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Pipeline Officials question water rate increases

Do you believe?

If you believe in yourself, anything (like the **Plymouth Whalers taking** S2 off game tickets in February) can happen! That's right, it's a mira-

cle (OK, a miracle might be stretching it a bit) but you can take \$2 off any **Plymouth Whaler home** game ticket during February when you bring in your ticket stub from Walt Disney's movie Miracle The deal applies to VIP (\$12) or executive reserved (\$9) tickets

Fixup expo

The Canton Home Improvement Expo is Saturday, March 6, from 9 am to 5 pm and Sunday, March 7, from 11 am. to 5 pm at the Summit on the Park The Expo will showcase display booths from local businesses, including several from Plymouth and Plymouth Township, that will give homeowners tips and information on a wide range of home improvement and repair projects Several thousand attended last year

The Parade of Homes also is returning this year after a popular debut at last year's event Local builders will open their model homes to run concurrently with the Home Improvement Expo



When Plymouth commissioners voted in the late 1960s to shut down city wells and begin receiving water supplies from the Detroit Water Department, one of the major concerns was losing local control

At the time, many thought moving to the Detroit water system would mean we'd be at the mercy of Detroit," said City Manager Paul Sincock. "And, here we are, in 2004

Today, many of the 125 communities supplied by the Detroit Water Department feel they're being held hostage as water rate increases - some as high as 45 percent—are expected to be

approved by the Detroit City Council In Plymouth's case, the proposed rate

increase of 7 percent is much lower, but still under scrutiny by city officials "We're obligated, given our financial

constraints, to question it," said Mayor Stella Greene "Although Detroit has taken some due diligence to address accountability it's their responsibility to give us sufficient information that the increases are warranted

'I still have some significant questions," she said "I haven't been convinced'

Plymouth Township Supervisor Steve Mann, whose community is expected to receive one of the lower water rate increases at 2 3 percent, said that despite two consecutive years of low rate increases he's not completely satisfied

"There have been some intensive studies on how Detroit sets rates, and some recommendations for further studies," said Mann "So far, Detroit is hesitant to take up those recommendations"

The Detroit water system pumps an average 500 million gallons a day to its customers, making it the third largest system in the country Director Victor Mercado, who took over the department nearly 18 months ago, said hes added a number of efficiencies to the water system

"For the third year in a row we have not increased our operational and maintenance budget, we've absorbed pay increases increases in benefits and administrative costs,' said Mercado

"Our rate increase, this year, is for capital improvement programs mandated by the EPA (Environmental Protection Agency) and Safe Drinking Water Act"

The operating budget and capital improvement budget are about \$500 million each per year

Mercado said factors involved in determining the costs for water include the elevation of a community, the distance from the pumping station, and water usage during peak time periods

Canton Township has a proposed 12 4 percent water rate increase from the Detroit Water Department John Spencer, budget and water billing manager, said he's been to a number of engi-

PLEASE SEE WATER, A4

Chamber chief likes challenge

BY BRAD KADRICH STAFF WRITER

It s only been the last six years 🥿 or so Fran Toney has stopped introducing herself as "the new chamber director"

The thing is shes actually been the Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerces execu tive director for 14 years It just seems like shes still new, that s how much fun she says she's having with it



A special appearance will be made both afternoons by Murray Gula, host of the radio call-in show Home Improvement on WJR 760 AM The Expo is being hosted by Canton's Building and Inspection Services Division, the Chamber of Commerce and the Canton Observer For more information, call Brenda Katulski of Canton's Building and Inspection Services Division at 394-5200

PAUL HURSCHMANN | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Fran Toney (center) is surrounded by her staff, Operations Director Claudia Flattery (from left), Administrative Assistant Jennifer Clifton and secretary Kasey Kohn

Lincoln's Birthday

The Plymouth Historical Museum will present Dr Martin Hershock discussing "The Crucible of the Republican Party," at 730 pm Thursday as a special program honoring Abraham Lincoln's birthday and the 150th anniversary of the founding of the Republican Party, on July 6, 1854 Hershock, assistant professor of history at the University of Michigan-Dearborn, will discuss the rise of the **Republican Party** The museum is located at 155 S Main

Fish Fry The Knights of Columbus, 150 Fair St, Plymouth will welcome the public to Friday Fish Fries during the Lenten season The Fish Fries run 5-7 p.m each Friday, Feb 20, 27, March 5, 12, 19, 26 and April 2. An outdoor Stations of the Cross will take place April 9

American Blind files Google suit

BY TONY BRUSCATO STAFF WRITER

When consumers mention the words 'American Blind" or the phrase "decorate today," they're most likely referring to the Plymouth-based American Blind and Wallpaper Factory on Sheldon Road

However, if window treatment shoppers put those same words into a search engine on the Internet, looking for the company's Web site (decoratetoday com), the result may be ads for American Blind's competitors

That isn't sitting well with the nation's largest custom window treatment manufacturer, which

has filed a federal trademark infringement lawsuit against the Internet search engine Google, and five other Internet companies - America Online, Netscape, CompuServe, Ask Jeeves and Earthlink --- which are given Web search support from Google American Blind alleges Google manipulates results when consumers search for American Blind, bringing up ads for competitors

"Google can sell certain key words like blinds, wallpaper and window treatments to anyone, that's capitalism at its best," said attorney David Rammelt, who represents American Blind "However, selling a brand name or trademark, like 'American Blind'

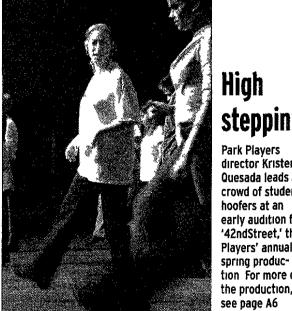
or 'decorate today' 1sn't right

Rammelt said American Blind negotiated with Google to stop the infringement, "but those negotiations were fruitless'

Before American Blind filed its lawsuit in Manhattan, Rammelt said Google filed a pre-emptive lawsuit in San Francisco against American Blind, seeking the right to use key word advertising

Google spokeswoman Cindy McCaffery said, "We don't have any comment /We've only recently seen the complaint"

American Blind CEO Steve Katzman said his company spends big dollars annually to build brand awareness, and Google is allowing competitors to gain an edge



"Time flies," she says, her trademark smile flashing "I can't believe how much fun they let me have with this job'

Toney is credited by her supporters for turning the chamber around, particularly financially She has introduced new ideas, made going concerns of traditional programs and established herself as one of the most recognized ambassadors for the Plymouth community

Not bad for someone who had no clue what she was doing in

PLEASE SEE CHAMBER, A5

Park Players director Kristen Quesada leads a crowd of student hoofers at an early audition for '42ndStreet,' the Players' annual spring production For more on the production, see page A6

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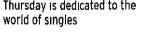
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LOCAL NEWS

Donation means a lot off the top

Abby Phillips went to some lengths - about 14 inches - to help a child cope with hair loss

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Abby, an 11-year-old from Canton Township, had her blonde tresses cut off Thursday to donate to Locks of Love, a Florida-based charity that provides hairpieces for needy children who suffer from medical conditions that have led to baldness

"It feels a lot lighter," Abby said at the Cardinal Barber Shop in Redford as stylist Siham Jasmund gave her a layered bob

"I hated blow-drying my hair because it takes, like, hours," Abby said (Not hours, her mother, Carol, corrected her)

Carol Phillips, who said the new cut made Abby look older, was obviously proud of her daughter

'I heard about it and mentioned it to her, and as soon as I did, she was all over it," she said

Abby, her mother said, hadn't had more than a trim since the first grade She's now in the sixth grade at Pioneer Middle School Abby has two older brothers and a younger sister

Abby said she's told schoolmates about her plans to donate her much-admired hair "They said it was cool," she said A couple of her friends had already donated their hair, she said

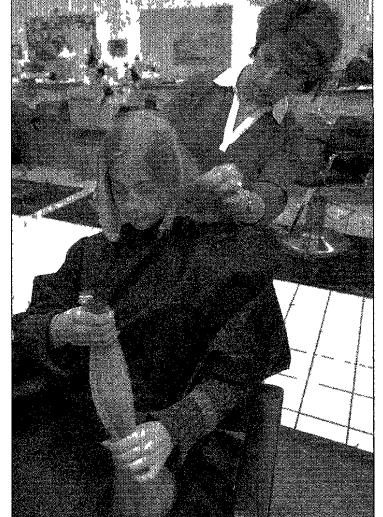
"The need is so tremendous," said Jasmund, who said she has perhaps three or four clients a year who donate their hair to Locks of Love

She showed off a lock of dark hair, with gray in it, that she said she recently cut from a man in his 60s She is sending that hair to Locks of Love along with Abby's

Human hair is used in Locks of Love hair prosthetics, Jasmund said, because it looks more natural and is easier to manage than synthetic hair The hairpieces are custommade to fit recipients

Jasmund attends NorthRidge Church in Plymouth Township, where Abby's father, Nick, is a pastor

Abby was getting compliments on her new look Thursday at Cardinal, and was starting to tally up the benefits of shorter hair - a lighter feel, less shampoo, less fuss



Abby Phillips holds her cut hair as Siham Jasmund cleans up the ends

"It'll be a whole lot easier to

brush,' her mother added

Foundation still has \$20,000 in scholarships

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"We recognize that these

scholarships not only benefit

graduating seniors, but adults

who are interested in improv

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The scholarship program,

their education,' said Joan

Noricks, president of the

which began in 1990 and

awarded \$4,000 to nine stu

dents has grown steadily over

Canton Community

Foundation

The Canton Community Foundation is again pleased to offer Canton and Plymouth residents access to 30 scholar-

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ships from a fund totaling more than \$20,000 The scholarships are avail-

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tion Local businesses and seniors, current college students, and to non-traditional organizations, as well as indistudents (adults who are purviduals, continue to sponsor sung their degrees for the first and support the various scholtime or after an extended arships

This years scholarship lineup includes the brand-new Jack Demmer Ford Scholarship, \$500 is available to students attending any college or university

Applicants need to submit a completed application form, available from the Canton Community Foundation, area high school guidance counselors offices, and the Plymouth or Canton Public Libraries Applications must be received at the foundations

Church changes name, focus in wake of 9/11

BY BRAD KADRICH STAFF WRITER

The terrorist attacks of Sept 11, 2001 had a profound effect on people all over the country Eric Moore was no different

In fact, Moore, the pastor at Canton Community Church, was so moved by what hap-pened it caused him to take his congregation - and his parish - in an entirely different direction

That's why Moore and his wife, Kim, have now changed the name — and the focus — of the church Now called the **Redemption Center for** Outreach and Revival, the church is completely prayerbased

"We were a good church, and we had a lot going for us,' said Moore, who started the church with Kim in 1989 "But there wasn't the hunger, there wasn't the sense of urgency, a sense of intimacy with God

The Moores had studied the Moravian church of the 1700s. which began praying 24 hours around the clock, and did so for over a hundred years There was evidence, the Moores believed, "of God doing incred-ible things" in places like Africa and Nigeria

"Whole cities have been changed, and we wondered why that's not happening here," Kim Moore said "We realized in those communities, there was prayer 24/7

In a world where the culture is struggling with increasing violence, the Moores felt a great polarization growing And they believe their church has been called to turn on the light

And 9/11 was the switch 'I felt like God was saying, 'No more business as usual,' Eric Moore said I felt like Sept 11 God was saying to the church, 'I need you to wake up"

So the Redemption Center is trying to do something about

Barbara Yoder of Shekinah Christian Church in Ann Arbor

It continues with a shift in focus to prayer, including the establishment of The Prayer Furnace, a room in the minıstry, located at the Michigan Theological Seminary on Ann Arbor Trail, where near-nightly prayer gatherings are dedicated to raising up an altar of worship and intercession

The ministry also features a youth outreach and revival

The basic goal Equipping people to go out and serve the ministry, to go out and start ministries or businesses of their own

"If we can release 200 people who will start ministries or businesses, then we think we're successful because we've enriched a community," Kim Moore said

Eric Moore noted that most churches measure success by how many people attend and how much money they collect on a given Sunday

The Redemption Center is trying a different tact

We want to equip and release people," Eric Moore said "We want them to understand their destiny with God, and then help them walk in it"

Part of the effort, the Moores point out, is getting other churches of other denominations involved For instance, a 'Love and Respect Conference" dedicated to the institution of marriage will be a multi-parish. event the first week of April

The Moores say other pastors are embracing the ideas of The Redemption Center, going so far as to send parishioners to The Prayer Furnace

"It's all tied to prayer, and to the unity of churches," Eric Moore said "When we love and trust each other, good things can happen"

The Redemption Center conducts a 10 a m service on Sundays The church is located on the grounds of the

able to graduating high-school

British native brings touch of England to **Plymouth restaurant**

Resident enjoys part-time job

BY DOUG JOHNSON STAFF WRITER

Michael Michaud wanted a restaurant that promoted English pub culture" and he got it when

he opened @ Work is an the walnutoccasional series paneled looking at local Dartmoor businesses. eight months ago in down-

town Plymouth

The pub was a labor of love. he and his father did all the remodeling of the old ice cream store (Cloverdale), adding a long bar, and a big fireplace

Michaud's mother was British but he has lived in America all his life, the last five years in a home in downtown Plymouth

And it was mostly serendipity that he added a genuine touch of England when he hired Canton resident Jave Haugh last summer

The way she tells it. Michaud heard her British accent and hired her on the spot as a waitress

The way he tells it, it was her wonderful "British manners" that got her the job

Either way, it's a matchup both seem to be enjoying For the Canton mother of a little boy (Scott, age 2) and the wife of Irish native Dave Haugh, it's a great part-time job

For Michaud it "brought us some professionalism We needed her maturity and with her out front it has made my job much easier"

"Plymouth has totally exceeded my expectations," Michaud said "The hometown restaurant is a dying breed but we beat corporate places with freshness and ingenuity We are the polar opposite of chains'

The Dartmoors head chef is from the Schoolcraft culinary



Business The Dartmoor Address 447 Forest Ave **Owner Michael Michaud** Established 2003 Principal products **Restaurant - British pub** Number of employees 10 full and part time

Plymouth has totally exceed ed my expectations Michael Michaud

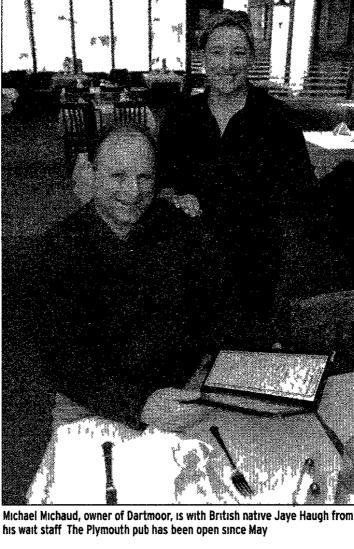
arts program Craig Pierson, a Plymouth resident and graduate of Salem High School, has been with Michaud since they opened

"It's nice to have this homegrown talent," Haugh said "The food is so well presented You taste with your eyes first And I think we are finding our niche in Plymouth'

The Dartmoor features a variety of beers and ales (naturally) as well as four dozen or so wines The menu lists classic British fare such as bangers and mash, and Sheperd's pie, as well as American dishes Each night several supper specials are offered including Maple Raspberry Salmon and Dartmoor Mixed Grill

"We have a lot regulars and they have their preferences One Friday we had every table full and I took a count and about 40 percent were repeat customers we knew," Haugh said

One of the events at the



his wait staff. The Plymouth pub has been open since May

'The hometown restaurant is a dying breed but we beat corporate places with freshness and ingenuity. We are the polar opposite of chains.'

Michael Michaud Dartmoor

restaurant that Haugh has found interesting are wine dinners Wine experts come in to speak and a variety of food and dinner specials are offered "It's fun when we get complete novices at wine dinners," Haugh said

Michaud explains that in England pubs are often "community centers for local culture People all meet there You know the owners and most times you ll see someone you know

Both Miehaud and Haugh love the big downtown events in Plymouth - Ice Spectacular, Art in the Park. Fall Festival - and use the venues to get the restaurants name out with fliers Works from area artists hangs on the Dartmoor's walls For Michaud the restaurant is

in a perfect place - one minute from home As he tweaks the restaurant he also devotes time to remodeling his older Plymouth Union Street house where he lives with his wife and family

"I like living in Canton, it's a very safe city," Haugh said She comes from a manufacturing town like Detroit, in this case Birmingham north of London Dartmoor is a rugged moorland area on the southwest peninsula of the United Kingdom

The Dartmoor is open Tuesday through Thursday for lunch and dinner 4-9 p m and Friday and Saturday 4-10 pm and Sunday for dinner only 4 8 pm

Help pick 'Best Of' winners

What's the "best" in our hometown, in metro Detroit? Help us pick the People's Choice for Filter and the Best Of in your community

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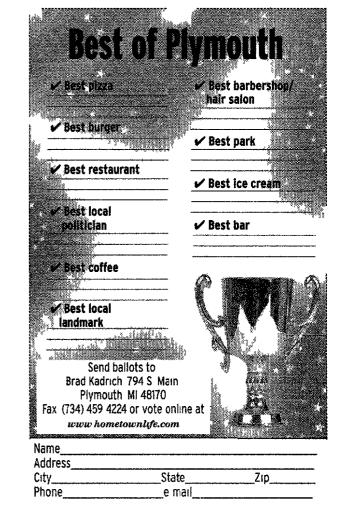
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the ballots, complete them and mail or fax to the address listed, or cast your ballots online at www.hometownlife.com

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Cheryl Lillian Brimhall

FOR THE RECORD

For the Record appears in every edition of the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers This

column soon will expand to include births and district court proceeding Other obituaries can be found inside today's paper Look for Passages to view paid obituaries

DEATHS

Charles E Brook, 92, of East Lansing, died Feb 3 Donald J Fournier of Westland, died Feb 4 Karl A Hamilton, 53, of Farmington Hills, died Feb 2 Virginia K Kliza of Redford, died Feb 3 0 Lucille Orlewicz, 81, of Canton, died Feb 1 Josephine K Vukicevich of Plymouth, died Feb 3 Angela M Wilson, 77, of Farmington Hills, died Jan 31

SCHOOLCRAFT DEAN'S LIST

The following students from Plymouth have earned a spot on the fall semester Deans List at Schoolcraft College Linda M Z Anderson Anne Marie Ardanowski Erik Scott Arlen Laurie Jean Baginsk Susan Marie Bailey Keith Allen Balcom Michele Mary Baldori Michael Gerald Baluha Jeffrey Robert Bell Ginger Nicole Binder Julie Ann Black Shaun Nicolas Booth Robin Anne Boucha Megan Catherine Bourland Karlı Marıe Brandt Shannon Faye Brennan

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LIBRARY PICKS

Every week the Plymouth District Library staff provides the Observer with their list of Best Sellers based on the number of requests for titles by library patrons The books are avail able by placing a request with the library at 453 0750 or online at ply mouthlibrary org

Fiction

1 The DaVinci Code, Dan Brown 2 The Five People You Meet in

Heaven, Mitch Albom 3 The Zero Game, Brad Metzer 4 Absolute Friends, John

LeCarre 5 Retreat Hell', WEB Griffen

Nonfiction

1 The Price of Loyalty, Ron Susskind

2 My Prison Without Bars, Pete Rose with Rick Hill 3 American Dynasty, Kevin

Philips 4 Dude, Where's My Country,

Michael Moore 5 Lies (and the Lying Liars

Who Tell Them), Al Franken

Parents' Choice

1 Finklehopper Frog, Irene Livingston 2 Farmer McPeepers and His Missing Milk Cows, Katy

Duffield 3 Down in the Daisies, Lucy

Coats 4 Lasso Lou and Cowboy McCoy, Barbara Failing

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Sports

5 Gordon in Charge, Jill Newton

WATER

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neering meetings and believes the increase is reasonable

"They have to improve the treatment plants to take care of terrorist issues, as well as modernize the plants," said Spencer "Being a larger community, our peak demand factor is higher than some other communities"

Plymouth Township decreased water costs to its residents by two percent last year, and Mann indicated "we're probably going to be in a position to keep current water rates without an increase," indicating there's enough money in the budget to absorb the additional cost

Mann also said Plymouth Township is looking to construct a second water tower to keep peak usage to a minimum, thereby lowering rates to residents

"Once we get a second water tower, we'll stabilize our use throughout the day and reduce peak demand," he said "That will help reduce our rates from

When Archie Bunch retired from the hardware business in 1988, he found a second career that endeared him to many area seniors - he became editor and columnist for the Senior Sentinel newsletter, a monthly publication of the Plymouth

Area Council on Aging Mr Bunch, of Westland, died Feb 1, at 81 in the Oakwood Common Nursing Center in Dearborn

He was named Plymouth "Volunteer of the Year" in 1994 After losing his eyesight in 1995, Mr Bunch also began promoting talking books and the services of the Wayne County Library for the Blind

He was born Jan 22, 1923, in Kansas, but the family soon moved to northern California, where he graduated from Eureka High School When the US entered World War II, he enlisted in the U.S. Army Air Corps and was sent to Detroit for training, where he met his future wife, Mary

Following his tour of duty in North Africa and Italy, they married and settled in Detroit where he joined his father in-



Victor Mercado

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He wrote the column for seniors

Officials of the three communities say they'll compile costs of water, sewerage, distribution, administration and capital improvement projectssuch as new water mains-to come up with a total water and sewerage cost to residents

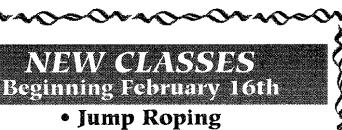
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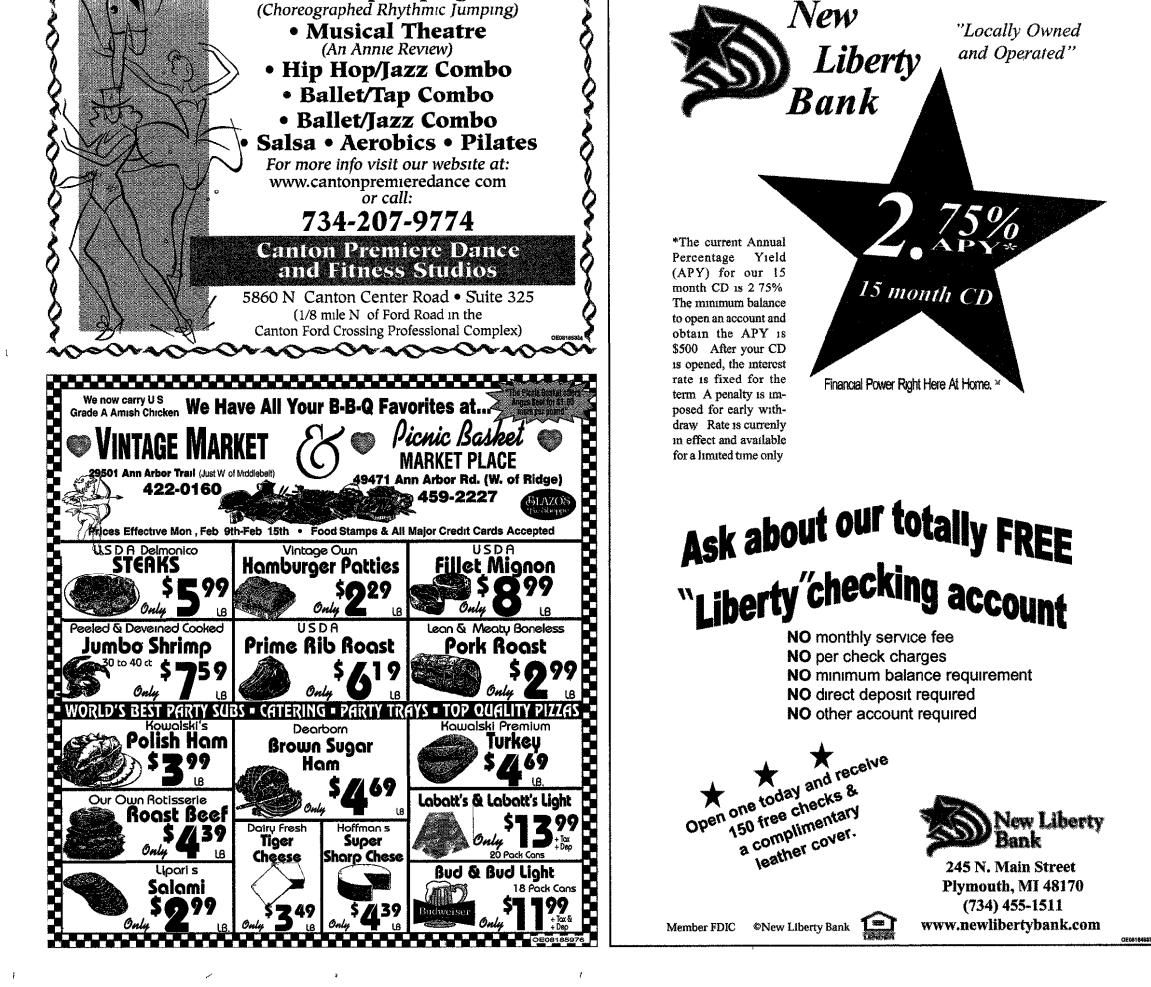
law in the hardware business Mr and Mrs Bunch had been married 59 years on Jan 13

Mr Bunch was a past commander and life member of the Mayflower Lt Gamble VFW Post in Plymouth

Mr Bunch is survived by his wife, Mary, son, David (Carol) of Canton, daughter, Barbara (Tim) Davis of Chattanooga, Tenn, and sister, Frances (Clyde) Cridlebaugh of Monroeville, Pa. He is also survived by grandchildren, Heather (Robert) L'Heureux of Canton, Eric Bunch of Oak Park, Autumn (David) Willerup of Muskegon, Bryan (Natahe) Ainshe and Melissa (Phillip) Moser of Harrison, Tenn and Kristin (Eugene) Wagner of Orlando, Fla Also surviving are great-grandchildren, Chasidy, Lexie and Gavin Amshe, Michael Wagner, Reed and Grayson L Heureux, Emily and Sarah Moser, and Mariah and Emma Willerup

Memorials may be made to the National World War II Memorial, Presbyterian Village of Westland or Geneva Presbyterian Church





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"They let me do what I want-



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"God had me in the palm of

The move wasn't without

The chamber at the time

A Detroit native who attend-

On top of some \$30 000

town area

I got the job, and I went all over the community to get new members," Toney said "That criticism bothers me

It isn't enough to dampen her enthusiasm for the job Toney has outlasted many of the chamber directors she there's been a huge turnover, she said She likes to go to she's taken to traveling But mostly her life is in

wants it

munity' in every sense of the word I easily wanted the job and I still do



STUDENT THEATER

Park Players take on Broadway's best

BY BRAD KADRICH STAFF WRITER

It didn't take Kristen Quesada long to start thinking big

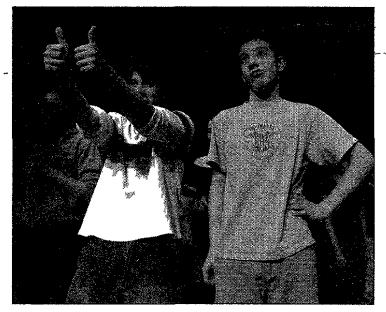
Quesada, in just her second year as director of the . Plymouth-Canton Schools' Park Players, puts on the biggest show in more than a decade when her Players hit the stage in the annual spring musical next month

The Players will do 42nd Street, an ambitious production that features nearly 60 cast members and 10 sets, in a production scheduled to run March 25-27 in the Gloria Logan Auditorium at Salem High School

The show, one of Broadway's most decorated, is currently running in revival in New York, and Quesada thought the tuning was right

"It's a show I've always liked, they did it here about 14 years ago," Quesada said "It's running again on Broadway, so I thought it would be cool to do it again"

Cool perhaps, but it's also



Joe Kowaleski and Keith Brown were ready to dance at an audition for the Park Players' production



PLYMOUTH HOUSING COMMISSION

Plymouth Housing Commission is seeking conceptual proposals for an office expansion Work consists of architectural structural, mechanical and electrical renovation of an approximately 1650 sf area into office usage Selection of the architect will be based on many factors including but not limited to qualifications knowledge of federal reporting guidelines, construction experience and knowledge of local codes Design proposals to include preliminary conceptual prints, costs for providing construction drawings and construction inspection Tours of the proposed project can be made by calling 734 455 3670 ext 222 or 226 Proposals to be submitted to Plymouth Housing Commission 1160 Sheridan Plymouth MI 48170 no later than EOBD Friday March 26 2004

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going to be a lot of work Asl Quesada, who has a strong Bro dance background, looked for dir potential cast members who hill also had some dance experience The parts she couldn't fill the with dancers, she filled with sm students with strong voices C

and equally strong hearts In a play that features some 60 actors and 'nine or 10" dance numbers, those were the important qualities

"I'd say about half of the people cast have some prior dance knowledge from outside studios," Quesada said 'The other half have strong voices and have the heart and energy to learn Between myself and my four dance captains, we're going to do our best to teach them the ropes and hope everything goes well"

Rehearsals have just started, so it's a bit early yet to tell how it's going Quesada cast the four leads, choosing senior Courtney Gromacki to play dancer Peggy Sawyer, senior Joe Drake to play Billy Lawler, the play's romantic lead, junior Ashleigh Rotondo as Dorothy Brock, the leading lady the director thinks is "over the hill," and junior Nathan Gardner to play Julian Marsh, the director hoping to put on a smash hit

Gromacki, 17, has taken tap since she was 5, and was a Hot Box girl in last year's Players' production of *Guys and Dolls* She had no lines in that play, and so must make the adjustment to a huge speaking part this year

'I'm gonna have to be involvéd and get inside my chara¢ter and really portray her," Gromacki said "You have to understand your character I never thought I could be the lead in a Broadway show, and that's how Peggy feels, too, so I think it'll be easy for me to portray Peggy"

While the actors, especially the ones who aren't as wellversed in dance, will have their hurdles, the biggest challenge will come for the crew of set designers, who have to come up with nearly three times the

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Alison Sarsfield helps lead the dancers The Park Players' spring production, features some 10 dance numbers

normal number of sets in a musical, including a pair of two-story sets and one threestory set

Paul Bird has been the technical director for seven years, and next month's production is the largest put on by the Players in his tenure

"They're all challenges, but this one is going to be just a bit more of a challenge because of the size," Bird said "You never have time, so you make do with the time you have The kids are great kids who do quality work, so I have no quality work, so I have no quality about it at all I know what the kids are capable of doing"

1989 1989 Pubhsi dance for 11 years, feels the same way

"The most challenging part is teaching the people who have never tapped before and putting them on stage with experienced dancers and trying to match the level so they look the same," Quesada said "But it can be done We're going to have to work constantly, bring 'em in over winter break, add some Friday rehearsals We'll do whatever it takes to make it good."

42nd Street hits the stage with 8 p m performances March 25 27 with a 2 p m matinee March 27

Quesada, who has taught bkadrich@ce homecomm net

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York, and Quesada thought the A big crowd showed up for an after-school workshop to audition for the 60-member cast of '42nd Street' turning was right



A city's 'czar' stays firmly in total control - for now

ast week, as politicians seeking the presidency crisscrossed Michigan, Lou Schimmel, who has more power in a smaller space than any of them ever will, paused to look forward to the day he could give up his

Nearly four years ago, he was named Emergency Financial Manager of perennially fiscally troubled Hamtramck, a tiny city long famous as a Pohsh cultural

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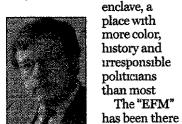
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name in city bars So do the politicians - though most will

dictator then was, damn it,

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admit that the place was a fiscal

mess, and bringing an economic

probably necessary But that was

the fault of all those other guys,

they add, and it is high time the

man they call "Oscar Schimmel"

Nothing doing, says their

emergency financial manager Not yet "The fact is that I would

be happy to finish this task. I am

planning on being out of here by

the end of the year But my first

condition is that the mayor and

the council and the unions independently adopt a balanced

That has been the problem for

budget - and show good faith

Time was when you could

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Polish vote Hamtramckans

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that they'll live up to it

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Jack Lessenberry

often didn't Squabbling politicians who couldn't get along or balance a budget have been as much a part of Hamtramck's history as the enormous jelly doughnuts called paczki. Scandals were common in the

old days, and at least one mayor was trundled off to jail But in the old days, there was always lots of tax revenue from Dodge Main and prosperous auto workers But the great plant closed in 1980, and the city's fortunes have been drifting, mostly downward, ever since Four years ago, things came to a head Michigan cities are required

by law to balance their budgets Despite the national prosperity, Hamtramck - which has 23,000 people, less than half its population in its "glory days" - was running a \$2 9 million deficit.

Exasperated, the state, after repeated warnings, took over the city Now 66, Schimmel, who had absolutely no ties to Hamtramck, was starting to ease out of the public bond business when he got a call Would he consider becoming what amounted to the czar of Hamtramck, with total financial powers? That was on a Wednesday night

"They wanted me to start Friday That may have been crazy, but I love a challenge" So he did The place where his tidy office 1s today was a derelict room in a long-abandoned hospital turned city hall, littered with what pigeons produce

He took immediate control "Yes, I fired people, I eliminated positions We had early retirements I had to get the place's financial house in order

On the streets and in the tough union bars, he became the most hated man on the planet Noticing he had a Germansounding name, there were the inevitable Nazi jokes Yet the garbage was getting picked up again

Gary Zych, then the mayor, was a particular foe He was essentially disenfianchised as were the five city councilmen For some months the EFM stopped paying their salaries They battled him tooth and nail but he had the power and the purse Campaigning largely against Schimmel, Zych was reelected - by five votes - in 2002 But last November, he lost to a tavern owner, Tom Jankowski, who pledged to try for better relations with Schimmel "since he is going to be leaving '

Or maybe not The EFM, never one to mince words, says the new mayor is a vast improvement over the old one But the problem, as he sees it, is not personality, but form of government The city has long had a weak mayor and no city manager, and consequently, nobody has overall responsibility

What Hamtramck needs is either a strong mayor or a city manager' Last fall, a new city charter that would have provided for a city manager form of government was offered to the voters It was denounced by most of the usual politicians, and lost 55-45

The city can try to pass the charter again If voters do, Lou Schimmel would likely gratefully turn over the keys and go home Last year, a new governor took office in Lansing, and some discreet inquiries were made as to whether he was about ready to declare his task done 'I can quit tomorrow," he offered.

'And they said, well, uh, no, that's not what we had in mind ,' he laughed. The state backed down His department heads quickly got wind of that, however

They promptly presented him with a certificate, which now proudly hangs in his conference room

"We, the loyal few, do hereby attest that tyranny, wickedness and insolvency still reign upon the land Let all men know, by affixing our signatures below, we freely and knowingly resolve to support our EFM in his quest to vanquish evil" He may have hired them, but at least a few Hamtramckans don't hate the boss

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Report cards may be helpful, but don't tell whole story

ome wags call the No Child Left Behind plan No Schools Left

Standing They argue that the remedies hurt schools that are already at a disadvantage They also argue that funding is inadequate to provide the remedies recommended Some conservatives are

scratching their heads over how a conservative Republican president could have instituted such a centralplanning, federally controlled

system Some liberals are wondering what his real scheme might be This week Mıchıgan released its

first annual report cards Gallagher for schools, a part of the state's

Hugh

Education Yes! program in compliance with the federal No Child Left Behind act Some of the state's best high schools failed to meet AYP (for those who haven t been paying attention that's adequate yearly progress) The reason they failed to make AYP is because many of their students opt out of taking the MEAP, which ısn't mandatory To make AYP a school has to show 95 percent of students took the MEAP

Among those schools are Plymouth Salem and Canton, Birmingham Groves and Seaholm, Bloomfield Hills Andover and Lahser Of course, those schools and their highly motivated students did great on all other criteria and the sum ends up being far less than the parts

Reaction to the report cards has been less than enthusiastic, though educators allow that the report cards are one and only "one measure that parents can look at to evaluate the quality of a particular school or system One area educator said the report card might have more importance for a family thinking about

moving to a particular community

But the report cards for our school systems might just be as questionable as the report cards students receive, because they don't take into consideration enough factors and don't weigh differences adequately For years, schools have struggled to perfect a report card that fully evaluates a student's growth, potential and special qualities It might also take years to develop a report card that can properly evaluate our schools and provide for proper remedy

Jay Young, director of communications for the Livonia Public Schools, says educating children is too complicated to reduce everything to a letter grade

"It is frustrating to deal with such an arbitrary indicator of school success, especially given the lack of good, timely data from the state," Young said in an interview in Thursday's Livonia Observer "As a result, the validity of the state report card is questionable '

The old computer term GIGO, garbage in-garbage out, might apply here When districts received the report cards last fall, several districts appealed because of errors which delayed public release of the grades until last week

Livonia actually did very well in the report cards, but Young stresses that what goes on the school buildings every day is more important than a letter grade from the state

We are heavily involved with and remain focused on our school improvement processes and strategies They are much more comprehensive, timely and meaningful for our staff and students," Young said

This might be a case of a program with a strong potential for good that has a long way to go

Educators and parents have been frustrated for years about the quality of our public school systems Public schools have become a target for some politicians, many with an

agenda to move more students into private education

In the late 1950s, Americans woke up one morning to find that the Soviet Union had sent a satellite into orbit and began to question whether our children were receiving an education that could compete with an accomplishment like that

In the 1980s, America was confronted with strong competition for business supremacy from Japan Story after story began to appear about the superiority of Japanese N. Japanese students practically focused on academic achievement

Columnists ruminate regularly about the pitiful state of public education

Some of our schools are in trouble, many of them in our most economically distressed . areas - big cities and rural ** communities And some might question the rigor of our school curricula even in our 🛸 better suburban schools

But it seems a growing number of young people are finding their way into universities (if they can scrape up the money somehow) and are continuing to achieve higher levels of education than their parents Most of our public schools are turning out students who're literate, computer savvy, technically aware

Meanwhile, the Soviet Union doesn't exist anymore and Japan has been going through a 10-year economic slump

We do need to work hard on improving truly failing schools and the underlying social conditions that make them failing schools

And our local educators need to continue doing the generally outstanding job they do under sometimes trying circumstances

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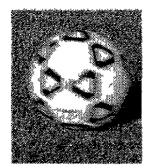
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PCA star signs

Rachel Rudzis, an all-Michigan Independent Athletic Conference keeper at Plymouth Christian Academy and a Canton resident, has signed a national letter of intent to attend and



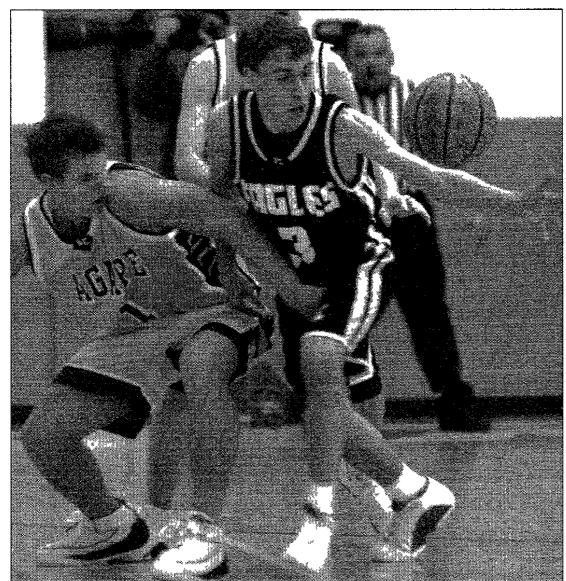
play soccer at Indiana State University

A senior at PCA, Rudzis has been part of the Olympic Development Program state team since 1999 and made the ODP regional pool in 2000

Her club team, the Michigan Hawks, won back-to-back Michigan State Cup championships the last two years, and Rudzis was the MVP keeper both times

She was all conference in 2001 and 2002 and was third team all state in 2002

Rachel is a goalkeeper who has found success at all levels of her playing career high school club and ODP said ISU coach Vernon Croft She is a very athletic goalkeeper who is more than capable of competing for the



Jordan Napier (left) collected 16 points and 10 rebounds for Canton Agape in its win over Plymouth Christian Friday Daniel Carty had eight points for PCA

Agape adjusts, bounces PCA Poor shooting dooms Eagles

With the first quarter just past the halfway mark, Plymouth Christian Academy basketball coach Doug Taylor saw something he didn't like and called time out, his team trailing archrival Canton Agape Christian, 9-4 A half-dozen seconds after the timeout, PCA's Daniel Carty swiped the ball from Agape and dribbled in for an easy layup to make it a three-point game

It was to be the Eagles last highlight of the half Agape, embarrassed 67-58 on its homecourt by PCA in the two teams' first meeting Jan 16, returned the favor by taking advantage of — and causing some — PCA shooting woes in a 54-40 victory Friday at PCA

The Wolverines improve to 10-3 overall, 3-2 in the Michigan Independent Athletic Conference PCA is 7-6 overall, 3-3 in the MIAC

"Our kids were really focused," said Agape coach Chuck Henry "Maybe after losing at Discovery (Middle School, Agape's home court) we had a psychological advantage But I was surprised we jumped 'em and got that big of a lead"

Certainly some of the things the Wolverines did differently this time around made a difference in the outcome, but PCA didn't help itself After Carty's basket with 3 33 left in the first quarter, the Eagles missed sixstraight shots By the time they got their next basket, by Aaron Ciborowski with 5 36 left in the second quarter, Agape was already up 24-9 PCA would go another 3 18 without a point

When halftime mercifully (for the Eagles) arrived, the gap had grown to 20 points, 35-15 PCA would either have to make every shot in the second half or play perfect defense to catch the Wolverines – or both

As it turned out, the Eagles could do neither They played good defense in the third quar-

PLEASE SEE AGAPE, B3

Wolverine comeback catches Eagles

One game into Thursday's match at Plymouth Christian Academy, it looked like a repeat of the first meeting Canton Agape Christian's volleyball team had against its nemesis

That one ended with a PCA win on Agapes home court (Discovery Middle School) The Eagles' 15-7 win in Thursday's first set didn't indicate anything substantial had changed

But it had The Wolverines rallied edging PCA in the next two games 15 12 15 13 to take the match Agape improved to 5 9 overall 2 5 in

the Michigan Independent Athletic Conference The Eagles are 10-9-1 overall, 4-2 in the MIAC

It was a very, very good comeback.'

VOLLEYBALL

played a great defensive game She was our backbone'

Armbrester finished with five digs, two kills and a service ace A J Creps had 11 kills, Ashley Paul got five kills, Emily Tong totaled 17 set assists and Danielle Mosier finished with five aces and nine digs

Agape plays at Deerfield Monday PCA travels to Southfield Christian

Canton clubs Western

This match had none of the suspense of last Monday's Western Lakes Activities Association match against Wayne Memorial Canton had to rally from a 14-3 deficit in the second set to get a win over Wayne

Against Walled Lake Western Wednesday at Canton, the Chiefs were methodically efficient, dispensing with the Warriors 15-6, 15-8

The victory improved Canton's record to 15-10-4 overall, 3-1 in the WLAA, 1-0 in the Western Division Western is 1-3 in the WLAA, 0-1 in the Western Division

Katie Esper led the Chiefs attack with six kills she also had four blocks and two digs

Other Canton standouts were Kristen Lille with 12 set assists and six digs, Heather Richardson with 10 digs and five set assists and Andrea Johnson with three service aces, three digs and two

Canton jolts Franklin; CC wins, 6-1

Records meant nothing as Canton upset host Livonia Franklin 4-2 Wednesday in a Western Lakes Activities Association Western Division hockey encounter at Fdgar Arena

Arena The Chiefs improved to 4 11 1 over all, 1-3 in the division with the victory Franklin is 11-5-2 overall, 2-2 in the

division Franklin, playing its fourth game in eight days and missing three players, couldn't overcome a 3-0 deficit after two periods Franklin beat Canton in a Dec 12 meeting, 8-3

starting role on our team this fall

Cheer champs

The Plymouth HS junior varsity cheerleaders came in first place at the Wolverine Regional Cheer Competition recently

It was the first competition for the newlyformed squad, which had to overcome injuries and an adjusted routine just 48 hours before the event

The win earned the Wildcat cheerleaders a bid to the National Cheer Competition in Orlando, Fla

Team members are Ashley Altman, Alie Bates, Jenna Beauchamp, Adrianne Bielak, Carrie Brooks, Samantha Esper, Kalee Fox, Laura Freitag, Beth Gutowski, Katie Hale, Molly Howard, Amanda Kanaan, Samantha Panek, Brittany Petty, Chelsey Pickard, **Courtney Pickard, Allison** Poremba, Amy Quiambao, Alie Saker, Laura Tremonti, Amanda Waite, Breana Wallace and Emily Zelenak The team is coached by Alisha Cieslak

Gymnasts win

The Plymouth HS gym-

nastics team got a dual-

beating visiting Berkley

meet win Wednesday,

The top all-around

score went to the Bears'

Next best were two

Wildcats Amy Quiambao

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Plymouth clashes with

Salem at 7 p m Monday

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Courtney Pickard was

Gabby Mayes, who scored

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said Agape coach Gretchen Sexton, singling out in particular the performance turned in by Tarah Armbrester "She kills

Canton hosts Livonia Stevenson at 7 p m Monday

Letizia's goal lifts Whalers

The Plymouth Whalers withstood a wild third-period comeback by the Erie Otters, then got the game-winning goal from Tim Letizia with just six seconds left in overtime to gain a 5-4 victory Friday in Erie

The Whalers improved to 23-18-9-3 (58 points), solidifying their position in second place in the Ontario Hockey League's West Division For Erie, it was its third-straight loss, leaving the Otters at 23-18-6-4 (56 points), fourth in the OHL's Midwest Division

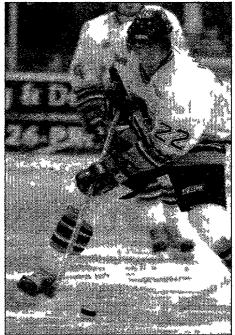
Plymouth got off to a fast start, getting first-period goals from Vaclav Meidl (from Jonas Fiedler and John Mitchell) and Tim Sestito (from Fiedler and Rane Carnegie), the latter coming on the power play Ene's Rob Hisey narrowed the gap to 2-1 with a second-period score, then tied it with a power-play goal 1 38 into the third period

The Otters got their first lead at the 3 33 mark of the third period, Geoff Platt getting the goal to make it 3-2

But the fireworks were just beginning The Whalers had an answer, getting two goals in a 38-second span to retake the lead, 4-3 John Vigilante got the first on the power play, with assists from Ryan Ramsay and Mike Knight, the second came from Brent Mahon, from Carnegie and Sestito Mahon's goal came with 8 50 left in regulation With just 04 on the clock, Ryan O'Marra knocked in a shot for Erie to knot it at 4-all and force overtime

Which set the stage for Letizia's OT heroics with 06 left. Carnegie got his third assist of the game on the game-winner, and Mitchell got his second Fiedler also had two assists

Hisey finished with two goals and an assist for Erie Sean O'Connor had two assists Paul Drew stopped 22 of 26 shots on goal for the Whalers Jhase Snidermar and Josh Disher divided time in goal for the Otters Erie was 1-of-9 on the power play, Plymouth was 2-of-5



DONALD J "ALLEY

Mike Letizia got the game-winning goal with just six seconds left in overtime to lift the Whalers to a 5-4 win over Erie Friday

First-half barrage boosts SC women to win

Schoolcraft College's women's basketball team got it going early Wednesday at Alpena CC's Park Arena, and the Ocelots never let up in posting a 68-43 victory

SC improved to 15-6 overall, 9-2 in the MCCAA's Eastern Conference Alpena is 4-15 overall, 2-9 in the conference

Shooting was the difference The Ocelots connected on 15-of-34 first-half shots (44 1 percent) compared to the Lumberjacks' 8-of-32 (25 percent) — one reason SC led 33-19 at the intermission

Alpena wasn't much better in the second half, for the game, the Lumberjacks hit 16-of-60 (26 6 percent), SC was 29-of-70 (41 4 percent) It wasn't any different from the free-throw line SC was 8-of-12 (66 7 percent), Alpena hit 6-of-19 (31 5 percent) Six Ocelots scored nine or more points Only two Lumberjacks managed that, and their top scorer, Megan VanSchoten (16 points on 6-of-13 shooting, plus 10 rebounds and two blocked shots) fouled out

Amantha Combs topped SC with 16 points (7-of-8 from the floor) and eight rebounds Ashley Gibson and Tara Charles (from Redford Bishop Borgess) scored 11 points apiece, Gibson dishing out eight assists and Charles grabbing eight boards and making two steals

Sara Tyree (Westland John Glenn) added 10 points and two blocks, Tiffani Pattillo totaled nine points, seven rebounds, five steals and four assists, and Crystal Pittman had nine points and five boards Joni Ames added 15 points for Alpena

Aquinas 70, Madonna 57: Aquinas didn't exactly light it up against visiting Madonna Wednesday in Grand Rapids, but the Saints were more accurate than the Crusaders Aquinas took advantage of Madonna's 9-of-37 first-half floor shooting (27 8 percent) to open up a 36-26 halftime lead The Saints never let it get away, improving to 12-13 overall, 4-3 in the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference Madonna fell to 9-15 overall, 5-3 in the WHAC

Two Crusaders reached double figures in scoring Marwa Ayoub and Hayley Myers each scored 11 points, Ayoub also grabbing nine rebounds, three steals, two blocks and two assists Jackie Pingston added eight points and three assists

Aquinas was paced by Kim Pomeroy with 13 points and 10 rebounds, Jackie Braspenninx with 12 points, 10 rebounds and nine blocked shots, and Cassie Chan with 10 points, three assists and two steals Leslie Hoffman chipped in with nine points

HOCKEY

'Canton's team is much improved," Franklin coach Terry Jobbitt said 'They played great hockey and they were the better team They weren't the same team we faced the first time They outplayed us the entire night They beat us to the puck"

Matt Oliver gave Canton a 1-0 lead on an assist from Mike Stewart at the 0 47 mark of the first period

Garrett Hyman made it 2-0 on a power-play goal from Stewart and Nick Leadford at 4 51 of the second period Leadford, who is Jobbitt's nephew, scored at 6 24 of the same period from Stewart and Kyle Tolhson

"We were just better prepared," said Canton coach Jim Wheaton "We've been improving as a team. It was just a matter of time before we started winning again

"Before we couldn't seem to put it all together We were finally able to play three strong periods Now we want to build on it and get ready for the (state) playoffs"

Franklin got on the board at 5 28 of the final period — Matt Sgriccia from Dave McCall and Brad Garbutt But Canton iced the victory on Kevin Tollison's goal at the 6 00 mark from Hyman

McCall scored with 2 33 left from D J Tracy and Keith Robert

Canton goaltender Chris Garrett made 28 saves, while Franklin's Sam Burrows stopped 18 shots

CC 6, Trenton 1: Trenton scored first, but Redford Catholic Central got the next six as the Shamrocks got the win Wednesday night against the host Trojans at Kennedy Ice Arena.

"We played a really good game," said CC coach Todd Johnson as his team improved to 9-6-3 overall "Our one line of Drew Kahle, Dan Barczuk and Derek New got the puck into the net, but our other three lines were solid as well

"I think our guys are starting to realize that we're a good team when we work hard and move our feet"

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Tournament not likely to visit Detroit

recently published article reported that the Detroit Metro Sports Commission was attempting to land the Women's International Bowling Congress 2008 national convention and cham-

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of entrants during that timespan resulting in a significant boost for the local economy, typically 80,000 bowlers plus guests

The decision will be made at the WIBC annual convention this May in Wichita, Kan

The chosen city expects to have an impact on its local economy to the tune of more than \$22 million In addition to Super Bowl in Canton, other area bowling centers interested in bidding include Thunderbowl Lanes in Allen Park, Taylor Lanes and Skore Lanes in Taylor

Do not get your hopes up for this to happen In fact, it is very unlikely to go to the Detroit area at all

A few years ago Detroit put in a very serious bid, aided by the Detroit Visitors and Convention Bureau They created a very impressive videotaped program showing the

finer points of our metropolitan area including Greenfield Village/Henry Ford Museum, along with the three casinos

They also pitched area shopping malls, great hotel accommodations, our neighbor to the south, Windsor, Ontario, a revitalized downtown, including the Fox Theatre, Comerica Park, Cobo Hall, etc

The bid was presented at the WIBC convention, only to fall a distant second to Tulsa, Okla

Hey, what happened there? Detroit is definitely the bowling capital of the world, boasting more centers, more lanes and the largest concentration of bowlers anywhere on earth Tulsa, Okla?

C'mon How can there even be any comparison between these two cities? Therein lies the rub People in other parts of the country have a very negative perception of this city We supposedly have a higher crime rate than most other places Even though much has been accomplished, the nationwide public image for Detroit remains poor

If you travel, you know exactly what I mean

This may all be a moot point, however, as this year's American Bowling Congress and WIBC conventions will probably both vote to merge the two into a single organization It is most likely to pass this year

It is undecided, at this stage, how the national conventions and tournaments will be structured in the future, and if a merger will take place

It remains to be seen whether the new Single Membership Organization, with all factions voting as one,

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could alter the vote regarding the national convention and tournament

The 101st annual Michigan State Bowling Tournament is under way in nearby Monroe It is a 16-week run from start to finish, now at the quarter pole, coming into the fourth week of statewide competition

Rather than going through all the event leaders in each category, you will see those that are among the leaders from our own and neighboring cities

These are the early leaders with 13 weeks remaining

In the Team Actual, Gold Crown Pro Shop No 2 of Waterford currently holds down third place with 3,259 For Team Handicap, Larke Wood Floors of Royal Oak is in first place with 3,534, while Larke Wood Floors team No 2 is in fourth spot with 3,501 Fifth place is held by Gold Crown Pro Shop No 2 with 2,494

In Doubles Actual, Clint Berryman and Bob McDonald of Oak Park are in third place with 1,381 Michelle Berryman of Ypsilanti has a nice 748 in Singles Actual, giving her possession of second place

Clint Berryman is currently in fifth place for the All-Events Scratch with 2,051

There will be updates as the tournament progresses and more of our local bowlers hit it big on the lanes

The Wayne-Westland Metro Bowling Association and Tri-City Women's Bowling Association are in the midst of their 32nd annual Mixed Doubles Tournament, going on this weekend and next week-

sions, the fee is \$100 for resi-

dents and \$125 for non-resi-

dents Registration closes

end with squads filling up the lanes at Wayne Bowl on Michigan Avenue

There are two squads on Saturday and at 9 a m and 1 p m today, which leaves some time for last minute entries (if space is available), as well as for bowling enthusiasts to come on down and watch For more information, call

Elizabeth Campbell at (734) 721-1759

The Western Wayne Men's Bowling Association is also conducting its traditional 700 Tournament, which has already staged all of its qualifying rounds at Super Bowl, located on Ford Road, in Canton

The semifinals will be at 2 p m Saturday, Feb 21 The field will then be pared down to the final five players at 10 a.m Sunday, Feb 22 To be eligible, a bowler must

have rolled a sanctioned 700 series at some point in their bowling career

First place pays off a nice prize of \$1,500, followed by \$750 for second, \$400 for third place, \$350 for fourth, \$300 for fifth and \$200 to the sixth place finisher

Random thought How about Super Bowl coming up with a special bowling event to tie-in with the 2006 Super Bowl at Ford Field in Detroit?

It would make a nice cross promotion, to have a Super Bowl event for football fans to bowl for prize money during the Super Bowl

Al Harrison is a resident of Livonia and a director of the Greater Detroit Bowling Association He can be reached at (248) 477 1839 or e mail at tenpinalley@sbcglobal net

WRESTLING RESULTS

WESTLAND JOHN GLENN 41 SALEM 28 Feb 5 at Salem

103 pounds Brandon Nikula (WJG) pinned Jeremy Stanietwitz 429 112. Rowdy Glasgow (WJG) won by technical fall over Ryan Wallace 15.0 119 Matt Kessler (S) dec. Mike Weck 12.6 125 Ryan Stump (S) decisioned Orlando Carswell 17 5 130 Dave Burr (S) dec Jim Wood 11 4 135 Zach Vaughn (S) pinned Saif Naber 1 41 140 Rece Cox (WJG) pinned Matt Sammut 0 49 145 Greg Wacker (WJG) pinned Jacob Bennett 519 152: Daron Cruickshank (JG) pinned Corey Mervyn 2 34 160 Brad Allen (WJG) dec Brian Danville 41 171 Jordan Schaefer (S) p Chris Stephenson 1 07 189 Jake Fairchild (WJG) dec Jeremy Henderson 10 4 215, Eric Schambers (WJG) p. Alex Smith 110 275 Jeremy Walker (S) pinned Shanir Garcia 138

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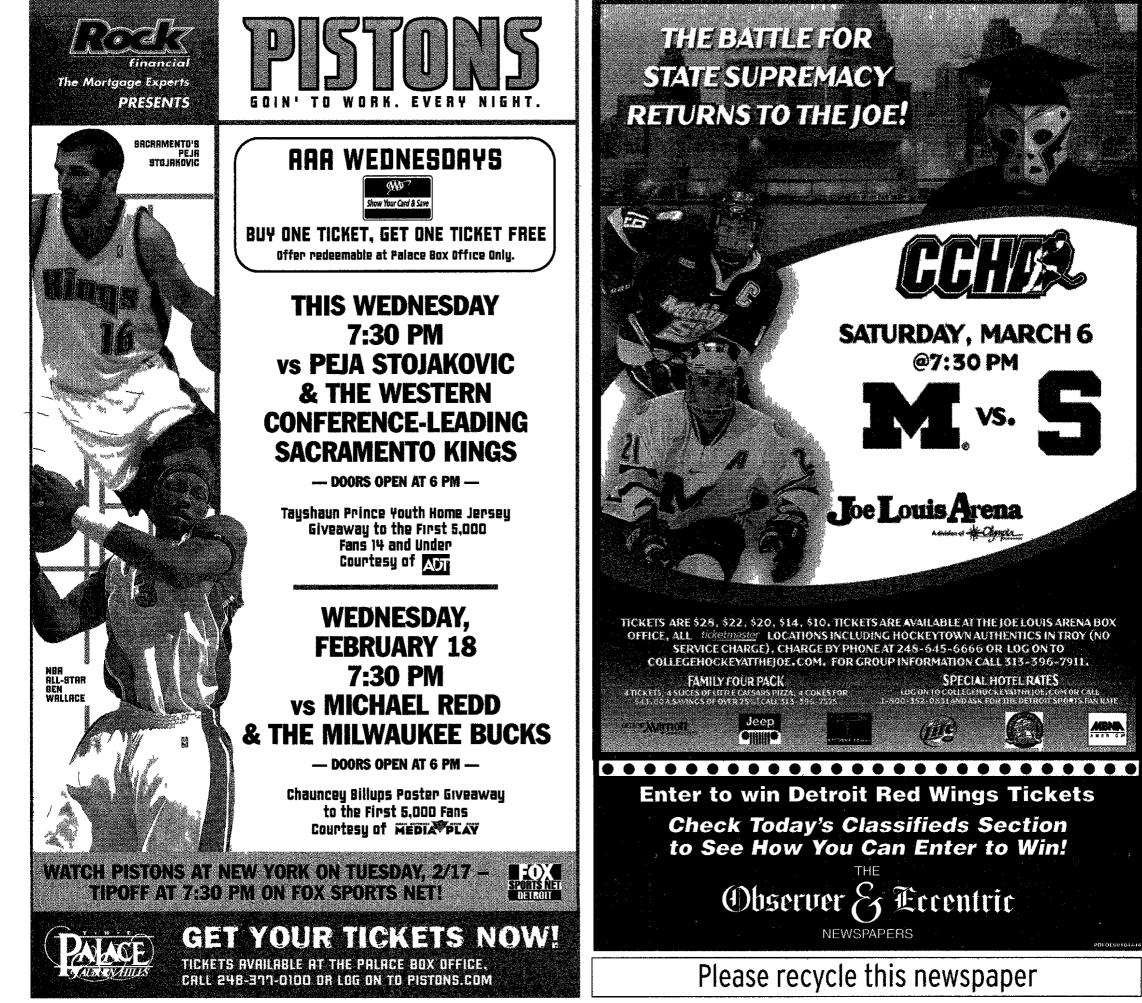
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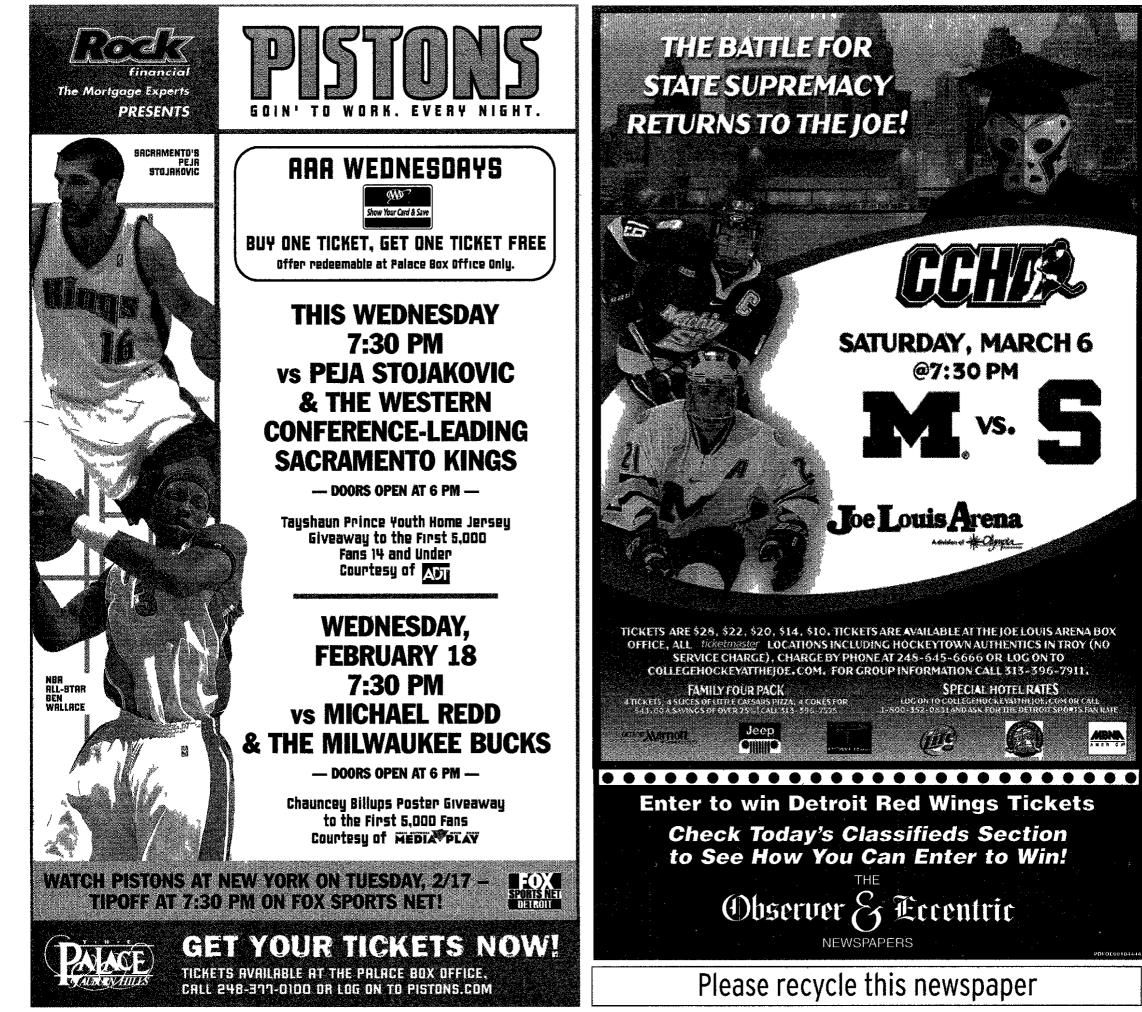
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Soccer club accepting registrations for spring

The Canton Soccer Club 15 currently accepting registrations for the spring season Registration forms may be obtained either on-line at www.cantonsoccerclub.com.or at the club office located at





division players, the fee is \$65 March 1 Registration form, for Canton residents and \$90 copy of birth certificate and for non-residents, for undernine through under-19 divi-

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Feb 5 at Salem

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Aquinas outlasts Madonna

Madonna University ran out of gas down the stretch Wednesday, allowing Aquinas College to escape with an 83-76 victory at Madonna.

The Crusaders dipped to 8-15 overall, 2-6 in the Wolverme-Hoosier Athletic Conference Aquinas is 15-9 overall, 4-3 in the WHAC

Madonna was in the battle throughout the first half, taking a 37-29 lead on a Joe Kofahl three-pointer with four minutes left The Crusaders couldn't hold it, however, getting outscored by the Saints 14-2 the rest of the half to trail 43-39 at the break

A couple of threes by Noel Emenhiser enabled Madonna to tie it at 48-all early in the second half, and it stayed close until the final four minutes.

seven points, unfortunately,

they only scored 10, converting

well," said Taylor "Some of our

bad shooting can be attributed

me wrong, they played well

looks We just didn't make

"We just didn't shoot the ball

"But we had some wide-open

Certainly those misses crip-

first meeting, PCA had concen-

trated its defensive efforts on containing Agape's one-two

punch of Jordan Napier and

And it worked But Taylor

had no illusions as he readied

his team for the rematch

pled PCA's comeback hopes

But the Wolverines' efforts at

the other end made a differ-

ence, too In the two teams'

don't get

AGAPE

FROM PAGE B1

3-of-18 shots

to their defense

them"

when Aquinas outscored the Crusaders 10-3 for the winning margin

Emenhiser finished with a game-high 26 points, including five three-pointers Dan Kurtinaitis added 17 points, four assists and two steals, and Chad Nadolni had 16 points. 10 rebounds and three assists Kofahl finished with nine points

The Saints were paced by Damien Mayo with 24 points Jeff Jayson contributed 17 points, Tom Kuslikis netted 14 and Kevin Murphy scored 10

Aquinas hit 32-of-61 shots from the floor (52 9 percent), Madonna was 27-of-64 (42.2 percent)

Schoolcraft 97, Alpena 51: Anton Palmer scored 24 points

"Our double-teamming defense had a lot to do with that first one," said Taylor "But trick defenses usually don't work more than once We knew it wouldn't work again" ter, limiting the Wolverines to

It didn't PCA gave it a go, doubling both Napier and Charlie Henry to start the game, just to see how Agape adjusted But the Eagles didn't stick with it And the Napier/Henry twosome didn't dismantle PCA by themselves

They did their damage, to be sure Each scored 16 points, Napier also grabbing 10 rebounds and Charlie Henry dishing out four assists and making three steals But Chuck Henry felt it was the rest of the team's scoring efforts that proved pivotal

"Their defense the first time concentrated on stopping Charlie and Jordan," Chuck Henry said "We've been working on that ever since The first time we had shots, we just couldn't knock them down

and collected 17 rebounds Wednesday as Eastern Conference co-leader Schoolcraft College (19-3, 10-1) routed cellar dweller Alpena Community College (4-15, 2-9)

The Ocelots, who bounced back from Saturday's 74-67 loss to Flint Mott, jumped out to a 49-22 halftime lead

Ty Scott added 12 points for Schoolcraft, while Ricky Morgan contributed 11 points and seven assists Ryan Baumgartner and Derrick Ponder each finished with 10 points Ponder also grabbed 10 rebounds

"We came out and played well as a team," Schoolcraft coach Carlos Briggs said "We're only as good as when we played together as a team"

"This time we did Eight of nine of our guys scored They earned (the win) the first time, we earned it this time"

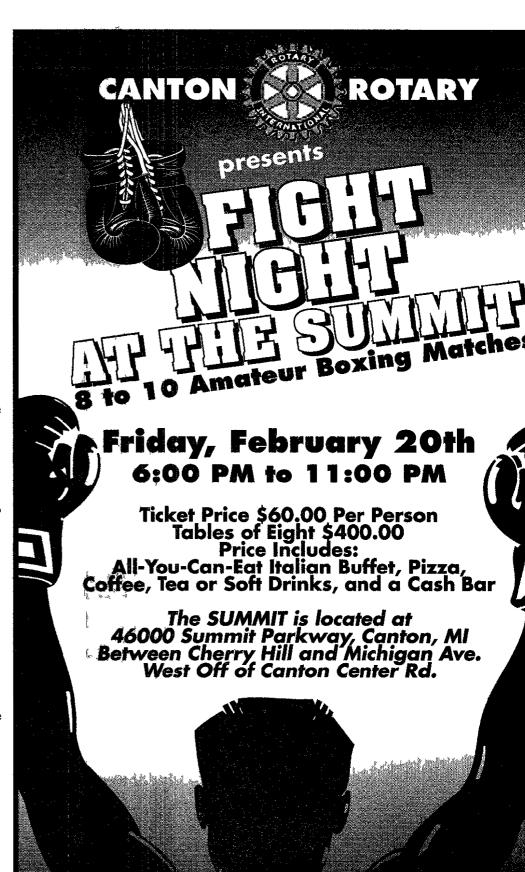
Matt Cross was next highest scorer for Agape with seven points

Gabe Molnar totaled four points and five boards

Also in the first meeting, four Eagles scored in double figures That didn't happen in the rematch - Cıborowski led PCA with 14 points, Steve Sumner added 10 and Carty scored eight

"What makes that team so effective is their inside-outside game," Chuck Henry said of PCA "All five of their kids can score Our focus on defense was apparent They go from four in doubles (in scoring) to two in doubles'

PCA was able to narrow the gap to 14 in the second half But that came against the Agape bench, and by then the gap was too big and the time was too little



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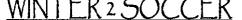
HOCKEY FROM PAGE B1

Charlie Henry

Trenton's Jake Schering opened the scoring two min utes into the game but Wade Lafever tied it from Barczuk and Tim Buttery Kahle gave CC the lead for

good four minutes into the second period from New, then CC scored four times in the third period to close it out Pete Pfeffer, Barczuk Buttery

and Lafever all scored as Kahle added a pair of assists and Mike Monterey, Jimmy Burns and Michael Evans had one each John Garza made 11 saves in goal for CC while Neil Callahan had 30 saves for Trenton



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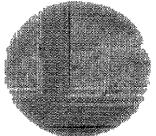
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LACROSSE SIGN-UP

The Canton Leisure Services is sponsoring a Youth Lacrosse League, with the league running from March through June

New and experienced players may join either the fifthsixth grade team or the seventh-eighth grade team Indoor practices are available in February

Players must supply their own equipment, including helmet, stick, mouth guard protective equipment and shoul der pads

Teams must have a minimum of 10 players and no more than 25

Included in the \$100 per player fee is a uniform, indoor practice time, a 12 week league schedule and an end of-the

COACHES WANTED

■ Redford Union is looking for several coaches for its athletic programs

For the Spring season, RU is seeking a girls junior varsity soccer and junior varsity baseball coach For the Fall 2004 season, RU is seeking a varsity girls swimming coach, an assistant varsity football coach and a boys junior varsity soccer coach

For more information or to apply, please call athletic director Brett Steele at (313) 242-4270

Plymouth High School is looking for a ninth grade softball coach for the 2004 season

For more information or to apply, please call athletic director Terry Sawchuk at (734) 582 5700/02

■ Livonia Ladywood has openings for a girls junior var sity golf coach and girls varsity and junior varsity tennis coach es Interested candidates can fax their resumes to Ladywood High School at (734) 591 2386

SPORTS ROUNDUP

SOCCER CLINICS

The Michigan Wolves and Hawks Soccer Club is hosting two free clinics open to the public at Total Soccer's Wixom facility

The girls clinic will feature Oakland University womens soccer coach Nick O Shea former Schoolcraft College and Livonia Churchill coach, and will be Feb 11 The clinic times are U13, U14 - 5 30 -7 p m U15, U16 - 7 8 30 p m U17, U18 - 8 30 10 p m

The boys clinic will feature University of Michigan mens soccer coach Steve Burns and will be Feb 19 Clinic times are U13, U14 - 5 30 7 pmU15, U16 - 7 8 30 pm U17, U18 - 8 30 10 pm

Again, the clinics are free The Wixom Total Soccer Facility is located at 30990 Wixom Road 11/2 miles north of I-96

For more information, call Amy Richters are (248) 478-6692

JERSEY RAFFLE

St Agatha is raffling off a Pavel Datsyuk autographed Detroit Red Wings jersey with wall mount display case with proceeds to benefit the school's youth sports program

Tickets are \$5 each and can be purchased from St Agatha athletic director Tim Sweeney at (248) 722-4036 or by emailing Jim Reed at original6@comcast net

The drawing will take place on Feb 21

The winner need not be present to win



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Atkins Diet: the next 'Survivor'

*he cold of February has settled in, the deep freeze keeping us huddled in

our warm homes Only the heartiest of stock seem willing to venture out in the bone-numbing cold

The beautiful sculpted ice art in downtown Plymouth still glistens The snow crunches beneath our boots The wind chills take our breath away, and we huddle in our homes, before our fires, finding entertainment in family activities, games such as Monopoly, Sorry! or Clue

We read, we chat, and after we tire of all of that, we switch on the television

The television treats us to heady fare as we curl up on the sofa, wrapped in a blanket, sipping hot chocolate

We watch programs where bad hopeful singers get a dose of reality, we watch starving people stranded on remote islands get a dose of reality, and we watch seven young, drunken strangers living in a dream house get a dose of reality

Christmas is long forgotten, the trees and lights are long put away As we sit in our homes, hiding from the cold, we reluctantly remember our New Years, recall the resolutions It is from these resolutions that a twinkle of an idea starts to form a glim mer of a plan and a twinge of a plot

A concept for a reality show, so innovative, so unique, yet so cruel Survivor The Atkins

Diet'

Anyone can tell by looking at Jeannie and Jeff Louks that they're in love But sometimes daily life gets in the way so Jeannie likes to spice things up with a surprise getaway for just the two of them

She was delighted to receive a phone call that her entry won the Observer Newspapers' Magic Moments contest so she could surprise Jeff He was practically cheering when a reporter called to tell him they'd won a Valentine's Day package including two tickets to the Detroit Red Wings game While Jeannie is looking forward to the game, she's especially excited about winning the \$200 gift card from Murray's Jewelry in Redford as well as dinner at George and Harry's in Dearborn and a singing valentine by a barbershop quartet from the Wayne Chapter of the Barbershop Harmony Society

The Redford residents are avid hockey fans Jeannie plans to replace the Red Wings necklace Jeff gave her on Mother's Day with the gift card The necklace was lost when she had to be put on a respirator during an illness

TOUGH CHOICE

It was difficult to choose a winner after reading through all of the romantic moments There were so many that brought a tear to the eye or a chuckle Special getaways were the topic of several readers

Laura Zain wrote about reuniting with former Churchill High School sweetheart Dave Pennington She hadn t heard from him in 23 years until he e mailed her in August 2003 from California where he was living She agreed to meet him in Chicago in mid-November after e mailing and talking on the phone Both were going through divorces From the moment he stepped off the plane carrying a large box of lavender roses Zain says, she 'felt like Cinderella After retrieving their bags, a white stretch limo took them to the Embassy Suites When the door to the room opened there was a crystal vase with a dozen red roses and a bottle of wine The Livonia resident felt like she was dreaming The magical moments continued as she pulled Red Wings tickets out of a Jersey he'd sent earlier The next night it was off to the theater in a black Mercedes Benz All weekend the surprises kept coming and on Feb 10 Pennington moves back to Livonia to pursue their relationship

Magic Moments Couples share the romance

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Jeff and Jean Louks will be enjoying dinner and a Red Wings game as winners of the Magic Moments contest

Contest winner Jeannie Louks wrote about the 1995 Valentines Day she arranged with the help of Jeff's boss The Loukses never had a honeymoon after they were married 15 years ago Jeannie stayed home to raise their three sons while Jeff worked 12-hour days Jeannie writes 'raising three sons

the door in a red negligee It was a Magic Moment when he realized it was his wife and he didn t have to return to work until Monday To cele brate Valentines Day the hotel staff sent them chocolate roses and a gift certificate for dinner They ate the chocolate and

gant river horses - spouted fountains, as they gamboled in the water It was incredible'

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Miss Michigan Madonna Emond told us about her boyfriend proposing at the Eiffel Tower in Paris, not in English but French Emond said she'd never heard such romantic words Once the Livonia resident passes on her title, she will gain a new one – Mrs J P Ladouceur To her, "there is nothing more romantic than a supportive man" He has been right there for every pageant, cheering her on Caring actions like those have kept

Tom and Helen Oppat together for more than 50 years, 47 of them in Livonia For them romance can be as simple as hearing their song, I Just Called to Say I Love You, and Tom reaching across the table to squeeze Helen's hand "No words were spoken then No words were needed It was a magic moment"

Several readers wanted to share the extensive lengths they or their significant others went to demonstrate love Bernice Delewsky wrote about her husband refilling a bottle of perfume that he first bought when he was stationed in Paris 50 years ago

Emily Sikorski will never forget husband Jason's proposal in an empty theater She never thought the lack of patrons was unusual considering this was a late weeknight movie Then the film broke and Jason went to check on the problem Within minutes slides began appearing on the screen as their favorite song played over the speakers Jason entered the theater dressed in a tuxedo, carrying a dozen long stemmed red roses and a ring box The box even had a built-in light to shine on the ring in the darkened

theater

One unsolved roman tic mystery is still driv ing Pat Bellingham crazy after more than 50 years The Livonia resident

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Seven women, all of middle age, picked to live in a condo, existing in a world without carbs, living in a world without pretzels, in a world without bread, without chips, without chocolate or peanut butter cups

As the camera rolls, we watch as the women sit and gossip, we giggle as "the cast" works to sabotage each other's diets and we anticipate each new week's offering of challenges and excitement

Fun lights up the screen as the battling dieters play "toss the scale," "find the hidden calories" and "can you live without seconds?"

Viewers will look forward to special guest visits by the always bubbly, sometimes weepy, ever portly Richard Simmons Susan Powter will stop by with tips on exercise and hair care, and Oprah herself will provide her insights on diet, exercise and lıfe

Even Simon Cowell takes a break from his weekly series to stop by and tell each and every contestant just how fat and out of shape she really is

Each week the biggest loser will be voted off, sent back into the cold, cruel world of fast food and pizza.

Back in the house, the camera turns to the remaining "contestants" and the drama continues The viewing public reels in horror when a plate of Danish is left unattended and an apprentice is fired for the error The winner walks out with a cool million and starts a new diet craze set to launch in January 2005

Network bidding for this new and innovative dose of reality is rumored to be beginning soon Remember to check your local listings for air times and dates In the meantime, could you please pass the rolls?

Cathy Standish is a Plymouth resi dent She can be reached at Cate1956@aol com

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is not easy or cheap I felt we needed a mom and dad only time for one night"

SPECIAL TIME

So she asked Jeff's boss to send him on a bogus errand to pick up a check at a hotel suite on the east side Jeff tried to get out of it and even asked a coworker to go with him But the entire office knew of the plan Jeannie's surprise almost turned into a disaster when Jeff arrived and thought he had the wrong room when she answered

never left the room Loren Warnemuende's Magic Moment happened thousands of miles away

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boyfriend, Kraig, flew there to visit his parents who were missionaries He proposed at the end of a romantic walk down the beach that ended with a glimmering lake where "hippopotami - truly ele-

wrote about a secret admirer who sent her a beautiful orchid in 1946

One of the entrants didn t want her identity known either The anonymous writer brought tears to the eyes with a letter about her late husband leaving roses on the pillow next to her Although he told her every day, the rose was an extra "I love you" Her husband died a number of years ago She still misses him very much - and her morning roses

Civil War era history comes to life at museum

Don't get Dave Tennies started talking about the role the 17th Michigan Volunteer Infantry played in the Civil War unless you have a couple of hours to spare The Canton resident is especially proud to be one of the civilian re-enactors for the regiment during February when the Plymouth Historical Museum celebrates Black History Month and President Abraham Lincoln's birthday

On Feb 14-15, Tennies will don his top hat to portray Sen Jacob M Howard who drew up the 13th Amendment to the Constitution that ended slav-

"Lincoln's Emancipation Proclamation didn't free all of



Dave Tennies of Canton represents Sen Jacob Howard

and said we need a law to end slavery," said Tennies "When I went to research Sen Howard, I discovered he was a very important man in our history He served two terms as senator and came up with the words for the 13th Amendment Sen Howard was one of the founders of the Republican Party in Jackson, Michigan, in 1854 while he was attorney general for Michigan

HOME FRONT

"At the museum I'll do some first person to teach about civil-1an life during the war – what were the people at home doing, how did they support the war? Instead of re-enactments we like to refer to it as Civil War living history"

As a a second heutenant with Company E of the 17th Michigan Volunteer Infantry, Westland resident Bill Ziemba will talk about life as an officer An electrical engineer for Ford Motor Co in Livonia, Ziemba joined the group five years ago He'd been interested in the Civil War ever since reading Stephen Crane's Red Badge of Courage as a child His curiosity continued to grow after attending the Muzzle Loaders Festival at Greenfield Village When his daughter went off to college, he had extra money to

the slaves He went to Congress invest He chose Company E, a unit comprised of university students and nicknamed the Normal Company It was mustered in at Eastern Michigan University, then known as the Michigan Normal School The unit won more medals of honor than any other unit from

Michigan during the Civil War When President Lincoln called for volunteers from every state in the Union in 1861, Michigan answered by supplying more than 90,000 men to the war The 17th Michigan Volunteer Infantry Regiment was one of 31 infantry regiments mustered in Michigan for service As living historians, the 17th's members re-enact Civil War battles and camp life They hold general meetings at the Plymouth Historical Museum on the second Sunday of the month when not traveling to locations such as Gettysburg For more information, visit the Web site at www17thMicoe org

"Initially, it's expensive," said Ziemba "I'm a lieutenant so I have a sword, pistol and uniform that costs \$1,000, but you can survive a weekend on probably under \$5 You bring hard tack or biscuit issued as a rations and jerky and live out of your haversack, a black oil cloth pouch that carries mess utensils I really enjoy the hobby, the people, the living

history When you're out in early spring and your canteen freezes overnight vou get a good idea of what the soldiers went through "

LOTS OF LEARNING

The Lincoln Family Weekend on Feb 14-15 is just one of the happenings at the museum In celebration of Black History Month, the Underground Railroad Quilt Exhibit tells the story of how quilts and quilt patterns were used as codes to help lead fugitive slaves along their way to freedom

February is an especially good month to visit the Abraham Lincoln Collection at the museum On Lincoln's birthday Feb 12, Dr Martin Herschock from the University of Michigan-Dearborn will speak at 7 30 p m about Lincoln and the founding of the Republican Party in Michigan The Lincoln Family Weekend follows Feb 14-15, with the Civil War re-enactors, demonstrations of toys and games from the Civil War, and free admission for children

On Saturday, Feb 21, a Victorian Tea recognizes our area's contributions to the Underground Railroad movement with a program by Sarah McChristian, a social worker and Salem historian, and Margaret Green, a professor at



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Members of the 17th Michigan Volunteer Infantry reenacted the Battle of South Mountain that took place during the 140th anniversary of the Antietam Battle Pictured are Bill Ziemba (left with the black feather), Jeff Lindsey (carrying regimental colors), Mike Steuwey, Ed Vitez, and **Gerry Turlo**

Washtenaw Community College Tickets are \$15 and include a Victorian Tea Reservations are required Call (734) 455-8940

Livonia Symphony presents evening to share

Robert Bennett doesn't have any special plans for his wife, Janet, on Valentine's Day - except to share their love of the Livonia Symphony Orchestra at a chamber concert that evening

The former Livonia mayor probably would have taken his wife of 50 years to dinner first but as president of the LSO he's spending a good portion of the afternoon picking up ticket receipts and writing what hes going to say as emcee of the concert

He and Janet will arrive at Churchill High School Auditorium around 6 15 p m then go their separate ways. Bennett will be getting the box office ready and making sure the stage manager has everything under control Janet will be selling tickets Their Valentine's Day fun won't begin until after the concert when they're on their way to Florida for a few weeks in the sun

Bennett would like to suggest anyone looking for a special way to celebrate Valentine's Day consider taking their significant other to dinner and then to the LSO's "Heart Strings" concert

7 30 p m Saturday, Feb 14, at Churchill High School Auditorium, 8900 Newburgh, north of Joy, Livonia

Tickets are \$17 for adults, \$8 children and students For more information, call (734) 425-4855

"It's such a fun selection of music," said Robert Bennett "It's a nice mix of some great songs as well as some classics - You Made Me Love You We both just love the Titanic selections

Conductor Volodymyr Shesiuk has selected music that tugs at the heart strings including Rodgers & Hammerstein's My Funny Valentine, The Greatest Love of All, Lara's Theme, and Burt Bacharach's What the World Needs Now

Bennett said most of all he doesn't want to forget to recognize the support of the National Parts Distribution Center at Plymouth and Middlebelt for a grant from the Ford Motor Co The money made possible this evening of the heart

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

Cabrini High School Class of 1984 If you reinterested in working on the 20 year reunion please contact Debbie (Scott) Paulus at (734) 737 9743 or Laurie (Marra) Makavewicz at (734) 981 7263

Cody High School

Class of 1957 The class of 1957 has invited other interested friends from all the 1950s classes Being held at 7 pm Oct 9 2004 at Fox Hills Golf and Country Club near Plymouth Cost is \$75/per

ner open bar, music and many sur prises Call for more info on golf and reservations at the Hilton Garden Suites For further info call Loretta (Muciek) Nedwick at (800) 859 9502 Class of 1963 and 1964 A 40 year reunion will be Saturday Sept 25 2004 at Ypsilanti Marriott at Eagle Crest 1275 S Huron Ypsilanti (734) 487 2000 Doors open 6 p m dinner 7 p.m. \$60 per person includes dinner/dancing memory book cash bar Send check or money order to Cody Class Reunion c/o Phil Varilone 22911 Sheridan Dearborn MI 48128 * 2801, For more information e mail the reunion committee at 63 64Comets@comcast.net **Cooley High School** Class of 1954

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A 50 year reunion is planned for Saturday July 17 2004 at Livonia Marriott (not Courtyard) located at Six Mile Road and 1275 A reception will be at 6 30 p m with dinner at 7 30 pm An informal gathering will be held on Friday July 16 in a hospitality suite at the Marriott A bus tour of Cooley High School is also in the plan ning stages Call Daneen (Stark) Gallo at (734) 462 2786



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Dearborn High School

Class of 1954 A 50 year reunion is planned for Saturday Aug 7 2004 For informa tion call Helen Kramer Turchan at (313) 565 4816 or Sally Hicks Williams at (734) 464 8263 **Dearborn High School**

Class of 1974

A 30 year reunion is planned for Saturday Aug 7 2004 at St Mary s Cultural Center 18100 Merriman Livonia Looking for classmates Please pass the word Contact Ann Kennedy Hutchins at (734) 591 6866 **Dearborn Lowrey**

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- Ferndale High School
- Class of 1979 A 25 year reunion being held on Aug 7 2004 at St John's Armenian Banquet Center in Southfield Contact Ferndale 1979 Reunion c/o Richard Broder 31700 Middlebelt Suite 165 Farmington Hills MI 48334 Fordson High School
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Lincoln Park High School

Class of 1984 A 20 year reunion is tentatively scheduled for June 2004 at the Livonia Holiday Inn West More infor mation on classmates com or e-mail Class of 1974 A 30 year class reunion is being held

with a five night Western Caribbean cruise from Feb 21 26 2004 For more information call Cindy (Conaway) Shaffer at Scottie Travel (313) 277 3800 or scottletravel@vacation.com Livonia Bentley

Class of 1984

A 20 year class reunion is being held Sunday Sept 5 2004 at the Italian American Banguet & Conference Center 39200 Five Mile Road Livonia For more information contact April (Greig) Santori E mail april santori@sbcglobal net **Mumford High School** Class of 1964 & 1965

A joint 40 year reunion is being held Aug 4 2004 Contact Andrea Hoberman Lewiston at (248) 738 3699 for further details

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Saturday Aug 14 2004 at the Laurel Manor in Livonia For more informa tion www.plymouth.canton.salem 1984 org or call (313) 533 2599 **Redford Thurston High School**

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ARIES (March 21-April 20)

The time has come to decide which is more important to you Your work or your relationships It's possible to have both but these sides of your life have been rather out of balance recently and if you don't mellow out you may lose someone/something you treasure

TAURUS (April 21-May 21)

t I be easy to get overexcited about something happening now but if you do you may lose your sense of perspective and make the kind of Ily mistake that Bulls usually manage to avoid Don't take anyone or anything too seriously And that includes yourself!

GEMINI (May 22-June 21)

You'll receive a certain amount of criticism now both at work and at work and although some of it may be unwelcome some will get to the heart of what you're doing wrong if you're prepared to listen and learn you'll end the week a lot wiser Get off "it " Twins"

CANCER (June 22-July 23)

This is one of the most difficult times of the year for you because your spirits are low and you're inclined to latch onto anything that makes you feel better about yourself What you need is a fresh way of looking at life Start searching today- you'll find it soon MoonChild!

LEO (July 24-Aug 23)

Blame it on Venus in Aries but for some strange reason you'll be at odds with almost everyone as the week begins. No matter what others say both at home and work you'll take the opposing viewpoint- just for laughs But not everyone will see the humor

VIRGO (Aug 24-Sept 23)

- Because Virgo is a sign of fixed conservative opinions you may not approve of some of the strange and unexpected things that happen as the week begins. However, it won't be hard to adapt, it'll be easier for everybody when you accept that there are many things still to learn
- LIBRA (Sept 24-Oct 23)
 - There is only one thing worse than deception and that is self decep tion There's a real danger now that you'll see things the way you want
- to see them rather than the way they are Listen to what your friends/family tell you. They re seeing more clearly than you now

SCORPIO (Oct 24-Nov 22)

Shhhhi Uh huh someone may have it in for you. Yes it's a good idea to be on your guard But you don't have to curl up into a ball and hide wourself away from the world! Carry on as usual Just be aware of what s going on around you now Do "fun" not "fear"

SAGITTARIUS (Nov 23-Dec 21)

- Somewhere along the line you appear to have miscalculated or been too over optimistic about a financial or business arrangement Therefore your main aim must be to cut loose and salvage what you
 - can One particular association is more trouble than it is worth

CAPRICORN (Dec 22-Jan 21)

You have nothing to prove either to yourself or to the world at large so don't be tempted to take silly risks simply to show what a big bad Capricorn you are Others will be more likely to be impressed if you show the caring sharing side of your astrological nature now

AQUARIUS (Jan 22-Feb 19)

- You ve come a long way but you re st ll not sat sfied you want to do
- more That will only be possible if you accept that you ve gone as far as
- you can on your own it s time to stop being so my way and start
- working with people who love you and share your ideals

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What you own and what you earn have been at the top of your priority agenda for long enough Now it's time for you to turn your attention to The lighter side of life and not let your lack of ready cash stop you from having a good time Budget yourself lighten up!

Dennis Fairchild is the Birmingham astrologer author of several books on divination For personal astrological intuitive consult info call (248) 646 3555 or e mail DenFairchild@aol.com

Grief support offered

New Hope Center for Grief Support, a Christian-based bereavement outreach center, offers grief support for widows and widowers with children on the second and fourth Tuesday night of each month The groups for widows and widowers of all ages are offered in Wayne, Oakland, Livingston and Macomb counties Groups will be provided for parents who have lost a child, parental loss, widows and widowers, suicide loss, and other losses due to death Call (248) 348-0115

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Symphony to perform

The Redford Civic Symphony presents a Family Concert 3 p m Sunday, Feb 15, at Thurston High School on the I-96 service drive between Beech Daly and Inkster roads

Priscilla Marino will perform the first movement of the Haydn Violin Concerto No 2 in G After admission, Ralph Stillwell narrates and conducts a section on musical curiosities He will discuss some of the zany compositions such as Furniture Music and The Joke Quartet that that have made their way into the repertory

The program includes such selections as The Star Spangled Banner, God Bless America, Straussiana Waltzes, No, No Nanette, El Capitan March by Sousa, Barnum & Bailey's favorite march, Symphony No 3 in D by Schubert, the Toy Symphony by Mozart, 1812 Overture Finale by Tchaikovsky, and Over There, the World War Medley

Marino, along with being a member of the Redford Civic Symphony Orchestra, is a member of the Birmingham-Bloomfield Symphony Orchestra, the Birmingham Musicale String Ensemble, and co-founder of the Varino String Quartet

The symphony's next concert, a Cabaret, takes place 3 p m Sunday, March 14, at Hilbert Junior High School in Redford

All concerts are presented free However, it costs approximately \$1,000 per performance to cover expenses Music trust funds, which helped to defray some of this cost in the past, no longer have monies available for use The Redford Civic Symphony relies strictly on donations from members of the community and inclustry to sustain the orchestra Lately, contributions have diminished substantially putting the concert season of four performances in jeopardy Checks can be sent to Treasurer, Dr Eileen Pydyn, 7934 Lawrence St, W Bloomfield, MI 48322-2634 These donations are taxdeductible

For more information, visit the Web site at www redfordsymphony 8m net

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BY HUGH GALLAGHER STAFF WRITER

All aboard

Gary Rollins greets visitors to his Have Trains, Will Travel Entertainment Center in the long black coat and stiff round hat of a train conductor

Inside the small store at Five Mile and Merriman in Livonia is a railroad fantasy for all ages created by Rollins and his wife, Laurie Eighteen large LGB model trains wind their way through two layouts, featuring factory buildings, bridges and overpasses, cable cars and towns

Have Trains, Will Travel, which has been at its current site for $2\frac{1}{2}$ years, offers children and adults the opportunity to play with trains and have rail-roading parties

"We originally got started doing large commercial displays for Greenfield Village, the Festival of Trees, Frankenmuth," Rollins said "My wife and I discovered we had a knack for doing these large layouts in a matter of hours We turned that into a side business"

The Rollinses started by taking the train party on the road to birthday parties Instead of a magic act or clowning, they brought a model train setup complete with building models, landscapes and several trains for children to operate

They still have a truck to take the show on the road, but they found that during the winter most people didn't have enough room inside to set up the layouts Now the parties come to them

Rollins said that when he was a kid the hot toy was slot cars not model trains But trains have a special meaning

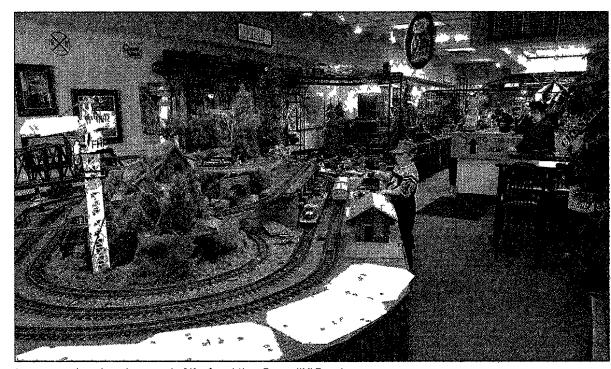
"I got interested in trains because of my brother," he said "My brother was born with leukemia and he was pretty much bedridden all his life The only thing he could play with was what he could fit on a hospital tray So I made him a little train set he could easily take off and put back on "

Rollins renewed his association with trains in 1984 when he did a display window for another business he had

"This is not a business," he said "We're financially secure, but it's a passion I love I love kids, so does the wife I'm trying to introduce the kids into the hobby You go to a train show and you can t touch, can't do anything Here it's hands on"

The business is a family affair In addition to Gary and Laurie, their children, Chelsea, 22, Robert, 14 and Mason, 3, help out The former Livonia residents now live in Grosse Pointe

Rollins the conductor greets visitors to the store and gives them a rundown on the rules before let-



Large-gauge train layouts are part of the fun at Have Trains, Will Travel

ting them lose to operate the controls, handle the cars and play train-related games There's a TV train with a camera in the engine and a bubble car The room is also decorated with Rollins' collection of model cars

On the road, Rollins brings two tracks about 20 feet long by 8 feet wide He said they have a number of train games they play but the favorite is always "crash the trains"

The store also does adult parties, using the open train cars as holders for traveling veggies, chicken wings and dip

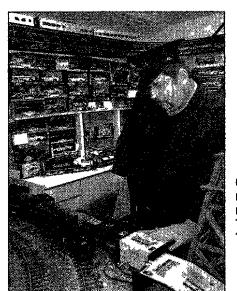
The store is open for individuals 2-8 p m Wednesdays through Saturdays and 2-6 p m Sundays It's \$8 an hour for a child, \$5 for an accompanying adult But the primary business is parties The base one-hour party is \$13 95 a person and includes paper products (cups, plates, napkins, silverware), two liters of pop, an engineer's hat for the birthday child and four free adult admissions Food is available for an extra \$3 per person and additional time can be purchased

Rollins said he has bookings three months in advance The business has been so successful he'd like to expand

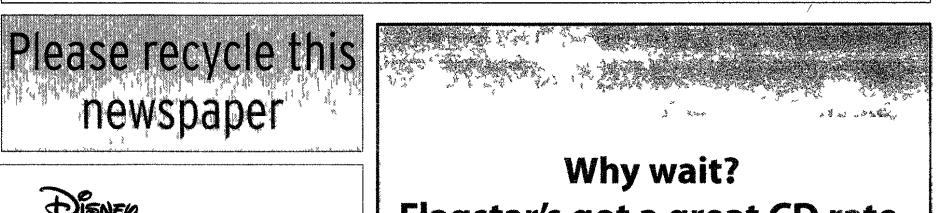
"We're about ready for a bigger store We've out-

grown this one," he said "We'd like to put in five layouts We can accommodate only about 30-35 here and want a place for 100 people I would also like a ride-on train and more train stuff"

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Gary Rollins is the engineer at Have Trains, Will Travel





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| Carpenter Elementary | . Ms Becky Gretel |
| Webber Elementary | Mr Dave Mick |
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| Lone Pine Elementary . | Mrs Michaelson |
| Meadowbrook Elementary | Jennifer Morris |
| Rochester Adams High. | Dara McLean |
| St John Lutheran | Jan Brautnick |
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AROUND TOWN

Blood drive

St. John's Episcopal Church hosts a blood drive from 2.8 p.m. Monday Feb 23 Call Carolyn Liebau (734) 455 5395 to make an appointment drop ins are also welcome. The church is located at 574 S Sheldon in Plymouth

Fibromyalgia workshops

A complimentary lecture on fibromyalgia and chronic fatigue syn drome will be held from 7 15 8 15 p m Thursday Feb 12 at the Plymouth District Library Guest speaker will be Dr Barry Hobbs specific chiropractor New research on the cause and relief of chronic fatigue syndrome and fibromyalgia will be discussed. For reservations or more information call (734) 416 2411

A workshop has been scheduled at the Livonia Civic Library for 6 30 p m Thursday Feb 19 at which what might be causing Fibromyalgia which doc tors say is often misdiagnosed and misunderstood The workshop is sponsored by the National Wellness Foundation To register for the free workshop call (248) 426 0201

Business seminar

The Northville Chamber of Commerce is inviting area business to take part in a free seminar on The Taste of Northville Business Showcase from 8 10 a m Feb 11 at Northville City Hall Reservations are required call (248) 349 7640

Open House

The Oakwood Physical Therapy and Fitness Training Center hosts an open house at its new facility at 6487 Canton Center Road from 11 a m 3 pm Saturday Feb 21 Complimentary refreshments giveaways door prizes and a raffle for a free fitness training assessment are offered For more information or to schedule an appointment call (734) 454 8144

Doll Fashion Show

The We Love Barbie Barbie & Friends Fashion Doll Show takes place from 11 am to 3 pm Sunday Feb 8 at the Wayne Tree Manor located at 35100 Van Born in Wayne Admission is \$5 children under 10 are admitted free For information call (734) 455 2110 House Tour

The second annual Heart of the Home house tour sponsored by the Groves High School Seniors Parents Committee of Beverly Hills takes place from noon to 4 p m Sunday Feb 8 The tour will showcase six homes ranging in style from historic

to ultra contemporary Tickets are \$20 For more information call (248) 626 5158 or (248) 626 2231 **Health Fair**

St Mary Mercy Hospital hosts a Prostate Screening and Men's Health Day from 8 a m to 4 p m Sunday March 6 Prostate screening consists of a blood test a prostate exam and a blood pressure check A \$10 donation to the new St. Mary Mercy Cancer Center is optional. To register call (734) 655 8963

Madonna auction

Madonna University s Down Under Scholarship Dinner and Wine Tasting Auction Gala featuring the finest of Australian wines fabulous jewelry crystal cigars and collectibles takes place at 5 30 p m Friday April 23 at Laurel Manor Special Events Center in Livonia Qne lucky winner will have their choice of either a fully equipped 2004 Chevrolet Corvette two door coupe courtesy of Madonna University and Tennyson Chevrolet in Livonia or \$25000 cash Only 650 tickets will be sold at \$200

each Reserved seating is \$150 Open seating tickets are \$125 before April 9 after April 9 tickets are \$150 For more information contact Rose Kachnowski University Advancement at (734) 432 5421

Diabetes support

The Diabetes Support Group at St Mary Mercy Hospital in Livonia hosts a discussion on Why It's So Hard and What You Can Do from 7 8 30 p m Wednesday Feb 11 in the hospital s auditorium The speaker is Dan **Diepenhorst of the Michigan** Department of Community Health For information or directions call (734) 655 8961

Plymouth Optimists

Entertainment 2004 Books on sale with all proceeds to help children throughout southeast Michigan Price is \$30 and is home delivered. Call Bill at (734) 453 8253

Running symposium

St Mary Mercy Hospital sponsors a Running Symposium from 6 30 8 p m Thursday Feb 26 at the Livonia **Community Recreation Center** Students will learn about conditions associated with running how to reha bilitate common injuries and how to choose the right running shoes Pre registration required To register or for more information call Kevin Moore St Mary Mercy Hospital Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation Department (734) 655 2419 The Livonia Recreation Center is located at 15100 Hubbard at Five Mile **Fish Fry**

The Plymouth VFW is again featuring Friday Night Fish Fry for only \$7 from 5730 pm Also Sunday brunch s available from 11 a m to 2 p m the

third Sunday of the month The post is at 1426 S Mill St

Teens Usina Druas

A free two night series on identifying and helping teens harmfully involved with alcohol and other drugs Part 1 What to Know is presented 7 30 9 pm the first Tuesday of each month from October through June at St Joseph Mercy Hospital Education Center Part 2 What To Do is present ed the second Tuesday of each month October through June at same time and place Call (734) 973 7892 for information

Foster Care

Lutheran Social Services of Michigan is a foster care agency in the commu nity that places children in loving fos ter homes. The agency is in need of loving and stable homes committed to parenting children ages 10 to 17 years old Call (734) 971 5776 to find out how you can help

Entertainment books

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

Plymouth Symphony League is launch ing the 2004 Greater Detroit Area Entertainment Book Sale. The cost is \$30 Place your order at the Plymouth Symphony Office or call Mary Thomas at (734) 453 3016

Classes include gymnastics dance core body exercise tots jump a rama tae kwon do personal development aerobics clogging senior trips and programs and much more Call (734) 455 6620 for more information

Intro to Yoga

Mia Mahalo sponsors Introduction to Partner Yoga from 7 9 30 p m Thursday Feb 12 Lucile Palancher and Anton Simper of Full Spectrum Training and Spectrum Yoga lead the class Admission is free Mia Mahalo is located at 407 S Washington in Royal Oak Call (248) 546 1900 for details

CLUBS

German/American Club of Plymouth

Meets on the third Thursday of the month at the Knights of Columbus Hall located at 39100 Schoolcraft Road Plymouth Call Mary Ann at (734) 420 0857 for further informa tion

American Legion

Beasley Zalesny Post 112 meets at the 100F Hall on the third Monday of each month at 7 30 p.m. All veterans that served during any of the wars are eligible Contact (734) 459 7324 for further information

Woman's Farm and Garden Club-Plymouth :

Meets every second Monday of each month from September to June excluding January Persons interested in joining contact club president Judy Krieman at (734) 459 1027

- **Plymouth-Canton Civitan Club** Looking for energetic new members to participate in community service proj ects This club meets the first Thursday of each month at 7 p m at the Plymouth Salvation Army Building on Main Street The third Thursday is a dinner meeting with a speaker Call (734) 981-7259 for further info
- LBN Local Business Network is a business networking organization dedicated to helping you grow your business. The Plymouth chapter meets on the first and third Friday of each month from 7 30 8 30 a m at Old Village Law located at 771 N Mill in Plymouth Please call Eric Morris at (313) 278 5070 or Scott Montgomery at (734) 462 2277 for further information.
- Kiwanis Evening Club Meetings are held at Atlantis Restaurant 39500 E Ann Arbor Road in Plymouth at 6 30 pm each Tuesday Visitors are always welcome For more information, contact Charline Miller at (734) 455 4782

Mothers & More,

The Wayne County chapter of Mothers & More meets twice a month in Plymouth Call (866) 841 9140 Ext 4329 or visit Web site mothersand more63@onebox.com.

Exchange Club of Canton Meetings are the second and fourth Wednesdays of the month at the Roman Forum 41601 Ford Road in

Americanism, Community Service Youth Activities and the Prevention of Child Abuse P/C Vietnam Vets of America Chapter No. 528 meets every second

Monday of the month at the Plymouth

VFW Post No 6695 on Mill Street just north of Ann Arbor Road at 7 30 p m If you were a U.S. serviceman or woman and served between 1964 and 1975 you can join the Vietnam Vets Visit Web site

www.geocities.com/tedenright/Plymou thCantonVVA528 html

BNI Plymouth II

The Plymouth Chapter II BNI Group meets Wednesdays at 7 a m at Denny s Restaurant located at I 275 and Ann Arbor Road The group is looking for new members Call (734) 459 5696 for further information

West Suburban Stamp Club

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

The Plymouth Business and Professional Women's Club meets the third Monday of each month at 6 30 pm at the Atlantis Restaurant on Ann Arbor Road Guests are welcome For more information and dinner reserva tions contact Mary Brooks at (734) 420 0320

SEPAC

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

MOPS-Plymouth

The MOPS group is now enrolling for fall Relaxing fun time for moms while the kids ages 0.5 enjoy program of games stories singing and play Meets first and third Fridays of the month from 9 11 a m at Lake Pointe Bible Chapel 42150 Schoolcraft Plymouth Call (734) 420 0515

Colonial Kiwanis of Plymouth

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

MOPS-Westland

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

La Leche League

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

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

Astronomy Discussion

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

MOMS Club

A local chapter of the MOMS Club wel comes interested at home mothers in the Canton/Westland area to meet the third Tuesday of each month MOMS Club offers weekly activities play groups community service opportuni ties and more Fore more information contact Wendi at (734) 394 2542

Plymouth Canton Jaycees

The Javcees meet at 7.30 p.m. every second Wednesday of the month at the Plymouth Township Clerk's office Call (734) 453 8407 or show up at the group's monthly meeting



Recreation Registration The City of Plymouth is now taking registration for its classes for all ages Canton at 6 pm Areas of activity are



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JOHN MARTIN, Age 62 of Beacon, NY died Thursday February 5 2004 in the Sloan Kettering Mcmorial Hospital Manhattan NY Burial will be in he Fishkill Rural Cemetery **Fishkill** New York

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John C 1eb 4, 2004 of Bloomfield Hills Beloved husband of Virginia obit(a DesmondFuneralHome com



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Donna M., age 77, died February 6, 2004 Beloved wife of Jack Loving mother of I arry (Rhonda) James (Diana) and Dennis (Gloria) Dear grandmother of Fracy, Kristie & Katie Visitation Sunday 3 9PM and funeral Monday 11AM at the Charles R Step Funeral Home 18425 Beech Dalv Rd (between 6 7 Mile Rd) Interment Grand I awn Cemetery Memorial contributions to the Make-A Wish Foundation appreciated

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Bertha Age 90 February 3 2004 Beloved with of the late I ouis Loving mother of Barbara Hanshaw Dear grandmother of Sandra L Boals and James C Hanshaw Great grandmother of Logan Lindsay and Nicole A funeral service was held Friday February 6, 2004 at the RG & GR Harris Funeral Home in Livonia

MAHER

Susan Lee, age 48 of Westland, died February 1 2004 She was born February 18, 1955 in York, Ponnsylvania She was raised in the Plymouth community after moving here from California at age six She graduated from Plymouth Salem High School in 1973, and then went on to receive an Associate's Degree from Schoolcraft College She was an occupational therapist at the University of Michigan Hospital for the past 15 years In addition to enjoying her children, she read, enjoyed her pets, and was an avid Detroit Red Wings fan She is survived by her daughter, Amanda (James) Walker of Garden City, her (Son, Christopher Maher of Westland, her parents, Wilbur (Jean) Paul of Lake City, FL, and Ruth Paul of Westland, her sisters, Mary (Richard) Forbes of San Antonio, TX., Nancy (Dennis) Dodge of Plymouth, and Cynthia (Wilham) Krug of Grand Rapids, her brother, Robert (Katie) Paul of Missouri, her mother-in-law, Joan Splan of Notthville, and many nieces and nephews Funeral services were held at the Schraer-Howell Funeral Home, Plymouth, on Thursday, February 5 Memorials may be made to the U Of M Health System, Attn Sue Maher Rehabilitation Memorial Fund, C/O OF Division

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PEARCL Ruth Gilbert Feb | 2004 formerly of Bloomfield Hills Wife of the late

Dr James Pearce obit@ DesmondFuneralHome com

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FDWARD MARTIN 79 of Lake Worth Florida formerly of West Bloomfield MI Died January 24 2004 He was a Tire Executive and owned Barmingham Tire Company for ovei 20 years retiring 17 years ago A Navy Veteran, Mr Stone served on a Destroyer Fscort in the Northern Pacific He was a 32nd Degree Mason at Perfection Mosaic Lodge Mr Stone was also a Shriner and a member of lemple Beth LI from the age of 18 He is survived by his wife of 49 years Renee Salon Stone daughters and sons in law Leanne and Dr Jon Paul Carmich & of Crolden Colorado I ori and Mark Cohn of Bloomfield Hills and son and daughter-in law Dr Ihomas and Marni Stone of Faimington Hills Grandchildren, Morgan Carmichael Alex and Scott Stone Ryan and Tavlor Cohn Brother and sister in law, Charles and Barbara Stone of Franklin He was the beloved brother of the late Hermine Cotton and the late Joshua Jim Stone Interment was at Beth LI Memorial Park Cemetery Contributions may be made to The Fountain Chapter of Womens American Oit c/o Jackie Winters 4801 Fserda Ct #208 Lake Worth FI 33467 Arrangements by The Iri Kautman Chapel (248) 569 0020 Or visit us at www irakaufman com



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worth the trip alone and on Fridays the fish is all-you-can-eat for only \$5 75 Get a deal with our lunch time specials served from 11 AM until 3 PM Monday through Friday

For dinner try one of our sizzling New York Strip Steak dinners served with mashed potatoes, vegetable, and your choice of soup or salad Another great choice is our chicken or steak stir fry or possibly the chicken kabob served with rice and pita bread

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'Heartburn free'

Anyone who has experienced heartburn knows it has the potential to ruin a romantic evening The chest pain and burning throat that come along with acid reflux will leave you reaching for antacids instead of that special someone With Valentine's Day approaching, Paulo Pacheco, M D, author of Living with Chronic Heartburn (Healthy Living Books, \$15 95), offers tips for avoiding heartburn

Be creative with gifts Chocolate can trigger heartburn symptoms Eating spicy foods can

aggravate heartburn by irritating the tissue in your esophagus that has been worn away by past acid reflux.

Alcohol consumption increases blood flow to the stomach and that increases production of acid if you don't want to cut out the wine, drink in moderation

Don't rely on antacids Using antacids daily or a few times a week may control heartburn, but the chronic acid reflux causing symptoms may damage your esophagus

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Surgical robotics State-of-the-art in prostate cancer treatment

The robotic arms slowly begin to moye as Dr James Relle places his hands on the control of the computer console The eerie sight is like out of a sci-fi movie In just a few minutes a cancer patient will be wheeled into the Beaumont Hospital OR for surgery to remove his prostate Robotic prostatectomy is the way of the future, according to Relle

Two years ago, prostate cancer patients took about four-six weeks to recover from traditional open surgery Relle expects today's patient to return to his normal routine in half of the time

In January of 2003, John Morad went back to work as an attorney a little more than a week after surgery using the latest in robotic technology at Henry Ford Hospital

BENEFITS TO PATIENT

Relle's patients are enjoying the shorter recovery time as well since Beaumont Hospital invested \$1 million dollars in the surgical robot and trained a team of seven surgeons to use it 18 months ago Beaumont, Henry Ford and the University of Michigan are the only hospitals in the area equipped with surgical robotics

On this day, Relle and Dr Brian Seifman, his partner in the Southfield-based practice Preferred Urology Consultants, removed prostates from two cancer patients with the assistance of the robot Removal of the prostate and surrounding tissue is one of the most effective therapies for the cancer

The robotic laparoscopic procedure requires a team of two surgeons and typically lasts about two hours Instead of an open incision across the abdomen, a surgeon makes several smaller ones to insert a laparoscope or lighted telescope, and instruments Smaller incisions mean a shorter recovery time

Both Relie and Seifman were fellowship trained in laparoscopy after their residency About six months ago, the company which makes the da Vinci surgical robotic system approached them to instruct urologists around the country in the technology

"Beaumont realized this would be cutting edge," said Relle, a 42-year old Bloomfield Township resident "Open surgery, popular for 20 years, is now being replaced by telescopic under minimally invasive conditions We can see incredibly well with the 3-dimensional technology Patients leave the hospital sooner, require less narcotic because of reduced pain, less time with catheter, have less blood loss

'I see the patient satisfaction in my office There's less fear of surgery I see it being increasingly demanded by patients In five years it will be commonplace ' At Henry Ford Hospital Dr James O Peabody says

As Requested by Our Members...



Health

Dr James Relle checks the robotic controls before a prostrate surgery While Relle is at the console, Dr Brian Seifman will stand alongside the patient in the background Seifman changes instruments in the robot arms (covered with plastic) about three four times during surgery Above Seifman s head are five 2 dimension al monitors



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A nurse gets the surgical robot ready for prostate surgery while Dr James Relie looks on

his prostate cancer patients are recovering urinary and sexual functions more rapidly than with conventional surgery Henry Ford Hospital leased their first robot in November 2000 then bought one the following March

"We wanted to find a better way to do prostate cancer surgery," said Peabody, who works as a team with Dr Mani Menon, director of the Vattikuti Urology Institute at Henry Ford Hospital

"It's a step over the laparoscopic program The robot was a boost because of better visualization with a 3-D image so it's lifelike, better magnification Instrumentation are wristed so can do more precise movements The miniaturized instruments are passed through narrow tubes We can go in and rotate them with two joy sticks As you open the thumb and forefinger the instruments do the same thing like little hands It's much more precise than laparoscopy"

BRIGHT FUTURE

John Morad stayed in the hospital less than 24 hours and within four days was working at home More importantly, because the prostate cancer was discovered early, his prognosis is good

Morad had no symptoms but he did have a PSA (Prostate Specific Antigen) blood test annually with his physical exam When the numbers steadily increased, he had it checked every six months When it reached a level of 5 6, his doctor did a biopsy The results came back positive

Today, the 65-year old Bloomfield Township resident is back in his office, and doing commercials for Henry Ford Hospital

"A good friend of mine had the traditional surgery and didn't feel good for six months," said Morad "The side effects were nothing, a little continence problem that cleared up three months later

"They said they got it all Now I just want to help other men any way I can I tell them try to get it detected early Theres much less chance the cancer has spread Make sure you get the PSA as early and often as you can, at least once a year Inquire about it, this is a disease men are so susceptible If you do get cancer, you can beat it I ve had two friends with prostate cancer, the one who discovered late has died

Early detection, healthy lifestyle are key Dr James Relle says the good There are two things men can US, Canada and Puerto Rico

Dr James Relie says the good news about prostate cancer is do – go for an annual physical

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exam then, starting at age 40, a digital rectal exam yearly thereafter, and an annual (PSA) Prostate Specific Antigen blood test

"Take dietary and health measures to optimize overall health and prostate health"

Relle is part of an ongoing study SELECT (Selenium and Vitamin E Chemoprevention Trial) at Beaumont. Funded by the National Cancer Institute, SELECT involves 14 Michigan hospitals in addition to more than 400 other study sites in the 4CANCER. "Were following men over a number of years with a preset vitamin regimen to see if it can reduce the risk of getting prostate cancer," said Relle.

"Another factor may be diet The Western diet is high in animals fats and protein. The Asia or Eastern diet is high in soy we feel may be the reason their cancer rate is virtually nonexistent. It's almost rare to have prostate cancer in Asia. Antioxidants – cancer-stopping agents like green tea and selemum – mop up free radicals that attack DNA.

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FEBRUARY

Michigan Thyroid Support Group

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Meets 6 30 pm Monday Feb 9 with speaker Dr. Pamela Smith starting at 7 00 Dr Smith is the author of HRT The Answers" She will be speaking on how she treats thyroid disease along with how she treats it with hormone replacement. The meeting is held at the Plymouth Library 223 S Main St For more information call Tracy Green at (734) 453 7945 or send e mail to mithyroid@yahoo.com Help, I'm Burning Out

Are you elated on Fridays and depressed on Mondays? The reason may be burnout. Learn from a bio chemist how certain minerals protein reduced caffeine increased water intake and more sleep can reduce burnout during classes 6 30 8 40 p m Monday Feb 9 and 16 at Henry Ford Community College 22586 Ann Arbor Trail at Warren Dearborn Heights Cost is \$43 nursing contact hours are available for extra fee. To register call (313) 317 1500 or visit the Web site at www.hfcc.edu/CL2

Grief workshop Ward Presbyterian Church is sponsor ing a free eight week grief workshop From Grief to New Hope beginning 7 8 45 pm Monday Feb 9 for eight con secutive weeks The workshop is presented by Cathy Clough Director of New Hope Center for Grief Support Each session will begin with a presen tation about one aspect of grief fol lowed by small group participation led by trained facilitators Attendees will be placed in groups with others who have had similar losses Ward Church is located on Six Mile & Haggerty Roads in Northville For registration information call Dorothy at Ward Presbyterian Church at (248) 374 5966 For information about other age and loss specific grief support groups offered by New Hope Center for Grief

Support call (248) 348 0115 Stop the Worry Cycle

Learn techniques to help defuse your worries and handle lifes tough times 7 pm Monday Feb 9 at Botsford Center for Health Improvement 39750 Grand River between Haggerty and Meadowbrook roads Novi Instructor is registered nurse Caroline H. Smith a certified medical hypnotherapist After earning a master's degree focused on psychology and anthropol ogy Smith continued her professional training at Harvard Medical School Mind/Body Institute the National Institute for the CI nical Application of Behavio al Medicine and the Academy for Guided mage / he fee is \$45 To eg ster cal (248) 477 6100

Divorce support

The Women's Resource Center at Schoolcraft College offers a free Divorce Support Group 79pm Tuesday Feb 10 the wor place the second and fourth Tuesday of each month at 18600 Haggerty between Six and Seven Mile Livonia For more information call the WRC at (734) 462 4443

charge and pre registration is not required For more information or directions call (734) 655 8961 or visit the Web site at www.stmarymercy.org **Diabetes Support Group Leader** Training

There is a need to develop additional Diabetes Support Groups in this area according to the Michigan Department of Community Health Sponsored by St Mary Mercy Hospital and the Michigan Department of Community Health a Diabetes Support Group Leader Training class will be held 9 am to 3 30 pm Friday March 12 in Classrooms 1 and 2 at St Mary Mercy Hospital 36475 Five Mile in Livonia Please use the Marian Professional Building/Road Entrance Training is presented by Dan Diepenhorst MSW Public Health Consultant Michigan Department of Community Health For more information or to register call (734) 655 8950 For directions or additional information please visit our Web site www.stmarymercy.org

Blood pressure, bone density clinic 12 30 3 30 p m Thursday Feb 11 in RCD room of Presbyterian Village of Redford 17383 Garfield Also available education literature. Open to the pub

Healthy cooking classes

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Warming soups 6 9 p m Wednesday Feb 11 Cost is \$25 Other classes include a beginning cooking series Feb 9 16 23 and March 8 and Fun Foods including baked tofu fries pinto bean dip and more 6 9 p m Wednesday Feb 25 Val will also be giving a free cooking class on miso soup and brown rice nori rolls 7 8 p m Wednesday Feb 18 at Whole Foods 1404 Walton Rochester Hills Call (734) 261 2856 or visit www macroval com **Fibromyalgia and CFS**

A free lecture will be held on Fibromyalgia and Chronic Fatigue Syndrome 7 15 8 15 p m Thursday Feb 12 at the Plymouth Public Library Guest speaker is Dr Barry Hobbs Specific Chiropractor New research on the cause and relief of Fibromyalgia and Chronic Fatigue Syndrome will be discussed For reservations or infor mation call (734) 416 2411

Doctors with a Heart program Dr C J Trupp III a chiropractor will treat anyone who can t afford care on Feb 12 at Trupp Family Care Chiropractic For an appointment time call (734) 261 5677

Latest Low Back Pain Exercises Lecture gives an overview of the most recent developments in the preven t on of low back pain with exercise training and patient education 7 p.m. Thursday Feb 12 n the Oakland Physical Therapy suite B124 at Providence Medical Center 47601 Grand R ver at Beck Novi No charge Space is limited Reservation required by calling (248) 380 3550 Presenter will identify positions and postures to avoid and prevent low back pain demonstrate the most stable position of spinal alignment for exercise and functional activity and describe the most appropriate strengthening and stretching exercises to achieve spinal stability

Thyroid disease remains undiagnosed among many millions of Americans

Did you know that 1 in 10 Americans suffer from thyroid disease? That's more than the number of Americans with diabetes and cancer The fact is an estimated 13 million Americans have thyroid disorders, but more than half still remain undiagnosed

A few of the signs of an underactive thy rold are tiredness, dry coarse hair, dry skin, high cholesterol, loss of lateral eyebrow hair, puffy face and eyes, slow heartbeat, weight gain, headaches, depression, and constipation Some of the signs of an

overactive thyroid are nervousness, difficulty sleeping, bulging eyes, rapid heartbeat, increased sweating, unexplained weight loss, fine tremor of fingers, muscle weakness, and infertility

All it takes are a few simple blood tests to determine your thyroid levels Fifty percent of thyroid disease patients' offspring will inherit the thyroid disease gene

The thyroid gland is essential to the proper functioning of the body, regulating its metabolism and organ function The

thyroid produces hormones that influence every organ, tissue and cell in the body If the thyroid doesn't work properly, neither will you

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The Michigan Thyroid Disorder Support Group meets at the Plymouth Library with monthly speakers offering their knowledge about thyroid disease For more information about the support group contact Tracy Green at

mithyroid@yahoo com or call (734) 453-7945

Time between births may affect risk of development of childhood allergies

Children born within two years of an older sibling were less likely to develop childhood allergies by age 6 or 7 than children born to first-time mothers, according to a Henry Ford Hospital study

Published in the January issue of the Journal of Allergy and Clinical Immunology, the study showed children born within two years of an older sibling were nearly 50 percent less likely to develop allergies compared to first-born children regardless of parents' allergy history, presence of pets or number of older siblings

The reduced risk of developing allergies was not seen in children born three or more years after an older sibling

Ganesa Wegienka the study's lead author and an epidemiologist at Henry Ford Hospital, says the link between birth order and allergies may be related to the hygiene hypothesis, which holds that exposure to bacteria and infectious agents protects against allergies and asthma

"We theorize that siblings who are close in age are more likely to interact and share

germs that can help the younger child's immune system develop better," said Dr Wegienka 'However, it's also possible that the changes in the mother's immune system to allow pregnancy may persist after birth and influence the immune develop-ment of babies in subsequent pregnancies. Only more research will explain this link

For the study, researchers followed 415 children born from April 1987 to August 1989 until ages 6-7 At that time, the children were tested for six allergies including cats, dogs, grass, and dust mites

Study shows virtual colonoscopy as effective

A study, which was published in December in the New England Journal of Medicine, reveals that virtual colonoscopy is just as effective as traditional optical colonoscopy in identifying colon polyps, from which most cancers arise Study findings are good news for patients who have avoided traditional colonoscopy because it requires sedation, discomfort and recovery tıme

HealthCheck Imaging Services provides out-patient virtual colonoscopies using the

worlds most advanced 16-slice computed tomography (CT) scanning capabilities with Vitria 3D workstations The procedure is fast, non-invasive and as accurate as optical colonoscopy in detecting lesions Exams may be referred by a physician, or self-referred by the patient A board-certified radiologist reviews every scan

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Payne, CEO of HealthCheck Imaging "Our equipment is state-of-the-art and has the 3D workstation technology that is necessary to do effective colonoscopy imaging

HealthCheck Imaging has facilities are located in Farmington Hills, Ann Arbor, Dearborn, and St Clair Shores Visit their Web site at www.healthcheckimaging.com For more information, call (248) 225-1399 or (877) 4CT-SCAN

Diabetes Support Group Leaders are needed

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For more information or to register, call the St. Mary Mercy Community Outreach Department at (734) 655-8950. For directions or additional inforthis change the lifestyle of those with diabetes but for those who are caring for them as well Support Groups assist dia betics and their families in education of diabetes support from peers, discussion on a variety of topics, and getting questions answered

Support Group Leader Training is ntended to help initiate more diabetes support groups in our community and to keep them ongoing This program provides training for both lay and professional persons who are leading or would like to lead a diabetes support group

ALS of Michigan Workshop

The free workshop for patients and their runs 6 30 8 p.m. Wednesday Feb 11 at the ALS of Michigan offices at 21311 Civic Center Drive between Lahser and Northwestern service drive Southfield The yearly workshop provides information for people deal ing with various phases of ALS On Feb 11 Patti Seventko OTR and Pat May RD of Harry J Hoenselaar Clinic Henry Ford Health System will answer questions about activities of daily liv ing self care home adaptations and nutritional needs for ALS patients For more information or to register for the workshop contact ALS of Michigan at (800) 882 5764 For more information visit the Web site at www.alsofmi.org

Diabetes Support Group

The Diabetes Support Group at St Mary Mercy Hospital Livonia hosts a discussion on Diabetes Self Management Why It's So Hard and What You Can Do -7830 pm Wednesday Feb 11 in the hospital s Auditorium 36475 Five Mile at Levan (use the main entrance on Five Mile) Livonia The speaker is Dan Diepenhorst BA MSW Michigan Department of Community Health The Diabetes Support Group presents a new topic on the second Wednesday of each month for adults with dia betes and family members. There is no

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Prednisone has failed

I last discussed this condition in 1998 an update is in order Polymyalgia Rheumatica is a

The stiffness is worse upon nsing in the morning and often improves enough so that by mid

Small does of Prednisone a form of cortisone suffice to treat the condition Ultimately over

3 months to 6 months you can stop Precisione altogether However in a small number of cases the usual dose of steroid fails to control Polymyalgia and in other instances the

In these cases the ongoing use of steroids carries side effect such as weakened bone high

cholesterol and weight gain Researchers have investigated alternative treatment regimens that are steroid sparing Unfortunately to date all attempts to use medicine other than

Steroids remain the treatment of choice for Polymyalgia Rheumatica However the medical

community has improved its ability to catch the condition early This change means that the time and amount you will need to take steroids is less than in the past. The effect is sufficiently

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steroid sparing to make taking Prednisone for polymyalgia free of serious side effects

day you can undertake activities like buying grocenes or keeping appointments. However, by

condition that strikes older people The usual range is between age 65 to age 90 The

condition comes on suddenly its features include marked aching and profound stiffr

Smoking Cessation Program

Wellness Seminars present a two hour session which combines the power of hypnosis and behavior modification to help you kick the habit of smoking without gaining weight 10 a m to noon Saturday Feb 14 in Kalman Auditorium at Oakwood Hospital and Medical Center 18101 Oakwood Blvd main entrance The first 45 minutes is a free orientation If participants decide to continue with the program there is a one time fee of \$59 with free unlimited repetitions No reserva tions required Call (800) 848 2822 Workshop for memory problems

The Alzheimer's Association Greater Michigan Chapter is offering Partnering with Your Doctor A Workshop for Persons with Memory Problems and Their Care Partners 79 pm Wednesday Feb 18 at St. Mary Mercy Hospital 36475 Five Mile at Levan Livonia The workshop will pro vide strategies to form a doctor/patient/care partner relation ship that allows you to more effective ly manage and be a part of your health care To register call Lisa Dodson at (734) 655 8950 If you are living with Alzheimer's dis ease and need help or information call (800) 272 3900 or visit the Web site www.alzgmc.org

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and possibly taking medication These will always be a part of the daily routine and a part of diabetes treatment Not only does

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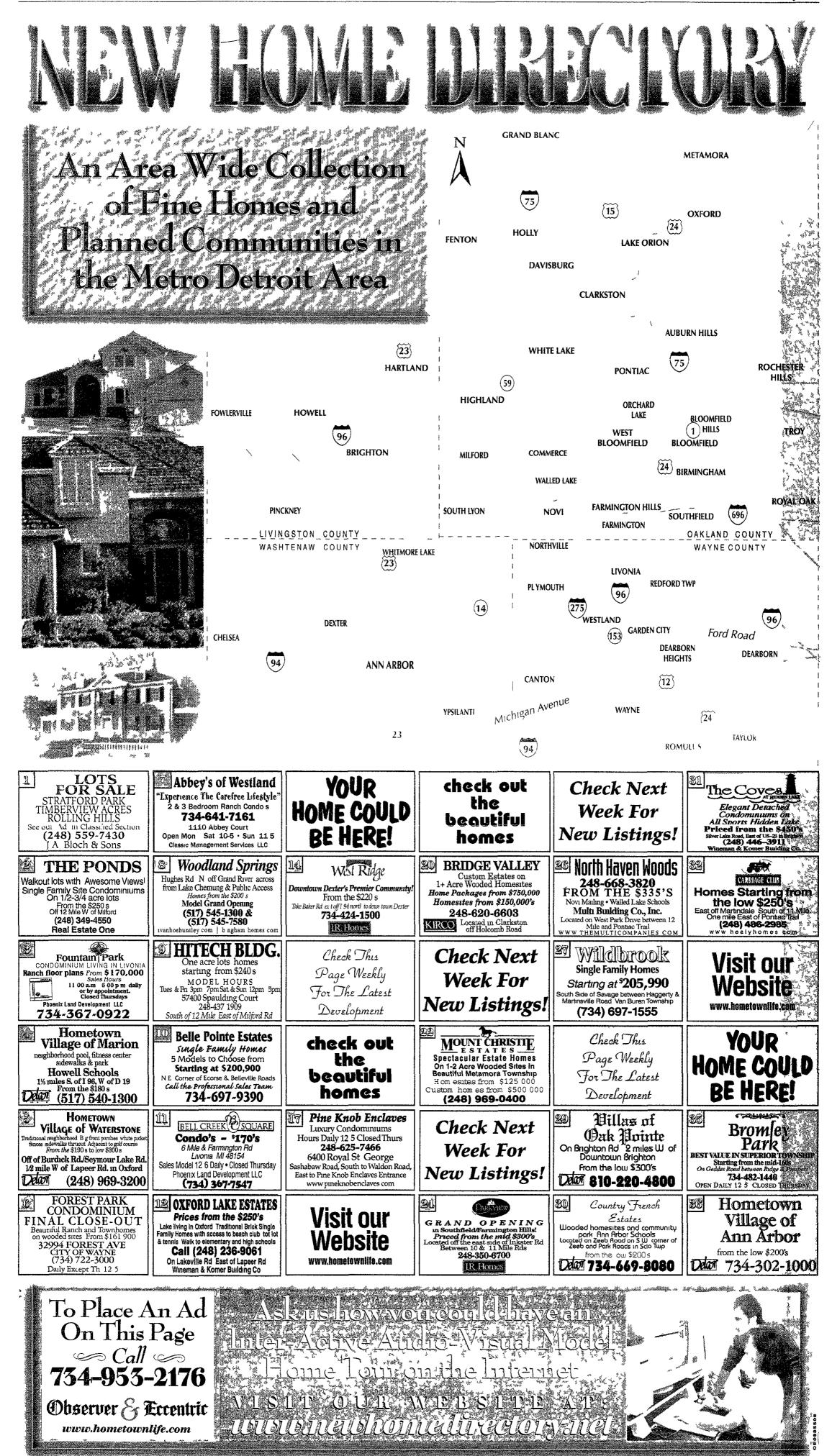


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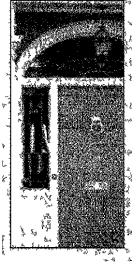
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Greene Farms enters final construction phase

Begun in 1999, Greene Farms in Ypsilanti Township, is in its fourth and final phase of development Farmington Hills based Curtis Building Co stresses values in the single-family homes it is building Excluding lot premiums, the houses sell from \$199,900 to \$242,000

"There are features in these houses you rarely see in \$200,000 houses said Melvin Menuck, vice president of Curtis Building Company "The basic construction is the same as you d get in a far more costly home

All 48 houses in Phase 4 should be finished by the end of 2004, Menuck said 'We have four 'spec homes' (houses built before they are sold) in various stages of construction, and 10 vacant lots Prospective buyers can choose from eight plans ranging in size from 1,506 to 2.339 square feet

"We try to offer quality at an affordable price," said Menuck. The Georgetown is the best selling model Its a traditional Colonial with four bedrooms and $2\frac{1}{2}$ baths Options include an alternate master bath or three bedrooms with a den Standard features include landscaping, brick fronts and partial sides and rear of

brick, two-car garage, central air conditioning, hardwood floor in the foyer and carpeting throughout The houses also have a built-in microwave oven, an 80% energy efficiency furnace, and 7-foot-10-inch poured basement walls

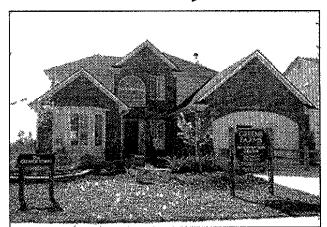
Curtis is now a third generation company that's undergoing major expansion Allen and Melvin Menuck head the company, which has been around since 1945

Current Curtis communities under construction ınclude

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Kırkways of Scio, site condo – Scio Township Peninsula at Stonewater, subdivision - Northville, Northville Hills Golf Club, subdivision – Northville

To get to the homes at Greene Farms, take I-94 to the Huron Street exit 183 Go south four miles on Whittaker Road to Greene Farm Drive, turn right Stop at the first two model homes on the left side of the street



The Georgetown is the best selling model at Greene Farms It's a traditional colonial with four bedrooms and 21/2 baths

Model homes are open noon to 6 p m daily Call (734) 482-1220 for information, or visit the Web site www.curtisbuilding.com

Buyer's agent can help you find a home to suit all your needs

(NAPSI) - Economists call it the "housing industry" but everyone buying some place to live knows that they are looking for more than just a "house" They also want a "home, a way of living that is far more than just four walls with a roof And that lifestyle is a vision probably as unique as every proud new homeowner

Buyers might see themselves sitting in front of the fireplace in their cozy den Or tending to the best garden in the neighborhood Or entertaining friends in their formal dining room Or getting caught up in the energy of a thriving metropolitan center There's just no limit to how buyers see themselves in their new home

But how do prospective homeowners find the right property with the right combination of "bricks and mortar' and the intangibles that create a distinctive "home?" Looking for that property can be a frustrating task But many buyers have discovered a way to make that search easier, more efficient and less stressful

These buyers enlisted the help of an Accredited Buyer Representative a real estate licensee with specialized skills To earn the ABR designation real esta e professionals must complete a comprehen sive training program and meet experiential requirements that demonstrate a thorough under

standing of the entire home buying process-including the "soft skills" that help them locate available properties that are compatible with the buyers Infestyle ideal

Before beginning the search for that dream house, ABRs make every effort to learn from buyers what 'makes them tick.' Then, having gained an understanding of what the buyers want and need in their new home, they evaluate the inventory of available properties to find those that best fit with the vision of the buyers unique lifestyle Just as importantly, ABRs work for buyers, representing their best interests

Clearly, all the properties those economists call the 'housing industry' should never be regarded as commodities They are all unique So are homebuyers ABRs understand this, and they know that 'to see one is definitely not to see them all" And this applies equally to buyers, their lifestyles-and the dream home they re looking for

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Buver Representative can find a home to suit you

Residences may come second

(NAPSI) - More than six million Americans currently. own a second residence, and according to a recent study by American Demographics magazine, the second home market is growing by more than 5 percent annually

This rapid growth is due, in part, to the aging of Americans As baby boomers approach retirement age, many want a second home that works as either a vacation home or a seasonal residence

Real estate traditionally has been a profitable investment Since the interest paid on second mortgages is tax-deductible, homeowners are able to write-off a portion of their monthly payment during tax time

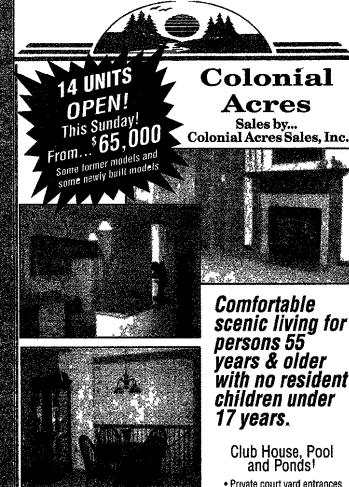
This means that second homeowners not only get the advantage of home and land appreciation, they also get an investment that pays them back every year

While many of today's second home buyers look to site-built homes and condominiums, a new option is emerging-manufactured housing Built in a factory, then shipped to the final home site

and finished, today's manufactured homes feature all the amenities and custom design features most consumers would expect to find in site-built homes, but at a fraction of the cost

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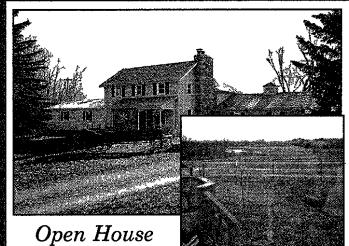
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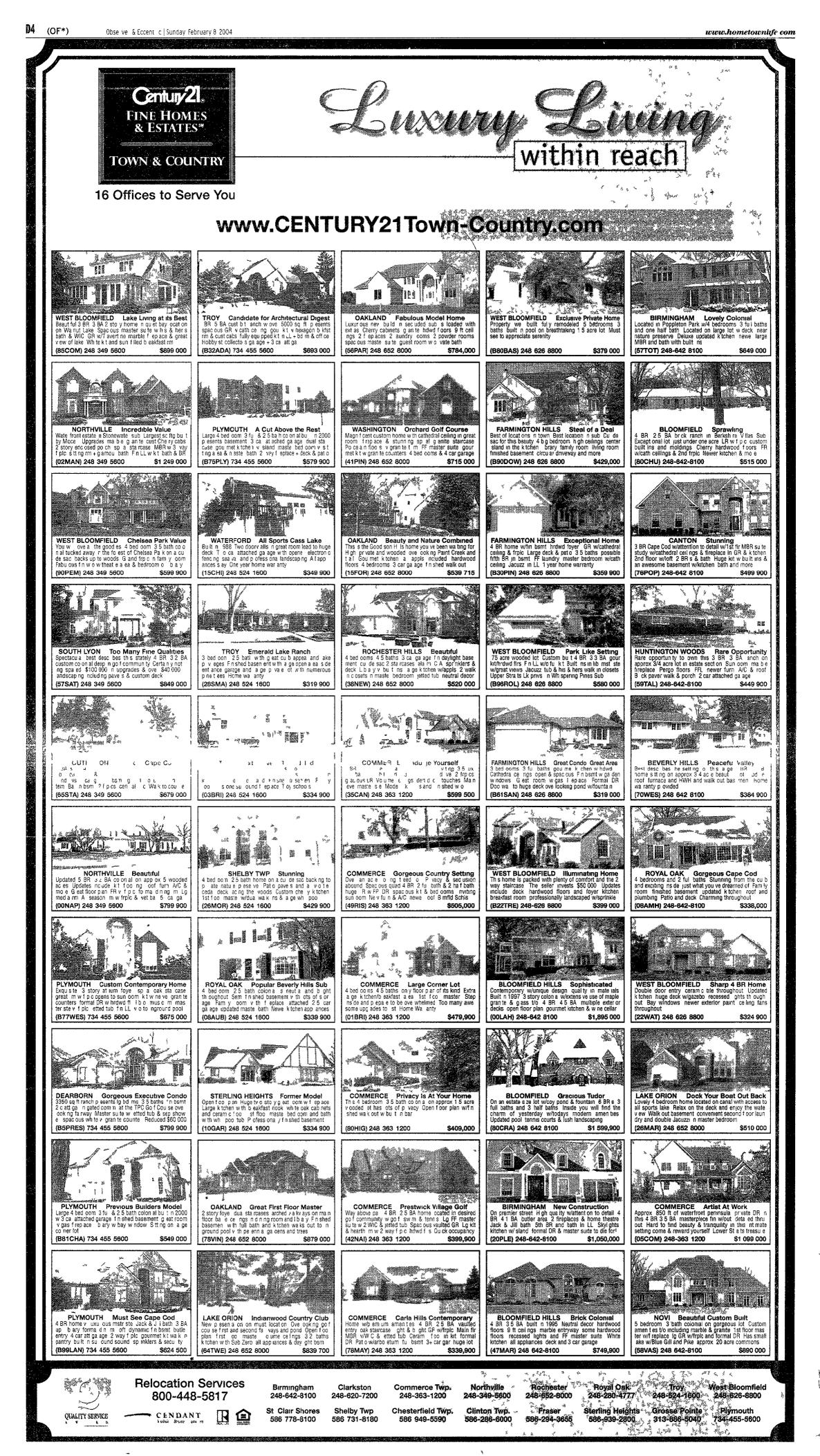
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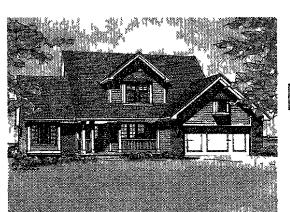
The Trenton 1 combines the contemporary look with rambler style There is a covered porch with posts and railings, and a dormer over bedroom three The vent on the garage has been designed to look like a dormer for accent A combination of wood and brick further adds to the unique facade

On the right is the dining room It has a builtin hutch and three large paned windows the great room The rear wall is lined with large windows There is a two-sided fireplace on the right separating the great room from the nook Imagine yourself sitting in front of the fireplace sipping a cup of coffee with bayed windows behind

KITCHEN

The corner kitchen has a garden window over the sink, an eating bar facing the nook, a corner pantry, and built-in desk for keeping recipes and records Behind the kitchen is a large utility room with a door to the two-car garage

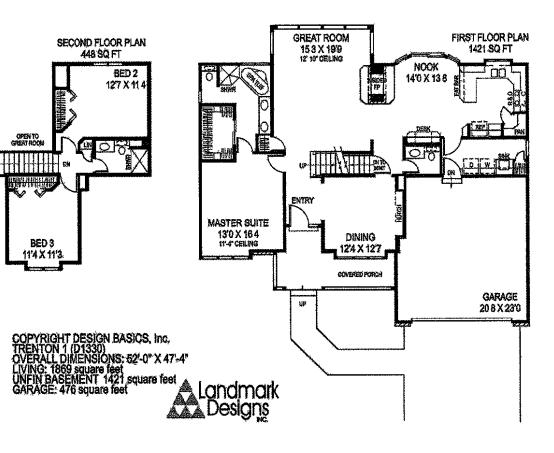
On the left side of the Trenton 1 is the master suite and bath The main suite area has a raised ceiling and long windows, creating a feel of spaciousness The walk-in closet is adjacent to the master bath A shower, spa tub, and "his and her" sinks make up the amenities of the master bath



Upstairs are two other bedrooms, each with a wall closet and large windows A full bath with a shower is between the two rooms

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Building homes for long-term appeal

(NAPSI) – City planners have discovered that cutting construction costs by using inferior materials can be a bad idea – both for homeowners and the communities these homes are built in

'The reality is that the builder owns the home for a few months, the new homebuyer may own it for a few years, but the community will own it forever," said Charles Ostrander, executive director, Illinois Masonry Institute Promotion Trust, who works with some Chicago-area towns

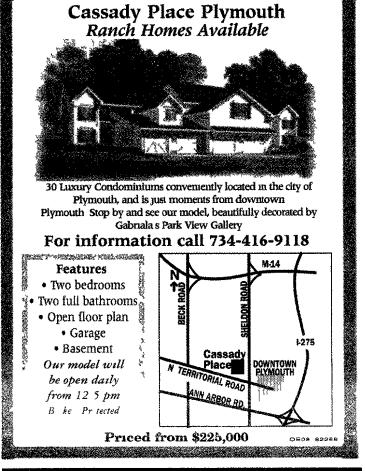
A growing number of communities are revising building ordinances, increasing the amount of brick stone or concrete masonry required in new home construction

Oriand Park Ill o Chicago suburb now requires 100 per cent masonry for commercial construction, 90 percent masonry for residential construction and 50 percent masonry for multi-family construction

Denver suburb Aurora, Colo, now requires a minimum of 50 percent masonry on new single-family homes and 60 percent masonry on all new multi-family buildings

"We spend a great deal of time master planning our communities to ensure they are developed according to very high design standards," said Aurora Mayor Paul Tauer

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It's time to brush up on housing financing options

So, you've finally found your dream home after months of looking Now you have to figure out how to pay for it Before you shop for a mortgage loan, it's important to learn about the many options available to you

A mortgage is a long term loan used to buy a home The home you are buying is generally used as collateral to secure the loan Mortgages are most often described by their terms, such as the time frame for repayment, and whether the interest rate is fixed or adjustable The most common loans available today include conven tional mortgages, adjustable rate mortgages, Federal Housing Administration loans and Department of Veterans Affairs loans

CONVENTIONAL MORTGAGES

A conventional mortgage is a loan that is not insured or subsidized by the government Lenders typically require a down payment of at least 20 percent, although you can put down less if you are willing to pay private mortgage insurance PMI protects the lender if the homeowner defaults on the loan

Conventional mortgage loans are typically fully amortized This means



Stuart Michaelson

that the regular principal and interest payment will pay off the loan in the number of payments stipulated on the note

Most conventional mortgages have time frames of 15 or 30 years, and may be either fixed-rate or adjustable With a 30-year fixed rate

mortgage, the buyer

pays off the principal and interest on the loan in 360 equal monthly payments The 15-year fixed rate mortgage is paid off in 180 equal monthly payments A 15-year mortgage typically requires larger monthly payments than a 30-year loan, but allows an individual to pay off a mortgage in half the time, as well as substantially save on interest payments

You can also save a considerable amount of interest if your mortgage lender allows you to make bi-weekly mortgage payments With a bi-weekly mortgage, the borrower makes half the regular monthly payment every two weeks Because there are 26 twoweek periods in the year, the borrow-

er makes the equivalent of 13 monthly payments each year This allows the borrower to complete payment of a 30-year mortgage within 16 to 22 vears

ADJUSTABLE RATE MORTGAGES

With a fixed-rate mortgage, the interest rate stays the same during the life of the loan But with an ARM, the interest rate changes periodically, usually in relation to a specific index, such as the national average mortgage rate or the Treasury Bill rate

Lenders generally charge lower initial interest rates for ARMs than for fixed-rate loans This makes the ARM easier on your pocketbook at first than a fixed-rate mortgage for the same amount It also means that you

might qualify for a larger loan because lenders sometimes make this decision on the basis on your current income and the first year's payments Moreover, your ARM could be less expensive over a long period than a fixed-rate mortgage - for example, if interest rates remain steady or move lower

Against these advantages, you have to weigh the risk that an increase in interest rates would lead to higher monthly payments in the future It's a trade-off You get a lower rate with an ARM in exchange for assuming more rısk

FHA MORTGAGES

The Federal Housing Administration operates several low down payment mortgage insurance programs that buyers can use to purchase a home with a down payment of five percent or less of the sale price of the home The most frequently used FHA program is the 203(b) program, which provides for low down payment mortgages on one- to four-family residences The maximum loan amount

for a one-family home in Wayne, Oakland or Macomb counties is currently \$175,750 FHA-insured loans are available from most of the same lenders who offer conventional loans

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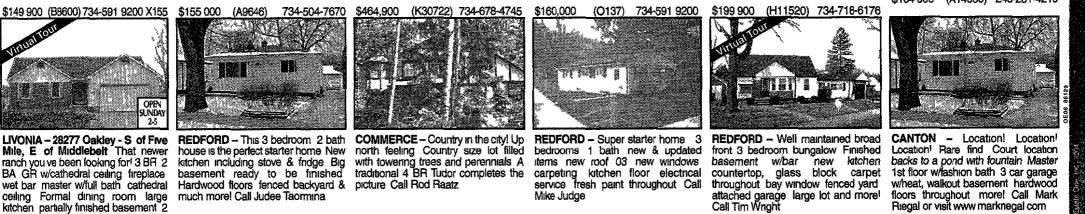
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Advertising Feature

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Refinements and upgrades are what make this new Nissan Maxima as close to a fine luxury vehicle as you can get

As the flagship of Nissan's growing line-up of vehicles that seems to fit nicely into every way of life and lifestyle, the Maxima proves itself worthy of the maximum balance of performance, comfort and value

Now five -- can you believe it²¹² - five generations down the road from the very first Maxima gracing American roads, there is no change when it comes to exactly what this vehicle is all about A four-door sports car

And, for the first time since its birth in 1981, the Maxima is now assembled on our shores, at the Nissan manufacturing plant in Smyrna, Tenn

Nissan first billed the Maxima as a performance sedan and it quickly took the front seat as a top-selling V6 import Today's Maxima is no exception Two models are available, the 3 5 SE and 3 5 SL Both offer a host of delightful options including a new Skyview Roof that's standard equipment on all models

Nissan promises you'll fall in love with this new Skyview Roof The premise behind this neat option is that it creates an open-air above the front and rear passengers, while maintaining a solid roof structure

Okay, let me try to explain The roof has rectangular glass panels that start in the front and end in the rear It has sliding sunshades that can easily block out the sunlight if you wish

The best feature about the Skyview Roof is that it alters the interior of the Maxima by making you believe that the interior is actually larger than it really is And, if you don't like the Skyview Roof, Nissan will allow you to option for the regular power sliding front sun roof

One thing you ll notice right away when you slip behind the wheel of the Maxima is the amount of room within



The 2004 Nissan Maxima is one fine luxury vehicle.

the cabin There's a longer wheelbase, larger width and larger trunk cargo space With that added space, you and your passengers will have more comfort zones and the added cargo space will allow a few extras to fit in Comfort of the driver was of utmost concern when designing this new Maxima. Nissan engineers took many hours to bring everything toward the driver and his/her comfort

The steering wheel, instrumentation cluster and even the gearshift knob were moved strategically closer to the driver Instrumentation, the center console stack and console itself are cleaner and easier to read In the center, you ll find the essentials like heating and cooling controls, audio controls and the trip computer

No reason to ever not use the Maxima on ultra-long drives Go ahead, take it across the country Stop only for gas, if you wish The front seats are designed for it They're billed as 'low fatigue' seats and have special cross sections of the cushions and seat backs to offer the best support possible

The driver's seat is an eight-way power seat and the pas senger's seat is a four-way power seat. Both have height adjustable head restraints Go ahead and splurge on the optional driver's seat memory system that readjusts the seat, steering wheel and outside mirrors at the touch of a button

There are four seats in the Maxima, all of which virtually look the same It was done that way for a purpose Available on the Ehite Package, the ever-so-boring rear bench seat has been replaced with two independent buck et seats This treatment makes the Maxima even more sporty Sure, it eliminates the five-passenger seating option, but it certainly looks cool and creative Makes it look more like a two-door sports car without the hassles of getting in and out of the front doors Just how many people really need the five-passenger seating option, anyway?

Nissan didn't ignore any safety issues with the Maxima, further enhancing crush zones, dual-stage front air bags with seat belt sensors, side curtain and front-seat sideimpact air bags There are active head restraints, emergency inside trunk release and the child seat anchor system as well

Let's get to the heart of the matter -- exactly what's under the hood The Maxima is powered by Nissan's VQ 3 5-liter that has won eight awards as one of the ten best engines This dual overhead can 24-valve V6 produces 260 horsepower and has a tuned exhaust that makes it sound just so sweet

Of course, this engine is mated to a standard 4-speed electronically controlled automatic transmission with a gated shifter The SE model allows you to have a 5-speed automatic with a manual shift mode, too

And for the really serious driver, a 6-speed close-ratio manual is option on the 3 5 SE models

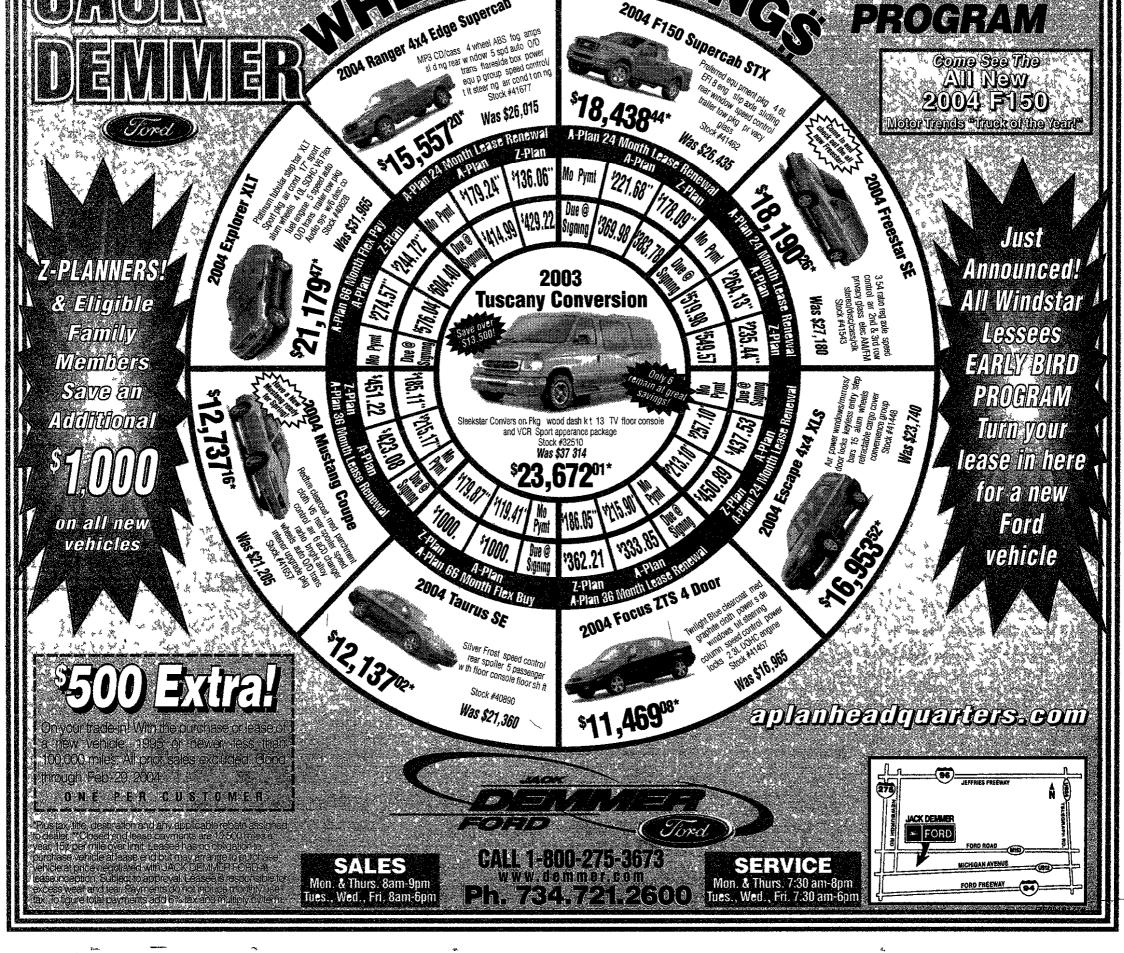
Ride characteristics and handling are taken care of by a luxury-tuned and performance-tuned suspension that provides a solid feel and a superb ride I can't image ever wanting to get out of the Maxima once you've started rolling

Go ahead, take it for a spin

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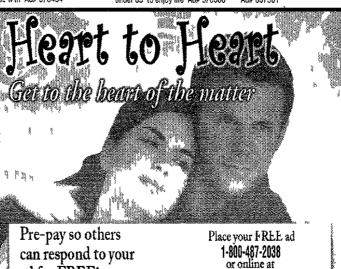
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