 , in Highland Park
died Jan. 20 in Pittsfield Township. She was a retired school teacher from Fiegel Elementary School in the
Plymouth/Canton school sysPlymouth/ Canton school sys-
tem. She came to the Plymouth community in 1942 from Detroit. She was originally
from the Upper Peninsula. She was a member of Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church, the Michigan Education Association and the
National Education Association. She and Millard had been married for 63 years. Survivors include hus
Millard L. Mitchell of Plymouth; children, Michele
(Regan) LaMothe of Grass (Regan) LaMothe of Gra Frederick of Plymouth; grandchildren, Kyle and Cody Frederick and Lindsay, Ryan, Arrangements made Schrader-Howell Funeral
Home. Home.
Florene Cash
Services for Florene Cash, 79,
of Plymouth, were held Jan. 20, at the First United Methodist Khurch with the Rev. Dean
Kliciating. Burial was at South Lyon Cemetery. Mrs. Cash was born Aug. 31,
1923, in South Lyon and died Jan. 18. Mrs. Cash graduated from Cleary Business College ${ }_{\text {and }}^{\text {and was a secretary at }}$ Michigan Seamless Tube from 1953-1977, and as secretary for
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at Monday's Martin Luther King Jr. Day celebration at Monday's Martin Luth
at Salem High School.

## OBITUARIES

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## OUR VIEWS

## Tough times call for more local attention

Gov. Jennifer Granholm last week announced she was cutting the foundation grants to public schools, a move she swore during her inaugural address she wouldn't nearly $\$ 1$ million.
The City of Plymouth and Plymouth Township late last year lost tens of thousands of dollars in state revenue sharing funds, and face the very real possibility of losing
between 10 and 20 percent soon, according to some observers.
City Manager Paul Sincock has already told department heads to curb their spending. Township Supervisor Steve Mann presumably has done the same. You can read else-
where in this paper what the school district might do in whe face of such large cuts.
All three bodies have a lot to think about, a lot of planning to do in order to put together a cohesive plan of atack taxpayer dollars.
YOUR taxpayer dollars.
Never has it been more important for residents to take an interest in what goos on at city commission, township board and board of education meetings. These meetings
suffer from historically low attendance, with residents choosing not to attend unless a controversial item is on the agenda.
That means these boards set their priorities without a great deal of input from the communities they were elect-
ed to serve. There's an argument to be made for the "We elected them, let them do their jobs" mentality. But not in economic times this tough.
Do you think the school board should buy buses instead
of artificial turf for its football field? Think the city should of artificial turf for its football field? Think the city should
continue plowing streets instead of spending more money continue plowing streets instead of spending more money vide some recreational opportunities rather than doing streetscaping?
Residents all have their priorities, whether they've
made them known or not. When municipal budgets are made them known or not. When municipal budgets are

## King Day deserves more than simple lip service

It's all well and good that Plymouth Township officials
have now bargained recognition of Martin Luther King have now bargained recognition of Martin Luther King
Jr. Day into all of its labor contracts, and that the policy Jr. Day into all of its labor contracts, and that the poicy
on holidays has been amended to give nonrepresented on holidays has been amended to give nonrep
employees that day off instead of their birthays.
But township officials were for the second straight year
noticeably absent during the MLK observance conducted noticeably absent during the MLK observance conducted
by the Plymouth-Canton schools. Until township officials by the Plymouth-Canton schools. Until township officials
actually take part in observing the day, all the bargaining actually take part in observing the day, all the barga
in the world will seem like just so much lip service.

## Don't cut school funds

Local school systems got a jolt last week.
Gov. Jennifer Granholm announced that, unless the
Legislature acts, she would cut school foundation grants Legislature acts, she would cut school foundation grants
by an average of $\$ 56$ per pupil for this year. The basic foundation grant is $\$ 6,700$ per pupil.
Granholm acted because of a shortfall of $\$ 127$ million
in the state's $\$ 12.7$ billion school aid bet in the state's $\$ 12.7$ billion school aid budget and a state law requiring a balanced school budget. The action fol-
lowed announcements that foundation grants would be frozen for the next two school years.
The state Legislature has 30 days to act before
Granholm's plan takes effect and the Democtatic Granholm's plan takes effect and the Democratic covernor has said she is wiling to work with the Repubican-
dominated Legislature to find some solution to the problem caused by the steep decline in tax revenues.
State Rep. John Stewart (R-Plymouth) called State Rep. John Stewart (R-Plymouth) called
Granholm's move "posturing" in an effort to motivate the Granholm's move "posturing" in an effort to motivate the
Legislature to delay planned reductions in the small business tax and the personal income tax.
"The economy is expected to begin its recovery this spring,
which means tax receipts will start to grow", Stewart said. "If which means tax receipts will start to o grow", Stewart spid. "If
we put a pause on the reduction in the single business tax and we put a pause on the reduction in the single business tax and
personal income tax, we can come up with a balanced budget." personal income tax, we can come up with a balanced budget."
Former Gov. John Engler has left a trap for the new governor. Either she goes back on her commitment to
fully funding education or her commitment to staying the fully funding education or
course on tax reductions.
It is now time for the governor and the Legislature to bite It is now time for the governor and the Legislature to bite foundation grant funding. Our future is in our schools.

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Judge Ron Lowe, left, and Tom Morse work on their carving, Sponge Bob, during the Plymouth International Ice Sculpture Spectacular celebrity competition last week. Due to the extremely cold weather, organizers made arrangements to keep the carvings around an extra week.

## LETTERS

## Condolences

I was so sorry to hear about the death of Tedd Schneider. I met him when I was running for (Canton) Township
trustee. He always impressed kind and fair person and a good journalist. He was a very easy person to talk to and I know he cared a great deal about the Canton community. He will
be missed around this town and I hope be missed around this town and I hope
his family finds the strength they need to deal with their loss.


Missing Tedd
The Canton community lost a dear
friend on Tuesday evening (Jan. 14) when Tedd Schneider passed away. Tedd really liked and understood for our community. He was interested in the whole community, not just the "frosting." He wanted to know the peo ple, not just the "big names" fered along with the rest of the audience, through long Canton planning commission meetings when the Observer had cut
back on staff - he saw to it that the Planning Commission was covered by reporter - Tedd, the editor - on site.
Then the next night at the Canton Boa meeting - again, Tedd the editor - sat in meeting - again, Tedd the editor - sat in
the audience to ensure that the news in Canton was reported and important stories were covered. even if he didn't agree with the Canton board's actions. He never sank to name calling or innuendo in his opinions. H
strove to write accurate stories in the paper, never trying to make fools of thos that he was reporting on. He understood what a "hometown" newspaper was really
all about.
Tedd was always friendly and warm, he was dedicated to his profession and his job, and he served with digniity and honor. He will be m
be with you, Tedd.

## Undermine our country

I can accept that some among us might show hesitancy about a war with Iraq in
the next three or four weeks. Most of us believe Saddam Hussein is in violation, that he has threatened several peoples in his area, and killed hundreds of thou-
sands.
sands.
But among those who dissent on the timing of the estart of the war, some are parading and carrying signs that read,
"Blood for Oil." Other sign carriers bare "Bombs Equal Terrorism" and "Fight Corporate Crime." There is more than dissent to be concerned about with state
ments like these used in protesting "Fight Corporate Crime,' for exampl
ments indicates the liberal ideology of the planned economy. Socialists abound and the thinking is un-American.
Socialism is slavery. If this is $n$ understood by the liberal mentality, fur
ther education is suggested. The worst condition
slavery. slavery. It no wonder that many Americans are concerned with not only the lack of patriotism, but the more than apparent
hatred of our country. The woodwork has exuded many different groups who work daily to undermine our "dream." They undermine and deny the Constitution, the Bill of Rights, and dismiss limited
government and the free market as social impediments of equality and sharing.
Dissent. Venture your own ideas. If Dissent. Venture your own ideas. If you
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itage, you should be suspect, guarded
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pare your signs, learn how to spell!

Neil Goodbred

## More scandal

Phil Power expresses his outrage at the seemingly inadequate and nonexistent punishment meted out to the corporat
executives responsible for the recent executives responsible for the recen
accounting scandals "Wall Street shenanigans made for a sorry story", Jan. 2). Unfortunately he failed to shine a
light on the largest accounting scandal in light on the largest accounting scandal in
the history of the United States and the culprits behind it.
As of Jan. 2, the Bureau of the Public
Debt reports $\$ 3.6$ trillion af publicy debt in the form of treasury bills, notes, and bonds. In addition, the bureau reports $\$ 2.7$ trilion of intragovernmental debt. For the mathematically-challenged
in Washington, this totals $\$ 6.3$ trillion In addition to underreporting the debt, politicians lied about a budget "surplus." For the past few years, Americans were
told government income exceeded ditures for the first time in decades and the government paid off some of its obligations.
The government did pay off some of
the publicly-held debt, but at the same time increased the intragovernmental debt. From fiscal year 1997 to 2002 , the
national debs rose each year from $\$ 54$ national debt rose each year from $\$ 5.4$
trillion to $\$ 6.2$ trillion. I wonder how much debt we would have accumulated without the "surplus"? Now in $\$ 6.3$. Liain seems rather large,
brace yourself. brace yourself. Llabis, es just the amount
financial obligations, not
of debt. For corporations of debt. For corporations, examples of
additional liabilities include retirement additional liabilities include retirement
and insurance benefits to be paid in the
future.
The Soc
The Social Security Administration long-term unfunded liability of $\$ 25$ tril long-term unfunded liability of $\$ 25$ tril-
lion while Medicare's unfunded liability stands at $\$ 17$ trillion.
While future reforms such as personal ings accounts could reduce these liabiliings accounts could reduce these liabiliRepublicans and Demo
hope for the near term.
hope for the near term.
To put this into perspective, Worldcom overreported earnings by $\$ 7$ billion while Washington underreports its liabilities by
over $\$ 40$ trillion.
But Washington's accounting malfea-
sance doesn't stop there. The General

Accounting Office discovered $\$ 17.3$ bilcal year. This means the federal government could not account for more money than Worldcom and Enron misstated as earnings.
In additio In addition, Congress plays with the
books to avoid spending caps. When trying to avoid the cap, Congress will
declare expenditures as "off-budget" declare expenditures as "off-budget" or
classify them as "emergencies" or classify them as "emergencies" or
"move" expenditures into the previo year to free up more money for the current year.
So while
So while Congress attacks corporate
America and demands accountability, they turn a blind eye to theiriown awbilyses,
Does this somehow forgive the deceit an Does this somehow forgive the deceit and
fraud committed by a few corporations? fraud committed by a few corporation
Absolutely not. Executives should be
prosecuted and if found prosecuted and, if found guilty, thrown
into prison. into prison.
But at the same time, let's send them some cellmates from Washington. Let's
restore confidence in the economy by applying the same standards to govern-
ment officials as corporate executives.

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## DARTA was no solution

Your editorial on Jan. 9 lamented the
veto of DARTA, while admittin it veto of DARTA, while admitting it wasn't
the solution to the metro areas transportation problems. DARTA was supposed to study the transportation issues in the metro area. There were two things
that DARTA was expected to recomthat DARTA was expected to recom-
mend: 1) That SEMTA and DDOT need to be merged, and 2) Taxes need to be raised.
The first The first is obvious to anyone that has
ever tried riding a bus in the ever tries riding a bus in the metro area,
and the second is the same conclusion made by all government studies. We need
to create another fiedtom to create another fiefdom of patronage to
accomplish that? Don't mourn DARTA's passing. It had no mandate to improve anything. We have enough politicians and bureaucrats
now. Let the "players" come to the table now. Let the "players" come to the table
now if they really have concern for the citizens.

## SHARE YOUR OPINIONS

We welcome your letters to the editor. Please
include your name, address and phone number include your name, address and phone number
for verification. We ask that your letters be 400 words or less. We may edit for clarity, space and content.
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"When other people hear her sing, you don't get, 'Aw, she's so cute for a little girl,' ... You get, 'Wow!'"

- Bill Trail of Canton, uncle of young singer


## Could a Supreme Court ruling re-segregate college campuses?

 Individual rightsint brought then the Center for
Suits against outh . ppisicsnce, the system gives extra points to pper Peninsula, or whose parents are U-M Lumni, or who have overcome things like physiunning with footballs, ore etc.
The legal basis for the poicy is the Supreme Courts 1978 Bakke decision, in which the court among other factors into ace, sideration when making admi sions decisions. Since then, nearly all elite universities in the another, skewed their procedures to help minorities gain admission.
The case w The case will go to the
Supreme Court this sprin Supreme Court this spring. The
Bush administration last weel
$\qquad$ submitted a brief opposing affir-
mative action complicated and as emotionally charged as this one, it's important to sort out the sense from the nonsense. Based on my experience
as a regent, this column tries to do just that. s a regent, this column tries to do just that.
The first issue is quotas. President Bush's The first issue is quotas. President Bushs used the word "quota" three times and the phrase numerical targets" once. But neither the univertem work by assigning a maximum number, as of people, that may be admitted to ... an institution" the dictionary definition of "quota." As U-M President Mary Sue Coleman pointed derstands how our admissions process works." President Coleman was being, well, diplomatic
President Bush (or his speech writers and resident Bush (or his speecch writers and
lawyers) understands perfectly well how the M's system works; but he also understands (even better) just how unpopular the word "quota" is across the political spectrum. At best, the presi-
dents comments are disingenuous; at worst, they are inaccurate and inflammatory.
The second issue is race and academics. The $\mathbf{U}$ M's system for undergraduate admissions uses a total of 110 points are possible for purely academic factors such as high school grades and overall academic strength and standardized test scores.
Black, Hispanic or American Indian minorities are awarded an extra 20 points, the same that can be given to a low-income student, but applicants annot get points for both.
Critics of affirmative action
favoritism based solely on race is morally wrong

## With a subject as complicated and as

 emotionally charged as this one, it's important to sort out the sense from the nonsense. Based on my experience as a regent, this column tries to do just that.and that, in any case, assigning 20 admissio points (or 13.3 percent) to race is just too much. And 1 must contess there is something intrinsical-
ly offensive about a system that arbitrarily awards X admissions points just because of race. Clearly however, many very able minority students grad
uate from crummy high schools, so it only seems fair to find a method to avoid penalizing them for an unfair K-12 school system.
So what about formulas?
So what about formulas? Most elite universities give race some factor when making admissions
decisions, but they have avoided lawsuits becaus decisions, but they have avoided lawsuits because
they don't set out explicit numerical formulas and use imainative ways to disguise what they're
really doing. At the U-M, where a relatively small really doing. At the $U-M$, where a relatively small
admissions staff annually has to process someadmissions staff annualy has to process some-
thing like 25,00 applications for 5,000 places, using point scores and formulas seems to me a practical but unfortunate expedient.
Does affirmative action admission make a differencence? In my view, yes and no. Th
$\mathrm{U}-\mathrm{M}$ certainly has been more succesful in U-M certainly has been more successsful in achieving a diverse student body than most
other elite schools; undergraduates are now 8 percent black and nearly 5 percent Hispanic and the law school is nearly 7 percent black and
4 percent Hispanic. But even a quick walk 4 percent Hispanic. But even a quick walk
around the Ann Arbor campus suggests that a around the Ann Arbor campus suggests that a
kind of student self-segregation is taking place; black students tend to socialize with black students, for example.
I believe most peo
I believe most people agree the basic objective
of achieving a diverse student body is absolutely right. The issue is how best to do it. Plainly, affir mative action-based admissions plans do it, but at
a cost. Those states that use President Bush's prea cost. Those states that use President Bush's pre
ferred method, admitting the top 10 percent of ferred method, admitting the top 1o percent of had less empirical success.
At the end of the day, I fear that if the Supreme
Court throws out affirmative action in admis sonns, the ins out abflirmative action in admissegregation of college campuses all across the

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King's voice would be loud today for peace and equity
$\begin{array}{ll}\text { - } 4 \text { onday was Martin Luther King Jr. Day, a a } & \begin{array}{l}\text { tion. The university also awards one to four } \\ \text { time to reflect on the life and ideals of }\end{array} \\ \text { points for being related to an alumnus. }\end{array}$ time to reflect on the life and ideals of
that thrust him right seader and the history
the spotlight. that thrust him into the spotlight. This year's holiday comes at an odd conver-
gence of events that draw on King' history gence oek to the never-ending conflict
and speak
ideas in which King was so brilliantly engaged
 This was too much for George W. Bush and his conservative supporters. Bush favors a system similar to that in Texas which awards
scholarships to all students who finish in the scholarships to all students who finish in the
top ranks of their high schools. Critics say this system merely reinforces segregation by making it more attractive for good minority stu-
dents to stay in less dents to stay in less competitive segregat
schools. This is especially a problem here in Michigan, which has considerably more segregacording to a recent Harvard Universisy according to a recent Harvard University
study. We don't need a program that reinforces segregation.
We do need a prog We do need a program that emphasizes
fairness, opportunity and diversity will fairness, opportunity and diversity. Will some
academically talented white students be beat en out for a position by an academically talented black student with slightly lower GPA
or test scores? Possibly. But they might also or test scores? Possibly. But they might also
be edged out by the son or daughter of an alumnus, a graduate of a private prep schoo, a student from a rural area or a basketball
player. Doesn't the state and the university player. Doesn't the state and the university needs of society?
I think Dr. King would probably be
lamenting that a United States presiden would make such disingenuous arguments against the U-M admission policy while offering nothing of real substance as an alternative.
Last week we lost one of our own at The Observer. Our Canton Observer editor, Tedd Tedd was a compassionate conservative before the president gave it a name. He argued his positions congently and was an important voice in editorial deliberations. As Canton editor, de to yo year arter year that
Canton needed to do more to recognize Martin Luther King Day. He argued that it should be a holiday for township workers an
that the township should have ppecial pro that the township should have special pro
grams on race relations. King Day has been recognized as a holiday for the last two years in Canton. This year,
township employees attended three training township employees attended three tran
sessions on diversity.
Tedd would be proud that Canton
Tedd would be proud that Canton has stepped up and taken his views seriously. He
understood how important it was to make the understood how important it was to ma

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Erin McKeown brings her distinctive style of singing and songwriting to the Ann Arbor Folk Festival.

## Emerging artists

Ann Arbor Folk Festival spotlights performers with an edge

- $\begin{aligned} & \text { ever heard of 24-year-old singer/songwriter Erin } \\ & \text { McKeown? That's not surprising. David Siglin }\end{aligned}$ McKeown? That's not surprising. David Siglin formers at The eltk so it'ts no wonder this yearas Ann
forbor Folk Festival offers adventurous programming Arbor Folk Festival offers adventurous programming
on Friday night in addition to legends like Taj Mahal on Friday night in addition to legends
on Saturday, Jan. 25. Unfortunately, that concert's on Saturday, Jan. 25 . Unfortunately, that co fact, he's
already sold out but Siglin inn't worried. In fact
ecited about the prospect of spotightting emerging excited about the prospect of spotlighting emerging
artists on Friday, Jan. 24, at the Michigan Theater in artists on Friday, Jan. 24 , at
Ann Arbor.
"This is the first time in the 26 -year history of the festival were doing it for the-days,", said Siglin, artis-
tit director of The Ark which puts on the folk festitic director of The Ark which puts on the folk festival. "Its hard on an audience to mix all those styles
bluegrass, jazz, different eras of music. Over the years, we discovered part of the audience doesn't like an edge, they're more traditional. Friday night's a littie more adventurous with progressive sounds of foll
and roots music." and roots music


## ERIN MCKEOWN

McKeown's music is beyond categorization. Her distinctive voice and sometimes quirky lyrics set her apart. She's especially fun to listen to. Distillation is her debut CD. The recording process is as unique as Pan Alley in her music. Produced by David Chalfant for Signature Sounds, the CD consists of originals except for Rodgers \& Hart's 1940 You Mustn't Kick $t$ Around.
McKeown grew up in Virginia where her mother made her take piano lessons from preschool to her early teens. It was then she picked up the guitar and
started to think of herself as a musician. By age 14 started to think of herself as a musician. By age 14, bar rock culture. But it wasn't until her student days at Brown University that she began performing solo and writing music.
Massachusetts when he built a studio and we decid-
 Jeff Lang hails from Australia where he played slide guitar in the blues band Chain before pursuing a solo career.
ed to record there," said McKeown. "We worked in whatever rooms were available. It's a very simple record. What you hear is what you get. When youre recording you have to maintain separation. Hedd
place someone in the kitchen and someone upstair place someone in the kitchen and someone upstairs.
He placed us in stairwells, the bottom of a staircase. You need to get as much separation as possible. "For the new CD, were utilizing the same philoso phy of listening to instruments in rooms. It was recorded in a different Massachusetts farmhouse and
set for release in late spring. There's a wide dynamis set for release in late spring. Theres a wide dynamic
range. It's a lot of fun. I try to bring those things to a live performance. Hearing it live is not all that differ-
ent from the recording. I just hope that people would have a different appreciation for a wide variety of styles. Look at people's CD collection. You'll find dif
ferent styles. People like different styles of music.'

PLEASS SEE FOLK FESTIVAL, B2

ANI ARBOR FOLK FESTIVAL

What: The Ark presents its 26th annual festival featuring Patty Griffin, Jeffrey Gaines, Erin McKeown, Jeff Lang, The Waybacks, Josh Ritter, Billy Jonas, and Seth Bernard When: 7 p.m. Friday, Jan. 24 Where: Michigan Theater, 603 E. Liberty, Ann Arbor Tickets: $\$ 25$, Call (734) 763-TKTS For more information, (734) 761-1800 or visit The Ark online at www.a2ark.org
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Storytellers warm the heart on a cold January day $\left\{\begin{array}{l}\text { ost people dread the cold } \\ \text { and boring days of }\end{array}\right.$ II January, but not me. I look forward to talking to the
storytellers featured in torytellers featured in
Canton Project Arts' annua festival.
Storytlling is a way of life Storytelling is a way of life
for them and they can't help interspersing tales into the
conversation. All I have to do is ask a question and they're across the street from the up across the
Detroit Zoo.
That's what makes the festiknow what yourre going to hear. As usual, organizer Corinne Stavish has lined upa variety of tellers for the festival
Saturday Jan. 25 , at Summit on the Park in Canton. $s$ "It's all new tellers presen ing the oldest communitySouthfield resident who will be telling at The Ark during the Ann Arbor club's annual festi-
val Friday-Sunday Feb $14-16$. val Friday-Sunday, Feb. 14-16.
For more information, call (734) 761-1800. Like The Ark festival, Canton Project Arts
offers storytelling times for offers storytelling tim
children and adults. "The audience is very much involved with the tellers who
have different artistic styles and represent diffferent ethnic and religious groups. We'll have a diversity from African American Barbara
Jones Clark to Laura Pershin Please Sel Storytelers, b5


Barbara Jones Clark will share her love of children's itierature at Canton Project Arts' annua
Storytelling Festival


Chef Laurent Devin prepares Confit of Duck Leg.

## French bistro food: Trip to Paris isn't necessary

By Eleanor heald
COpresponent CORRESPONOENT
Bistros, especially in the fifth and sixth dis tricts on the Le Bank in Paris, are legendary EATING OUT Theyre small, generally crowded and run by a
husband and wife husband and wife team. He cooks and she greets, serves and
runs the front of house with one, or at most wo, servers. Aromas of simmering meats or Escargots sizzling in garlic butter, are instant
ly warming on a winter evening. Tastes offer
comfort. Ah, the delights of Paiss.
Yet its all as close as a trip across the Detroit River to Windsor and an unhurried dinner at
Elaine Bistro Francais owned ry Valerie Llaine Bistro Francais, owned by Valerie a
Laurent Devin, who speak perfect English with an ever-so-charming French accent. They do, however, answer the phone with the appropriate French greeting, "bonjour" during Windsorites call the location the Old
Riverside neighborhood, 10 minutes from the
please SeE ELAINE'S, B6





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## Chelsea's Jeff Daniels promotes latest movie

## еу Kurt anthony CORRESPONONT

Actor Jeff Daniels says he
found it easy to work with the found it easy to work with the
writer and the director of Super Sucker, the second film released by Purple Rose Films,
headquartered in Michigan. "We had a single vision", said
the Chelsea-based actor, who was promoting his latest film at the Emagine in Novi last week., They all worked well together." lead actor, writer, and director
are one and the same. are one and the same.
"There's really an advantag
and to being all three," said Daniels,
47 , who wrote, directed, and 47 , who wrote, directed, and
starred in Super Sucker, in starred in Super Sacker,
which he plays Fred Barlow, a
vacuum cleaner salesman who decides to market his appliance
as a sex toy after he catches his wife in bed with a vacuum
"I had a friend who was a vacuum cleaner salesman,"
Daniels explained. "He had plenty of stories. The passion
for his product had many comic possibilitities. Super Sucker comic such an outrageous sto
Daniels thoroughly
researched the sales pitches and
the war stories of vacuum cleaner salesmen. He even attended
regional vacuum cleaner sales regional vacuum cleaner sales
convention. From that point,
the eharacters were born.

## LOCAL ACTORS

He wanted to cast actors

Company (with the exceptio
of Dawn Wells of Gilligan's Island), a non-profit profes-
sional theater he founded in 1991, which showcases the tal ents of actors, directors, play-
wrights, and designers from all over the Midwest in
Chelsea.
"I knew from day one that I
wanted to cast this with P wanted to cast this with Purple
Rose actors, so I wrote all of these parts for specific people
out of that company", says Daniels. "Tve worked with all
these actors these actors and I know (thei
strengths). Ithink if the per strengths). I think if the per-
formances come to life then at the end of the movie these are real people...these actors really
delivered. make a feature film. They hav a great work ethic and passion
and talent for film-making and talent for film-making.
Some actors from Escanaba in Some actors from Escanaba in
da Moonlight and Super Sucker
appeared in 8 Mile appeared in 8 Mile (the
Eminem gangster movie Eminem gangster movie filmed
in Detroit). That's great. They in Detroit. That's great. They
only get better and better. The only get better and better. The
fun we had off-camera) trans-
lates onscreen. There lates onscreen. There was
never a bad day; it was a joy
This is Daniels' second tim behind the camera. His first
time out was an independent time out was an independent
film production of his play of the same name, Escanaba in $d$ a Moonlight, released in 2000 .
The indie flick was shown on The indie flick was show on
48 screens in Michigan and Wisconsil, grossing more than $\$ 2.3$ million, scoring 202nd in
Variety magazines Top
Don't be a sucker and see this movie


BY KURET ANTHONY KRUG
CORESPONOENT
I certainly felt like a super
sucker after seeing Super
Sucker. Sucker.
The se Purple Rose Films, Super Daniels - who also wrote an directed this off-the-wall, low
brow, unfunny comedy - as Fred Barlow, a salesman who markets his vacuum cleanerhair and a cheesy red mustache making him look hauntingly principal Edward G. G ooney
from the classic 1986 comedy, Ferris Bueller's Day Off.
The movie, which was film in Jackson, takes place in the the premier hotel is called the
Grand Johnson (insert sexual ilt here) where Barlow along
with his team of underdogs all played by Purple Rose located in Chelsea) Guy
Sanville, Sandra Birch, and Kate Peckham - go up against sleazy Winslow Schnaebelt in The Legend of Bagger Vance which was directed by Daniels), whose red zoot
A COMPETITION
Both Fred and Schnaebe company president after a fight
breaks out in a steakhouse. Fred is advised to sell out to
Schnaebelt. However, Fred manages to get another chance
whoever gets the most conwhoever ets the most
tracts in the next month gets total distributorship of Johnson
City.
Taking fired steakhouse wait
er Howard Butterworth (Matt
contest When perennal underde ail

Letscher, TV's Good Morning,
Miami) under his wing Fred and his team set out to win the most contracts.
They begin to fail miserably.
On his first On his first sales pitch, Howard even runs over a cat with a vac
uum.
That all changes when Fred goes home and heerr the vacuum cleaner running and his
wife Bunny (Michelle Mountain) screaming. Fred investiagates, walking in on
Bunny in the throes of Bunny in the throes of passio
with...the Super Sucker! Fred markets the drapery attachment as the "homemaker's little helper complete with
nap-nipper.' Sales go through nap-nipper." Sales go throug
the roof. Even nuns want to buy it and Fred's salesmen end up pitching it to prostitutes on street corners.
Enter Dawn W Gilligan's Island fame, in her only scene, playing herself; she's
the vacuums selebrity end the vacus feels that Fred's way of keting the product is murdering her reputation. She demands
that the company president that the company president
change it, especially since change it, especialy since
Americans Against the Sexual Abuse of Home Appliances
(AASAHA) called her (AASAHA) called her.
It's evident Wells has poking fun at herself, stating that Barlow's actions are besmirching the image of a
wholesome male fantasy pop wholesome male fantasy pop
icon. When her lawyer says,
"We feel this "con. When her lawyer says,
"Wie feel this is something,
Ginger would have used," Ginger would have used," refer
ring to Tina Louisess move star ring to Tina Louise's movie star
character on Gilligan's Island, character on Giligan's Ssland, right."
This was the funniest scene in an otherwise unnuist scene movie It goes downhill from there as
Fred demonstrates the attachFred demonstrates the attach-
ment for women a a country ment for women at a
club and his employe
Leonard, (Sanville) dresses in
drag during his sales pitch. Howard ends up sprinting
naked down the street with
r'm no prude, but this movie
really crossed the line of good really crossed the line of good
taste. Raunchy doesn't even begin to describe it. It also
doesn't doesn't know whether to be subtle about its humor or bla-
tant. I was really looking fortant. I was realy looking for-
ward to seeing this, because I like Daniels, but Super Sucker
left a bad taste in my mouth. left a bad taste in my mouth.
The $\$ 64,000$ question I have is: Why didn't Daniels do something along the lines of his
other movies other movies - good movies
like 1998's Pleasantville or like 1998's Pleasantville or
1991's The Butcher's Wife? know hes son a shooe-string budget but this sis all he could
come up with? come up with?
The irony is Dan shared the screen with Jack Nicholson, Dennis Hopper,
Keanu Reeves, Clint Eastwood, Keanu Reeves, Clint Eastwood,
Reese Witherspoon, and Joan Allen, among others - is extremely talented. Ever see
him play George Washington in The Crossing or serial killer Buddy Noone in last year's
Blood Work with East Blood Work with Eastwood?
He has plenty of range as an He has plenty of range as an
actor. While I didn't care for the content of this movie, this is the second film he's directed
and he's come leaps and boun and he's come leaps and bound
as a director since 2001's as a director since 2001's
Escanaba. Let's hope he can
pen a better pen a better script the next
time around. pen a betound.
time a
Don't fret, if
Don't fret, if yourre waiting
for a good Daniels film, Gods
and Generals a and Generall, a prequel to
1993's Gettysburg comes 1993's Gettysb
a few months.
Rated $R$ : Profanity; sexual innuendo
brief nudity: sex with appliances
Rating: 3

## COMING ATTRACTIONS

feet of vacuum hose attached
to... let's just say a very intimate o.... 1 . In short say a very intimply con-
areate
sists of cheap, failed attempts sists of cheap, failed attempts at
sight gags and contrived oneliners.
THIS IS HUMOR?

Triow re-discovers a long lost clear ing attachment, the contest turrsa as and his team of misfits determine non-
traditional uses for this attactment. The result not only changes their lives, It changes the home cleaning indust Michigan native and Purple Rose Theatre (arevertory theatre founded by Daniels) aumnus, Matt Letscher
(currenty on the television show, Good
Morring Miamm and Dawn Wels (played
 and directed Jeff Daniels. (Purpie Rose CONFESSIONS OF A dangerous mind This is a fictitious story about the
secret life of Gong Show host Chuck secreti ife of Gong Show host Chuck
Baris, including the time he spent as Clia assassin "SUnny Sixkiller": making hits while under the guise of chaper-
oning the game show contestants who
have wor vacation prizes. Stars Sam
Rockwell Drew Barcymore Rockwell, Drew Barrymore, George
Clooney, Julia Roberts. Chuck Baris Clooney, Juia Robentst, Chuck Barris
(cameo). Matt Damon (cameo) Rutger
Hauer Brad Pitt ( Hauer, Brad Pitt (cameo). Fred Savage
Jerry Weintrab ( (cameo) (Leonard Jerry Weintraub (cameo) (Leonard
Goldberg), Kristen Wiston. Directed by Goldberg). Kisten Wilson. Directed
George Clooney. (Miramax Films)
Rated R. Running time: 115 minutes.

## SCHEDULED TO OPEI

friday, Jan. 31 final destination 2 Kimberly Corman and her friends go
on a road trip. When her friends die in a horrificic car accident, , ikimberly,
along with som of the along with some of the survivors, try
to stop death before it stops the to stop death before it stops them.
Staring Ali Lerter, Tony Todd, Michael Landes, and A.J. Cook. David R. Ellis
directed this suspense film. (New
lind directed this sus
Line) Rated R

Grossing Films of 2001.
Inspired by directors with whom hed worked - such as
Woody Allen, Robert Woody Allen, Robert Altman
and Jonathan Demme, Daniels and Jonathan Demme, Daniels
says he grew as a director his says he grew as a director
second time around.
"I should get "I should get better as a
director. I know more," he said. "'Im happier with Super
Sucker. It feels more like a movie. The script was written as a screenplay. It gave us the
complete experience (of filmmaking)." ( Riding on the success of
Escanaba, Purple Rose Films sscanaba, Purple Rose Films increasing the budget to more thcreasing the budget to more
than $\$ 3$ million compared to
Escanazais $\$ .2$ million Escanaba's $\$ 2.2$ million. The
crew grew by 40 percent and crew grew by 40 percent and parts in Super Sucker, com-
pared to the 13 in Escanaba. One of the challenges directors face is
and money.
uToure
You're always asking for
another week. Then you get that week and then you want
another week. ACTING HISTORY

Daniels has been acting for
26 years. He attended Central Michigan University (CMU), where he majored in English CMU a year early inter He left playing the lead in Tennessee and joined the Circle Repertory He won widespread recognition
as Jed Jenkins in Lanford
Wilson's Fitth of July. He won a 1983 Obie Award for his one-
man World War I play, Johnny man World Wa
Got His Gun.
He made his feature film
debut in 1981's Ragtime debut in 1981's Ragtime.
Howere, his breakout However, his breakout role as
Flap Horton, Debra Winger's Flap Horton, Debra Winger's
philandering husband was in 1983's Term of bendearment.
Some of his better known Some of his better known
roles include Ross Jennings who had to overcome his fear of spiders in 1990's
Arachnophobias
Arachnophobia; SWAT cop
Harry Temple who was shot by Harry Temple who was shot by
partner Keanu Reeves in order partner Keanu Reeves in order
to take him "out of the equa-
tion" when he was tion" when he was held hostage
by madman Dennis Hopper in by madman Dennis Hopper in
1994's Speed; and, of course, Harry Dunne in 1994s Dumb
 ther Daniels nor Carrey are
appearing in the Dumb and
Dumber follow-up due out this
summer. summer. "It's just two young guys doing a dead-on impersonation
of us," Daniels said. "If
(Crrey) deded Carrey) decides to do a sequel,
''ll be involved." After Super S
 Joshua Chamberlaini in Gods
and Generals, the prequel to and Generals, the p.
1993's Gettysburg." He also wants to continue writing and directing for Purple
Rose Films. He has three more Rose Films. He has three more "I was very happy with the
"I regional success of Escana2a,
he said. "I want to continue to he said. "I want to continue to
make comedies. I'm always make comedies. I'm alwa
looking for funny ideas."
Jeff Daniels, as door-to-door vacuum
cleaner salesman, Fred Barlow, in the movie Supersucker. and Dumber with Jim Carrey.
He won critical praise for his portrayal of George
Washington in 200's Washington in 2000's The
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## STORYTELLERS

Raynor, who has a Jewish back ground, to headliner Dan Keding ofly known storyteller and
tialladeer who perfor balladeer who performs at
music festivals throughout the music festivals throughout t
world."
Clark and Raynor share a Clark and Raynor share a
love of childreñs stories. Three
times a week Raynor leads sto times a week Raynor leads sto-
rytimes for families at the Ann Arbor District Library, where she's a youth librarian. children's librarian in Memphis. Today the Southfield resident coordinates media
services, and the gifted and tal services, and the gifted and tal-
ented program, for Birmingham Public Schools. She regularly uses storytelling
as an educational tool at new as an educational tool at new
teacher orientation sessions. "I started reading stories to children as a school librarian
about 20 years ago," said Clark about 20 years ago, said Clark
"I'd choose a new story every
and week to read and realized as time went on I was telling it. I hade day a child asked how can one day a child asked how can
read with the book upsidedown. Before long I started going to workshops, joined a
Story League, which requires Story League, whe to go forth
members to agree and tell stories. It's become a hobby. Some people bike, I,
chocolate and storytelling." Clark favors telling participa tion stories, African American stories and folk tales.
Sometimes shell choose a child
from the audience to come up and help tell a story. "I get stories from every-
where," said Clark, who's told stories at the Detroit Institute of Arts, Greenfield Village, The
Ark, and Cranbrook Att Ark, and Cranbrook Art
Museum in Bloomfield Hills. Museum in Bloomfield Hills. literature to choose from. I like to tell people who worry they
can't tell their child a story that can't tell their child a story that
there's no one (who) has a more special place in a child's heart specan a mom and dad. I tell
them to get a story they like. If them to get a story they like. If
they don'tlike it, the listener
will be able to tell. I've read a story 30 times before I'm ready
to tell it. I don't tell it word for to tell it. I don't tell it word for
word but try to remember cerword but tras. It ryy not to change
the story. never the ending the story. never the ending.
"Good storytelling with a Good storytelling with a
message is not for young chil-
dren. When there is a message dren. When there is a message
don't tell them, Ilet them figdon't tell them, I let them
ure it out on their own." ure it out on their own.'
Clark begins telling the story
of a man killed by a lion and the sons who put his bones back together so he can come
back to life. I can't tell it like back to life. I can't tell it like
she can but the moral of the story is that a man's never real
ly dead until he's forgotten ly dead until he's forgotten.
I especially needed to hear


## STORYTELLING FESTIVAL

What: Canton Project Arts presents storytelling for children and adults When: 1 p.m. for families (recommended for children ages 4 and up) and 7:30 p.m. for adults Saturday, Jan. 25 Where: Summit on the Park, 46000 Summit Parkway, Canton
Tickets: $\$ 3$ for the 1p.m. performance, $\$ 5$ for 7:30 p.m. show with ticket family's stories. Raynor grew up available at the Summit across the street from the
200 and Call: (734) 394-5193

children's literature, but she
$\begin{aligned} & \text { chooses instead to draw on her } \\ & \text { family for stories. Many of }\end{aligned}$
them a re recorded on her CD,
$\begin{aligned} & \text { Well Kept Secret, released a } \\ & \text { few weeks ago. A second CD }\end{aligned}$
$\begin{aligned} & \text { few weeks ago. A second CD, } \\ & \text { All Dressed Up, recorded at Bi }\end{aligned}$
$\begin{aligned} & \text { All Dressed Up, recorded at Bi } \\ & \text { Sky Studio oin Ann Arbor, is set }\end{aligned}$
$\begin{aligned} & \text { to debut in February. Both will } \\ & \text { be available in Canton for } \$ 15\end{aligned}$
$\begin{aligned} & \text { be available in Canton for } \$ 15 \\ & \text { each. }\end{aligned}$
$\begin{aligned} & \text { "I'm going to tell stories of } \\ & \text { and }\end{aligned}$
$\begin{aligned} & \text { my wacky family, very colorful } \\ & \text { tales of my father, whos a trick }\end{aligned}$
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ap and tell me a story.
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$\begin{aligned} & \text { across from the Detroit Zoo. } \\ & \text { You could hear the lions roar a }\end{aligned}$
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in the power of storytelling. It
$\begin{aligned} & \text { helped her land that first job } \\ & \text { after graduating from }\end{aligned}$
$\begin{aligned} & \text { after graduating from the } \\ & \text { University of Michigan }\end{aligned}$
"How I got started as a
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Tis advertisempur was kindy dopated by
or an outreach library," said Raynor, who grew up in Oak
Park. "I was asked, Do you tell stories?' and I said, 'Oh yes, my
grandmother told stories all the grandmother told stories all the
time.' I got the job and I've been ime.' I got the job and I've been
telling stories ever since. In the telling stories ever since. In the aissance kicked off. I quit my
job as a librarian and hit the job as a librarian and hit the
road with a partner. I've been at oad with a partner. Tve been at
the Ann Arbor District Library incee 1990 and have continued "I fell my family. have these stories documented and recorded. I believe children can figure who they are why they are the way they are, who they are. That's why they ove to hear the story of their
birth and stories like the one irth and stories like the one to this country. It was a trying period in Jewish history, the
only way to get out of the ghetonly way to get out of the ghe
to in Russia was through an arranged marriage. Once here they worked to bring other
family members over, that's rue of any immigrant family. My grandmother lived to 105 and was able to see her stories
come full-circle. At age 100 we come full-circle. At age 100 we
had a family party for her and she sat with her hearing aid turned up, listening to (her family members tell her) the
tories she told them. As a little tories she told them. As a little
girl I Ioved her stories." Barb King thinks children of Project Arts Storytelling Festival. The township's official arts council has been hosting
the event for five years. "Come out and have a good
"Cent for five "Come out and have a good overseeing the festival. "'It's a
good family event. You can rood family event. You can
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## Joe Millionaire TV fib OK, Fox network says

## LOS ANGELES (AP) - In a later session with

 $\begin{array}{ll}\begin{array}{ll}\text { Fox executives are making } \\ \text { no apologies for Joe }\end{array} & \begin{array}{l}\text { reporters, Marriott } \\ \text { described a life that made }\end{array}\end{array}$ $\begin{array}{ll}\text { Millionaire, the reality } & \text { him sound far from wealthy }\end{array}$ series built on a lie. The female contestants Evan Marriott were told he's worth $\$ 50$ million. He's really a $\$ 19,000-\mathrm{a}-$year construction worker, year construction wo
according to Fox. "I think that when people
get involved in these get involved in these days, they know they're in for a ride," Gail Berman, Fox's entertainment presi
dent, told the Television Critics Association. The women of $J$ Jo Millionaire are eager to take part in post-production pub-
licity, an indication they were licity, an indication hey vatistied with the series,
sal Berman said Saturday. Marriott, 28, already has
turned out to be more than turned out to be more than posed for underwear ads. There's been speculation that a real plot twist could
be in store - that Marriot actually may be wealthy. Asked about that possibil ity, Berman was guarded.
"What we presented to the American public in our promos is accurate," she
said. "We are not lying to them." Berman was asked if the
public would feel it had public would feel it had
been deceived when the been deceived when the
show's finale airs Feb. 17 . "I think the American public is going to be
extremely satisfied by the extremely satisfied by the extremely satisfied," she His trade was hard hit by the post-Sept. 11 economic slump. the show is $I$ reason I did year financially I such a bad afford a bed" he said. His parents are comfortable but not extremely afflu-
ent, Marriott said. His ent, Marriott said. His
father worked two jobs, as a father worked two jobs, as a
banker and teacher, and was a Marine Corps reservist, while his mother was pri marily a homenaker.
"We weren't living in poverty but my parents struggled to make ensere my
sister and I had nice things," sister and I had nice things,
Marriott said.
He's worked a variety of jobss, including dorman
and model, as he's ried and model, as he's tried He dropped out of high school, Marriott said.
As for his newfound As for his newfound
celebrity, Marriott called "freaky," He was amused by various rumors circulating
about him, but also said he about him, but also said he
found it uncomfortable to disfound it uncomfortable to dis-
close his limited education. Joe Millionaire has proven a hit for Fox, gaining
the upscale viewers adverthe upscale viewers adver-
tisers like to reach. It's the No. 3 show among adults 18
to 49 who earn $\$ 75,000$ to 49 who earn $\$ 75,000$ a
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- Westland manager Laura Thompson, a nine
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Furniture,
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company's store in Westand Thompson began her career at Art Van in 1993. He [


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ata ing from Michigan Statete University. After two years,
she was promoted to assisshe was promoted to assis
tant scles manager in Lansing and in 1998 becam sales manager at the Howell location. In June 2000 she agee there, and in August 2000 to her most recent pos as store manager in Jackson. in 1987 and had a major renovation in 2001 . The $75,000-$
suare square foot facility houses a the chain's largest selection of youth bedroom furniture. "Laura has proven to be a strong manager within
company," said Bill Barto. president of Art Van Furniture. "She consistently devotes attention to the our associates. We are con dent that Laura will continue to delight our guests at th
Westland location."


## Downright decision <br> Finding the right

down comforter
depends on your neceds By NICLLE STAFFORD
STAFF WRTITR If you don't have a down
comforter but want one comforter but want one,
it's probably obvious now is it's probably obvious now
an ideal time.
Perhaps youve been putPerhaps you've been
ting off the purchase. ting off the purchase.
That's understandable because buying a down comforter is an investment
both it terms of both in terms of money
and time. and time.
Cost asid plethora of factors to weigh pefore making a purchase.
And, you should consider And, you should consider
such particulars as the type of goose down used and the comforter's outer shell, if you want to go home
with a comforter that


Before delving into the technical side of down comforters, first assess
your personal sleeping habits. SLemp TME "When people come in looking for comforters, ,
ask them a series of ques ask them a series of
tions about how they
sleep," said Michell sleep," said Michelle
Albrecht, store manage Albrecht, store manager
Scandia Down at the Scandia Down at the
Somerset Collection in
Troy. Troy.
These questions are yo starting point, and the answers will guide you to
the right comforter she the right comforter, she
said. Most are aimed at deter mining your sleeping temperature.
Do you
Do you get cold or hot
during sleep? Is your ho
lower the thermostat or like to sleep with open
windows? Are you going through menopause? Do you plan to use your com-
forter only in the winter all year long? If you don't sleep alone, what is your
partner's body ter partner's body temperature
during sleep and how does during sleep and how does
it affect yours? "The problem with couples, you usually have one
that's warm and one that' that's warm and one that
cold,"said Albrecht. If that's the case, there's
a solution. Yes, believe it a solution. Yes, believe it
not, a single question has not, a single question has
directed you to the appro priate product: a couple's comforter. Scandia Down
version has two side-byversion has two side-by-
side boxed compartments for custom filling with Hungarian white goose down of
wam, whars rup power? If you've forayed into the
world of down before, you've encountered the
phrase "fill power" and phrase "fill power, and
yes, we've stumbled into yes, technical side of down shopping.
Fill powe Fill power, which is a
standardized rating of the standardized rating of the
quality of down, and ultimately its ability to insulate and keep you warm, is stand when shopping for a comforter.
The difference between
down of higher and low down of higher and lowe
fill powers is the density and size, maybe even fluffi-
Among the many factors that affect the quality and price of a down comforter is the cover


Above left, the loft of down products bring a cory sush feeling to Abe bedroom, as with this grouping of down pillows, comforter, sheets, shams and duvet cover by Scandia Down. Above, the type of goose down feathers in a down product affects quality. Sought-after
ness, of individual down If the concept gets fuzzy,
clusters. clusters.
But don't confuse fill think about how fluffy the
down must be on thos But on't confuse fill
power with weight. In fact, $\quad \begin{aligned} & \text { down must be on those } \\ & \text { geese that inhabit Siberia. }\end{aligned}$ the relationship between $\quad$ Matz has a good catch
fill power and weight are fill power and weight are phrase, to: " "The better
typically inverse. typically inverse. $\quad$ the down, the better the
"What can be very con-
warmth for less weight:" fusing in the marketplace Fortunately, retailers like $\begin{array}{ll}\begin{array}{l}\text { is fill power versus fill } \\ \text { weight," said Teresa Matz, }\end{array} & \begin{array}{l}\text { Scandia Down and Eddie } \\ \text { Bauer Home differentiate }\end{array}\end{array}$ weight,
quality manager for Eddie $\begin{aligned} & \text { Bauer Home difieren } \\ & \text { their comforters into }\end{aligned}$ $\begin{array}{ll}\begin{array}{l}\text { quality manager for Eddie } \\ \text { Bauer Home, which has } \\ \text { retail locations at }\end{array} & \begin{array}{l}\text { their comforters into } \\ \text { groups like "all-season" } \\ \text { and " }\end{array}\end{array}$ retail locations at
Briarwod Mall in Briarwood Mall in Ann Arbor, the Village of
Rochester Hills in Rochester Hills and the
Troy.
Troy. With down, heavier isn necessarily warmer. Sought-after Siberian
white goose down, for white goose down, for
instance, is more dense at
the the core and, thus, keeps you warmer than goose down from China, which is
less dense. In other words, you need less down from Siberian than Chinese geese to obtain a relative
level of insulation from product.
and "winter weight," so done for you. They're also trained to help you understand their products and make appro-
priate choices. Worst-case scenario, both allow you to make an exchange within short period of tim WHY Down, ANYWY? "It traps you own body heat, so that's why it keeps
you at a more even temper you at a more even temp Scandia Down Scandia Down.
At the same time, it pulls PIEASE SEE DOWN, C4

## Prevent carbon monoxide poisoning

by John mall
CorRESPNOENT
Carbon monoxide poisoning symptoms are similiar to the flu
nausea, vomiting, dizziness and headache. Dr. Michael Calice, vice chairman of the Department of Emergenc
Medicine at St. Mary Mercy Hospital in Livonia, said "as symptoms get worse you develop rapid heartbeat, rapid pulse and the vic-
tim may pass out."

The Consumer Product Safety
Commission estimates that Commission estimates that carbon
monoxide poisoning kills at least 200 people each year and sends nother 5,0oo to the hospital. Many deaths go unreported because the
victims, who die of apparent natura causes, are not subjected to autopsies that could pinpoint carbon monoxide poisoning as the probable cause of death.
Calice Calice has seen carbon monoxide
poisoning victims in the emergency poisoning victims in the emergency
room at St. Mary Mercy, although
they are "the exception, not the
"Once carbon monoxide poisoning is detected, it is important to administer 100 percent oxygen
because carbon monoxide displaces oxygen in the hemoglobin of red blood cells," he said. "There is poten-
tial for permanent nerologicl damage."
Have at least one carbon monoxHave at least one carbon
de detector in your home.

PIEASE SEE POISONING, C2

## CARBON MONOXIDE FACTS

Carbon monoxide is a colorless and odorless toxic gas that is a product of incomplete combustion. When introduced to the bloodstream through the lungs, it is accepted in place of oxygen - literally suffocating its victim.
Since carbon monoxide is an accumulative and direct-reacting toxin, it can be dangerous even at low levels over longer periods of time.
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ting Valorie bought for
me. $\underset{\substack{\text { me. } \\ \text { have always }}}{\text { Now }}$ have always
said that my
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ty is nil and I'm one of the few people who
can ruin boiling water. can ruin boiling water.
But now I would consider But now, I would consider
the two chickens and the two turkeys that $I$ prepared in the past two weeks to be worthy of
a five-star rating a five-star rating.
These new cookers are selling like wildfire and they really ing the job, but they hold a
secret that most home secret that most homeo
don't have a clue about. don't thave a cue about.
It's called spontaneous co bustion.
Ask man
Ask many young people
today what that means and today what that meansea.
they don't have any idea. I created this one time as a youngster when I mixed two
different cleaners to wipe different cleaners to wipe
down a hardwood floor. When I was done, I crum-
bled up the rag and threw it bled up the rag and
into a wastebasket into a wastebasket.
Several hours later it ignited

 the job, but they hold a secret that most homeowners don't have a clue about. It's called spontaneous combustion.
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the hoo

## down.

 The Whirlpool Corporation did a test not so long ago anI wrote about it in this
columa I wrote abo
column.
They wip They wiped up a vegetable
oil spill with a cloth, ran it
through the normal wash and through the normal wash and
dry ycle with the regular laun-
dry, and folded the clothe and dry, and folded the clothes and
cloth and placed them into a cloth and placed
laundry basket. $\begin{aligned} & \text { Even thoughg the cloth } \\ & \text { had been washed, it wasn't }\end{aligned}$ had been washed, it wasn't
enough to remove all traces enough to remove all traces
of vegetable oil, and the
cloth ignited in the of vegetable oil, and the
cloth ignited in the laundry basket.
The fire was a direct result o spontaneous combustion. give it attention This new cooker needs a lot
of attention when it is being fated.
It needs to be used outside, not in the garage or in the
ne house. Using it in the garage
will leave a cooking odor for will eave a cooking odor for
several days as proven by yours
truly.
You have to hook up a
propane tank to it making propane tank to it, making
sure that the cooker itself is

## POISONING <br> FROM PAGEC1 <br> "The carbon monoxide <br> detector should be a a plug- in type with a battery backup in type with a battery backup, and approved by qualified and approved by qualial testing agencies," said Alan Brandemihl Alan Brandemihl Jr ., chief of the Livonia Fire of the Livonia Department. <br> Department. these are warning devices that really make a difference.

placed downwind of the tank.
You have to put the food You have to put the food
item inside the cooker and fill
it with water to it with water to just an inch
above the food to - above the food, to give you a measurement of how much
vegetable oil is needed.
Before you fill it with Before you fill it with oil you
need to make sure you wiped need to make sure you wiped
dry all the water that was in
there Youve heard te there. Youve heerard the old say-
ing that oil and water don't ing that oil and water don't
mix
Before you put the food Broduct inside you have to hea
the vegetable eil to the vegetable oil to 325
degrees, and do Ineed to degrees, and do I need to oil must never heat higher
than 350 degrees when using than 350 degrees when using
this thing or it will pop up and land on you.
lill pop up and
lat Remember now, you've got a
tank of propane just a few feet tank of propane just a feew feet
away, a high burning flame away, a high burning flame
underneath the pot and the potential for a serious accident
just waiting to happen. just waiting to happen.
Along with the cooker comes Along with the cooker come
a thermometer that should be treated with care. Don't ever use this cooker without having that thermometer always sub-
mersed in the boiling vegetable mersed in the boiling vegetable
oil.
A big pair of fireproof gloves is another requirement.
It comes with a hanger that
is used to hook on to the inside cooking pot to remove the item
from the cooking pot, and from the cooking pot, and
extreme care is needed to preextreme care is needed to pre-
vent the pot from tipping over onto your feet. Cooking oil
one boiling at 325 degrees is hot
enough to cook your hhoes.
Its imperative that you read It's imperative that you read
the instructions with this prod the instructions with this prod-
uct. Yes, you will have some uct. Yes, you will have some
fine tasting food, and at four
minutes per pound a minutes per pound, a pretty quick preparation time.
You probably think that You probably think that
Valorie and I are eating a lot of
chicken and turkey but that's Valorie and I are eating a lot of
chicken and turkey but that's
not so. I practiced on a few and not so. I practiced on a few and
gave them away to the neighgave them away to the neigh-
bors.
Sad note: Nowhere on the Sad note: Nowhere on the
box does it tell you that if you
clean the inside of the pots clean the inside of the pots
(and you will), you should use (and you will), you should use
care with the cloth you use to
clean it. Wash that clean it. Wash that rag separate
in hot hot water and hang it in in hot hot water and hang it in
the garage to dry.
I am sure that you will hear and s sure stories in you will hear future about house fires created by spontaneous combus-
tion. During the holiday buying
season there were stores that eason there were stores that
ran out of stock on this new cooker.
It's a great product but I whould like to meet the idiot who didn't know that vegetable American home. Stay tuned.
Joe Gagnon can now be heard on WWH-950 and WXYT-1270. He is a mem-
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| fter just about every sigquestions about leaking roofs, particularly near outside walls. Usually, ice dams cause | After any snowfall of 2 inches or more, get as much snow off your roof as you can reach. At least try to remove the snow from the eaves. | important. <br> Venting is the answer. Codes require that there be a minimum of 1 square foot of venting for every 150 square feet of |
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| Since shingles are designed to shed water, not hold water |  |  |
| the resulting pool works |  |  |
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| water damage inside the house |  |  |
| To help prevent these dams |  |  |
| from happening to your $h$ |  |  |
| you can do a few things: |  | Eccentric Newspapers, 805 E. Ma |



Orchid festival set at English Gardens

| English Gardens is dedicating an entire weekend to one of the world's most beautiful and <br> xotic flowers - the orchid. <br> The first English Gardens Orchid Festival, SaturdaySunday, Jan. 25-26, will feature two full afternoons of displays, expert growers and educational seminars on more than 50 varieties of the flower. <br> The weekend is geared for orchid lovers of all levels of expertise, featuring "how-to" lessons for the novice gardener and visits with orchid growers for avid enthusiasts. <br> Event hours are noon to 4 p.m. at all five English Gardens locations: 6370 Orchard Lake Road in West Bloomfield (phone (248) 851-7506), 4901 Coolidge Highway in Royal Oak (phone (248) 280-9500), 22650 Ford in Dearborn | Heights (phone (313) 2784433), 44850 Garfield in Clinton Township (phone (586) 286-6100), and 22501 Kelly Road in Eastpointe (phone (586) 771-4200). <br> Experts and growers discussing orchid care and handling; genealogical histories; displays and descriptions; and an open forum for questions and answers will be featured. <br> Wayne McGonigal, a member of the Worldwide Orchids speakers group and guest speaker on the HGTV's Way to Grow, will host the Introduction to Orchids educational seminar at the Royal Oak store 1 p.m. both days. Another seminar, Selecting a Greenhouse, will take place 11 a.m. Saturday in West Bloomfield, 3 p.m. Saturday in |
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| FROM PAGEC1 <br> moisture away from your skin, promoting the process by which your body naturally regulates its temperature. <br> Unlike wool, it has a soft touch and is lightweight. Down comforters are also lighter than polyester ones and, if well-cleaned, have less potential for dust mite accumulation. Frequently, individuals who believe they are allergic to | down are, in fact, having a reaction to dust mites, said Matz at Eddie Bauer. <br> Dust mites are a problem in down products either when the down hasn't been properly cleaned during manufacturing or the comforter is in need of routine cleaning, about every two to three years. <br> "For people who suffer from allergies, if you are truly allergic to birds then down is not for you. But if you are not, you are probably better off with a down product than a polyester one," said Matz. <br> The tight weave of down |






Hardy hibiscus will thrive in Michigan



Hardy hibiscus will thrive beautifully in our Michigan weather.
$\begin{array}{ll}\text { Fahrenheit, with no loss of col- } & \begin{array}{l}\text { The Explorer's Garden and his } \\ \text { orful flowers. }\end{array} \\ \text { latest, Winter Ornamentals. }\end{array}$ orful flowers.
Their zone range is from 10 to 3, which makes them quite uitable for our zone $5-6$. These plants bear more flowlat during a angs season that lasts from midsummer to hard
frost. They are also resistant to many diseases and seldom have pest problems. What
more could anyone want? Hardy hibiscus combine well with many perennial plants,
including daylilies and ornancluding dayililies and orna-
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suggests cutting the plants
back back to four-five inches after spring growth will rise from spring growt
the roots. For more information, visit
wwwhibiscuscentral.com

## ECTURE

Don't miss Daniel Hinkley, director of the famous
Heronswood Nursery Kingston, Wash., plant of explor er and author, who will be the
featured speaker 5 p.m. featured speaker 5 p.m.
Sunday, Jan. 26 at Goldner
Walsh Walsh Nursery RSVP to Goldner Walsh by phone, (248) 332-6430, or
mail, 559 Orchard Lake Road Pontiac. Cost per person is $\$ 14$
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ture that will include sides ture that will include slides,
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many, many unusual specimens, and a bog garden hidden on the grounds. That's just for
starters. starters.
This program is the first of This program is the first of
three in Goldner Walsh's Cabin Fever Lecture Series. If you want to make a day of
it, I will be speaking the same day at 1 p.m. at Matthaei Botanical Gardens, 1800
Dixboro Road Dixboro Road in Ann Arbor.
The subject will be Art in the The subject will be Art in the
Garden. The fee for the progran is $\$ 15$. Questions? Call
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I've dried tiny tears and big tears. My kids are my job,
my life. I try to make a point my life. I try to make a point
to be sure I have volunteered equally for each child,
offered adequate time to all. offered adequate time to all.
I've been banned from volunteering beyond the fifth grade. Chaperoning a Junior High Cedar Point trip
was flatly refused by both of my sons. They just didn't appreciate how badly I wanted to go to the amuse-
ment park for just the sheer fun of it all.
Tm thinking about offering to chaperone a couple of high school dances. I know I could whithstand the eye dag evening. We'll see how that
unfolds. unfolds.
Workin school classrooms once a month was always an eyeopening experience, giving
me a much-appreciated glimpse of a teacher's influence on my kids' lives. Nap time - my nap time
moved from an option to a necessity after a half-day of volunteering with 30 mentary students. As a volunteer parent, I've
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teer, Ive answered dozens of e-mail commands - the same kinds of edicts that to read.
As a volunteer, I've sat in meetings and fought for used dry erase boards and stinky markers to illustrate my plan. Once, I traveled with a leather portfolio th case. It was a heady experi-
I've begged local businesspulled in favors from friends. All for the benefit of the group/school//activity I particular time.
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Maybe one day, in between the basement sleep-
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pools, in between the dance and in between the bake sales, in between all the activities, I will have time to
look for a job that will pay Don't get my wrong, I've enjoyed all the volunteering, nose-wiping, carpooling, nal, ultimately, quality time with my children outside the house.
But no
frequency, with increasing husband shared with me years ago. Advice given Army officer, as my husband prepared for basic training: "Keep your feet dry and dont yol

Cathy Standish is a Plymouth resi-
dent and regular contributor to the dent and regular contributor to the e-mail at Cate1956@@ol.com.


Katie Schwalm, II, sings the national anthem at a recent Redford Unified high school hockey game. The young singer also perio

## A 'Whale' of a voice

Canton youngster hopes to parlay anthem singing into a career

By brad Kadrich
STAFF WRITER
If you don't count free tickets to Plymouth Whalers games, first paying gig of her young singing life this past Christmas season.
If she fulfills the promise the youngster has shown
since being captured on video standing a toy box singing into a microphone, it won't be her last. Folks around this area already know a lot about Schwalm, a Central Middle School student who sing the national anthem at Plymouth Whalers home
games and does the same for the Redford Unified high school hockey team.
She does some local festivals - Memorial Day in
Northville - and has done a telethon Downriyer Northile - and has ons, often being asked to sing "God Bless America" or "God Bless the USA." All of which
undaunted.
undaunted.
"I think its fun to perform for people"," said Katie, a
straight-A student straight-A student who made the Principal's List at Central. "I like showing them I don't just have a 'little kids voice. seriously, Now, however, it's gotten to the point where Katie's uncle, Bill Trail, has built a recording studio for her in his Canton home. They've recorded four CDs
The youngster has always shown an interest in The youngster has always shown an interest in
music. Her talent started becoming obvious to peop outside the walls of her own home when she was 7
when, in 1998, Katie sang the
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## Church hosts World Sabbath of Religious Reconciliation



Top of the World," when her Uncle Bill got married. lao nervous to do ding "It was great," Trail recalled. "After that, her talent was obvious. We started recording her on tape in the good enough."
That's when Trail, who works for the city of Northville, , built the studio in his basement. "We didn't know how seriously we should be at even care for it."
Apparently, they've decided. She's been to a number
of competitions - "She blew everyone away", a proud Kathy said of her daughter - and is building up some-
thing of a regional following. When she auditioned to be the new anthem singer for the Whalers at the start
of the season, she won that, too.
"When other people hear her sing, you don't get, niece. "You get, 'Wow!""
How serious is the family getting? Trail has recorded more than two dozen demo tapes to be sent to pro ducers and agents, feelers on whether Katie has a career ahead of her. Although everything theyve
recorded so far has been cover stuff, the family has a cousin in Nashville who wants to start writing music or her. It's all getting to be a bit much for the family to con tinue handling. That's why the demo tapes are going
out to agents and producers as the Schwalms try to plan what's best for Katie. "The family is getting to the point where we know
it's not our profession", Bill Trail said of handling any career his niece might have. "That's why we want to ind someone.", Katie wouldn't be the first musically gifted person in her family. Her great-aunt had a gospel album out
years ago. Theres the cousin who writes songs in years ago.
Nashville.
But her dad is pretty sure he knows where Katie gets the musical acumen.
"Its GGod's gift" said Matt Schwalm, an engineer for
Ford. "Ever sinte I Ford. "Ever since I can remember, since ṣhe was 2
years old, she's been singing" years old, she's been singing."
Even at this tender age, Mat Even at this tender age, Matt and Kathy Schwalm
want their daughter to pursue the singing only if it's what Katie wants. No decisions are made by the parents without first discussing it with the daughter.
"We don't ever make a decision", Kathy Schwalm said. "We sit down with Katie, and she says yes or no. If this is something she wants to do, then of course we
support her 100 percent. But $I$ want $t$ to support her 100 percent. But I want it to be some
thing she wants." For the record, it is. Katie, who also dances at Central City in Canton, smiles at the thought of going
on stage and singing for a living "I really want to on stage and singing for a living. "I really want to
become a professional singer", she said. "Il like being in become a professional singer," she said. "I like being in
front of people and performing. I've always loved it." bkadricheoe.homecomm.net |(734) 459-2700

The Rev. Edward Mullins of Christ Church Cranbrook (left) holds up the World Sabbath Peace Maker Award, Just presented to him and the chur
the Rev. Rod Reinhart, because of their active work for world peace.

$\underset{\substack{\text { By susan steinmueller } \\ \text { STAF wiTica }}}{ }$ STAF WRTER
Four years ago, two area
ministers joined hearts and hands to start an interfaith day of prayer for peace in the
Today, in the aftermath of $9 / 11$ and with talk of immi-
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World Sabbath of Religious
Reconciliation is needed mor Reconciliation
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"It's more needed because tids more needed because gious conflict touch
Americans far more Americans far more closely
than four years agoo," said the than four years ago,"
Rev. Rod Reinhart of Plymouth, who founded the
dyy while interim pastor of day while interim pastor of
Nativity Episcopal Church in Nativity Episcopal Church in
Bloomfield Township. "We
need to need to pray for an end to all
forms of violence, especially violence done in the name of
God."
GThis is a very pivotal and
crucial year for it crucial year for it with all that
is going on in the world, a going on in the worla,
agreed the Rev. Edward
Mulins Mullins, rector of Christ Church Cranbrook in Bloomfield Hills, which has
hosted the event since the first hosted the event since the first
year. "There are politicians
who who are using the name of
God to promote political ends."
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religious cooperation P are really coming together for

More information is on the Web site, www.worldsabbath.com.
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## PRAYER AND SONG

The fourth World Sabbath of Religious Reconciliation will begin at 7 p.m. Saturday,
Jan. 25 It will again be at Christ Church Cranbrook, Lone Pine Road between Telegraph and Woodward. lasty year.
This year's theme is "The
Power of Power of Prayer To Heal and Change the World" LLeaders of the Christian, tell how faith and prayer opens the doors for God to
enter in and heal the world said Reinhart, who now serves at St. Martha's Episcopal
Church in Detroit.
Featured speakers include
Najah Bazzy, a leading young Muslim woman from Michigan, Dr. Felix Rogers,
head of the Cranbrook Peace head of the Cranbrook Peace
Foundation, and Rabbi
Daniel Syme, chief rabbi of Dounial Syme, chief rabibi of
Temple Beth-El in Bloomfield Temple
Hills.
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Performing will be the com-
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Methodist Church of Southfield and Christ Churc

Cranbrook; and a dancing and
drumming drumming choir from Sudan,
formed by St. Paul's Episcopal Chrmed by St. Paul's. Episcopal
Church in Lansing. Mostof the members of the choir fled
religious persecution in their religious persecution in their
homeland. Afterwards, there will be a reception. The event is "per-
fect for kids students fect for kids, students, grown-
ups. Wonderful for the most ups. Wonderful for the most
deeply religious person as well
as the most deeply atheistic", as the most deeply atheistic,
said Reinhart. "It's a day for said Reinhart. "It's a day for
all people to turn away from
religious prejudice and fear." A WORLD DAY

Reilked art and Mullins have talked about the day in various cities around the world,
including Cape including Cape Town, South Afric
England.
anhat "What we are seeing is that prayer services like this
have been performed in have been performed in
Vancouver and Japan, and
other cities in the other cities in the world,"
Reinhert Reinhart said. "The World Sabbath has
created a model of interfaith worship that has allowed many interfaith groups to
effectively pray together for enfectively pray together for that they can express the
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## Throwing Stones....

The old sayng that "people in glass houses shouldn't throw stones" s a picturesque way o saying that people shouldn't udge others for sins which they themselves are gulty of This
is the proverbial "pot calling the kettle black." 1 reminds us of Jesus' advice to take the log is the proverbiar "pot califing the eettle black." It reminds us of Jesus' advice to take the log
out of your own eye before trying to remove the speck from your brother's eye (Matthew 7:4) We often seem to have a blind spot for our own sins, though we usually are quite
aware of these same sins in our neighbors. Again and again, Jesus tells us to "Judge not,


this in the Bible, is when a crowd brings to Jesus a woman who had been caught in the act of adultery. They put Jesus on the spot by saying. that "in the law Moses commanded us to stone such. What do you say about her?" (John $8: 5)$. Jesus' response is simple and
beautrully compassionate: "Let him who is without sin among you be the first to throw a stone at her" (John 8.7). One by one, they went away, leaving no one to condemn her Ultmate fudgment is reserved for God alone, and while God was here on earth in the form For we reserved his harshest wisdom for those who were hypocritically judgnental measure you give with be the measure you get



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Call (734) $453-5534$.
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who desire a copy of the roposal documents should contact

Western Tswnshandy Forrest All submittals must be received by February 14, 2003 at
11:00 am. A public opening of the proposals will immediately
folow the closing at the Middle Rouge offices located at 40905 Joy
Road.


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## CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON BOARD PROCEEDINGS - JANUARY 14, 2003

$\ddagger$ Keep the dumpsters and screen enclosure g
Insur the the Simes
Site Plan Requirements. The location and method of screening of
dumpsters shall be shown on all site plans and shall be subject to
the approval of the Plawning Cons the approval of the Play
2.28-MAINTENANCE OF SITE IMPROVEMENTS All site improvements on an approved site plan shall be maintained in
good condition. Site improvements include items such as; lighting
 oorddwalks, or gazebos, Any element within the site shall be repair
or replaced immediately upon notice from the Community Planner
Buildinc Offil

## Amend the following sections: <br> 5.05 - INSTALLATION AND MAINTENANCE

D. MAINTENANCE

Landscaping required by this Ordinance shall be warranted by the
developer for one (1) year from the date of aceeptance by the
Townshipip. Landscaping shall be continually maintere healthy, neat, and orderlis appearance, free from maeds, refuse and
debris by the owners of the property after the developer ho debris by the owners of the property after the developer has
completed all of the warranty replacements required by the
Townshin All unhealthy and deal peat Townstio. Al unhealthy and dead plant material shall be be
replaced immediately huon notice from the Building andor
Planning Official, unless the season is not appropriate for
 system is required of al proposed developments for all andscaped
and/or lawn areas. This requirenent may be waived by the
Planning Cormission if it is determined that the scope of the project is minimal and that the cost of installation of such
equipment would be probibitive to the evevopment of the site.
Trees, shrubs and other planting and lawn areas shall be weasered regularly throughout the growing season. All constructed
or manufacturd landsape elements such
henche but not ilited to enches, retaining walls, edging, the irrigation system, mulch
decorative lighting, landscape monuments. garden walls, or
fencing, and so forth, shall be maintained in good ondition and neat appearance. Rotted, deteriorated
elements shall be repaired or replaced.
5.08 - OBSCURING WALLS AND FENCES
A. OBSCURING WALLAND FENCE STANDARDS
5. Wall Specifications. Required obscuring walls shall comply
with the following height requirements, unless otherwise
specified in this Ordinance:
PURPOSE REQUIRED HEIGHT

To screen a non-residential use in a Commercrial, $\quad$ Six ( 6 ) ft .
Office, or Industrial iststict from addacent land
zoned for residential or agricultural use
To screen a non-residential use or parking areas in Four (4) ft.
a Residential district from adjacent land zoned for

Required walls shall be constructed of masonry material that which matches the primary masonry of the principal structure
on the site is arehitecturally compatibte with the materiats ased fon the facade of the principar structure on the site, sutch
as face brick, decorative block, or poured concrete with simulated brick or stone patterns. Stand ard concrete block
walls and poured or precast concrete walls with no deoerative
features are not permitted. Required walls shall be similarly
finished on all sides.
ARTICLE 6.00- SITE DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS APPLI-6.99- SITE DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS FOR THE D. GENERAL DESIGN PRINCIPLES

Density shall be determined in accordance with the
requirements set forth in Section 27.04D.5. Such
requirements are to be requirements are to be applied keeping in mind the objectives
of the Cherry Hill Area Development Plan, as follows: that




 the Design Guidelines.
Item 7. First Reading Amending the Satellite Television
Antenna Ordinance No. 13(A). Motion by Bennett, supported by Antena Ordinance No. 13(A). Motion hy Benett, supported by
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AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF
CANTON CODE BY AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 13 . SATELITTE
 FROR APPEALS AND PROVTION REQUUREMENTS; PROVIDINS PENATITS, REEEAL,
SEVERABLITY, SAVINGS CLAUSE, AND EFFECTIVE DATE.
THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON ORDAINS:
Section 1. OBJECTIVE. This section provides for that the purpose
of this Ordinance is to protect the public health, safety and welfare and particularly with regard to residentially zoned didstricts to
presereve aesthetics and to ominimize visual impacts. It is the intent of
this Ordinance to be consistent with and implement the Federa thereunder. Section 2. GENERAL PROVISIONS. This section provides that no
antenna shall be erected, constructed, or maintained or operated
except in conformance with the provisions of this ordinance. Section 3. DEFINITIONS. This section provides for the definition Section 4. Location and height requirements. Thi section provides for the location and height requirements. Section 5. CONSTRUCTION REQUIR
provides for the construction requirements.
Section 6. PENALTIES. This section provides that any person or
entity that violates any provision of this Ordin entity that vivalates any provision of provis orser that any person or may upor
conviction, be fined not more than Five Hundred ( $\$ 500000$ ) Dollars o conviction, be fined not more than Five Hundred $(\$ 500.00$ ) Dollars or
imprisoned not more than Ninety $(90)$ days, or both, in the discretion of
the court. Section 7. REPEAL. This section provides that all Ordinances or Section 7. REPEAL. This section provides that all Ordinances
parts of Ordinanees in conflict herewwith are hereby repeaded only
the extent necessary to give this Ordinance full force and effect. Section 8. SEVERABILITY. This section provides that any
unenforceable section can be severed from the rest of the Ordinance. Section 9. SAVINGS CLAUSE. This section provides that adoption Section 9. SAVCNGS CLAUSE. This section provides that adoptaion
of this Orinanee does not affect proceedings. prosecutions of violation
of law, penalties and matured dights and duties in effect before the of law, penalties and matured
effective date of this Ordinance.
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widows and widowers, suicide loss, other losses due to death. Call (248) $348-0115$
Donn Sydrom
The Down Syndrome Support Group of
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Western Wayne County meets at $6: 30$ p.m.the second Tuesday of each month at the Plymouth District Library This group hosts speakers an vides support, physician referrals, and the letest information of formamilies
with chidren/ adults with Down symdrome.
The focus is on the up-side of Down
syndrome and syndrome and members look for ways
to help children and their development to help c ciildren and their develop
in papsitive environment. Call Michelle Gonzalez at (734) 516-
O746. ${ }_{\text {Families Anonymous }}^{\text {O746 }}$ Families Anonymous meets monthly at
8 p.m. Thursdays at St. John Neumann 8 ..... Thurssayys at St. John Neumann
Church, 48800 Warren Road, Canton. This group provides support for fami-
lies and friends concerned about the use of mind-attering substances such as al alcohol, drugs or behavior problems
of a loved of a loved one.
Call (734) 416-0315.
Hands Across She Water
Hands Across The Water holds Adopting Older Kids Wat $(A-K K 1)$ meetings fourth Thursday of each There is a 55 fee.
They also sponsor an adoption book
discussion group from $7-9$ p.m. the discussion group from 7 -9.9.m. the group is free. Call to register at (734)
477 -0135. 4770035 .

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON REQUEST FOR BID

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Charter Township of
Canton, 1150 Canton Center S, Canton, Michigan will accept Canton, 1150 Canton Center S, Canton, Michiran will aceep
sealed bids at the Office of the Clierk up to 3:00 p.m. Thursday
February 13th, 2003 for the following: HOUSING REHAB
EFAD Bid forms may be picked up at the Finance and Budget
Department counter or you max contact Mike Sheppard at (734)
394-5205 All bids mus bo ${ }^{\text {De }}$ 39452225. All bids must be submitted in a sealed envelope clearly marked with the proposal name, company name, address an

telephone number and date and time of bid opening. The Townshi | reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals. The |
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| Township does not discriminate to the basis of race. color national | origin, sex, religion,

provision of services. TERRY G. BENNETT,
Publsh January 23, 2003
dinance shall become effective upon second publication.
[Copies of the completetecext of this Sordinance will be available after doption and second pubbication at the Clerrs' Office, 1150 S. Canto
Center Road, Canton, Michigan during regular businsss hours or ca
be accessed through the Canton Web Site: www Canton-miorg Item 8. Approval of Specialized Transportation Bus Agreement
with Huron Valley Ambulance. Motion by Bennett, supported by urdziak to approve the Speciaizized Transportation Bus Agreemen
ith Huron Valley Ambulance for the purchase of a oouteen bus for $\$ 12,153.61$ per year over a five year period (2003-2007)
Motion carried unanimusly
Item 9 Ap
 o approve the contract with Expo Kitchen and Bath, Ltd., for custom
made cabinets for the Bartheltt Travis House kitchen for $\$, 398$ with a
ten percent octingency of $\$ 739$ for a total amount of $\$ 8,137$. Motion en percent contingency of
caried unanimously
tem 10. Apor

 Service Directory and Calendar. Motion carried unanimously
Item 11. Award Housing Rehabilitation Contrat. Motion by
Bennett, supported by Shefferly to award the contract for housing ehabililtation for the Round Table Westa address to tract for forse housine
mprovement in the amount of $\$ 23,560$ plus a contingency of $\$ 1,440$ It a total of $\$ 25,000$. Motion carried unanimously,
 the creation of a Secretary IV IV pospition for the reflery to approveve
Department and the filling of this position. Motion carried unanimously,
Item 13. Request to Purchase Bannerman Diamondmaster
Infield Gromer approve the purchase of the Bannerman Diamondmaster Infield Groomer for the ballfield maintenance to Mid America S.ales
Associates in the amount of $\$ 6,812.75$. Motion carried unanimously. Associates in the amount of \$6,82.75. Motion carried unanimously.
Item 14. Request to Purchase Carron Monoxide System for
Canto L Leisure Services ParskRGC Building. Motion by
bennett, supported by Kirchater to award the purchase of Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to award the purchase of
ventilation system for the Parks/Grounds Maintenance building to
Leeth Heating and Air Conditioning for a cost not to
 amendment for this purchase: : Increase Revenues: Appropriation from
fund Balance \#101-00-699-0000 $\$ 4,840$ Increase Approvriation
 $\$ 1,897,322$, and the General Fund bud
$\$ 22,950,640$. Motion carried unand
Item 1. Create and Fill for a Continuing Part Time Clerical
Position for Leisure Services. Motion by Bennett, supported b b Position for Leisure Services. Motion by Bennett, supported by
Shefferly to create and fill a continuing part-time position for the
for carried unanimously.
tem 16. Consider Approval of Request for Extension of
Contracted Servies for Landscape Inspection Services
Planner (Planning Servicese.). Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter (Planning Services. Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgater
to approve the request to extend the contract with Carisle/Wortman
Associates. Inc. to provide landscaping and subdivision in inpection services for FY2003 as outlined above utilizizing available nototracted
service funds (101-371-818-000) in an amount not to exceed
$\$ 770000$. 70,000.00). Motion carried unanimously.
ltem 17. Appove the Purchase of Recware Safari Computer
Software and Supporting Hardware for the Leisure Services Software and
Department.
Motion by Benn
Deparion byent. Benett, supported by McLLughlin to approve the purchase
of Recware Safari computer software from Sierra Digital in an amount Recware Safari computer software from Sierra Digital in an amoun amount not to exceed $\$ \$ 15,000$. Motion carried unapimoussly
tem 18. Appointment to the Planning Commission. [Moved up in the agenda to bo he heara doterer Item G-4]
Next week the Board will meet in
Next week the Board will meet in study session re: Merit Commission
recommendations on non-union employee fringe benefit including anguage changens ond non- clarifications employee fringe benefitit including
Motion by Bennett, supported by McLuaghlin to adiol policy manual.

THOMAS YACK
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ERRY G. BENNETTM
Clerk

Antczak-Clark Plymouth are proud to announce the engagement of
their daughter, Dr. Lara Antczak, to Dr. Dorrance Dean Montana.
Montana.
Dr. Antczak is a 1997 gradu ate of the University of Michigan and a 2002 graduate
of the University of Michigan Dental School. Dr. Clark is a 1997 graduate of the University of Nebraska
associated with Indian Health Services and a 2002 graduate of the University of Michigan Dental School. Alanned at Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church in Plymouth with the Rev. Doc
Ortmann officiating. After Ortmann officiating. After
wedding trip to Hawaii, the couple will reside in Arizona

Doherty-Lauster James and JoAnn Doherty of
Sterling Heights Sterling Heights are proun to
announce the engagement of their daughter, Colleen Doherty to Timothy Lauster,
son of Timothy and Noreen son of Timothy an.
Lauster of Canton.
Colleen is a 1994 graduate of Stevenson High School in
Sterling Heights; and of Wayne Sterling Heights; and of Wayne
State University. She is currently employed as a pharma cist at Beaumont Hospital. Timothy is a 1994 graduate
of Catholic Central and holds a computer engineering degree from Michigan State
University He is University. He is currently a
graduate student in the Eli graduat Busudent in the Michigan State.
A May 10,2003 , A May 10, 2003, wedding is
planned at St. Ephrem Catholic Church in Sterling Heights.


| NEW ARRIVALS |  |
| :---: | :---: |
| Brandon Gramer | Janowski |
| Anthony and Sunshine | Gordon and Shari Janow |
| Gramer of Canton announce | of Canton proudly announ |
| the birth of their son, Brandon | the birth of their son, Benjamin |
| Anthony, on Sept. 16, 2002 at | Wiliam Janowski. |
| Garden City Hospital. | He arrived on Dec. 3 at |
| Proud grandparents are Barb | 5:16 p.m., weighed 9 lbs. |
| Kish and Ray Jonakait of | 3oz., and was $211 / 2$ inches |
| Saugatuck, Paul Kish and Jan | long. |
| Pearsall of Woodhaven; and | He joins older sisters, |
| Tony and Maria Gramer of | Paige,3, and Anna 11 |
| Canton. | months. |


| REUNIONS |  |
| :---: | :---: |
| As space permits, the Observer \& | For information about the Girls Catholic |
| Eccentric Newspapers print, without | Centra of Detroit 40th reunion, call |
| charge, announcements of class | Jan Sefeld (248) 398 -7777 or Nancy |
| reunions. Send the information to | Nowak Kush (313) 29-11165. |
| Reunions, Observer \& Eccentric | Chadsey High School |
| Newspapers, ,794 S:Main, Plymouth, | Class of 1953 Jan./June |
| MI., 48170. Please include the date of | A 50 -year class reunion being held on |
| the reunion, one contact person, and a | Sept. 19,2003 , at the Warren Valley |
| telephone number. | Goff Club on Warren and Beech Daly in |
|  | Dearborn Heights. Contact Fred Osada |
| lic Cent | 8-9828 for further informa- |
| lass of 1961 | tion. |

Hess-Short Darrel Hess of Michigan City,
Ind. announces the engageInd. announces the engage-
ment of his daughter, Gretchen
Desaree Hess to ment of his daughter, Gretchen
Desaree Hess to Andrew Timothy Short, son of Carl and
Mary Short of Plymouth. Gretchen is a 1996 graduate of Ball State University with a
bachelor of science in journalbachelor of science in journal-
ism/public celations. She is currently employed as a translator/teacher of American sign language with Deaf Services,
Inc. in Merrivile, Ind. Anc. indrew is a 1999 graduate of West Point Military Academy
and is currently and is currently a captain in the
United States Army stationed United States Army stationed
at Fort Campell, Ky. An April 5,2003 , wedding is planned at St. Paul Lutheran

Squier Wedding April and Alan Squier are
proud to announce their mar-
riage.
The
The wedding was performed
at The Little Wedding Chapel in Taylor with a reception at Crystal Gardens in Southgate.
Performing the ceremony was Performing the ceremony was
Mike Krowisz. The couple now resides in Canton.
ler Xuereb
Katherine and Steven Xuereb of their son, Tyler Steven Xuereb, on Oct. 9,2002 at
Garden City Hospital. Garden City Hospital. Proud grandparents are Terry
and Karen Roberts of Canton and Frank and Gail Xuereb of Whitmore Lake.
Hailey Coleman
Veronica Stoll and Michael
Coleman, both of C $C$ anton Coleman, both of Canton,
announce the birth of their announce the birth of their
daughter, Hailey Lynette Coleman, on Nov. 9,2002 at Garden City Hospital. Proud grandparents are Gary
and Cindy Stoll of Adrian and and Cindy Stoll of Adrian and
Michael Coleman and Barb Rush of Canton.
Anthony Olsen
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Kelly Renea Jones of Canton
and Chris Olsen of and Chris olsen of Detroit
announce the birth of their son, announce the birth of their son,
Anthony Michael Olsen on Oct. Anthony
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Hospital Garden City
Hospital.
Anthony
Anthony joins siblings, Gary
Vroom, J. 7. 7 ; Chris Olsen, J., 5 ; Rikki Vroom, 5; and Kristen
Oisen 3 , Olsen, 3, at home.
Proud grandparents are Rick and Shelly Jones of Wayne and
Bob and Sheila Olsen of Tayior Emily Sajewski Canton announce the birth of their daughter, Emily Virginia Sajewski on Nov. 2, 2002 at
Henry Ford Hospital in Detroit. Heny Ford Hospital ing,
Shin siblings, Jennifer, 16; Sarah, I1; and Hannah, , at home.
Proud grandparents are Pround grandparents are
Edmund and Theresa Sajewski of Detroit and David
and Mary Ann Mahey of and Mary Ann Mahey of
Ruskin, Fla. Great-grandp Ruskin, Fila Great-grandpar
ent is William H. Mahey of Glendale, Ariz.
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sions winter indoor traine will be5:30-7.m...every Monday evening beginining
Jan. 27 at the
Univesity of Michigan Coliseum located at




CC seeking to defend its Observerland crown again

By BRAD MONASTIERE
STAFF WRITER
Although the showdowns aren't you'd see on some Civil War drama, th term "neighbor vs. neighbor" definitely applies to an upcoming event. Saturday, prep wrestling teams from alo over the area will converge on Liv
Churchill High School for the 12th
annual Observerland Wers. annual Observerland Wrestling Mee The action gets under way at 9 am.
WRESTLING

Churchill too much for Salem

By C.J. RISAK
STAFF WRITER
This is a volleyball match that always offers something special.
Remer last teason? Salem Remember last season? Salem
beat Livonia Churchill during the regular season, but the Chargers shocked the state-ranked Rocks in
he championship match of the The championship match of thes Association Tournament, beating them 15-0, 15-7. Churchil had to forfeit that victo ry, which made the state district of a grudge match. Salem won it
three hard-fought sets. Fast-forward to this sea Churchill has looked even stronger than last year's squad, and while won 12 of its first 15 matches. Which meant Wednesday's confrontation at Salem should, in all
likelihood, follow tradition and be likelihood, follow tradition and be a end. nated, from start to finish, crushing 15-4, 15-6.
The win pushes the Chargers' record to $19-4-1$ overall, $2-0$ in the
WLAA. Salem is $12-4$ overall, $1-1$ in the conference.
Asked if this was the kind of
match he envisioned Churchil match he envisioned, Churchi" the one we anticipated. We played extremely well. Things worked for
us. We played solidy, offensively us. We played sol
and defensively. "We ju
takes." takes, Salem coach Tom Teeters could
offer few excuses for the lopsided loss. "We were not very competiPIEASE SEE CHURCHILL, D3
dominant team in recent years at Observerland. The Shamrocks captured
the 2002 title, have won three of the past four events and five overall. Longtime coach Mike Rodriguez says he doesn't keep track of who the other
contenders for the tournament crown contenders but realizes his tounnament crown are, but realizes his team has a target on
its back because of its past success here. its back because of its past success here.
"We know those teams would like to beat us pretty badly because our kids left last
those communities to come here," he
said. "It's just a backyard tournament, lineup. where everyone comes from the immedi-
ate area. Were going into this tournament with the idea were going to win it:" The Shamrocks should have plenty of
company among teams yying for the Observerland trophy. Livonia Stevenson has racked up a 20-4 dual meet record ho far this season, and Westland John Glenn, despite losing eight seniors from
last year's team, is solid up and down the

PLeas SeE OBSERVERLAND, D2


## Crusader revenge

Madonna shocks
Cornerstone
Just nine days ago, when for a Wolverine-Hosier Athletic Conferencer mens basketbal game, Madonna University wast
edan impressive comeback and edan impressi
lost $y$ seven.
college basketball
So close, and yet it got away
down the stretch - leaving on down the stretch - leaving on pen, when the Crusaders would win a big conference game, when
they would at least win 10 games they would
Well, the wondering is over On Tuesday at 10th-ranked Cornerstone, Madonna outsho process, outscored them in posting an 83-80 upset victory. With the win, the Crusade even their overall record wHC
10 ; they are $2-4$ in the WHAC Cornerstone slips to $16-5$ overall, ${ }^{3-2 \text { in the conference. }}$ Madonna played solidy throughout, thanks in particular to strong play from their two
senior starters, Dan Kurtinaitis senior starters, Dan Kurtinaitis
and Aaron Cox. Kurtinaitis led the Crusaders with 25 points and
had five assists. Cox collected 22 points (3-for-3 from 3-point
range) and five rebounds Other significant contribut were Noel Emenhiser, with 15 points and 10 rebounds, and
Chris Behrns, with 13 points and Chris Behrns, with 13 points
six boards. Cornerstone got 28 points from Bryan Foltice, 14 (and 13 rebounds) from Keith Wurn

## Zebras' stampede crushes Chiefs

BY C.J. RISAK
STAFF WRITER
Half good.
Or good for a half. However you look at it,
Canton played well for the first Canton played well for the first two quarters
Tuesday, then lost its focus. And after a decen first half, Wayne Memorial turned it up in the The re The result was a 30-15 third-quarter blitz
the Zebras that led to an 84-63 triumph at Canton in a Western Lakes Activities Associatio crossover basketball game.
Canton fell to $3-8$ overall, the Chiefs are $1-2$ in the Western Division. Wayne is Chief averall, and remains $2-1$ in the Lakes Division. "I know they're Lood," Canton coach Jeremy more than 80 points."
Not when your team plays the way the Chiefs did in that third quarter.
"We got them a little bit on the press, and we also got some cheap baskets on run-offs," Wayne
coach Wayne Woodard said. "Guess that proves it's always good to be unselfish."
Not much went wrong for the Zebras in th open the half; Jonathan Raspberry scored an Wayne's two-point halftime lead had doubled It wouldn't stay that way for long.

Please Se zebras, D4

D.J.Bridges (40) tries to move the ball upcourt under heavy defensive pressure from Wayne's Jonathan Raspberry. Bridges scored 25 points

Whalers start weekend slow, but finish fast Hey, everyone hiccups once in a while.
Thats the only way to explain what happened to
the Plymouth Whalers last weekend. They played hree Ontario Hockey League games in three days, the first one at home against the Kingston Frontenacs (last place in the OHL's East Division) en next two on the road - at Erie (second in the Calculate all that information and try to figure when the Whalers would be the most physically and
mentally fatigued. Sunday, their third game in three ays, right? And on the road days, right? Ano on the road. And when would they meet the toughest competition? Perhaps Saturday at Erie; the Otters have always been rough o
So which game of the three did they win? Which
did they tie? And which did the did they tie? And which did they lose?
If you followed the If you followed the above-listed information, you guessed wrong. The Whalers lost 3-2 Friday to Erie 2-2 Saturday at Erie; and they defeated the St. Michael's Majors $6-4$ Sunday in Toronto.
Through Sunday, Plymouth remains first in the

PLEASE SEE WHALERS, D5

Did you miss the deadline for Thursday's Classifieds?

# Canton gets a dual-meet split at tourney 


records.
"We wrestled well," added Randolph.
"(With so many kids out) it allowed our "(With so many kids out) it allowed our
young kids to wrestle varsity and get young kids to wrestle varsity and ge
varsity experience." Last Thursday at Walled Lake Western, the Chiefs lost 64-18. That and
Saturdays results left them with a $7-14$ Saturday's results left them with a $7-14$
overall record, $0-3$ in the Western Lakes overall record, $0-3$ in
Activities Association. All the Canton points came on falls.
Breitmeyer pined Tyysyn Breitmeyer pinned Trystyn Seaman in
$3: 51$ at 119; Bergma pinned Chris Yezbick in 1:58 at 130; and Larsen
pinned Tony Peretto in 1.35 at pinned Tony Peretto in $1: 35$ at 17.1.
Canton hosts Livonia Churchil in a WLAA dual at 7 p.m. tonight.

SALEM'S GOETHE SPARKLES
Salem traveled to the Williamston Invitational Saturday with a depleted squad, but still had several outstanding performances - not the least of which came from Mike Goethe at 135 pounds.
Goethe won his division with a $4-0$ match record, including a $5-4$ victory over Craig Gillison of Benzie Centralwhich was chosen as the "Match of the
Day." Day. Rocks came f who was second with a 3 -1 mark; Pete Bobee at 125 ( $2-2$ record), Alan Mlyne
at $130(2-2)$ at 130 ( $2-2$ ) and Jeremy Walker at 275
(2-1), all finishing fourth; and Mike
Dendrinos at 199 , who was sixth (2-2). Last Thursday, the Rocks edged
Northville $38-27$ at Northville in a WLAA dual meet. Winners for Salem were Stump at
112, 14-6 over Mike Carter; Mly 112, $14-6$ over Mike Carter; Mlynek at
125, a pin of Mike Farina in 1.50; Bobe at 130 , a pin of John Manica in 1:40; Goethe at 135 , a pin of Brad Ashley in
$1: 36$; Tony Stott at 145 , 15 , 1:36; Tony Stott at $145,15-7$ over Bill
Riegner; Will Schultzat 152 , a pin of Rick Riegner in 4:29; and Walker at 275, a pin of Marc Nueller in :21.
Salem hosts Walled Salem hosts Walled Lake Central in a
WLAA dual meet at 6:30 p.m. tonight.


## 'Cats win Madonna; Agape edges PCA

Five matches resulted in five wins and a championship for Plymouth HS's all-freshmen volleyball team Saturday at Madonna University. The victories improved th Wildcats' record to 22-1. Plymouth opened the tourwin (rally scoring) over the Farmington freshmen. A 27 25, 25-20 triumph over with a $25-20,25-15$ victory over Belleville and a $26-24,25$ 15 win over Waterford Mott Completing In the semifinals, Plymouth beat Novi $25-19,25-19$, folumph over Birmingham Marian in the finals. "It was a very, very nice job, said Plymouth, coach Kelly McCausland. "Tm really proud of the girls.<br>In particular, their compo"'T'm surprised with having group of freshmen respond so

well in pressure situations," she
said. "We can be down said. We can be down two or
three points, and they know they have to step it tup Several players had superb outings Saturday, especially
setter $S$ setter Sarah Haskins and mid
dle hitter Jeanine Mois dle hitter Jeanine Moise.
Haskins finished the tourna Haskins finished he tourna-
ment with 30 set assists and service aces; Moise had 22 kill
and eight service aces; Mo
and eight aces.
"Haskins play
dous," skaid McCausland. "She knew exactly where and who to
set it to "And set it to. "And Jeanine Moise,
my middle hitter, pretty much my middle hitter, pretty muc
dominated the middle. dominated the mide.
Other standouts were Kim Olech with 10 kills and 10 aces,
Jackie Dorre with Jackie Dorre with 10 aces and
Janet Hanchett with eight aces AGAPE EDGES PCA

Canton losing a close first set, Canton Agape Christian bat-
tled back to win the next and defeat Plymouth Christion Academy 13-15, 15-10, 15-4 Academy $13-15,15$
Tuesday at PCA.

Emily Tong was exceptional as setter for Agape, which mproved to 5 -4. Tong collect-
ed 35 set assists. Lisa Ther finished with 16 kills to lead the Wolverines, with Amy Henry adding 10 kills. Andrea Hough finished
with nine digs. with nine digs.
AGAPE STOPS WAYN
Good start, floundering mid die, solid finish. That describes formance Friday at Wayne Agape came out stron Agape came out strong,
beating the Zebras $15-10$ in the opening match. However,
Wayne bounced back to knock of ayne bounced back to knock
of the Wolverines $15-3$ in Game No. 2. Making the third game decisive, and it was
Agape that pulled it out gapap that pulled it out, edg-
ing Wayne 16-14. Lisa Ther led the Wolverines with seven kills and four blocks. Amanda
Thashnick had six kills C Thashnick had six kills, Carrie Sneed 0 thet and
totaled 25 set assists.
on a kill error by the Rocks, a
service ace service ace by Morkert and
another kill by Phillips.
Salem never got closer than Salem never got closer than
four after that four after that. Three kills by
Jacqui Gatt on Kristyna Arche Jacqui Gatt on Kristyna archer
serve led to the final four point and a $15-4$ outcome in Game "One of the things that concerned us, one of Salem's strengths is that they have two topspin servers", said Hughes.
"We worked on that in practice "We worked on that in practice all week. They passed every on
of those topspin serves)."
With that weapon eliminat

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Mercy bumps Blazers

By DAN OMEAR
STAFF WRITER
Lady Luck smiled on coach
Ed Ruhl and his Farmington Ed Ruhl and his Farmington
Hills Mercy volleyball team Tuesday night when they enter-
tained rival Livonia Ladywood tained rival Livonia Ladywood. were missing their top player, 5-foot-10 senior hitter Kristen
Bachor, who was sick with the Bachor, who was sick with the
flu. The Marlins capitalized on
her absence but still needed her absence but still needed
three games to win the Catholic League Central Division match
$15-10,7-15,15-7$. "We knew it would be a lot lighter battle than normally
with Ladywood," Ruhl said. with Ladywood," Ruhl said.
"Even without 70 percent of Even without 70 percent of
their offense, they were still
that good. that good.
"We were lucky to get them when Kristen Bachor was sick. It's better to be lucky than
good, but they battled real good, but they battled real
tough. tit say
It says a lot about
Ladywood, because they went three without the majority of
their offense." Mercy improved to $4-1$ in the
. Mercy improved to 4-1 in the
division and $46-16$ in all games
Ladywood which defer Ladywood, which defeated
Mercy in the Central Michigan Mercy in the Central Michigan
tournament final last month, is tournament
$3-6$ inal last month
$25-6$ in matches. The Blazers rebounded. from
the first-game loss to eventually the first-game loss to eventual
dominate the second game Tuesday.
Ladywood was slow to get
rolling and trailed early Lolling a and trailed early, but it
found the spark it needed with five straight service points by Amy Szymanski for a $6-2$ lead, which the Blazers never lost. Danielle Palasak, Laura
Sirgedas, Rachael Malenfant Sirgedas, Rachael Malenfant
and Szymanski led the attack Ladywood gradually, between a
host of sideouts, put the game host of sideouts, put the game
away. But the third game was virtu-
ally all Mercy, which estabally all Mercy which estab-
lished an 8 -1 lead following lished an 8 -1 lead following
four service points by Katie four service points by Katie
McDonald, who had two aces during the run.
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$\begin{aligned} & \text { attackers. It was something the } \\ & \text { couldn't do consistently, eviden }\end{aligned}$
in the Chargers scoring the first
$\begin{aligned} & \text { nine points in Game Two. } \\ & \text { Statistics proved it In the }\end{aligned}$
$\begin{aligned} & \text { Statistics proved it. In the two } \\ & \text { games, Salem totaled } 11 \text { kills. }\end{aligned}$
$\begin{aligned} & \text { games, Salem totaled } 1 \text { Nor } \\ & \text { Lauren Price accounted for }\end{aligned}$
$\begin{aligned} & \text { seven of those. Jordan Falcusan, } \\ & \text { the Rocks' setter had 11 set }\end{aligned}$
$\begin{aligned} & \text { the Rocks' setter, had II set } \\ & \text { assists. } \\ & \text { "You just can't hope they'll }\end{aligned}$
$\begin{aligned} & \text { "You just can't hope theyl } \\ & \text { "Youe mistakes," said Teeters. }\end{aligned}$
"You've got to be aggressive.
They h hard.
"Once you get to the Churchill
level, you have to level, you have to step it ur. Ou
serve reception just failed us." serve reception jurty the confer-
It's still a bit early; ence season is just two matches
old. But to make the jump to old. But to make the jump to
title contender, the Rocks will title contender, the Rocks
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Phillips (18) looks on in the fores Philips (18) looks on in the foreground.
$\begin{array}{ll}\begin{array}{ll}\text { The Blazers closed the mar- } \\ \text { gin to } 8-7 \text {, but the Marlins }\end{array} & \begin{array}{l}\text { Marlins didn't exploit the pres- } \\ \text { ence of the } 6 \text {-foot-3 Kuykendall }\end{array}\end{array}$ in to $8-7$, but the Marlins
surged again with Sarah Switaj,
ence of the 6 -
in the middle chlog Kraft and Anne
Choosevelt combining to serve $\quad \begin{aligned} & \text { in the middie. } \\ & \text { "We've been having issuen } \\ & \text { with setting }\end{aligned}$ Roosevelt combining to serve with setting her," Ruhl said.
the final seven points. the final seven points.
"We completely lacked any
"We need to find the range a
faster and better. It took us to intensity at allet," Ladywood any faster and better. It took us to coach Erin Craggs said of the the third game before
setting the right spot.
"hird game "We were mising third game. "We were missing
Bachor, but that shouldn't have $\begin{gathered}\text { "We have two young setters } \\ \text { were working with, and we }\end{gathered}$ $\begin{array}{ll}\text { Bachor, but that shouldn't have } \\ \text { had anything to do with it. } & \begin{array}{l}\text { were working with, and we } \\ \text { need to get better at setting to }\end{array} \\ \text { "Win }\end{array}$ $\begin{aligned} & \text { had ant needed kids to step up, } \\ & \text { and } \\ & \text { and it didn't happen. Ijust } \\ & \text { certain spot. } \\ & \text { "Otherwise the het hitters wan }\end{aligned}$ $\begin{aligned} & \text { and it didn't happen. I just, } \\ & \text { think Mercy wanted it a lot }\end{aligned}$ $\begin{aligned} & \text { certain spot. } \\ & \text { utotherwise, the hitters wan } \\ & \text { to wait and hang out and see }\end{aligned}$ $\begin{array}{ll}\begin{array}{l}\text { to wait and hang out and arcy wanted it a lot } \\ \text { more, and they showed a lot }\end{array} & \begin{array}{l}\text { where the ball is going." }\end{array}\end{array}$ more guts and determination
in the third game. $\begin{aligned} & \text { Ruhl was pleased to see his } \\ & \text { team recover from the secon }\end{aligned}$ $\begin{aligned} & \text { in the third game. } \\ & \text { iI just hope the girls can pick }\end{aligned} \begin{aligned} & \text { team recover from the sec } \\ & \text { game collapse to win the }\end{aligned}$ $\begin{array}{ll}\begin{array}{ll}\text { "I just hope the girls can pick } \\ \text { up some intensity to finish out }\end{array} & \begin{array}{l}\text { game collapse to } \\ \text { match, however. }\end{array}\end{array}$ up some intensity to finish out
the Catholic League. We put
ourselves in a hard spot to
make a run for it." $\begin{aligned} & \text { match, however. } \\ & \text { "We started playing a little } \\ & \text { more relaxed (in the third } \\ & \text { game)," he said. "I don't know }\end{aligned}$ Roosevelt had 15 kills, Tessa gore relaxed (in the third game)," he said. "I don't know
why, but we seem to relax when Kuykendall eight and Meredith $\quad$ eny pressure is on. Kuykendall also had five blocks and McDonald seven digs. and McDonald seven digs.
Most of the Mercy sets went he system works. They just to the outside hitters, and the the third game, they were.",


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## Defense leads Lady Ocelots past Wayne

| women's basketball team lim ited Wayne County CC to a mere 14 baskets Saturday in rolling to a $65-45$ triumph at SC. |
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| The win impr |
| Ocelots' re |
| $3-1$ in the Michigan |
| Community College Ath |
| Association's Eas |
| Conferen |
| 7 overall, $3-2$ in |
| While SC converted 25 |
| 61 floor shots in the game |
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## CRUSADERS

The Golden Eagles led 41ing 13-of-29 first-half floor
shots (44.8 percent shots (44.8 percent) they
could convert just 12 -of- 38 in could convert just 12 -of- -38 in
the second ( 31.6 percent). Madonna was more consistent: the Crusaders hit 14-of-
31 in the first half 45 31 in the first half (45.2 per-
cent), $14-$ of-28 in the second (50 percent). Also,
Cornerstone made just 7 -ofCornerstone made just 7 -of-
22 -pointers ( 31.8 percent) 22 3-pointers (31.8 percent)
Madonna was 8 -of-16 ( 50 percent).
The win The win was the Crusaders'
second straight in WHAC second straight in WHAC play atter suffering four conMadonna 80, Spring Arbor 77: Last Saturday at Spring
Arbor, Madonna - in a game that was close most of the way - made just enough free throws down the
edge the Cougars. Spring Arbor fell to 11-11
overall, $1-3$ in the WHAC with the loss.
The Cougars owned the biggest lead of the game, a 3 pointer by Mike Folkert giv-
ing them a $25-15$ lead midway ng them a $25-15$ lead
through the first half. Madonna's biggest lead came when it counted: with $2: 43$
left in the game, a Chris eft in the game, a Chris
Behrns' basket put it ahead 77-69.
Spring Arbor was able to
trim that deficit to two, $79-7$. trim that deficit to two, 79-77,
on another Folkert triple (he
had four in the game) with 33 on four in the game) with 33
had
seconds left. But two more attempts in those final sec
onds missed Madonna got 27 points and eight rebounds from Noel
Emenhiser, including 6 -of-12 Emenhiser, including 6
on 3-point tries. The on 3-point tries. The
Crusaders also got 22 points, four assists and three steals,
from Dan Kurtinaitis, and 15 from Dan Kurtinaitis, and 1
points, seven boards, four
assists and two steals from Aaron Cox. Those four accounted for 74.
team's 80 points. The Cougars got 20 points
from Folkert and 19 from from Folkert and Ryan Walter.
Although were outrebounded in the game ( $40-33$ ), they hit 29 -of-
59 flor shots ( 49.2 percent 59 floor shots (49.2 percent),
while Spring Arbor made $28-$ while Spring Arbor made 28
of-64 (43.8 percent). And
while while Madonna was a mere $3-1$
of-7 from the line in the last of-7 from the line in the last
minute, the Crusaders did make 15 -of-21 for the game (71.4 percent); the Cougars were $12-$ of- 15 ( 80 percent)
Schoolcraft 99 , Wayne CcC 59: Five players reached double figures in scoring. Nine scored five points or
more.
That's why Schoolcraft College remained unbeaten in the Michigan Community
College Athletic Association's Eastern Conference with an easy win Saturday at SC. The Ocelots improved to 17-1 over
all, $4-0$ in the conference; all, $4-0$ in the conference;
Wayne County CC is $7-8$ overall, $3-2$ in the conference. It didn't take SC long to
assert itself. The Ocelots con assert itself. The Ocelots con-
verted 19 of- 36 first-half floor shots ( 52.8 percent) com-
pared to Wayne's 9 pared to Wayne's 9-of-26
(34.5 percent); they led 49-30
at halttime It (34.5 percent); they led 49-30
at haltime. It didn't get any
better for Wayne in the secat haltrime. It didnt get any
better for Wayne in the ese-
ond half (10-of-36 shooting, 27.8 percent; SC was 19
38,50 percent).
James Homes led the Ocelots with 22 points. Andr Scott added 20 (with six Tovoris Baker netted 14 and a team-best seven rebounds,
Ronald Dorsey finished with Ronald Dorsey finished with
11 and Marcus Bennett had 10 1 and Marcus
and five assists.
Anthony Butl Anthony Butler pace
Wayne with 24 points. Wayne with 24 points.
Courtney Buckner scored 10.
give it up at halttime." Certainly Raspberry didn't.
After that scoreless first half, After that scoreless first half,
he led five Zebras in double figures in scoring with 18 points -14 coming in the
third quarter which third quarter, which means he
nearly matched Canton's total for that period. Terrance McClain con-,
tributed 14 point Johnson scored 13, Genois Safford had 12 and Daniel Walsh finished with 11.
Bridges' 25 points led Bridges' 25 points led
Canton. Steve Thornton had 12. It won't get any easier for
the Chiefs. They host a solid Livonia Franklin squad Friday then play at Westland John Glenn - which beat Wayn
nine days ago - Tuesday nine days ago - Tuesday.
There is some good news for Canton.
Theres a possibility post player Brad Waidmann, out
with an injured thumb, could weturn against Franklin. Certainly it appears the
Chiefs, losers of six of their las Chiefs, losers of six of their las
seven games, need the help. seven games, need the help.

## ZEBRAS

The Zebras immediately caused a turnover on Canton's
inbounds attempt inbounds attempt - that
would be repeated, too - and would be repeated, too - and
Raspberry, who hadn't scored a point in the first half, had
two baskets in the first 30 two baskets in the first 30 sec
onds of the second. The Chiefs' D.J. Bridges scored on their next posses-
sion, but that would be their only points in the first four
minutes of the quarter. Wayn had 12 in that span to extend its lead to 44-32.
And the Zebras did it with their full-court pressure
defense, applied after they had
made a basket made a basket.
They fored the third quarter alone, scoring 12 points after causing those miscues in the Canton
backcourt. And when the Chiefs did
Ancourt score, a Wayne player was
often in position to take a lon pass at the other end of the
court for a layup - a good court for a ayup - a good
piece of work at both ends,
with a player unselfishly
$\begin{aligned} & \text { ing to look downcourt for an } \\ & \text { open teammate. }\end{aligned}$
$\begin{aligned} & \text { open teammate. } \\ & \text { "We'd score and they'd get } \\ & \text { an easy one at the other end," }\end{aligned}$
"We'd score and they'd get
$\begin{aligned} & \text { Rheault said. "That's. just effort } \\ & \text { and understanding" }\end{aligned}$
$\begin{aligned} & \text { and understanding." } \\ & \text { One team had those que }\end{aligned}$
$\begin{aligned} & \text { One team had those quali- } \\ & \text { ties, the other didn't. Guess }\end{aligned}$
which. "That's the third time this
$\begin{aligned} & \text { "That's the third time this } \\ & \text { season we let a team score } 20\end{aligned}$
$\begin{aligned} & \text { or more points in the third } \\ & \text { quarter," } \\ & \text { Rheault added. }{ }^{\text {I }}\end{aligned}$
quarter,' Rheault added. "
$\begin{aligned} & \text { able where they were an } \\ & \text { overconfident." }\end{aligned}$
Against Wayne, there was no
$\begin{aligned} & \text { reason to be that way. In their } \\ & \text { first season in the WLAA, the }\end{aligned}$
Zebras are certainly a con-
tender for the league title.
$\begin{aligned} & \text { of the court against Canton. } \\ & \text { But the Chiefs handled it pret- }\end{aligned}$
$\begin{aligned} & \text { But the Chiefs handled } \\ & \text { ty well in the first half. } \\ & \text { "They used the }\end{aligned}$
$\begin{aligned} & \text { "They used the same pres- } \\ & \text { sure (in the second half) they }\end{aligned}$
$\begin{aligned} & \text { sure (in the second half the } \\ & \text { did in the first half," Rheault } \\ & \text { said "But they pits }\end{aligned}$
$\begin{aligned} & \text { said. "sut they picked (the } \\ & \text { sair } \\ & \text { intensity ) I I think }\end{aligned}$
$\begin{aligned} & \text { intensity) up. I think we } \\ & \text { became complacent where }\end{aligned}$
$\begin{aligned} & \text { became complace } \\ & \text { were at halftime. }\end{aligned}$
$\begin{aligned} & \text { were at halttime. } \\ & \text { "We should know better }\end{aligned}$
than that. No oness going to

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Trailing 3-1 early in the secon
period, Cantons hockey team
rallied to score five-straight goal rallied to scone five-straight goal
and post a $6-3$ win over and post a 6-3 win over
Northille Saturday at Novi Ice Arena. Commiskey got the first two goals and assisting on the next two. Ryan McKendry also scored two goals and Dave
Bak had a owal and an assist Bak had a goal and an assist.
Joe Vitale's goal with $13: 41$ left in the second period gave Northville a 3 -1 lead. Commiskey's second goal of the
game (unassisted) scored $2: 21$ later narrowed the gap to $3-2$; Matt tabriel then scored with $7: 14$ to go in the period to knot it
at $3-3$ (assisted by Commiskey and Casey Skrzypek). Bak's goal (from Commiskey)
with 3:11 left in the second put with $3: 11$ left in the second put
the Chiefs ahead to stay, $4-3$. McKendry made certain theyd stay there, scoring twice in the
third period (Kyle Tollison and Brian Wioncek assisted) Brian Wioncek assisted) first-period goal Charles Kemp
was in goal for the victory, which
 Joe Rohde (CC)
Cody Sfeford Ster OVing nickew Mully (CC)
 Ryan Campoell (CC)
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Rob Cyrek (cc)



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Stevenson
Canton
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## Chiefs top N'ville; Rocks mangle Mott

raised Cantons record to $7-6$
overall, $3-3$ in the Western Lakes
Activities Association.
Salem 7, Mott 2: In the first
game of a busy Some of a busy week for Salem,
the Rocks scored three unan-,
swered goals in the first period swered goals in the first period
and coasted to a non-conference win Tuesday at the Plymouth
Cultural Center Cultural Center.
The win pushed Salem's The win pushed Salem's
record to $12-1-1$, and coming off last Fridays upset loss to Livoni
Churchill it proved the Churchill it proved the Rock were ready to roll again. in this win, sooring Salems last three goals after assisting on
three of their first four. Mark three of their first four. Mark
Nagael was nearly as impressive; Nage was nearly as impressive;
Nagel, Ieading scorer in the
WLAA, got the fist WLAA, got the first goal of the
game and assisted game and assisted on five other
Other goal-scorers for Salem were David Gill, Aaron Cheesman and Andy Thackaberry.
Gill and Chesman joined
Nagel in scoring first-period Gill and Cheesman joined
Nagel in scoring first-period
goals; Mott answered with a sec

Renkopt, but Salem then got the
next five owin easily.
Ray Kraft was in goal for the Ray Kraft was in goal for the Gutenschwager had a powerRocks. play goal of his own. $\begin{aligned} & \text { But CC broke out to start the }\end{aligned}$ $\begin{array}{ll}\text { cc 4, Trenton 2: Catholic } & \begin{array}{l}\text { second period and never was } \\ \text { headed. A minute into the sec- }\end{array}\end{array}$ Central stared yet another No.
team in the eye on Saturday team in the eye on Saturday
night. And like Division 3 leader
Bloomfield Hills CranbrookBloomfield Hills Cranbrook-
Kingswood did Friday night, Tingswood did Friday night,
Tinton - the top-ranked team
in Division 2-blinked Saturday in Division 2 -blinked Saturda
in a loss to the best team in
Divison tin CC before Division lin CC before a packed
house at Redford Ice Arena. "It was a ame we with h ato of
intensity" said CC co-coach intensity", said CC co-coach Todd
Johnson as his team improved to Johnson as his team improved to
12-2 overall "That was a ot of
high-intensity games to high-intensity games to play in a
short period and we got cught
being a little heavyfooted at first. being a little heavyfooted caught first.
But it really put our guys to the But it treally put our guys to the
test."
The two teams traded goals in The two teams traded goals in
the first period as CC's Eric Gios
scored a power-play goal four scored a power-play goal four
minutes into the game from

Brandon Nawrato Brandon Naurato and Eric | Reinhardt. Trenton $(9-1-4)$ tied it |  |
| :--- | :--- |
|  | $\begin{array}{l}\text { four } \\ \text { Ben }\end{array}$ |

| MHALES | 3:15 left in the period. <br> Drew was outstanding with |
| :---: | :---: |
| from page di | 32 stops in goal for the |
| OHL's West Division with | Whalers. T.J. Aceti had saves for Erie. |
| $28-8-8-1$ record ( 65 points). | And at Toronto, a scoreless |
| Kingston is 18-22-1-4 (41 points), fifth in the East; Erie is | first period was followed by an offensive second and third. |
| 20-19-3-2 (45 points) | Sean Thompson scored twi |
| the Midwest; and Toronto is | for the Whalers, his second giv |
| 21-16-4-2 (48 points), first in | ing them the lead for good. |
| the Central. | Jarrett's power-play score (from Stewart and LaRose) in |
|  | the second pe |
| period to edge Plymouth. | than a minute after Ryan |
| Danny McDonald scored 1:21 | Rorabeck had given St. |
| the game to give Kingst | Michael's a 1-0 lead. Thom scored the next two for |
| the lead; the Whalers tied | scored the next two |
| with a goal by Karl Ste | Plymouth (Mitchell and Jonas |
| 38 of the first period (assi | Fieder assisted on the |
| by Chris Thorburn and John | Thorburn and Mike Nelso |
| Mitchell). <br> Anthony Stewart's first goal | the second) to |
| game | Rorabeck's |
| od gave the Frontenacs the lea | in the second period narr |
| in; his second $3: 32$ into | the gap to $3-2$, but |
| third made it 3-1. | Whaler goals in the third peri- |
| Chad LaRose scored on th | od boosted |
| ver play (from Cole Jarrett | Stewart got the first (fis |
| James Wisniewski) at | Martin Cizek); Wisni |
| 12:22 of the third, but the | the second (from Mitchell |
| Whalers could not get the | Fiedl |
| equalizer. | Shane O'Brien and Andrey |
| Paul Drew had 27 stops in | Mikhnov got goals for Tor |
| for Plymouth. Peter | in the third, sandwic |
| Hamerlik had 29 for Kingston. | around a score by LaRose |
| At Erie, the Whalers took the | (from Thorburn and Fiedler). |
| early lead on a Thorburn first- | Jeff Weber had 24 saves for |
| period goal, but they couldn't | Plymouth; Justin Peters made |
| hold it. The Otters scored twic | 24 stops for St. Michael's. |
| in the first five minutes of the | The Whalers play Friday at |
| second, goals by Carlo | Sault Ste. Marie, then host |
| Colaiacovo and Mike Rice. | Windsor (second in the West |
| Plymouth tied it with a goal by | Division) at 7:30 p.m. |
| Stewart (from Thorburn) | Satur |
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| deserted beach along a narrow stretch of U.S.-2 on the northern shore of |  | appeared. <br> I realized immediately it was a |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | With the bird's dark brown body-feathers contrasting |
|  | Lake <br> Michigan is <br> where the |  | majestic bald eagle by its tell-tale snow-white head and tail feathers. What surprised me was that |
|  |  | against the snowy-white head, the bright mid-day sunshine set |  |
|  |  | it was flying low, about 40 feet | a breathtaking backdrop as it |
|  |  | he water, but just above eyel to me. He seemed to want | stened off the white-capped |
|  |  |  |  |
|  |  | to race as we both sped east for a moment. Then he turned sea- |  |
|  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | fleeting seconds before |
|  |  | He landed at a dead fish washed up on shore 100 yards ahead of me. |  |
| Insights |  |  | and his survival instincts urged him to fly back out over the lake. |
|  |  | Visions of my mini-van tum-bling into the sandy culvert |  |
|  |  |  | Mostly in the pasts six or eageven |
|  |  | rolled through my head as I pulled off the road as quickly and quietly as I could. |  |
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food near ice-free areas on lakes food near ice-free areas on lakes,
rivers, reservoirs and cooling
ponds at power plants and cin ponds at power plants, and can
also be found feedingon also be found feeding on road
kill. Ice anglers frequently see kill. cee anglers frequently see
eagles. Another tip to remember
is that is that adult eagles have white
heads and tails and hooked heads and tails, and hooked,
heary, yellow beak. Their bright
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$\qquad$ TERRY G. BENNETT, Clerk





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Chairman


Tuesday, March $4-\mathrm{B} \& \mathrm{C}$
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p.m. $\$ 7$; $A \& B$ squad qualifying 3-9p.m., $\$ 10$.
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best 3 -of- 5 ) $5: 20-9: 30$
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Sunday, March 9 -TV finals
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9092 .

## CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON REQUEST FOR BID

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Canton, 1150 Canton Center S, Canton, Michigan will accept Canton, I150 Canton Center S, Canton, Michigan will a aceept
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TERRY G. BENNETT, Clerk

## CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON PLANNING COMMISSION NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF
THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON, WAYE COUNTY, The ghant
Mchiciv NOTTCE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Act 184 of the Public
Acts of 1943 of the State of Michigan, as amended, and pursuant to Acts onisug Ordinance of the Charter Township of Canton that the
the zoning
Pland Planning Commission of the Charter Township of Canton will hold
a Public Hearing on Monday February a Public Hearing on Monday, February 17, , 2003, in the Chestriut
Reom, at Summit On The Park, 46000 Summit Parkway at
R:oop p.m. on the following proposed amendment to the Zoning
Ordinane:
CANFORD PARK PLANNED DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT CANF)-FINALPLALANONSDER REQUEST TO ESTABLISH
ADDDD AS PERITTED IN SECTION 2.7.4. OF THE ZONING
ORDINANCE INCLUSIVE OF PARCEL NO O67 99 0011000 (part of). Property is located north of Cherry Hill between Dento
and Beck Roads. (Second


Written comments addressed to the Planning Commission should
be received at the Canton Township Administration Building, 1150
 be included in the materials submitted for reviev
Publsh. January 23 and February, 9003

Entry forms will ber
t local bowling centers
a director of the Greater Detroi $\begin{array}{ll}\begin{array}{l}\text { at local bowling centers. } \\ \text { Al Harison is a resident of Livonia and }\end{array} & \begin{array}{l}\text { Bowling Association } \\ \text { at (734) } 788-0455 .\end{array}\end{array}$

| CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON REQUEST FOR BID |  |
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| NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Charter Township of Canton, 1150 Canton Center S, Canton, Michigan will accept sealed bids at the Office of the Clerk up to 3:00 p.m. Thursday, February 6th, 2003 for the following |  |
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| Bid forms may be picked up at the Finance and Budget Department counter or you may contact Mike Sheppard at (734) 394-5225. All bids must be submitted in a sealed envelope clearly marked with the proposal name, company name, address and telephone number and date and time of bid opening. The Township reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals. The Township does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national Township does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, nat the origin, sex, religion, age or disability in employment or the provision of services. <br> TERRY G. BENNETT, Clerk <br> Publish. January 23, 2003 |  |
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| CITY OF PLYMOUTH MICHIGAN CITY COMIMISSION AND PLANNING COMMISSION JOINT MEETING NOTICE MONDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2003 7:00 P.M. (734) 453-1234 |  |
| A special meeting of the City Commission and Planning Commission will be held at the Cultural Center, 525 Farmer Street, Card Meeting Room to consider the following: |  |
| CONCEPT PLAN: <br> 101 N. Union / 171 Hamilton (Adistra / Daisy Property) ZONED: I-2, Heavy Industrial / I-1, Light Industrial APPLICANT: Joseph Freed \& Associates |  |
| All interested persons are invited to attend. <br> In accordance with the Americans with disabilities Act, the City of Plymouth will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services, such as signers for the hearing impaired and audio tapes of printed materials being considered at the meeting/hearing, to individuals with disabilities. Requests for auxilia may be made by writing or calling the following: |  |
|  |  |
| Carol Stone, ADA Coordinator 201 S. Main Street Plymouth, MI 48170 (734) 453-1234, Ext. 206 |  |
| Publish January 23,2003 |  |


|  | CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS <br> CANTON PERFORMING ARTS CENTER |
| :---: | :---: |
|  | The Charter Township of Canton will reecive firm sub-contractor bids for the Canton Performing Arts Center Project located at the bids for the Canton Performing Arts Center Hill Roads in Canto northeast corner of Ridge and Cherry hil Roads in canton Township. The work to be released in this bid package will consist of all tasks to complete the project, including, but not limited to, the following: Concrete Foundations and Flatwork, Masonry, Structural and Miscellaneous Steel, Glass \& Glazing, Architectural Trades, Miscellaneous Specialties, Theatrical Systems, Theatrical Seating, all Mechanical \& Electrical Systems. |
|  | The bidding documents consist of plans and specifications. Documents may be obtained w Auch Co the office of the deposit payable to George W. Auch Co., at the office of the Canstruck Street, Pontiac, MI 48341, 248.334.2000, at 12:00 noon on January 22nd, 2003. A pre-bid meeting will be held at 3:00 p.m. on January 31st, 2003 at the Summit on the Park Conference Center, 4600 Summit Parkway, Canton, MI 48188. Attendance at the prebid meeting is highly recommended. |
|  | The envelope bearing your proposal must identify the Bid Category being bid and addressed to the attention of the Township Clerk. It shall be delivered to the Canton Administration Building Business Offices, 1150 Canton Center Road S., Canton, MI 48303, or to the office of George W. Auch Co., 735 S. Paddock St., Pontiac, MI 48341, but must be delivered no later than noon, February 14th, 2003. Each proposal must be submitted on the forms furnished by the Construction Manager and must be completed in full. Each proposal shall be identified and sealed in an opaque envelope and marked with the name of the project, the name of the bidder and the Bid Category(s) being bid. All acceptable bids will contain a bid bond naming this project executed by a U.S. Treasury listed licensed to do business in the state of Michigan, or a cashier's check naming this project in the amount of at least $5 \%$ of the sum of the proposal payable to Charter Township of Canton. |
|  | All proposals shall be firm for a period of sixty (60) day |
|  | Bids will be publicly opened and read at a meeting convened at the Summit on the Park Conference Center, 4600 Summit Parkway, Canton, MI, starting at 3:00 p.m., February 14th, 2003. |
|  | Successful bidders whose proposals are $\$ 50,000$ or more will be Payment Bond issued by a surety licensed to do business in the state of Michigan in the amount of $100 \%$ of their bid., The cost of the Bond shall be included in each proposal. |
|  | The Charter Township of Canton reserves the right to reject any and/or all bids in whole, or in part and to waive any informalities therein. Charter Township of Canton reserves the right to accept that bid which, in it's opinion, is in the best interest of the Owner. |
|  | Charter Township of Canton |



Bylaws rule, so review, know them

1 just purchased a condo but
was never presented with the was never presented with the
bylaws. My Realtor asked the bylaws. My Realtor asked the
seller's Realtor if small doogs selier's Reatior in smail dogs
were allowed, and she said yes. When I received the bylaws three weeks after I moved in,
found out dogs of any size weren't allowed. 1 then received a letter from the
association telling me to get rid association telling me to get rid
of the dogs or they would start of the dogs or they would start
al lawsuit. My Realtor has agreed to sell my condo at no charge and pay my closing costs to
What are my rights? Can the association get a court order to remove my dogs even though I've agreed to sell my
condo? Should my Realtor buy condo? Should my Realtor
Your Realtor didn't do you a favor by not getting
the condominium documents before your closing, which you should have
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negligent to you and you negligent to you and you
may have a cause of action for your damages. The association can get a
court order to remove your court order to remove your agreed to sell your unit, but I would try to get things ation in the interim. You would be well advised to get a new Realtor and a
condominium lawyer before you purchase a condominiyou in the future.
Robert M. Meisner, a lawyer,
concentrates his pactice in the areas of condocminiums. feal estate, corporate law and litigation. He can be reached at bmeisner®mich.com
This column shouldn't be construed as legal advice.



A less spectacular appreciation than in years past, but a steady rise, nonetheless, typified sales prices in most communities here as of year end.

## Prices move up gradually <br> \$126,900; \$123,100; \$112,100;

By doug funke
STAF WRITER
Good news for homeowners. Residential sales prices rose or held
steady in almost every Observer \& steady in almost every Observer \&
Eccentric area community at year end 2002 compared to the previous year. The increase was gradual in many cases, according to figures provided by
Realcomp II, a multi-listing service for several real estate boards here. The median (half--above/half-below)
sales price for the year climbed 1to 3 percent in Southfield, Troy, Lake Orion percent in Southtield, Troy, Lake Or
Orion Township, Oxford, Livonia, Plymouth, Canton, Redford and Westland.
There
Farmington Hills. The increase was a bit higher, $6-8$ per
cent, in Clarkston/ Independence cent, in Clarkston/ Independence
Township, Garden City, Rochester Hills and Birmingham.
Prices slipped about 3 percent in
Rochester. Rochester.
Prices so Township, 28 percent in Bloomfield Hills and 39 percent in West Bloomfield Analysis, however, may be a bit diffi-
cult in those areas, said Karen Kage, CEO at Realcomp II.
The West Bloomfield and Bloomfield Township median figure is an average of
several submarkets, she said. More higher price sales were repor in the Orchard Lake area of West
Bloomfield and more sales in Bloomfield Bloomfield and more sales in Bloomfiel
Township occurred north of Square Lake Road last year than 2001 . "Just more high priced homes sold
(last year) in Bloomfield Hills," Kage (last year
Following are year-end median sales prices by community starting with 2002 and dating back annually to 1997 . The numbers in parentheses refer to numbe
of sales last year.

In Oakland County:
Auburn Hills: $(210$ sales);
$\$ 151,900 ; \$ 151,000 ; \$ 141,500$
\$130,000; \$116,500; \$110,000. Birmingham: ( 4611 ; $\$ 260,000$;
$\$ 240,500 ; \$ 245,000 ; \$ 22,000$; $\$ 225,000 ; \$ 192,000$.
\$320,000; $\$ 340,000$; $\$ 347,500$;
'In a world where there's very few things you can count on ... it sure is nice being able to count on building value in a home.' Larry Conen Larry Conen
residential builder, West Bloomfield

## $\$ 300,000$; \$419,000.

\$300,000; $\$ 419,000$.
Bloomide Township: ( 680 ); \$301,720; \$259,100; \$236,900; \$235,800; $\$ 220,30, \$ \$ 204,000$.
Clarkston/ Independence Township: (511); $\$ 244,400 ; \$ 230,000$; Township: 511$) ; \$ 244,400 ; \$ 230$
$\$ 227,500 ; \$ 219,000 ; \$ 190,000$; 169,000.
Farmington/ Farmington Hills: (1,180); $\$ 222,000 ; \$ 222,500 ;$
$\$ 208,50 ;$; $\$ 192,000 ; \$ 186,000 ;$ \$172,500.
Lake Orion
(510); \$222,000; \$215,500; \$194,000; \$183,000; $\$ 169,000 ;$; $\$ 155,000$.
Oakland
. W8akland Township: (183); $\$ 380,000 ;$; $\$ 365,000 ; \$ 355,500 ;$
$\$ 328,000 ; \$ 330,000 ; \$ 280,700$. Oxford Village/ Township: (216); $\$ 216,750 ; \$ 212,000 ; \$ 199,900 ;$
$\$ 170,200 ;$ \$170,000; $\$ 161000$ 170,200; $\$ 170,000$; $\$ 1611,000$.
Rochester: $(211) ;$ \$260,500.
. \$268,500; $\$ 225,900$; $\$ 168,000$; $\$ 149,900$; $\$ 140,500$.
Rochester Hills: Rochester Hills: (997); $\$ 258,000$; \$240,000; \$240,000; \$226,000;
$\$ 211,900 ;$ \$198,500. ■Southfield: (908); $\$ 160,000$;
$\$ 157,500 ; \$ 147,500 ; \$ 140,700 ;$ $\$ 157,500 ; \$ 147,500 ;$; 140,$700 ;$
$\$ 132,000 ; \$ 124,900$
\$Try: 881$) ; \$ 242,500 ;$ \$237,500;
$\$ 221,500 ; \$ 199,500 ; \$ 190,000 ;$ \$221,500; \$199,500; \$190,000;
183,500.
Waterford: (1,252); $\$ 159,900$
125, \$152, Waterford: $\$ 148,400 ; \$ 139,900$; \$128,000; \$120,300.
West Bloomfield: (1,044);
$\$ 305,80 ; \$ 200100$. $\$ 262000$. $\$ 305,800 ; \$ 220,100 ;$ \$226,000;
$\$ 203,000 ; \$ 219,000 ; \$ 205,500$.

In Wayne County:
Canton: (1,262); $\$ 225,000$;
$\$ 219,000 ;$; 206,500 ; $\$ 187,500 ;$
\$171,000; \$206,500; \$187,500;

99,900; \$93,000. Livonia: $(1,396)$; $\$ 174,950$;
$\$ 172,000 ; \$ 164,000 ;$ \$ 151,900 ; $\$ 140,000 ;$; $\$ 1344,000$.
Plymouth city/Township: ( 546 ).【 Plymouth city/Township: (546);
$\$ 220,000 ; \$ 217,000 ; \$ 204,000 ;$ \$180,000; \$164,500; \$161,000. Redford: $(1,060)$; $\$ 125,000$;
$\$ 121,250$; $\$ 14,000$; $\$ 101,000$; $\int \begin{aligned} & \$ 121,250 ; \text { \$114,000; } \$ 101,000 ; \\ & \$ 91,500 ; \$ 8,000 \text {; } \\ & \text { Westland: }(985) ; \$ 139,100 ;\end{aligned}$ \$135,000; \$128,000; \$118,900;

The figures include existing houses and condominiums that changed hands,
plus new home sales. Refinancings plus new home sales. Refinancings
weren't included.
Several factors - including type and size of home, its age and condition, rep-
utation of public school district and utation of public school district and
municipal services provided - determine specific selling price within a community and across boundaries. "I Would describe the market as excel-
lent for buyers and sellers with res. lent for buyers and seliers with reason-
able expectations," said John McArdle, a broker and co-owner of Remerica Hometown One in Plymouth,
"We're not in a market that's depressed. We're in a market of moderate growth coming off years of excep-
tional yrowth. Morty tional growth. Mortgage rates are awe
some. some." I prepare sellers for a realistic asking price," said Ronni Keating, a Realtor and co-owner of Snyder, Kinney, Bennett and Keating in Birmingham.
"In previous years, you could test to see In previous years, you could test to see
how high it would get. I'm advising more realistic. "Buyers, I suggest if theyre interested
in making a move, now is the right time in making a move, now is the right time
with (comparatively low) interest rates and houses sitting on the market", she Larry Cohen, a West Bloomfield residential builder, finds that unbridled price appreciation leads to economic
bust.
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"Aradual rise is best," he said. "In a
world where theres very few things you Argradual rise is best, he said. yn a
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to count on building value in a home. to count on building value in a home.
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1thost everybody knows ${ }^{n}$ nance market is piping hot. Few, however, have con
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the same time. "Some of my more savvy
clients have taken advantage clients have taken advantage
of this buyers' market by purchasing another home instead of just refinancing their existing home," said top-producin Realtor Joe Williams
RE/MAX 100 in Novi. Williams adds, "while
these people are likely these people are likely
accepting slightly lower accepting slightly lower
prices for their existing homes, they are 'stepping up'
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exemplifies how well real estate can be used as a wealth-building tool."
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prices again for a very long prime. This is truly a rare
ond opportunity. I expect investors
and aggressive home seekers and aggressive home seekers
to snatch up some very attractive real estate deals in the coming months.
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tial real estate offices - 2915 S. Rochester Road, (248) 293-


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5767 W. Maple Road, (248) 538-2222, West Bloomfield.
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Reeves are brokers/owners of Great Lakes GMAC.

tectural and engineering firm in Bloomfield Hills. Eduardo Blanc, an architect,
was a partner at R\&B Design \& Construction in Buenos Aires, Argentina, and an adjunct pro Washington University there He received an architecture legree from the University of uenos Aires and lives in Ann
Thomas Barber, staff architect, received a bachelor of
architecture degree from Carleton University and previ Carleton University and
ously worked at JPRA

Architects in Farmington Hills. He resides in Novi.
Margaret Matta, Margaret Matta, AIA, was in
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practioner for 20 years before joining TMP as an architect. She has a bachelo of environmental studies
degree and a bachelor of architecture degree from the
University of Detroit University of Detroit Mercy
Matta lives in Troy. Matta lives in Troy.
Scott Denby, an interior designer, has a bachelor of fine
arts degree from Weyne arts degree from Wayne State
University. He lives in Clinton University.
Township.


HOMES SOLD IN WAYNE COUNTY
HOMES SOLD IN OAKLAND

| These are the Observerarea residential realestate closings recorded the week of Sept. 9-13, 2002, at the Wayne County Register of Deeds office. Listed below are cities, addresses and sales prices. |
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number is 7344 ) 997279 , or e-mail

## XAM PREPARATION

 Livonia Community Education and Oakland Builders Institute present a 16-hour class to prepare for the state builderslicense exam $6-10$ p.m. Tuesday and Thursday, Jan. 28-Feb. 6, at Riley Middle School, Henry Ruff, Livonia.
Cost is $\$ 207$, plus $\$ 20$ for textbook. To register, call ( 734 )

BUY HOME CLASS Deborah Johnson of E/MAX Great Lakes in Farmington Hills hosts a free
no-obligation seminar for home buyers 6 p.m. Wednes Jan. 29, at Quicken Loans, 0555 Victor Parkway, Livonia
To register, call ( 248 ) $553-4448$.

HOME SHOW
The Building Industry Association of Southeastern
Michigan sponsors its 1th Michigan sponsors it
annual Novi Home Improvement Show Friday-
Sunday, Jan. 31 -Feb. 2, at No Sunday, Jan. 31 -Feb. 2, at No
Expo Center, I-96 and Expo Center, I-96 and Novi
Road. Hundreds of exhibitors are expected. Hours are noon to 9 p.m.
Friday, 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Fritay, 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Sunday. Cost is $\$ 7, \$ 6$ for sen-
or citizens. No charge for chil ior citizens. No
On-site parking is available for an additionall charge. For
more information, call 248 ) more inform
$862-1019$.
CREW MEETING
The Detroit chapter of
Commercial Real Commercial Real Estate
Women hosts motivational speaker Kevin Giddins noon
Wednescay Wednesday, Feb. 5, at the
Westin Southfield Hotel, 150 Westin Southfifild Hotel,, 150
Town Center, Southfield. Cost, which includes lunch, is $\$ 40$ for members, $\$ 55$ for no

Joanne Sisson at (248) 4587203, or Ann Heimstra, (248) EXAM PREP II Oakland Builders Institute conducts a 16 -hour class to $p$ pre
pare for the state builders pare for the st. The class goes $6-10 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$.
Monday and Wednesday Monday and Wednesday, Feb 10-19, at Kettering High
School, 2800 Bender, Waterford; and 6-10 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday, Feb. 20, at Walled Lake Middle
School, 46720 W. Pontiac Trail Cost is $\$ 205$, plus $\$ 20$ for a
texthook and smple textbook and sample questions.
To register, call Waterford To register, call Waterford
Community Education at (248) 674-3145, or Walled Lake
Community Education, $(248)$ Community Education, (248)

MASONRY SEMINAR The Masonry Institute of michigan presents a two-day masonry certification seminar
a.m. to 5 p.m. Thursday-Friday, a.m. to 5 p.m. Thursfay-Friday,
Feb. 20-21, at its offices, 12870 Farmington Road, Livonia.
Cost is $\$ 395$ for members,
$\$ 495$ for designers and building officials, and $\$ 795$ for contractors and suppliers. ${ }^{\text {To register call }}$ (734) 458 8544.

## CAREER DAYS

Real Estate One presents a
free informational class to get into residential real estate sales noon to 1 p.m.
Fridays at its Farmington Hills Frficess
office
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To register, call Sharon Spindler (Ext. 404) or Steve
Leibhan (Ext. 405) at (248) 851-4100.
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## Much of town made famous by Judge Bean up for auction

$\begin{array}{ll}\text { (AP) - Do ya' enjoy history? Little } & \text { the years, but there are still nearly } \\ \text { towns? The Sunbelt? } & 400 \text { lots left and all the acres that }\end{array}$ towns? The Sunbelt?
Well listen up. Much of the West $\begin{aligned} & 400 \text { lots left and all the acres that } \\ & \text { surround the town," Richard Nored }\end{aligned}$ Texas town of Langtry, where a judge se who has partnered with the Dodds
once dispensed justice from a saloon, to try to sell the town. once dispensed justice from a saloon, is on the auction block. Web site for the Langtry assets is \$750,000.
However, online bidders are However, online bidders are
advised that none of the property directly tied to the legendary Judge Roy Bean is included in the sale. Bill and Pat Dodd, owners of the
Harold T. Dodd estate, possess about Harold .. Dodd estate, possess about
80 percent of Langtry. Harold Dodd
owned the entire are before owned the entire area before Bean
opened court there in 1882 opened court there in 1882 .
"They've sold about 100 lots over Known as "the Law West of the Keco,", Bean was a no-nonsense
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Langtry yaloon. He was infatuated Langtry saloon. He was infatuated
with an 18000 British actress named
Lilly Langtry, and named the town after her. Bean was the town's justic of the peace for 20 years.
The eBay auction includes 228 The eBay auction includes 228
acres with 399 lots, several old acres with 399 lots, several old
buildings and two cemeteries in the buildings and two cemeteries in the
town of about 30 residents, 56 miles
west of Del Rio in west of Del Rio in Val Verde County
on the Mexican border. Most of the

# 'When I was growing up, everyone in Texas 

 and most of the world had heard of Judge Roy Bean. Now it seems like the last few generations have never heard of him.'
## Richard Nored

## lots are undeveloped. Off limits from the

 Off limits from the sale, however, are the Beanold saloon.
"center and the saloon. Now it seems like the last few genThe land up for auction has been Texas and in Texas and most of the world had for generations. heard of Judge Roy Bean", said
Nored, owner of the Exxon gas sta- $\quad \begin{aligned} & \text { for generations. } \\ & \text { "He grew up out there, and his } \\ & \text { ancestor WH Wodd was }\end{aligned}$

Bean's successor," Pat Dodd said.
Nored said he added 10 acres of Nored said he added 10 acres of
his own to the offer and encouraged the Dodds to sell the property on ${ }_{\text {eBay. }}^{\text {"I saw a deal about Bridgeville, }}$ "I saw a deal about Bridgeville,
Calif., for sale on eBay, and it gave Calif., for sale on eBay, and
me the idea," Nored said. Years ago, a real estate agent
established $\$ 750,000$ as a fair askestablished $\$ 750,000$ as a fair ask-
ing price, said Pat Dodd, adding that ing price, said Pat Dodd, adding th
the asking price hasn't changed since.
Dodd's family has moved and lost Dodd's family has moved and lost
interest in Langtry, and long-dis${ }^{\text {ince }}$ tance ownership isn't practical. "I want to see someonen make this
little, old West Texas town thrive little, old West Texas town thrive
again," Nored said.


## New California law makes infill development a priority

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ple per square mile than pre-
1950s neighborhoods. 1950s neighborhoods.
While still a small step, the law sets up new struggle between powerful establishments of "Smart-Growth" theo
rists and builders who operate in the hard realities of the ma ketplace. And it comes as California homebuilders forecast 124,000 new single--family homes this decade, primarily on empty land an edges. Backers consider the move toward strategic growth inves ments the biggest leap in a gen
eration for a state government that routinely lets 58 counties and almost 500 cities decide
how to accommodate roughly how to accommodate roughly
six million new residents a decade.
The next five years, The next five years,
California intends to spend $\$ 56$ billion on colleges, highways, hospitals, courts and state
buildings. Voters have buildings. Voters have
approved billions more for local schools and housing in bond
issues.
The new law could push
'There's pent-up demand.
It's not really an issue of whether people will buy this.'
Abel Avalos
infill land acquisition manager, John Laing Homes
more of it toward existing neighbo
ones.
The The law also requires the
state to fulfll state to fulfill a 1970 require-
ment, signed ment, signed into law by then-
Gov. Ronald Reagan, to prepare Gov. Ronald Reagan, to prepare
a long-range vision and strategy for the state's growth. That was last done in 1978 ,
when Californa had 13 million when Californ
fewer people.
The Building Industry
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Michigan also has focused Michigan also has focused on
the concept of Smart Growth in recent years. Environ mentalists, farmers,
planners and urban activists planners and urban activists
view it as a beginning for California - a law they can muscle up in coming legislative
sessions. They're tailoring new sessions. They're tailoring new
proposals from growth man proposals from growth man-
agement to tax policy to fit AB857's new priorities.

## Those priorities typically

 favor growth in establishedneighborhoods, downtowns neighberhoods, downtowns
and declining 1960s and 1970s
suburbs that suburbs that have streets, sewe sines and transit routes. Supporters want thes state to
encourage more land-eficient encourage more land-efficient
ideas like Fresno's two-story ideas ine Fresno's two-story
elementary schools that take up seven acres instead of 10 and
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downtown residences, includ-
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Other favorites include re-
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acre former truck yard near downtown.
Abel Avalos, who works for Abel Avalos, who works for
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escape worsening commutes.
While five decades of suburban growth has proved enormously growth has proved enormously popular in California, it ha also brought some of the
nation's worst traffic.
«Theres Theres pent-up demand. It'
not really an issue of whether people will buy this," says
Avalos, infill land acquisition Avalos, infill land acquisition
manager for John Laing manager for John Laing
The infill-type development stressed by the new law represents more than 30 percent of
growth in Los Angeles, but only about five percent in fast-subabout ive percent in fast-sub
urbanizig counties like
Riverside and San Riverside and San Bernardino,
says John Landis, professor of says John Landis, professor of
city and regional planning at the University of California
Berkeley.
percent infill development rate
could spare up to 2.5 million acres of open land from development in this century.
But for all the enthusiasm the new law's supporters have
fight on their hands fight on their hands.
Much of the states
gren Machine of the statate's growth machine - suburban builders,
real estate agents, businesses
stacal governments - oppos state meddling in how cities Last year, their lobbyists fought the bill in committee earings, saying it could stee precious road and school-
money from popular hotnarket suburbs to central cities where many families want to live. Even backers acknowledge hat's possible in a state where more than eight in 10 residents
say their ideal is a single-family house with a back yard in a safe neighborhood. Suburbban
starter houses far from iobs also tend to be more affordable than city homes.
"It has great pr "It has great promise, but it unless it's implemented well," ays Nick Bollman, head of the eadership.
Guy Bjerke vice president Ge Home Builders Association of Northern California, says, It's unfortunate this legislation recognize the significant costs
of building infill."

## Mortgage rates rise, but economists upbeat on sales

(AP) - Rates on 30 -year and 15 - year mortgages ticked up last week,

but are still sufficiently low to keep home sales humming, economists said. The average interest rate nation-
ally on a 30 -year, fixed-rate mortgage rose to 5.97 percent for the week ending Friday, Jan. 17 , up from
5.95 percent the previous week 5.95 percent the previous week,
Freddie Mac reported in its weekly nationwide survey of rates.
Rates on 30 -year mortgag Rates on 30 -year mortgages had
started the new year by dropping to started the new year by dropping to
a new low of 5.85 percent, for the
week ending Friday, Jan. 3. That
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rate of 5.85 percent at the lowest rate of 5.85 percent at thes.
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rates ticked up last week to 5.36 percent, compared with 5.33 per-
cent in the prior week. cent in the prior week.
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But rates on one-year adjustable
rate mortgages stood at 4.03 percent,
unchanged from the previous week
"We expect mortyage rates to We expect mortgage rates to
hover around their current levels and hover around their current levels and
for 2003 to be another strong housing market", said Frank Nothaft,
Freddie Mac's chief economist. The National Association of Realtors' chief economist David
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highs in 2002 and that 2003 will mark the second-best year for home
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Lereah said.
ereah said Low mortgage rates over the past year have been fueling not only
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The extra monthly cash consumers are saving by refinancing
their mortgages at lower interest their mortgages at lower interest
rates is helping to support consumer spending. The Mortgage Bankers. Association of America said refinancing activity has accounted for
just over three quarters of all- mort-
gage applications in recent weeks.
Mortgage rates reported by Freddie Mortgage rates reported by Freddie
Mac don't include add-on fees known as points. Thirty-year and 15 -year mortgages carried an average fee of
0.6 point last week, while one-year 0.6 point last week, while one-year
adjustable mortgages had an average adjustable mortgages
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## Attention Movers, Shakers, and RumblersYou're gonnalove this!



Run a transportation ad in your hometown classified section - sell your van, boat, go-cart, RV, motorcycle, ATV, jet ski - whatever moves - and we'll run your classified ad until it does move....right on out of your garage! Is this a great deal or what?
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