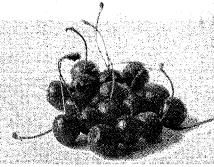


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Joan Pawelak steps in to get a better look at the memorial to mark the site of nine trees planted to honor Plymouth veterans who died in service between 1917 and 1918 during the dedication ceremony for the new Veterans Memorial Park Tuesday.

Honoring their sacrifice

Dedication caps long effort to ensure soldiers are remembered

BY TONY BRUSCATO STAFF WRITER

When the Plymouth Community Veterans Memorial Park committee made a promise 14 years ago to build a memorial park to honor Plymouth-area veterans killed in action, one underlying theme always emerged.

"Our goal was to create a beautiful and peaceful place where memories could live," said Bob Zaetta of Plymouth Township, president of the committee, at Independence Day dedication ceremonies unveiling the long-awaited memorial park. "Our guiding philosophy has been 'They are not dead

until they are forgotten."

More than a thousand people attended the ceremonies on the 30-foot plaza - located at the corner of Main and Church streets - to show they haven't forgotten those who gave the ultimate sacrifice, and those who have and are currently serving their country.

During the hourlong ceremony, Brig. Gen. Carol Ann Fausone, adjutant general of veteran's affairs for Michigan, received one of the biggest rounds of applause when she reminded young people to remember those who served

PLEASE SEE DEDICATION, A5

Parade, picnic provide annual family fun

BY BRAD KADRICH STAFF WRITER

One of Plymouth's best traditions - the Fourth of July Good Morning USA parade got temporarily derailed by one of Plymouth's most annoying traditions - a train - just as it was getting started Tuesday morning.

But the train soon passed, and Joanne Potter of Plymouth was able to continue with her birthday celebration, along with the scores of people who lined Main Street to witness the 10th annual parade.

Potter (born July 2), who has lived in Plymouth 11 years, makes the parade part of her birthday party whenever she's in town. She was there Tuesday and enjoyed every minute of it.

"I love the parade," Potter said. "It's a lot of fun."

That was pretty much the sentiment of the raucous crowd that started cheering when dozens of young bicyclists led off the parade and kept it up until the Aces High Monster Truck closed out the

PLEASE SEE PARADE, A5



Jacob (right) and Jarrett (left) Droski engage in a heated 'sword' fight to decide who is the best at the Good Old Fashioned Picnic at Plymouth Township Park.

Township in new hall, still trying to sell old one

BY BRAD KADRICH

Mary Ann MacLaren lost her house to a fire a couple of months ago, and needed to see the Plymouth Township building inspector to talk about building her new house.

So MacLaren, a township resident since 1998, became the first person to visit the new house the township just built - the \$13.1 million hall into which the township just moved at Ann Arbor Road and Haggerty.

MacLaren was the first customer at the new hall, which replaces the five-building complex down the street at Ann Arbor Road and Lilley.

PLEASE SEE HALL, A

City gets \$3.1 million in new Bathey deal

STAFF WRITER

It's official - again.

The Plymouth City Commission Monday agreed to sign a purchase agreement with Connektiv Communities of Royal Oak to complete a \$3.1 million deal that delivers Connektiv the 16-acre parcel

off Mill Street commonly known as the Bathey site. Connektiv gets a 180-day inspection period, with the right to buy six more 30-day extensions at \$5,000

Connektiv's Dennis Griffin said the current plan is for 180 condo units starting at about \$200,000, with about 30,000 square feet of commercial space.

"It's the biggest development we've seen in forever," Mayor Dan Dwyer said. "It revitalizes a whole section of town."

The deal could lead to site cleanup sometime this summer at 100 S. Mill Street — between Main and Ann Arbor Trail — with construction likely to begin

"We'd like to demolish and clean up the site as soon as possible," Griffin said. "We'll have plenty of work with the Brownfield Authority ... for any types of soil work (cleanup).

"We want to take advantage of the Lilley Road-to-Northville Road connector, to give it some identity," Griffin added. "It can be a real boost to Old Village, which has its own quaint feel to it, about three or four blocks from us."

Connektiv's bid was one of three received by the city in March after 21 Century Holdings of Southfield pulled out a deal that would have netted the city \$4.5 million, citing a change in market conditions and environmental costs associated with cleanup on the

The city gained ownership of the Bathey property in January 2003 after a lengthy court battle with former owner William Flynn, who failed to pay \$3 million in back taxes, interest and penalties over a 20-

year period. They've been trying to deal the property ever since. "This is the result of a very long time," City Manager Paul Sincock said. "This will open the

hangar doors. Hopefully pigs will fly." Staff writer Tony Bruscato contributed to this report.

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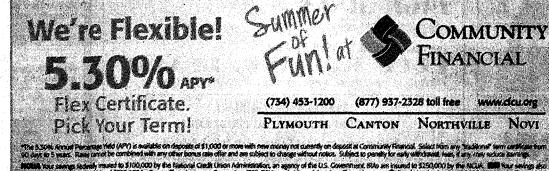
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First Step fund-raiser

To Dye For Salon, owned by Michele Gonzales, will be holding its third annual cut-a-thon fund-raiser event 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. Saturday, July 8.

The event takes place at To Dye For Salon, 595 S. Main, one block south of Kellogg Park, during Plymouth's "Art-In-The-Park" weekend. Professionals will cut hair, give manicures, or even give mini-facials. Prices for haircuts are \$12 for children, \$25 for men and \$30 for women.

This year, the salon will donate all of the proceeds to the First Step Project Against Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault (www.firststep-mi.org). First Step, a nonprofit located in Plymouth, serves 35 communities in Downriver and western Wayne County, and offers free services that include a shelter for victims of abuse, counseling for victims and batterers, and rape crisis response teams.

"It's really important that we do something to benefit the local community," Gonzales said. "First Step just seemed like a good fit for this year's event and we wanted to help make our community more aware of the work that First Step does."

For more information, such as pricing for the event, contact Gonzales at (734) 459-2880. First Step's 24 hour help line is (888) 453-5900 or (734) 459-5900.

Lost dogs

■ "Maizey," a 20-pound, 7month-old Puggle, was last seen in the vicinity of Joy Road and Morton Taylor at 10 p.m. Monday, July 3. Maizey has a tan-with-black muzzle featuring a red collar. A reward is being offered. Call (248) 231-7705 or (734) 716-

3248. \blacksquare "Bailey," a buff-colored cocker spaniel, was last seen in the Westminister/Morton Taylor area Tuesday night. He was wearing a choke collar. Call Tony, (734) 751-1367.

Free family fun

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The furry critters of Red Gate Petting Farm return July 15 for New Liberty Bank's secondannual Neighborhood Picnic.

All are welcome to enjoy hot dogs and ice cream as well as live entertainment from local band Phoenix, also seen at the popular kids' concert series, Music in the Park. The Plymouth Community Fire Department will also be on the scene with a fire truck to explore.

Kids of all ages can meet and learn about a variety of animals including alpacas, sheep, pygmy goats and miniature donkeys.

Festivities will take place in the bank parking lot and are free and open to the public. The event kicks off Ann Arbor Road Days the week of July 15-23. Ann Arbor Road Days is organized by the Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce to promote local businesses

The bank is located on Ann Arbor Road west of Main Street.

Tile Mural Project

The Village Potters Guild in collaboration with the Plymouth Community Arts Council and Pewabic Pottery in Detroit will be creating a 7x12-foot tile mural for the lobby of the new Plymouth Township Hall.

Community members will create the tiles to be included in the mural that is designed by artists in the Village Potters Guild. Guild members will provide instruction at their studios starting in mid August for those aspiring potters who have registered to participate in the project. The tiles will then be installed in the Township Hall with an accompanying legend identifying who made each tile.

Anyone who would like to participate in the creation of this public art project, the Plymouth Community Arts Council and the Village Potters Guild will have a booth at Art in the Park July 7-9 in downtown Plymouth, located on Forest Street just south of Ann Arbor Trail next to the Village Potters Guild booths.

Anyone and everyone is welcome to participate. Youngest artists ages 7 and below must be accompanied by an adult. Registration is \$10 for each tile and you are welcome to make more than one tile. This fee will help to cover some of the costs. Grant money from PCAC and Pewabic Pottery will cover the remainder of the expenses.

For more information about or to register to participate, call the Arts Council at (734) 416-

Northville summer carnival

The carnival midway comes to Northville July 13-16 with plenty of rides, games and other amusements at Northville Downs, on the corner of 7 Mile and Sheldon, and will feature midway rides, games and other amusement attractions.

This year's carnival is provided by Wade Shows, Inc. Admission is free to the midway with individual rides tickets \$1. "Pay One Price" wristbands will be available each day for \$18; discount coupons are also available at the Chamber office.

The Northville Summer Carnival, sponsored by Northville Downs and the Northville Chamber of



Teen program

Upcoming events sponsored by the Plymouth District Library Teen Zone will include another outdoor tie-dye craft program 3 p.m. Wednesday, July 12. Also on the calendar - Movies in July on Thursdays at 6 p.m. and Chess in July with Fred Lindsay, 7 p.m. July 12. For more information, go to plymouthlibrary.org/ya.htm

Commerce, runs 1-10 p.m. July 13; noon-11 p.m. July 14-15; and noon-8 p.m. July 16. For more information, call 248-349-7640 or visit www.northville.org

New Morning open house

New Morning School hosts an open house for students in grades kindergarten-eighth 9 a.m. Wednesday, July 12.

The school is located on Haggerty, just north of Schoolcraft, in Plymouth Township. For more information, call Joan Barrett, (734) 420-3331.

Book signing

A book signing for "Call Me Grandpa, A Man's Wish for His Grandchild" will be held at The Book Cellar and Café in Plymouth 2-4 p.m. Saturday,

be available to chat and sign copies of this new book, a story about a man's life journey that culminates in one of his greatest rewards - becoming a grandfa-

located at 840 W. Ann Arbor Trail in downtown Plymouth. For more information, call (734) 455-2665.

Blood drive

St. John's Episcopal Church in Plymouth hosts an American Red Cross blood drive 2-8 p.m. Monday, July 10. Appointments can be made.

Saberette drive

The Plymouth Saberette pompon team holds its annual bottle drive 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. will make their way through neighborhoods, raising money to help send the team to camp in Midland. For more information, call (734) 564-9946.

Glassmaker on TV

Plymouth glassmaker Don

July 8. Author Jerry Pociask will

The Book Cellar and Café is

but walk-ins are also welcome. The church is located at 574 S. Sheldon in Plymouth. To make an appointment or

for information, call Carolyn Libeau, (734) 455-5395.

Saturday, July 8. Team members

Jerome Kern is an icon of the American Broadway stage, some of the shows in the Festival are rarely seen. This is the first time that all of these shows can be seen together. Sung by a reper-

tory company of Michigan singers, the shows will be accompanied on the two pianos by the team of Adam Aceto and Patrick Johnson. This will mark the first time the Kern Festival will be held in

Plymouth. These productions have drawn audience from across the United States. Guild officials are hoping interest in classic musicals will spur many more performances in the Plymouth area. As an introduction to the quality of Guild productions, these performances will be free of charge.

Friday, July 7, 8 p.m., The Cat and the Fiddle, combines a good plot with thematic music, including "The Night Was Made for Love" and "She Didn't Say Yes." Saturday, July 8, 8 p.m.,

High Jinks by Rudolph Friml, the biggest hit of 1913, with a lively score featuring "Love's Own Kiss." Sunday, July 9, 3 p.m.,

Good Morning, Dearie, a Cinderella story that features bumbling gangsters. Admission is free, but donations will be accepted at all

performances. The PCAC is located at 774 N. Sheldon in Plymouth. For more information, call



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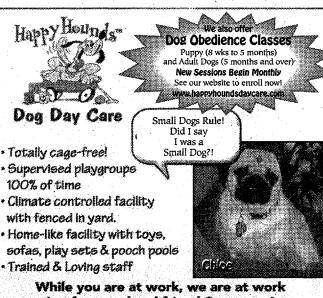
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Free as a bird - almost

1st solo all that's left for Salem student pilot

BY CAROL MARSHALL STAFF WRITER

It's not unusual for grandparents to have high hopes for their first-born grandchild.

So it only made sense when Claire Madill opened her Christmas present the year she was 13 years old and found her grandfather had given her flying les-

This week, Madill, a 16-year-old Salem High School junior, will take her first solo flight at Mettetal Airport in Canton.

"I love it," Madill said of flying. "It's really cool when you're in the air. You get to see things that other people don't normally see."

Madill's instructor, Dale Muss, a Plymouth Township air traffic controller who teaches for fun, said Madill is the youngest woman to solo at Mettetal in at least 10 years, and possibly the youngest student pilot to solo in Mettetal's history.

"We're just waiting for the right day and the right conditions." Muss said. "She's ready."

And even though Madill doesn't yet have a license to drive a car (she will, as soon as she can learn to parallel park, she said), Muss said he's confident she'll do well as a student



Claire Madill got flying lessons as a Christmas present from her grandfather three years ago. Now she's ready for her first solo.

Youngsters can start taking flying lessons at any age, but they have to be 16 years old to receive a student pilot certificate, said Muss. They also have to pass a 50-question written test (a score of 70 percent is considered passing, and Madill scored 92), and the instructor has to feel the student is ready to fly alone.

Once Madill makes her first solo flight - takeoff from Mettetal, a circle around the airport and then a landing she can start working toward becoming fully licensed. She'll have to work on flight maneuvers such as cross-country flying, navigation, radio communications and night flying. Then she'll take an oral exami-

nation and a flight test. Madill's grandfather, Adrian Kramer of St. Clair Shores, isn't concerned that his granddaughter is too young to fly. And he wasn't concerned about it when he gave her the lessons.

Kramer had always wanted to learn to fly, but hasn't. He had dreams of Madill becoming a pilot and applying to attend the United States Air Force Academy.

Even though she's not interested in the academy - she's leaning toward law school, she said - Kramer couldn't be more proud of his oldest grandchild, he said.

"They say you live your dreams through your children," grandfather Adrian Kramer of St. Clair Shores said. "I guess I was just a little slow."

Madill's mother, Lori Madill, took a little time getting used to the idea of her daughter learning to fly.

"I felt a little frustrated and displaced that he was sending her up in the air in a cardboard box," Lori Madill said of the Christmas present three years

But she's come around. "I was nervous at first, but now all I feel is pride," she said.

Claire Madill has been trying to fly at least once a week for the past few months, and it's not cheap, she said. She pays \$75 per hour to rent the plane, and \$30 per hour for her instructor. But every once in awhile it's worth it, like at her school's career day, when she

Claire Madill, a 16-year-old Salem High School junior, is set to take her first solo flight some time this week at Mettetal Airport.

told her classmates that she was working toward getting her license.

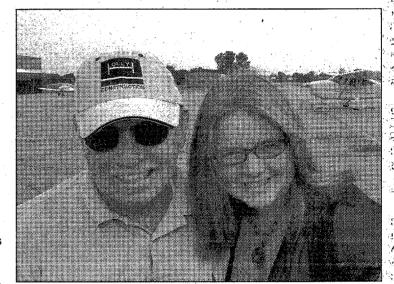
"People thought that was pretty cool, especially the guys," she said.

After she gets her license, she wants to take her grandfather in the plane (he hasn't been up with her yet) and then wants to take her friends to Cedar Point, Madill said.

But first she has to fly alone. And land alone.

"Landings are the most difficult thing ever," Madill said. "You have to do so many things at once, and if you do something wrong in the beginning the ending is going to be bad."

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MILITARY NEWS

Air Force grads ■ Air Force Reserve Airman 1st Class Victoria L. McKinney has graduated from basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio,

During the six weeks of training, the airman studied the Air Force mission, organization, and military customs and courtesies; performed drill and ceremony

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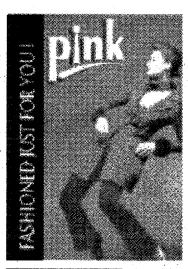
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Firefighter Dan Atkins unpacks during the move into the new fire station after Plymouth Township officials moved into their new township hall at Ann Arbor Road and Haggerty.

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Since she had business to conduct and there was still considerable last-minute construction work going on, MacLaren didn't see a lot of the new digs. But what she saw, she liked.

"I'd been to the old one, and I was in favor of them building the new one," MacLaren said. "It needed to be done. It makes things more convenient for everyone. It has a nice, open

The move wasn't completely smooth. Work was still being

done in various areas of the new complex and there were glitches with things like furniture delivery.

Doors to the bathrooms were still on back order when employees moved in, so temporary doors were being used. Some panels and panes of glass in one of the doors to the new fire station were damaged on the first day, and some of the furniture blocked electrical outlets.

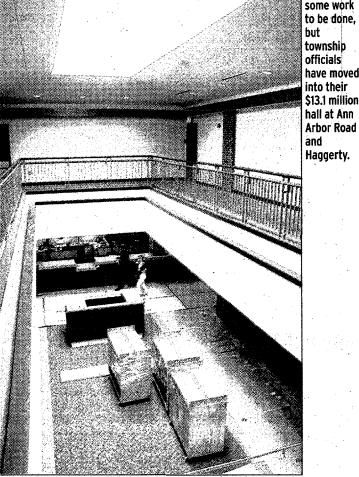
"As anyone who has moved will know, it's not always enjoyable and it's very timeconsuming," township Supervisor Richard Reaume said. "As we were open, they were still painting walls and

staining wood, but we were taking care of township residents and their business."

But not all business, at least not yet. The police department doesn't move in until next week, and the board's own meeting room is still a long way from completion, officials said.

In the meantime, township officials are also wrestling with how to pay the bills. The board approved borrowing \$2.5 million from its general fund for its capital improvement fund, and will have to pay that money back, with some interest, according to Reaume.

To do that, the township is counting on selling the Ann



Arbor Road/Lilley complex. They thought they'd already done that, but Capital Acquisitions withdrew its \$4.25 million offer.

The next lowest bid was \$3.2 million.

Though the complex is still technically up for sale, officials have elected at this point not to go out for more bids.

We already know we're going to get (at least) \$3.2 million, but we're looking to see if anyone will step forward to offer more," Reaume said.

"If not, we'll take some proactive measures."

Meanwhile, residents are being taken care of. MacLaren met with the building inspector, and the second resident through the doors bought a

dog license. "It's already been beneficial to have all the departments under one roof," Reaume said. "Communication is easier, access to people is easier. We're doing business."

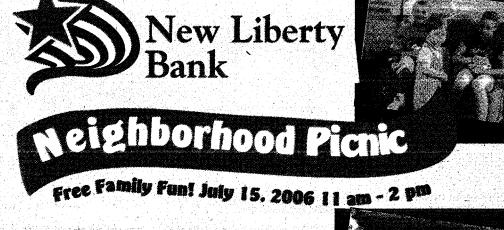
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PARADE

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In between, fans were treated to a variety of bands, novelty acts and musical performers, including Plymouth's own Sarah Lenore, who treated the crowd to her annual rendition of the Lee Greenwood patriotic classic, *God Bless the U.S.A.*

It was all designed as Plymouth's homage to those who fought and died to ensure this country's freedom, and those in the crowd appreciated the effort.

Robert Tamagne, who

attended the parade with his wife, Beka, 3-month-old Mikayla and their mini-poos Bella and Sadie, said his grandfather served in World War II, his father in Korea and his brother just got out of the Marines.

"It's unfortunate
Independence Day doesn't get
the attention it deserves,"
Tamagne said. "It's become
more of a picnic and party day
than a celebration of what it
means. I appreciate those who
go out of their way to celebrate
it."

Meanwhile, the clouds that threatened the earliest parade in the state dissipated before the Good Old Fashioned Picnic, also celebrating its 10th anniversary at Plymouth Township Park.

Thousands of visitors lined up for hot dogs, chips, pop and ice cream, all available for a nickel.

While they were doing that, visitors were also enjoying a bike decorating contest and other kids' games, and youngsters played in the park sprayscape.

It all made for a popular family atmosphere, something that attracted people like Mark and Sara Shippe of Westland, who were attending the picnic for the second

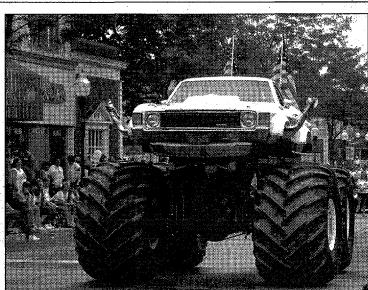
straight year.

"We come for the kids so they can have fun," said Mark Shippe, who brought 3-yearold son Spencer and 1-monthold daughter Avery.

"It's nice because you don't have to spend a lot of money, you can bring your family and the kids can have a good time."

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At left, the popular Aces High Monster Truck wowed visitors lining Main Street for the 10th annual Good Morning USA parade Tuesday.



MARCUS SINGLETON | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

DEDICATION

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protecting the United States of America.

"There was a time in our country when some did not honor our veterans," Fausone said. "Let me tell all the young people who are here today something their parents and grandparents already know: It's really cool to honor our ancestors and veterans who have served this country before us."

That message was echoed by 84-year-old Bill Thomas of Plymouth, who served in the Army's 11th Armored Division, Tank Battalion, fighting in World War II's Battle of the Bulge. Thomas - pointing to his kneecaps - remembered fighting in snow "this high" during the 13-month battle with the Germans which began in December 1944 along the German-Belgian border, in what is considered the snowiest weather in memory in the Ardennes Forest.

"I'll never forget that, or what I saw," said Thomas, who served from 1942-46 and was shot during one of the many battles. "It's important for us to recognize our veterans. If people could only see what veterans have to do to protect this country, especially if they're overseas."

Sanford Burr, who as a 10year-old Boy Scout unveiled the World War I monument that now stands in the memorial park, took the tarp off the 11 gray granite tablets, which have laser-etched images of men and women who served in each of the major years.

On the plaza, in front of the tablets, 145 engraved brick pavers represent those in the Plymouth area who died in all the wars. Three flags – the American, the state of Michigan and the POW/MIA – were raised for the first time during the dedication ceremony.

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Five war monuments, which at one time were scattered throughout Plymouth, now stand together in the Veterans Memorial Park. They include: the Civil War monument known as "The Lady"; a memorial rock representing World War II veterans; a

War II veterans; a
Korean/Vietnam memorial; a
monument to World War I veterans; and a cannon representing the Spanish-American War
located in Cannon Park.

The Veterans Memorial Park was made possible after a \$450,000 donation by the Plymouth District Veterans Memorial Foundation, which used the proceeds from the sale of a home on Main Street, which once housed the foundation and American Legion Post 391. The entire project will end up costing \$560,000.

Brick pavers are still being sold to help make up the shortfall. Red pavers can be purchased and engraved for the walkways. Gray pavers have the names of veterans inscribed on

The family of 80-year-old Walt Witkowski of Plymouth purchased a gray paver to honor his service in the United States Marine Corps from 1944-46, fighting during World War II in the South Pacific.

"It's the greatest thing that ever happened to me," said Witkowski, wearing a USMC T-shirt. "It shows they won't forget I did my part. This (memorial park) was a long time in coming, but they did a great job to remember those who made the supreme sacrifice."

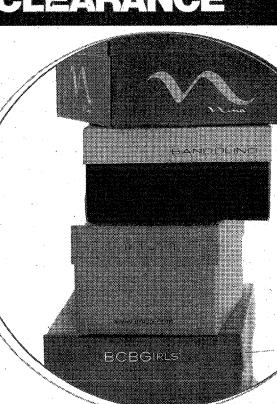
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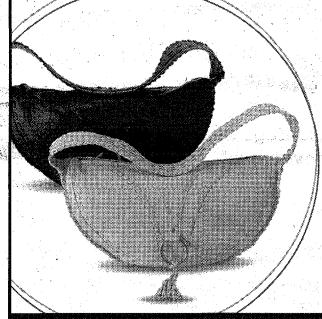
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The 17th Michigan Volunteer Infantry raises their rifles during the singing of the song "God Bless the USA."

Remembering the sacrifices

Memorial park a stirring tribute to local vets

All Bob Zaetta and John Pappas wanted to accomplish 14 years ago was to get the Civil War monument known as "The Lady" out of the cemetery where it was located

and into a more central ocation that vould do it jus-

Fourteen vears later. they've done considerably more than that. What

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they've created with the new **Plymouth Community** Veterans Memorial Park is a gorgeous, stirring tribute to the nearly 150 Plymouth-area veterans who have given their. lives in defense of this coun-

But what they really got done was to bring the veterans of this community, not all of whom were huge fans of the project in the beginning, into the fold by cajoling, persuading and, ultimately, convincing them of the value of the idea.

The end result had veterans and civilians alike in tears at Tuesday's unveiling of the marble monuments that now stand as testimony to the bravery of Plymouth's soldiers.

"I am so proud of this park," a choked-up Zaetta said moments after the ceremony ended. "It's really a dream come true. I never dreamed I'd see something like this 14 years ago."

Jim McDowell of Plymouth is a Navy man. He saw active duty, some of it in Korea, from 1951-55. That's about two years after he graduated from the old Plymouth High School; coincidentally, the new memorial park is nestled on the school's front lawn.

He saw enough action -"Even a little was enough," he said - and served proudly enough that he was one of the many who bought an inscribed brick paver for the park's foundation.

"This has special meaning for me, because I walked these

sidewalks for a lot of years, and I love this community," McDowell said of the park. "This is a tribute a long time coming. It excludes politics and brings to the forefront the

value of coming together as a nation and not hating America." Bill Thomas of Plymouth,

who served in the Army's 11th Armored Division, Tank Battalion, fought in World War II's Battle of the Bulge. Thomas – pointing to his kneecaps - remembered fighting in snow "this high" during the 13-month battle with the Germans which began in December 1944 along the German-Belgian border, in what is considered the snowiest weather in memory

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in the Ardennes Forest.



Matthew Asher, a member of the 17th Michigan Volunteer Infantry, speaks with Canton resident Richard Wears, whose wife's grandfather served with the Michigan 24th.

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Three flags - the American, the state of Michigan and the POW/MIA - were raised for the first time during the dedication ceremony. Four other war monuments - a memorial rock representing World War II veterans; a

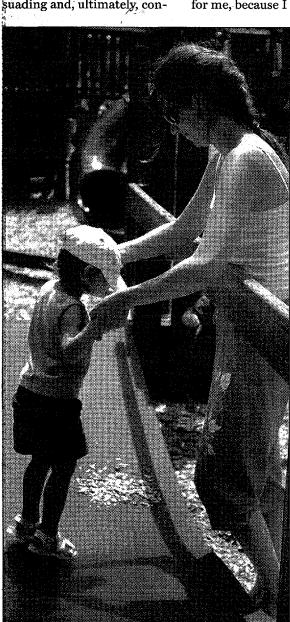
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senting the Spanish-American War located in Cannon Park which at one time were scattered throughout Plymouth, join The Lady in the new

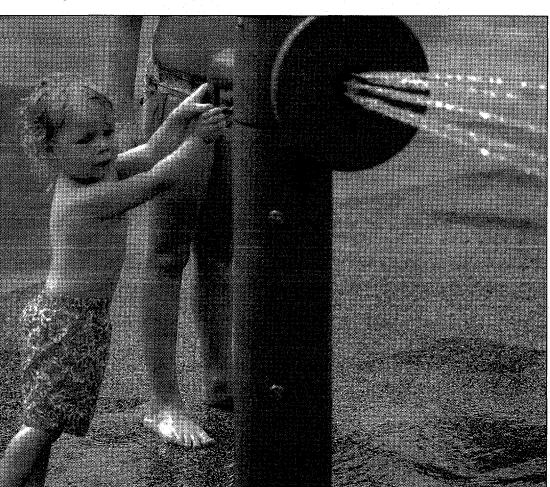
The committee that put this park together lived by one credo - veterans "are not dead until they are forgotten."

The hundreds of people who crowded into the park Tuesday, and the countless numbers who have or will visit the park, know this: Plymouth's veterans will never be forgotten.

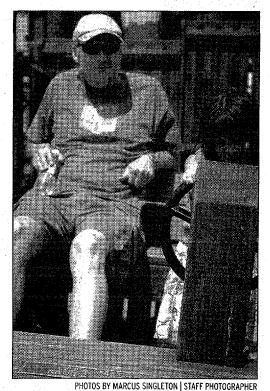
Brad Kadrich, community editor of the Plymouth Observer, proudly served 15 years in the U.S. Air Force. He can be reached via e-mail at bkadrich@hometownlife.com or by phone at (734) 459-2700.



Lindsav Edwards of Redford smiles fondly as she helps her 2year-old daughter Ava jump on the playscape in Plymouth Township Park.

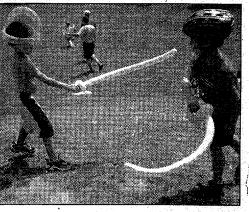


Two-year-old Mathew Richard of Plymouth swings the water gun back and forth so he can spray as many people as possible in the sprayscape at Plymouth Township Park. At right, Jacob (right) and Jarrett (left) Droski engage in a heated "sword" fight to decide who is the best at the Good Old Fashioned Picnic at Plymouth Township Park.



Paul Kuhnenn of Farmington Hills watches his

daughter, Jasmine, pretend to drive a car on the playscape at Plymouth Township Park during the 10th annual Good Old Fashioned Picnic.



AROUND TOWN

Grub crawl

The Northville Chamber presents the second-annual Northville Grub Crawl 6-10 p.m. Tuesday, July 25. Join 300 hungry patrons as they make their way through some of the best restaurants in the Northville area. Twelve restaurants are offering free samples of appetizers and signature items along with cash bar specials for our "Crawlers". Participating restaurants are Bahama Breeze, Bonfire Bistro & Brewery, Brann's Steakhouse & Grill. Deadwood Bar and Grill, Edward's Café and Caterer, Sive Restaurant, Genitti's, George's Senate Restaurant, Little Italy Ristorante, MacKinnon's, Poole's Tavern, and Uno Chicago Grill. Highlights: Free event T-shirt, free shuttle transportation courtesy of Independence Village of Plymouth, grand prize drawing for Char-Broil Barbeque Grill courtesy of The Home Depot. Tickets are \$35 (must be 21 or over) and can be purchased at Gardenviews, Good Time Party Store or the Northville Chamber of Commerce.

Stewardship network

The Stewardship Network's Invasive Plant Control Certificate Workshop Series allows whomever takes all three workshops and completes 10 hours of volunteer invasives removal to receive the Stewardship Network's "Invasive Plant Control Certificate." You may also take any of these workshops individually. Anyone interested in learning more about invasive plants - their origin, their impact, best control practices and anyone who cares about our natural areas and wants to learn more will find these workshops valuable - should take the workshops: Saturday, July 15, Workshop 1, Invasive Plant Identification, Island Lake State Recreation Area field component. workshop may begin indoors at Kensington Metropark, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.; Saturday, Aug. 19, Workshop 2, Site Assessment, Brighton State Recreation Area, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.; Saturday, Sept. 9, Workshop 3, Handson Invasive Plant Control Techniques, Brighton State Recreation Area, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. For additional information visit www.stewardshipnetwork.org

Camping lessons

Northville Community Foundation sponsors "The Fine Art of Camping," 2-3 p.m. Saturday, July 8, presented by Gander Mountain Sports. Gander Mountain's camping pro will demonstrate the basics of camping, such as pitching a tent and choosing a sleeping bag. Admission is \$3 for adults, \$2 for children ages 3-11; children under 3 admitted free. For more information, call (248) 374-0200.



Golfing greatness

In Legal Aid and Defender Association's 2006 charity golf outing at the Links of Novi June 20, the second-place foursome with a score of 11 under par consisted of (left to right) Michael Houston of Canton Township, Leroy Bray Jr. of Plymouth, Leroy Bray Sr. of Plymouth and Bob Niemi of Novi. A nonprofit, charitable organization, Legal Aid and Defender is Michigan's largest provider of free civil legal services to low-income residents. It serves metropolitan Detroit through its offices in Macomb, Oakland and Wayne counties. It also represents criminal defendants in Wayne County and the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan. Anyone seeking legal services can call (877) 964-4700 or visit www.ladadetroit.org.

Movies in the nark

Wayne County Parks and Recreation announced the schedule of movies for its popular Movies in the Park series, sponsored in cooperation with Dearborn Heights, Inkster, Northville, Redford, Trenton, Livonia and Westland Parks and Recreation departments. The schedule: Friday, July 14, "Looney Tunes: Back in Action," Inkster Park in Inkster; Friday, July 28, "Madagascar," Bell Creek Park in Redford; Friday, Aug. 11, "March of the Penguins," Canfield Community Center in Dearborn Heights; Friday, Aug. 18. "Racing Stripes," in Elizabeth Park in Trenton. For more information, call (734) 261-1990. Healthy skin

"More Than Skin Deep," a program about healthy skin, will be presented 7-9 p.m. Tuesday, July 18, at the Holiday inn on Plymouth Road at U.S. 23 in Ann Arbor. According to speaker Cindy Klement, "the health of the skin is a reflection of the health of our internal organs and overall nutrition. When you know the real secrets to natural beauty you can improve the health and appearance of your skin and improve your overall health in the process." Pre-registration is suggested, to ensure a seat and a handout. Cost is \$10. Contact the speaker, Cindy Klement, at (734) 975-2444 or go to

www.cindyklement.com Genealogical societies

The Livingston County Genealogical Society meets July 6, with speakers

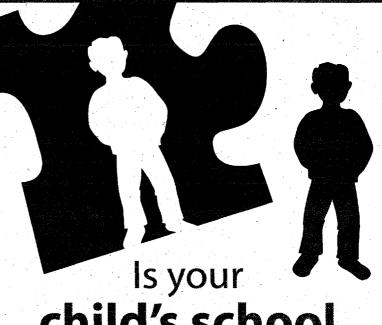
Guenter Loepertz discussing "Records to Trace Your Ancestors in Connecticut." The meeting takes place at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, 1041 Grand River in Howell, with a help session at 6 p.m. The public is invited. For more information, call Margaret Bowland, program chair, (810) 227-7745.

Healthy living

St. Mary Mercy Hospital offers a class called "Healthy Solutions for Living," 10-11:30 a.m. Tuesdays beginning Aug. 1 at the St. Mary Mercy Community Outreach Department, Marian Professional Building, Suite 412. The program is designed to help participants lose up to four pounds per week and teach how to keep it off. For more information, or to register, call (734) 655-1783.

Northville garden walk

The Country Garden Club of Northville is inviting everyone to attend their annual garden walk, featuring five gardens in Northville, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Wednesday, July 12. After seeing the flowers, visitors are invited to stop by Mill Race Village, where Cady Inn will be transformed into "The Potting Shed" where complimentary homemade sweets and lemonade will be served. Tickets in advance (\$10) are available and may be purchased after June 12 from Gardenviews, 202 W. Main in Northville. For more information, call (734) 591-0360.



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PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Township Board of the Charter Township of Canton, Wayne County, Michigan, intends to issue and sell general obligation capital improvement bonds, pursuant to Act 34, Public Acts of Michigan, 2001, as amended, in an amount not to exceed 8.5 Million Dollars (\$8,500,000) for the purpose of paying the cost of acquiring and constructing infrastructure and streetscape improvements in the Township's Downtown Development Authority Downtown District.

Said bonds will mature in annual installments not to exceed thirty (30) in number, with interest rates to be determined at sale but in no event to exceed such rates as may be permitted by law on the unpaid balance from time to time remaining outstanding on said bonds. The bonds may be issued in one or more series as shall be determined by the Township Board.

SOURCE OF PAYMENT OF BONDS

THE PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST OF THE BONDS shall be payable primarily from tax increment revenues collected in the Charter Township of Canton Downtown Development Authority Downtown District and if necessary, the general funds of the Township lawfully available for such purposes including if necessary, property taxes levied within applicable charter, statutory and constitutional limitations.

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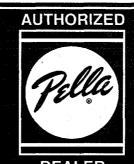
A PETITION REQUESTING SUCH A VOTE SIGNED BY NOT LESS THAN 10% OF THE REGISTERED ELECTORS OF THE TOWNSHIP IS FILED WITH THE TOWNSHIP CLERK WITHIN FORTY-FIVE (45) DAYS AFTER PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE. IF SUCH PETITION IS FILED, THE BONDS MAY NOT BE ISSUED WITHOUT AN APPROVING VOTE OF A MAJORITY OF THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE TOWNSHIP VOTING THEREON.

THIS NOTICE is given pursuant to the requirements of Section 517, Act 34, Public Acts

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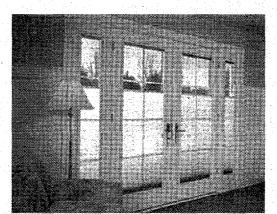
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Notice is hereby given that there will be a meeting of the Zoning Board of Appeals THURSDAY, JULY 13, 2006 AT 7:00 PM. The meeting will be held in the Board Room at the Township Administration Building located at 1150 S. CANTON CENTER ROAD, CANTON, MI 48188. The following Agenda will be discussed:

Pledge of Allegiance to the flag

Roll Call: Randy Blaylock, Jim Cisek, Cathy Johnson, Vicki Welty and Steven Johnson.

Acceptance of Agenda

Gary Seelbinder of Roy A. Seelbinder Const. Co. Inc., 275 E. Big Beaver, Suite 201, Troy, MI 48083 representing All Saints Catholic School, 48735 Warren Road, Canton, MI 48187 for property located at 48735 Warren Road, south side of Warren Road between Beck and Ridge Roads, appealing Sign Ordinance Chapter 102, Article II, Section 102-31, (18), ground sign variance and Sign Ordinance Chapter 102, Article II, Section 102-34, (1), a, b, ground sign variance. Zone R-2

Parcel 030-99-0001-708 (Building) (TABLED FROM JUNE 8, 2006)

Melanie Gray of Valley City Sign, 5009 West River Dr., Comstock Park, MI 49341 representing Jeff Wagner of Fifth Third Bank, 1000 Town Center, Suite 1600, MD JTWN3D, SOUTHFIELD, MI 48075 for vacant property located at 43710 Ford Road, north side of Ford Road between N. Morton Taylor Road and N. Sheldon Roads, appealing Sign Ordinance Chapter 102, Article I, Section 102-1, definitions for roof, roofline, and wall sign and Sign Ordinance Chapter 102, Article II, Section 102-31, (19), signs prohibited - roof sign.

Parcel 040-99-0006-705 (Building)

Usama Baalbaki of What's Your Sign & Graphics, 14245 Michigan Ave., Dearborn, MI 48126 representing Celestial Lustitute of Plastic Surgery, 42680 Ford Road, Canton, MI 48187 for commercial property located at 42680 Ford Road, north side of Ford Road between N. Sheldon and N. Lilley Roads, appealing Sign Ordinance Chapter 102, Article II, Section 102-31, (20), ground sign which identify more than one business and Sign Ordinance Chapter 102, Article II, Section 102-34, (1), b, ground sign shall not exceed 24 square feet also Sign Ordinance Chapter 102, Article II, Section 102-34, (2), a, one wall sign not exceeding 50 square feet.

Zone O-1 Parcel (Building)

043-99-0007-001

Approval of the June 8, 2006 Minutes

Written comments need to be submitted prior to 5:00 PM on the date of the hearing. All written comments must be sent to the Charter Township of Canton, Clerk's Office, 1150 S. Canton Center Rd., Canton, MI 48188.

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Habitat breaks ground on new home

Soil and Materials Engineers, Inc., DeMattia Group, Dembs Roth **Gyselinck Construction** Company, and Habitat for **Humanity Western Wayne** County recently broke ground for a 1,200 square-foot, ranch style home in Inkster.

Within a few weeks, enthusiastic volunteers from the sponsoring organizations will volunteer with the new partner family not only to build a home, but to revitalize the community, bring hope and restore dignity to those in

Additional contributors to this Habitat home include Craig-Richard, Inc., Cusmano & Company, Moncur Associates, Orchard Hiltz & McCliment, Inc., Saturn Printing & Mailing, and Stark

Alice Dent, Executive Director of Habitat for



The recent ground-breaking ceremony marked the start of construction for Habitat for Humanity Western Wayne County's home in Inkster.

Humanity Western Wayne County asserts, "We are really excited and grateful to SME for leading this effort to provide decent, affordable housing for a low income family in need," said Alice Dent, executive director of Habitat for **Humanity Western Wayne** County. "This partnership is significant for Habitat for Humanity and the communi-

The sponsorship agreement provides for a full house sponsorship and Habitat is grateful that "SME and their project partners care about

the community in which they live and serve," Dent said.

A recent study of Habitat homeowners nationally found that 35 percent saw improvement in children's grades, 68 percent saw improvement in the financial situation of the family, 23 percent saw improvement in the health of the family, 58 percent reported there was less family conflict, and 40 percent reported a change in the educational goals of the

Habitat for Humanity is a Christian ministry dedicated to eliminating poverty hous-

To date, over 200,000 homes have been built and more than one million people are living in Habitat homes they helped build and are buying through noprofit, zero-interest mortgages.

Habitat for Humanity Western Wayne County has built homes in Canton Township, Inkster, Lincoln Park, Romulus, Taylor and Van Buren Township. For more information, visit www.habitatwwc.org.

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON NOTICE OF CLOSE OF REGISTRATION FOR THE AUGUST 8, 2006 STATE PRIMARY ELECTION

Notice is hereby given that JULY 10, 2006, is the last day registrations can be accepted in order to be eligible to vote in the Election to be held on Tuesday, August 8, 2006. Registrations will be accepted at the Township Clerks Office, 1150 South Canton Center Road, between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. Registration can be made at any Secretary of State Office or State Designated Agency. Persons with special needs who are unable to register in the above mentioned manner are urged to contact the Clerk's Office at 734-394-5120. Mail-in registration will be accepted postmarked by

July 10, 2006.

Terry G. Bennett

Publish: June 29 & July 6, 2006

CANTON POLICE DEPARTMENT 1150 S. CANTON CENTER RD. **CANTON, MI 48188**

The following vehicles have been deemed abandoned and will be sold at public auction, July 11, 2006 at 10:00 a.m. The auction will be held at Westland Car Care Towing, 6375 Hix Rd., Westland, MI 48185. The vehicles will be sold as is, starting bid

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1989	Mercury	Topaz	$4 \mathrm{\ Dr}$	1MEPM37X7KK622253
1995	Ford	T-Bird	2 Dr	1FALP62W2SH119532
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Said bonds will mature in annual installments not to exceed thirty (30) in number, with

interest rates to be determined at sale but in no event to exceed such rates as may be permitted by law on the unpaid balance from time to time remaining outstanding on said bonds. The bonds may be issued in one or more series as shall be determined by the

SOURCE OF PAYMENT OF BONDS

THE PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST OF THE BONDS shall be

payable from the general

Township Board.

funds of the Township lawfully available for such purposes including water and sewer rates and charges, and if necessary, property taxes levied within applicable charter, statutory and constitutional limitations.

RIGHT OF REFERENDUM

THE BONDS WILL BE ISSUED WITHOUT A VOTE OF THE **ELECTORS UNLESS**

A PETITION REQUESTING SUCH A VOTE SIGNED BY NOT LESS THAN 10% OF THE REGISTERED ELECTORS OF THE TOWNSHIP IS FILED WITH THE TOWNSHIP CLERK WITHIN FORTY-FIVE (45) DAYS AFTER PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE. IF SUCH PETITION IS FILED, THE BONDS MAY NOT BE ISSUED WITHOUT AN APPROVING VOTE OF A MAJORITY OF THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE TOWNSHIP VOTING THEREON.

THIS NOTICE is given pursuant to the requirements of Section 517, Act 34, Public Acts of Michigan, 2001, as amended.

Terry G. Bennett

Clerk, Charter Township of Canton

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Terry G. Bennett Clerk, Charter Township of Canton

County welcomes Italian sweets, money management

SISTERS IN BAKING

Last fall two sisters - Monica Ingles and Bertha Ferguson - began a little baking business in Ingles' Farmington Hills home. When orders for the sweet stuff began pouring in around the holidays, they decided the time had quickly come to open their own bakery.

Ingles and Ferguson, a Westland resident, picked a middle ground and bought the former Pat-A-Cake bakery location on Five Mile Road in Livonia. They opened the doors as Sorellas Homemade Baked Goods last March, appropriately using the Italian word for sisters.

"We grew up baking and cooking in a big Italian family," said Ingles.

Sorellas specializes in wedding cakes, Italian desserts like ricotta-filled canolli, bumpy cakes, New York-style cheesecakes and chocolate fountains.

To set themselves apart from the sticky-sweet competition, Sorellas offers all homemade treats. "Everything is made from scratch," said Ingles. "It helps us stand out."

Both sisters intend to create a friendly Old World atmosphere at the bakery. Ingles said she hopes their customers feel comfortable enough to stop in for a cappuccino, a slice of cheesecake and to share some conversation in a relaxing environment.

"We're having a good time," Ingles said. "We want our customers to have a good time."

WHAT'S IN STORE

Customer service is a priority at the sweet shop. Stop in any Saturday afternoon from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. when the chocolate fountain is running. Store hours are Monday through Saturday from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Sorellas is at 31236 Five Mile Road at Merriman in Livonia. For more information, visit www.sorellashomemade.com or call (734) 525-5544.

MONEY MATTERS

Senior citizens and their families are the focus of a fullservice certified public accounting firm which recently opened in Livonia.

Criss, Wilmarth & Parr, CPAs created a new division called Senior Money Managers. Denise Wilmarth, CPA and partner, described the venture as a banking, bookkeeping and tax service designed to provide seniors and their families with the trusted financial management of that is customized to meet their individual needs.

"We are not an investment firm," said Wilmarth. "What we do is design a personal money management plan with each client. Our goal is to eliminate the ongoing burden of routine financial tasks like managing bank accounts, processing estimated taxes, monitoring expenditures and, of course, completing tax returns."

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Sisters, and owners of Sorellas, Bertha Ferguson (left) and Monica Ingles stand with an assortment of individual cakes and bite-sized goodies.

comprehensive financial assessment used to create "customized cash flow plan," according to Gayl Parr, partner and CPA. "When the plan is in place, we provide the services on a yearly basis with regular reports to the client."

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For more information call (734) 432-2500.

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

Hendrix leads Red Cross

Freman Hendrix, president and CEO of Advanced Security & Investigative Solutions, is the new chair of a mostly new board for the American Red Cross-Southeastern Michigan Chapter.

New Red Cross chapter board officers are vice chair Melanie D. Davis of Sterling Heights and Art Espey of Detroit. Returning officers are secretary Susan D. Nine and treasurer John W. Hebert, both of Bloomfield Hills. Davis is president of The Macomb Chamber, Espey is COO of Power Process Piping Inc. in Plymouth, Nine is office manager at Nine & Groulex P.C. and president of Spruce Cos. Inc. and Hebert is a partner at Plante & Moran in Southfield. Each will serve a one-year term.

Joining the Red Cross chapter board as directors are Bettye V. Arrington of Bloomfield Hills and Charles R. Frizzell of Grosse Ile. Arrington is managing director of Martin, Arrington & Hasse P.C. of Bingham Farms and Frizzell is president and CEO of Fraza Forklifts in Roseville.

Outgoing Red Cross board chair Neil G. Bristol of Grosse Pointe will now serve as governance chair. He is a partner in PricewaterhouseCoopers in Detroit. Dr. William A. Conway of Birmingham, Elizabeth A. DuMouchelle of Bloomfield Hills and N. Brewster Broder of Farmington Hills have stepped forward and are actively engaged in providing new opportunities and direction for the Trustee Advisory Council. Conway in senior vice president of clinical affairs at Henry Ford Health System, DuMouchelle is senior attorney at Butzel Long P.C. in Detroit and Broder is investment advisor at Financial Advisory

Associates in Southfield.

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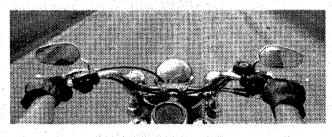
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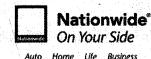
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OUR VIEWS

New leaders should step up

Mark Slavens and Judy Mardigian have been the unquestioned leaders of the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools Board of Education the last few years, and they've done a great job.

However, when the board convenes Tuesday for its 2006 organizational meeting, we believe the two highest-profile board members should take one step back and let some new leaders emerge.

It's time for trustees Barry Simescu and Tom Wysocki to take larger roles in leading the school board.

Slavens, who is running against state Sen. Bruce Patterson in the November general election, has already said he'll be stepping back. He's got a lot on his plate in a difficult race, and giving the board presidency his full attention would be tough.

Mardigian has been a stellar leader, championing issues such as education finance and class sizes. She's tough, she knows what the district faces and her experiences make her an invaluable member of the board.

But she's been in one of the top leadership spots for years now. It's time for others to step up to the plate. Wysocki was actually board vice president last year and expected to make what has generally been a natural progression to president before Slavens was elected.

The Board of Education has some very sticky issues with which to deal. The school administration has done an admirable job making budget cuts, but the district still faces a sizeable deficit projection for the upcoming school year.

Graduation requirements are going to change, and despite the recent agreement to hike the foundation grant, state money is always an iffy proposition.

The board has to decide if (it will) and when (likely February) it will try again for a bond issue. One of the two new board members – Dianne Gonzalez – adamantly opposed the last bond proposal, and she'll have to be incorporated, along with Steve Sneideman, into the mix.

Whomever takes the reins of the board, discussion about the board elections – which in past years has been almost non-existent – should be out in the open. Candidates' qualifications and interest should be debated vigorously in public so residents can get a feel for their leaders.

When the dust settles, Wysocki and Simescu should finally get their shot. Both are bright, reasonable, intelligent men who have helped the board tackle difficult issues ranging from budget to curriculum. Both have displayed the promise of strong leadership.

With veterans like Mardigian and Slavens to guide them, it's now time for them to fulfill that promise.

Wetland decision muddies waters

A recent ruling by the U.S. Supreme Court on two Michigan cases involving the development of wetlands only muddles the water about what constitutes a protected wetland

The court ruled June 19 that the federal Clean Water Act doesn't necessarily allow federal and state regulators to stop developers from building on wetlands that are not directly adjacent to navigable waterways. The case involved two Michigan developers, including Midland's John Rapanos, who argued he was prevented from building a shopping center on his land even though it was 20 miles away from the nearest river dumping into Lake Huron.

Four of the justices, led by Antonin Scalia and John Roberts, ruled federal law only allows the government to regulate wetlands adjacent to navigable, flowing bodies of water. However, Justice Anthony Kennedy was joined by four other justices in arguing that the Clean Water Act was intended to protect the chemical, physical and biological integrity of all the nation's waters.

The court did agree to send the two cases back to the lower courts, where they will be treated on a case-by-case basis. The court could have solidified federal water protections, but instead chose to leave that up to individual courts and judges, which may prove to be inconsistent.

Biologists will tell you that wetlands are really the lifeblood of any river system. Wetlands are vital because they collect and slowly filter stormwater into a river system. When they are filled with impervious surfaces like parking lots and buildings, stormwater picks up pollutants, such as the motor oil that leaks from our cars, and is sent directly to creeks and rivers. The rush of stormwater also scars a river system with erosion. To see an example of this, look no further than our very own Rouge River, which is polluted every time it rains. The Clean Water Act was implemented to "improve water quality by maintaining and restoring the physical, chemical, and biological integrity of the nation's waters." When a river system's wetlands are destroyed, that is an impossible task. The Supreme Court should have recognized this.



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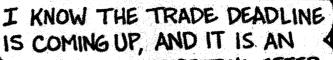
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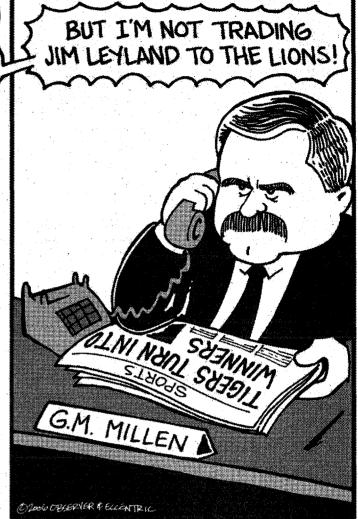
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LETTERS

Garden club thanks

A special "thank you" to all who supported the 11th annual "Flowers Are Forever" garden walk sponsored by the Trailwood Garden Club branch of the Woman's National Farm and Garden Association.

Thank you gardeners, Saxton's Garden Center, Backyard Birds, Plymouth Community Arts Council, Plymouth Fish Market, Mel's Golden Razor, Barb Sheridan, State Rep. John Stewart, Plymouth and Lake Pointe branches and all who helped.

Georgia Randinitis president, Trailwood Garden Club

Simple solution is best

In a recent article Ben Gurk asserted that the "Michigan Civil Rights Initiative" proposal on our November ballot will "advance a society based on merit" ("Ballot proposal will advance society based on merit," Observer; Sunday, July 2).

He states it "will prohibit state and local government discrimination or preferential treatment in the areas of public employment, public contracting and/or public education to any individual or group based on race, sex, color, ethnicity or national origin."

Gurk's most startling line is, "Our current system is one which gives preferential treatment based on race." He then intimates a black or Hispanic child can gain unfair advantage over a non-black/non-Hispanic child whose father was killed in Iraq.

That's insulting to the 54 American women, some whom were mothers, slain in Iraq.

Ward Connerly started this. He is a regent at the University of California and made a speech in Ann Arbor not long ago. Speaking about Americans and the Fourth of July he said, "We rise early and enjoy a breakfast of pancakes and sausage at our neighborhood parks. We stand on the sidewalks and watch the parades as local high school bands play the majestic and patriotic songs of John

Phillip Sousa."
Gurk should know that the real problems with education in Michigan are 1)
Teachers are underpaid; 2) Textbooks are too expensive; 3) Fuel costs are out of control; 4) Construction costs are out of control.

The State of Georgia's lottery funds a program called "Hope Grants." Earning a "B" or better qualifies you for an annual \$3,000 grant. Michigan has plenty of gambling money but no one knows where it goes.

A simple solution is always the best, don't you think? The sound of hate, Mr. Gurk, can sometimes drown out reason, but not forever.

Alfred Brock Canton

Boo-birds don't represent us

For the past 30 years, my wife, Phyllis, and I have made Canton Township our home. We chose to raise our family here, we decided to send our three children to local schools, we elected to become

involved with service organizations and volunteer groups as we have sought to contribute to the positive growth and image our community displays to others.

Over the years, we have witnessed a transformation. Canton has become an outstanding place — a model community — a destination point on the Michigan map. Clearly, Canton is a community which evokes PRIDE!

Already the year 2006 has seen numerous examples of how Canton demonstrates the essence of community spirit. Just recently, the Relay for Life to benefit cancer research ascended new heights, WSDP high school radio station served to bring us all together, volunteers continued to offer assistance to Katrina victims, philanthropists reached deep to save historical landmarks from oblivion, IKEA burst onto the Canton scene, and the Liberty Fest created a vibrancy that instilled memories to be recalled fondly.

These are but examples from a long list. But let us not forget, these community achievements don't just happen. Countless hours of planning and preparation precede exemplary execution. People like Debbie Zevalkink and Charlie Mott, Linda Shapona and Fred Bolton, and so many others deserve our collective appreciation for making the Liberty Fest weekend such a spectacular success.

As I walked the parade route again this year, there seemed to be hundreds of happy children along the way. Enjoying the celebration of liberty with moms and dads, aunts and uncles, grandmas and grandpas.

Amazingly, the glow of smiling faces can even brighten an already beautiful day. Community pride and exuberance were in abundance. That said, I must admit to being saddened when I got to the Capitol this week. The reason for my emotion was rooted in confirmation of a rumor. To my disbelief, I had heard that my friend, Lt. Gov. John Cherry, suffered the unwarranted indignity of being booed and hissed while walking in his first Canton Liberty Fest parade. While I did not personally observe such callous behavior, I did speak directly with Lt. Gov. Cherry about what I had heard. Regrettably, the rumor was confirmed as

Admittedly, I am a Republican and Lt. Gov. Cherry is a Democrat. Most of the time we are each proud of our party affiliations. He does not always agree with votes I have cast as a state Senator; and, I do not always agree with the policy decisions and methods of the Granholm/Cherry administration. However, it does not help to make such honest differences of opinion personal. Lt. Gov. John Cherry is a good man. He is an honorable gentleman. In my opinion, our Canton community's reputation was not enhanced by outbursts and displays of this sort.

It is far better for us all to reason together and remain civil as we strive to resolve the issues we face. Please let me reassure the lieutenant governor that he and his wife, Pam, are always welcome in our Canton community.

state Sen. Bruce Patterson

Canton

Anger flares

Earlier this week the Michigan Senate addressed an issue vital to the pocket-books of many Michigan families — overtime pay. But the excitement I saw on the cable channel that broadcasts daily state government activity had little to do with the merits of the legislation at hand.

Watching some statements made by different senators, I, all-of-a sudden, heard our local senator, Bruce Patterson, yell out loud and threaten the senator that was talking. I've noticed that Patterson isn't particularly easy to deal with, but I certainly didn't expect to see his temper flare like that right on the Senate Floor!

Shame on you Bruce Patterson! It looks like we should check out our options for fall and vote for someone who is actually capable of working in the adult world.

Mary Miazgowicz Canton

Right on steroids

Columnist Wayne Peal is right on target about the steroid testing for our kids ("Steroid tests shouldn't just be for pro athletes, June 14").

Aside from the fact that those who use these drugs are cheating, the damage it does to those who use them is not readily apparent and not talked about enough.

Any pro athlete who is caught using them should be banned from holding records in that sport and should not be admitted to any hall of fame.

Those who played the game before them and set those records did it without the help of drugs and that fact should be honored by those who control the rules, instead of being ignored because these steroid-loaded athletes supposedly "put butts in the seats." Cheating is wrong and should not be ignored or overlooked

because of money.

Last but not least, those who use steroids set the wrong example for the kids who idolize them and that is the most dangerous thing about the use of steroids.

Jeffrey Scott

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"The Michigan economy is hurting, and artists from all over have heard that, so we're not busting at the seams ... However, we've realigned the show, and have more room for food..."

Dianne Quinn, Art in the Park organizer, on ways the show has adapted to the economy

Power

Ideological idiocy frustrates stem cell research progress

you might say that Michigan is in a state of depression these days — psychologically speaking. What's more, it is clear that our elected masters are responsible for a good share of the blame.

The evidence is clear. A new round of polls has found that more Michiganders than ever before

believe our state is headed in the wrong direction and are alarmed at the poor state of the economy. What's more, they don't

have any confidence things are going to get much better any time soon. There are lots of reasons for this.

But one big one is the seeming total inability of our elected legislators to do something — anything — competent. As proof, consider how ideological idiocy in Lansing is frustrating progress in a promising area for our economy, not to mention the human race: Stem cell research.

Stem cells are generic cells capable of developing into various kinds of more specialized cells. Stem cells taken from very early human embryos can quickly differentiate into various types of tissue, such as blood, skin or nerves. Virtually every scientist in the country agrees that research using stem cells could produce breakthroughs in treating so far untreatable ailments such as Parkinson's Disease.

Lots of states are vigorously pursuing research into embryonic stem cells. California, for example, recently passed a state ballot proposal allocating \$3 billion to stem cell research.

Not surprisingly, this has led lots of very able scientists to move to California to pursue this work.

Wouldn't it make sense for Michigan, with our network of excellent hospitals and research universities,

Apparently, that's hard to understand if you are in Lansing. Back in 1978, the Michigan legislature passed a law banning research on live fetuses and embryos. That was understandable then. Fertility clinics were then in their infancy, and nobody had any idea there would be any such thing as stem cell

But that law is now being used today to prevent scientists in our state from taking part in some of the most important research in history - work which could also be an economic bonanza.

The justification for the law is that it protects human embryos. Maybe that's the intent, but it just doesn't fit the facts. Here's something we all need to understand. Nobody is proposing to do this research on embryos from abortion clinics. There is no threat that more abortions will happen so stem cells can be harvested, which is what a lot of anti-abortion folks worry about.

These are stem cells from nearly microscopic embryos from fertility clinics. If they aren't used for potentially life-saving research, they are washed down the drain. According to University of Michigan professor and stem cell biologist Sean Morrison points out, fertility clinics discard unused tiny human embryos all

"It's legal in Michigan to discard human embryos,"

Professor Morrison, who heads stem cell research in this state, told me, "but it's illegal to use them for medical research to help cure disease."

The cost to all of us is steep. Morrison pointed out that Michigan is losing out on research projects because funders are scared of our laws. "The state of Illinois is funding research projects there that we would go to jail for trying here in Michigan.

"Our laws are some of the most restrictive in the world, far tighter than federal law and equaled only by South Dakota."

The silliness of the present law is compounded by the negative effect all this is having on our economic future. According to the Michigan Economic Development Corporation (MEDC), more than \$2 billion is invested annually in life sciences research and development in Michigan. The industry produces \$4.8 billion in sales and is one of the few rapidly growing sectors in our economy.

Indeed, the MEDC says the State of Michigan has over the last four years invested \$178 million in growing the Life Sciences Corridor running from Wayne State University through the U-M and Michigan State University to the Van Andel Institute in Grand Rapids.

So on the one hand we have a rapidly developing scientific field that is terribly important for the health of every citizen, one in which there is great talent at our research universities and has proven to be one of the few bright spots in our economy.

And on the other hand we are suffering under a disco-era law that prohibits exactly the kind of research that needs to be done.

No wonder people in this state are pessimistic. Various attempts have been made to resolve this Catch 22 in the legislature, most notably by Rep. Andy Meisner, D-Ferndale.

Given the ideological stranglehold Michigan Right To Life has on the legislature, is it any surprise that his measure has been bottled up in committee for the past two years?

But the idiocy of our present situation is beginning to be felt, even by legislators. Early last month, some House Republicans held a press conference endorsing "an innovative network of umbilical cord banks." Well, they may be starting to get it — but Morrison calls this idea "misguided." Trouble is, umbilical cord blood cells simply cannot replace embryonic stem cells for research. (Last time I looked, the proposal has yet to be introduced.)

Even in a city as gripped by partisan deadlock as Lansing, don't we have the right to expect our lawmakers to break free of ideology and find a commonsense way to allow our scientists to do the kind of research that an overwhelming majority of people want and need? Especially, that is, when that research would also be a shot in the arm for our troubled econ-

If our legislature doesn't step up to the task, it may be time for all of us to move beyond pessimism ... to outright anger.

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Regardless of outcomes, politics benefit from youth

ith voter turnouts nearly always below 25 percent and, in the case of many school board elections, in single digits, we hear frequently the younger generation simply isn't jazzed by the political process. Locally, the election process is frequent-

> ly controlled by the absentee voters, many of whom are senior citizens. In fact, the election last year in which Plymouth Township got approval to sell \$6 million in bonds to help pay for a new township hall was totally decided in the absentee vote.

Brad Turnouts in Plymouth Kadrich and Canton aren't any higher than they are any-

where else in the country - a couple of years ago, the turnout for a school board election was something like 4 percent but an interesting trend appears to be developing.

If it continues, and finds a way to be successful, the political process will be served by, and perhaps benefit from,

Joe Hawver of Plymouth Township is running for the 20th House seat being vacated by the term-limited state Rep. John Stewart, R-Plymouth Township. Hawver is a 27-year-old law school graduate in his first foray into political life.

He hopes to fare better than 18-year-old Brandon Hynes, the Canton Township college student who ran for, and failed to gain, a seat on the Plymouth-Canton Board of Education.

Whether Hawver is any more successful than Hynes — he's one of three Democrats in the August primary — is obviously yet to be determined.

But Hawver believes his youth gives him at least one advantage in a large district that covers both Plymouths, both Northvilles, a small slice of Canton and the city of Wayne.

"Our campaign strategy is to go around talking to people door-to-door, meet people and let them get to know me, give them a brochure," Hawver said. "It's a big district, but we've got young, fresh legs, so we're going to go out there and walk and try to meet every single person we can."

have to like his youthful enthusiasm. He likes to say that, as the youngest person in the campaign, he's the closest to the 21st Century (although Northville lawyer Marc Corriveau isn't a lot older).

Obviously that's not possible, but you

Hawver is convinced he can draw on his political acumen — he's got a bachelor's degree in public law from Western

Michigan University and he's been working on various political campaigns since he worked for John Dingell over a decade

He's always shied away from politics because of what he calls "the dark side," but friends have been nagging him to get involved and, when they most recently dis cussed the open 20th seat, he finally capit

Hynes, on the other hand, decided to get into this year's school board race because he didn't feel "the young of our district are being represented on the current board. It's about a young voice and a young vision the school board needs."

Hynes wasn't concerned his voice, if elected, might have been ignored - "I won't allow that to happen," he said — and cast himself as the one with a different

Hynes didn't just sit and watch from afar, but got involved in his issues, traveling to Lansing for senate committee hearings on graduation requirements, for example. It's the kind of involvement we generally say is lacking in our young peo-

Hynes, who had no political experience prior to running for the school board, had little chance against more experienced adults in a non-partisan race, but he gave it every effort, and should continue trying.

Hawver's case is a little different. He's running against two other Democrats school board member Joanne Lamar and Corriveau. Lamar has more experience having served on the school board, and Corriveau gained valuable lessons in an ill-18 fated campaign against Stewart two years

Since none of the three really has districtwide recognition, it'll come down to who campaigns better.

No matter how it turns out, Hynes and Hawver represent a younger generation frequently stereotyped as not caring about politics.

There is a notion that we need to leave the world a better place for our young people, and the wonder about whether any young people will care enough to accept the mantle.

Hynes was unsuccessful, and Hawver may yet fall in his first try. But their mere candidacies should provide a hope that, somewhere out there, the younger generation is getting ready.

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Father of invention

Troy man sees through the problem to find a solution

BY MEGAN PENNEFATHER

STAFF WRITER

The key to this story is found in something lost.

Namely, Craig Richardson's glasses, without which he can't read or see much of anything.

One night, not so long ago, the Troy resident wanted to listen to a particular CD, but couldn't find his glasses to search the stacks of plastic

It took a while, but he eventually found it. And, while peering through squinted eyes at the small-print on the CD case spine, he uttered the phrase that's likely launched countless inventions throughout history:

"There has to be a better

There was. Soon after his late-night brainstorm, he got to work trying to find a new type of CD case, one that let even visually impaired people read the normally small print on CD case spines.

"One of the issues all of us face is retrieving the content from the case," Richardson

That's where Richardson's new invention comes in: the Easy See Case.

"It increases the area of content identification by approximately three times the current spine label area with no change at all to the dimensions of the case," Richardson said.

As far as specifics, that's about all the inventor will allow. With a patent pending gadget that could bring money and success to its creator, Richardson is careful about opening the door for those less-than-ethical rivals.

Instead, he said he's received nothing but praise from music companies like Sony, BMG and Warner Bros., which are indicating they're interested in offering a more user-friendly CD case.

They said this case is going to totally revolutionize the entertainment landscape," Richardson said of the music representatives he's contacted about the Easy See Case.

The invention already has a fan in Patrick Cannon, state director of the Michigan Commission for the Blind.

Cannon said the larger spine area will allow for Braille labels to be placed on CD cases, a feature that will make it easier for blind and visually impaired people to file and find CDs.

"It's one of those inventions you look at and you see how simple it is and you think it's so simple I'm surprised nobody's thought of it before," said Cannon, who got a first-hand demonstration of the new case. "It's definitely going to be much easier for a blind person to put a Braille label" on a CD.

It's not the first invention for Richardson, but it may turn out to be his most lucrative. Or, at least, it's poised to be more successful than his very first invention.

When he was 13, he came up with the idea for a collapsible fishing pole that was easier to carry and pack. He drew it out, thought up a plan, and decided to ask his uncle, who was also an inventor, for advice.

His uncle looked at the plan and told the young Richardson, "Forget get-rich schemes. Dedicate your life to work and maybe in 40 years you'll have something to show for it."

And that wasn't even the worst part: "Ten years later they came out with my idea," Richardson said.

Still, it's probably a good thing he didn't end up taking his uncle's advice. After a career as manager of a transportation company in Cadillac, he was laid off unexpectedly. He was rehired by the same company, which transferred him to Troy a few years ago, only to be laid off a second time.

But Richardson is something of an optimist, and saw his misfortune as a type of opportunity.

"It was like this big plan was set in motion, because it gave me time to do this," he said.

He's taken advantage of that extra time. For the last few years, he's spent long days and nights not only developing the Easy See Case, but making the myriad business contacts.

"I get up at 6 in the morning and I'll work 'til 10 or 11 at

night," he said.

As it turns out, having the idea for his invention was the easy part. Now comes the hard part - manufacturing and marketing the Easy See Case.

Richardson said that while he's gotten nothing but interest from big media companies and retail outlets, he can't find a manufacturing facility that can

make that many plastic CD

So far, he's been concentrating his facility search to Michigan, and hasn't given up hope he'll eventually find one. "That's the goal, trying to make my small contribution to the state of Michigan economy," he said.

He hopes to have the some

cases made and out to stores as early as 2007.

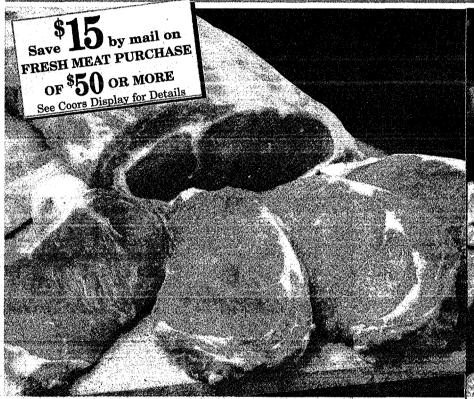
Then, he hopes to be able to let everyone else understand a product he already thinks is a

Troy resident Craig Richardson has spent the last few years developing the Easy See Cases, which make reading CD spines and cases easier.



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Infant well-being declines in Michigan

Adolescent measures such as high school dropout rate improved in Michigan between 2000 and 2003, according to the annual Kids Count state-by-state report released last week by the Annie E. Casey Foundation.

In the area of maternal and infant well-being, however, state progress stalled, and economic security weakened. The state's overall ranking placed Michigan 27th among the 50 states (No. 1 is the best ranking) based on 10 key measures.

"Michigan's progress in the area of adolescent health and development reflects the state and community commitment to programs that have improved the lives of youth," said Jane Zehnder-Merrell, senior research associate at the Michigan League of Human Services and director of the Kids Count in Michigan project. "We now need that same level of dedication to improving maternal and infant health and blunting the impact on children of the state economic

downturn."

In the area of maternal and infant mortality rate at 8.5 deaths per 1,000 births earned the state its worst ranking, 43rd among the 50 states, dropping from 39th in 2000. The state rate was well above the national average of 6.9 deaths per 1,000 live births. State data show the infant mortality rate for African-American infants (17.4 deaths per 1,000) was 2-1/2 times that of the state's white infants

"This disparity in infant mortality rates is driven by differences in access to health care, good jobs, safe housing and transportation services," said Michele Corey, director of Community Advocacy at Michigan's Children.

Another troubling trend was the erosion of economic security among Michigan families reflected in the 29 percent Kids Count in Michigan, a collaborative effort project of the Michigan League for Human Services and Michigan's Children, is part of a broad national effort to measure the well-being of children at state and local levels. The project regularly collects and publishes such information to enlighten public policy and community action.

increase in child poverty between 2000 and 2004, compared to only a 6 percent increase nationwide. By 2004 child poverty in the state had climbed to 18 percent of children, matching the national average. Children in families with income below the poverty level (\$19,311 for a family of four in 2004) suffer a higher risk of hunger, health problems, low academic achievement and behavior problems.

"Michigan families are not unscathed by the state's economic difficulties, and many parents either do not have or are losing access to decent jobs with adequate wages and benefits. Erosion in the public programs that supplement the basic needs of children and their families during economic hard times will compromise the future potential of these children as students, workers, citizens and parents," said Zehnder-Merrell.

All the positive trends for the state in the national Kids Count report reflected better outcomes for Michigan youth. Compared to 2000, the 2004 percentage of the state's youth who dropped out of high school declined by 30 percent, those who were neither working nor attending school decreased by 11 percent. Teens were also more likely to postpone parenthood in 2003; births to teens, ages 15-19, dropped by 15 percent - from 40 of every 1,000 female teens giving birth in 2000 to 34 in

The state earned its best rank, 10th among the 50 states, for its teen death rate, which dropped from 64 to 55 deaths per 100,000 youth between 2000 and 2003, compared to a national average of 66 deaths. The 14 percent improvement in this measure over the trend period countered national trends that showed only 1 percent improvement. State data showed the most likely cause of death to a teen, ages 15-19, was motor vehicle accident, representing more than one-third of all deaths (36 percent) to this

age group.

"Policy makers and community leaders should be inspired by the results of their efforts for youth, and take responsibility in making sure more our youngest children have a healthy start in our communities," said Corey.

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The state project is supported by the Annie E. Casey
Foundation of Baltimore, MD.;
the Detroit-based Skillman
Foundation; as well as Blue
Cross Blue Shield of Michigan
Foundation and the Michigan
Association of United Way.

Education efforts to reduce deaths

BY ALEX LUNDBER STAFF WRITER

Despite the fact that there are nearly a dozen first-rate hospitals in Michigan, the state has the seventh highest infant mortality rate in the nation.

Michigan Department of Community
Health Director of Communications T.J.
Bucholz said there are a lot of reasons why
the state's infant mortality rate is as high as it
is. They're much the same reasons that the
U.S. rate is higher than other western
nations.

"Women aren't seeking appropriate pre- or post-natal care," he said. "They don't always understand the proper care of an infant."

That lack of knowledge, combined with the less-tangible causes like low birth weight and a higher rate of Sudden Infant Death Syndrome (SIDS) are making Michigan's numbers poor.

The state is working on a parcel of programs aimed at preventing unwanted pregnancies and educating people on the proper care and maintenance of children.

The first program, "Talk Early, Talk Often" is geared toward teaching parents how to talk to their middle school-aged kids about sex and preventing pregnancy.

The second program, "Plan First," just got kicked off this month.

The economics of the program, he said, work out. The cost of preventative contraception runs between \$200 and \$300 a year where the cost of a Medicare-funded birth costs on average

"The state had a Medicare program to extend family planning to women at 100 percent of the poverty level," Bucholz said. "For a family of four, that's \$38,000 a year. With the new waiver the state has, it's been extended to families at 185 percent of the poverty level."

The economics of the program, he said, work out. The cost of preventative contraception runs between \$200 and \$300 a year where the cost of a Medicare-funded birth costs on average \$11,000.

"The program saves money and makes sure that every child is a wanted child," he said. "That's what the governor is shooting for."

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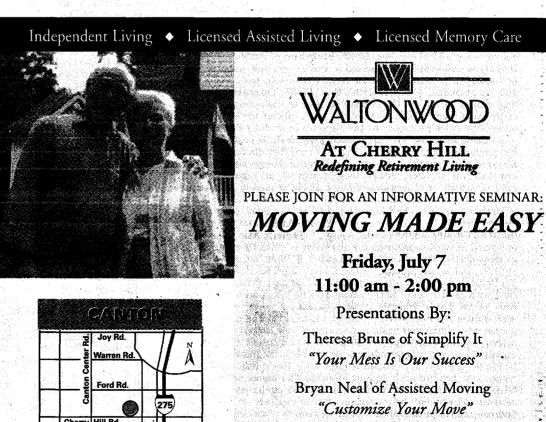


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A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton was held Tuesday, June 27, 2006, at 1150 Canton Center S. Supervisor Yack called the meeting to order at 7:15 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. Roll Call Members Present: Bennett, Kirchgatter, LaJoy, McLaughlin, Yack, Zarbo Members Absent: Caccamo Staff Present: Director Minghine, Director Durack, Director Santomauro, Director Conklin, Director Faas Adoption of Agenda Motion by McLaughlin, supported by Zarbo to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried by all members present. Approval of Minutes Motion by Bennett, supported by Zarbo to approve the Board Meeting Minutes of June 13, 2006. Motion carried by all members present. Motion by Bennett, supported by Zarbo to approve the Special Board Meeting Minutes of June 15, 2006. Motion carried by all members present.

Payment of Bills Motion by Kirchgatter, supported by LaJoy to approve payment of the bills as presented. Motion carried by all Expenditure Recap for June 27, 2006 374,606.91 General Fund

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90,419.02 Summit Operating 37,668.05 Cable TV Fund 1,434.41 230 Twp Improvement 246 49,602.47 261 360.50 E-911 Utility Auto Forfeiture(wwa) 267 1,053.64 Federal Grants Fund 274 9,902.85 Auto Theft Grant 289 1,192.55 Cap Proj-Road Paving 403 136,822.14 Golf Fund 584 25,313.18 Water & Sewer Fund 592 1,044,890.35 Trust & Agency Fund 701 5,592.00 Construction Escrows 702 47,032.63

Total - All Funds 1.884.741.78 PRESENTATION: Supervisor Yack acknowledged Tony Minghine for his 10 years of service to Canton Township. 1. SERGEANT'S BADGE PRESENTATION. Canton Police Department promoted police officer Robert Sidor to the rank of Sergeant. Sergeant Sidor was hired by the department in 1980 as a police cadet. Sidor has a Bachelor's Degree in Law Enforcement from Western Illinois University, and successfully completed an extensive testing procedure for the promotion. CONSENT CALENDAR: Item 1.

RESOLUTION IN RECOGNITION OF EMPLOYEE RETIREMENTS. (SUPERVISOR) Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to adopt the resolution in recognition of employee retirements. Motion carried by all members present. The Canton Board of Trustees proudly recognizes the retirements of Barb Adkins, Diana Anderson, Judy Beeker, Janet Broschay, Bob Dates, Ken Doletzky, Marv Drews, Theresa Fliss, Karl Gorham, Brenda Katulski, Bill Laird, Linda Molnar, Bob Schuelke, Polly White and Carol Quinn. Now, therefore, be it resolved that the Canton Board of Trustees recognized the tremendous contribution and dedication of all the retiring employees and wish them the very best as they enter into this new phase of their life. Item 2. SET PUBLIC HEARING FOR DIVERSIFIED MACHINE, INC. REQUEST OR TRANSFER OF INDUSTRIAL FACILITIES EXEMPTION CERTIFICATE #99-581. (SUPERVISOR) Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to set the public hearing date for July 25, 2006, to consider the Diversified Machine, Inc. application to transfer the UniBoring Company, Inc. Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate #99-581. Motion carried by all members present. Item 3. SPECIAL COMMUNITY EVENT STATUS FOR CANTON GARDEN CLUB'S GARDEN WALK. (MSD) Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to grant special event status and to approve placement of signs for the Canton Garden Club's Garden Walk on July 16, 2006. Motion carried by all members present. Item 4. SECOND READING TO AMEND THE PARK ORDINANCE, CHAPTER 50, ARTICLE II; TO PROVIDE FOR REGULATION OF PUBLIC CONDUCT IN PARKS; TO PROVIDE FOR VIOLATION AND PENALTY TO PROVIDE FOR REPEAL OF CONFLICTING ORDINANCES, SEVERABILITY, AND SAFING OF ALL PENDING MATTERS; AND TO PROVIDE FOR PUBLICATION AND THE EFFECTIVE DATE HEREOF. (LSD) Motion by Bennett. supported by Kirchgatter to remove from the table for the second reading and adoption of the amendment to the Code of Ordinances, Canton Charter Township, Michigan, Chapter 50, Article II of the Park Ordinance with publication and effective date of July 6, 2006. Motion carried by all members present. STATE OF MICHIGAN, COUNTY OF WAYNE, CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON, PARK ORDINANCE AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 50, ARTICLE II; TO PROVIDE FOR REGULATION OF PUBLIC CONDUCT IN PARKS; TO PROVIDE FOR VIOLATION AND PENALTY; TO PROVIDE FOR REPEAL OF CONFLICTING ORDINANCES, SEVERABILITY, AND SAVING OF ALL PENDING MATTERS; AND TO PROVIDE FOR PUBLICATION AND THE EFFECTIVE DATE HEREOF. THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON ORDAINS:

ARTICLE II. PUBLIC CONDUCT IN PARKS Sec. 50-31. Definitions. The following words, terms and phrases, when used in this article, shall have the meanings ascribed to them in this section, except where the context clearly indicates a different meaning: Department means the Department of Leisure Services of the township. Division means the Park and Facility Maintenance Division of the Department of Leisure Services. Organization means any for-profit corporation, non-profit corporation, limited liability company, partnership, or sole proprietorship, and persons accompanying such organization. Park means any of the public parks located in the township or under the jurisdiction and the control of the division. Public building means any park and/or Leisure Services building. Director means the Director of the Department of Leisure Services of the township, or his/her duly authorized agents or assistants. (Ord. No. 108, as amended, § 2, 6-23-1994) Cross references: Definitions generally § 1-2. Sec. 50-32. Supervision of parks. All township-owned parks shall be operated and maintained under the supervision of the Department of Leisure Services. (Ord. No. 108, as amended, § 3, 6-23-1994) Sec. 50-33. Authority of Director. The Director shall be responsible for the operation and maintenance of the township parks, and all employees of the Department of Leisure Services concerned in the maintenance of such parks shall perform their duties under the supervision of the Director. (Ord. No. 108, as amended, § 4, 6-23-1994) Sec. 50-34. Enforcement. The police division and ordinance inspectors shall enforce the provisions of this article and any other ordinances pertaining to the township parks and shall enforce all rules and regulations relating to the use of such parks. (Ord. No. 108, as amended, § 5, 6-23-1994) Cross references: Officers and employees, § 2-51 et seq. Sec. 50-35. Violation of rules.

SECTION 1. REVISION TO CHAPTER 50, ARTICLE II

Chapter 50, Article II is hereby amended to read as follows:

It shall be unlawful for any person to violate any duly adopted rule or regulation governing conduct in any township park. (Ord. No. 108, as amended, § 6, 6-23-1994) Sec. 50-36. Operating hours and closed areas. (a) Parks shall be open to the public every day of the year from 6:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m., official township time, unless otherwise permitted by the Director in writing. The opening and closing hours for each individual park shall be posted therein for public information. (b) Any park or section thereof may be declared closed to the public by the Director at any time and for any interval of time, either temporarily or at regular stated intervals (daily or otherwise), either entirely or merely for specific uses, as the Director shall find reasonably necessary. The local law enforcement agency shall have the authority to close any park or section thereof, in the interest of the public safety. (c) It shall be unlawful for any person to use, occupy, frequent, loiter in or be in any park in the township unless the park is officially open to the general public. (Ord. No. 81, as amended, § 12(A), eff. 10-10-2000; Ord. No. 108, as amended, §§ 7(D)(3), 8(A), (B), 6-23-1994) Sec. 50-37. Permits. (a) Application. Applications for park permits shall be filed with the Division, Reservations will be taken on a first come first serve basis starting February 1st of each year. Such applications shall be sworn to and shall state: (1) The name of the person or organization wishing to conduct such activity. (2) If the activity is proposed to be conducted for, or on behalf of, or by an organization, the name, address and telephone number of the headquarters of the organization, and the authorized and responsible head of such organization. (3) The name, address and telephone number of the person who will be chairperson of such activity and who will be responsible for its conduct. (4) The name, address and telephone number of the person to whom the permit is desired to be issued. (5) The date when such activity is to be conducted. (6) The park or portion thereof for which such permit is desired. (7) An estimate of the anticipated attendance. (8) The hour when such activity will start and terminate. (b) Criteria for issuance. The Director shall issue a permit when: (1) The proposed activity or use of the park will not unreasonably interfere with or detract from the general public enjoyment of the park. (2) The proposed activity and use will not unreasonably interfere with or detract from the promotion of the public health, welfare, safety and recreation. (3) The proposed activity or use is not unreasonably anticipated to incite violence, crime, or disorderly conduct. (4) The

proposed activity will not entail unusual, extraordinary or burdensome expense or police operation by the township. (5) The proposed activity will not create noise to the extent that it unreasonably disturbs persons within the township. (6) The facilities desired have not been reserved for other use at the days and hours requested on the application. (7) The application has been accompanied by a nonrefundable park permit application fee, in an amount to be set by township board resolution, to cover the township's administrative costs in reviewing and evaluating the application. (c) Notice of denial; appeal of denial. Within seven days after receipt of an application, the Director shall apprise an applicant in writing of his or her reasons for refusing a permit if the permit is refused, and any aggrieved person shall have the right to appeal in writing within five days to the township board, which shall consider the application under the standards set forth in subsection (b) of this section and sustain or overrule the Director's decision within two weeks. The decision of the township board shall be final. (d) Liability of permittee. The person or organization to whom a permit is issued shall be liable for any loss, damage or injury to any person or property whatever by reason of the negligence, gross negligence, or recklessness of the person or organization to whom such permit shall have been issued or any of his or her guests. (e) Revocation. The Director shall have the authority to revoke a permit for any of the following causes: (1) Fraud, misrepresentation or false statements contained in the application for the permit. (2) Fraud, misrepresentation, or false statements made by the permit holder on the performance of the authorized operation. (3) The failure to comply with the provisions of park rules, ordinances of the township, including this article, or laws of the state. (4) The person or organization that received the permit attempts to transfer the permit to any other person or organization not named on the permit. (5) The permittee or her or his designee is not present for the entire specified use, and/or fails to present the permit upon request of the Director, a police officer, or an ordinance inspector during the permitted use. (Ord. No. 108, as amended, § 8(D)--(H), 6-23-1994) Sec. 50-38. Damaging or tampering with buildings or other property. No person shall willfully mark, deface, disfigure, injure, tamper with, displace, or remove any park building, bridge, tables, benches, fireplaces, railings, painting material, public utilities or appurtenances, signs, notices or placards whether temporary or permanent, or other structures or equipment, facilities or park property or appurtenances whatsoever, either real or personal. (Ord. No. 108, as amended, § 7(A)(1)a, 6-23-1994) Cross references: Offenses involving property rights, § 46-61 et seq. Sec. 50-39. Use of restrooms or washrooms designated for opposite sex. No person in a park over the age of five years shall use the restrooms and washrooms designated for the opposite sex. (Ord. No. 108, as amended, § 7(A)(1)b, 6-23-1994) Sec. 50-40. Damaging trees, shrubbery or lawns; standing or sitting on fences or other property. (a) No person shall willfully damage, cut, carve, transplant, or remove any tree or plant or injure the bark of any tree or plant, or attach any rope, wire or other contrivance to any tree or plant in a park. A person shall not dig in or otherwise disturb grass areas, or in any other way injure or impair the natural beauty or usefulness of any area in the park. (b) No person shall climb any tree, or walk, stand, or sit upon railings, fences or any other property not designated to be customarily used for such purposes. (Ord. No. 108, as amended, § 7(A)(2), 6-23-1994) Cross references: Offenses involving property rights, § 46-61 et seq. Sec. 50-41. Injuring wild animals or birds. (a) No person shall attempt to harm or injure, kill, shoot or throw missiles at any animal, reptile or bird in a park. No person shall remove or have in his possession, give away, sell or offer to sell, or buy or offer to buy, or accept as a gift, any specimen, alive or dead, of any animal, reptile or bird. An exception to this section is made for snakes known to be deadly poisonous, such as rattlesnakes. (b) It shall be unlawful for any person to feed or attempt to feed any animal or bird any known noxious substance. (Ord. No. 108, as amended, § 7(A)(3), 6-23-1994) Cross references: Animals, ch. 14. Sec. 50-42. Pollution of waters. It shall be unlawful to throw, discharge, or otherwise place or cause to be placed in the waters of any fountain, pond, lake, stream, or other body of water in or adjacent to any park, or any tributary, stream, storm sewer or drain flowing into such waters, any substance, matter or thing, liquid or solid, which will result in the pollution of such waters. (Ord. No. 108, as amended, § 7(B)(1), 6-23-1994) Sec. 50-43. Disposal of refuse. No person shall throw or deposit litter, refuse or trash in any park within the township except in public receptacles and in such a manner that the refuse and trash will be prevented from being carried or deposited by the elements upon any part of the park or upon any street or public place. Where public receptacles are not provided, all such litter, refuse and trash shall be carried away from the park by the person responsible for its presence and properly disposed of elsewhere in accordance with the laws of the township and the state. No person shall bring into or dump, deposit or leave in any park any bottles, broken glass, ashes, paper, boxes, cans, dirt, rubbish, waste, garbage, or refuse or other trash unless it directly results from an authorized park use or function. (Ord. No. 108, as amended, § 7(B)(2), 6-23-1994) Sec. **picnic areas** A picnic area shall be used on a f come, first serve basis unless area is designated for permitted use. It shall be unlawful to picnic or lunch in a park in a place other than those designated for that purpose. The Director shall have the authority to regulate the activities in such areas when necessary to prevent congestion and to secure the maximum use for the comfort and convenience of all. Visitors shall comply with any directions given to achieve this end. For picnic pavilion structure rental, refer to Section 50-58. (Ord. No. 108, as amended, § 7(C)(1), 6-23-1994) Sec. 50-45. Camping. No person shall erect or set up tents, shacks, house trailers, camping trailers or any other temporary shelter for the purpose of overnight camping in a park, unless allowed through a Township event sanctioned by the Director. (Ord. No. 108, as amended, § 7(C)(2), 6-23-1994) Sec. 50-46. Games. It shall be unlawful to take part in the playing of games such as golf, baseball, football, soccer and softball in a park except in areas designated for such activities. (Ord. No. 108, as amended, § 7(C)(3), 6-23-1994) Sec. 50-47. Horseback riding. It shall be unlawful to ride a horse in a park except on designated bridle trails. Where horseback riding is permitted, horses shall be thoroughly broken and properly restrained and ridden with due care, and shall not be allowed to graze or go unattended, nor shall they be hitched to any rock, tree or shrub. (Ord. No. 108, as amended, § 7(C)(4), 6-23-1994) Sec. 50-48. Domestic animals. (a) No person shall bring into or have in his possession or control within the boundaries of any community park any dog or pet of any kind, unless the dog or pet shall be kept on a leash of not over six feet in length and under the immediate control of some responsible person. The Director may restrict dogs and pets from accessing park properties when safety is a concern during certain special events. The person who owns or is in charge of the dog or pet shall immediately remove all droppings deposited by such dog or pet by any sanitary method. The droppings shall be disposed of by the person owning or in charge of the dog or pet on the property of the person owning or in charge of the dog or pet or deposited in a trash receptacle. (b) A guide or leader dog, hearing dog, or service dog, if the guide or leader dog is wearing a harness or if the hearing dog or service dog is wearing a blaze orange leash and collar, hearing dog cape, or service dog backpack, and being led or accompanied by a person with disabilities, is exempt from subsection (a) of this section if the person with disabilities being led or accompanied has in his possession a pictured identification card certifying that the dog was trained by a qualified organization or trainer. (c) Public Safety Canine Patrol dogs are exempt from subsection (a) of this section. (Ord. No. 108, as amended, § 7(D)(1), 6-23-1994) Cross references: Animals, ch. 14. Sec. 50-49. Fires. No person shall start or maintain a fire within the boundaries of any community park except in picnic stoves, fireplaces or other such containers for such purposes. No person shall drop, throw, or otherwise scatter lighted matches, burning cigarettes or cigars, tobacco paper or other flammable material within any park area or on any highway, road or street abutting or contiguous thereto. (Ord. No. 108, as amended, § 7(D)(2), 6-23-1994) Cross references: Fire prevention and protection, ch. 38. Sec. 50-50. Conducting amusement for gain. No amusement for gain or for which a charge is made can be conducted in any park without first obtaining a permit in accordance with section 50-37. (Ord. No. 108, as amended, § 7(D)(3), 6-23-1994) Cross references: Amusements and entertainments, ch. 10. Sec. 50-51. Alcoholic beverages. It shall be unlawful for any person to possess or consume any alcoholic beverages, including spirits, liquor, beer or wine, in any township park, except beer or wine purchased on the premises from a duly licensed vendor. Obtaining a day vendor's license does not alleviate the facility use permit requirement outlined elsewhere in this article. (Ord. No. 108, as amended, § 7(D)(5), 6-23-1994) Cross references: Alcoholic liquor, ch. 6. Sec. 50-52. Off-road vehicles; motordriven vehicles restricted to roadways and parking areas. (a) No person shall operate or have in his possession within the boundaries of any community park any off-road motor-driven vehicle, including, but not limited to, a mini bike, dirt bike, dune mobile, dune buggy, all-terrain vehicle, snowmobile, converted snowmobile, amphibious vehicle or similar motorized device. (b) No person shall operate, drive, push, or otherwise propel any motordriven vehicle on any portions of any community park covered by grass or other natural vegetation unless authorized by the Director. All motor-driven vehicles must remain on the roadways or in the

designated parking areas. (Ord. No. 108, as amended, § 7(D)(6), 6-

23-1994) Cross references: Traffic and vehicles, ch. 70. Sec. 50-53. Remote control vehicles. No person shall operate within the boundaries of any community park any remote control airplanes, helicopters, cars or gas or electric powered boats without first obtaining a permit in accordance with section 50-37. (Ord. No. 108, as amended, § 7(D)(7), 6-23-1994) Sec. 50-54. Skateboards and Rollerblades. No person shall skateboard in any community park except at such times and in such places as may be designated by the Director for such use. The Director may restrict rollerblading on park properties when safety is a concern during certain special events. (Ord. No. 108, as amended, § 7(D)(8), 6-23-1994). Sec. 50-55. Assemblies. No person shall engage in, participate in, aid, form, or organize any assembly or group of people or make any speeches, or conduct any musical program or festival, in any park, unless a permit has been obtained from the Director, and unless such a permit is carried by the person heading or leading such activity; provided, however, that the provisions of this section shall not apply to students' work when constituting a part of their educational activities under the immediate direction and supervision of the proper school authorities, or to any governmental agency within the scope of its functions. (Ord. No. 108, as amended, § 8(C), 6-23-1994) Sec. **50-56. Conducting sales for gain.** (a) No person shall engage or participate in the sale of food products or goods for gain or for which a charge is made in any park without first meeting the requirements of Chapter 54, Peddlers and Solicitors, including but not limited to receiving a permit thereunder. (b) No person shall engage or participate in the sale of food products or goods for gain or for which a charge is made in any park without first obtaining a permit in accordance with section 50-37. Sec. 50-57. Organization or group participation. At posted locations, including but not limited to the Heritage Park Splash Playground, a group which has or is reasonably expected to have twelve (12) or more persons, or an organization, participating at park amenities must first obtain permit in accordance with section 50-37. Sec. 50-58. Picnic pavilion structures. No person or organization except the Permitted person or organization shall use designated picnic pavilions during times posted for rental use only. For use of picnic areas refer to section 50-44. SECTION 2. VIOLATION AND PENALTY. Unless otherwise provided, any person, corporation, partnership or any other legal entity who violates the Unlawful Acts provisions of this Ordinance shall be guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine of up to five hundred dollars (\$500.00) and/or imprisonment for up to ninety (90) days. Every act or violation and every day upon which a violation shall occur shall be considered a separate offense. SECTION 3. REPEAL. All Ordinances or parts of Ordinances in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance, except as herein provided, are hereby repealed only to the extent necessary to give this Ordinance. full force and effect. SECTION 4. SEVERABILITY. If any section, subsection, clause, phrase or portion of this Ordinance is for any reason held invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, such portion shall be deemed a separate, distinct and independent provision, and such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portion thereof. SECTION 5. SAVINGS CLAUSE. The repeal or amendment herein shall not abrogate or affect any offense or act committed or done, or any penalty or forfeiture incurred, or any pending litigation or prosecution of any right established or occurring prior to the effective date of this Ordinance, as amended. SECTION 6. PUBLICATION. The Clerk for the Charter Township of Canton shall cause this Ordinance to be published in the manner required by law. **SECTION 7.** EFFECTIVE DATE. This Ordinance shall take full force and effect upon publication. CERTIFICATION The foregoing Ordinance was duly adopted by the Township Board Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton at its regular meeting called and held on the 27th day of June, 2006, and was ordered to be given publication in the manner required by law. TERRY BENNETT, Clerk Introduced: June 13, 2006 Published: June 22, 2006 Adopted: June 27, 2006 Effective upon Publication: July 6, 2006 Item 5. PURCHASING COOPERATIVES. (FBD) Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to accept the 2006 list of those agencies who meet our bidding criteria. Motion carried by all members present. Item 6. SECOND READING AMENDMENT TO THE ORDINANCE FOR THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON, CHAPTER 74, UTILITIES, SECTIONS 74-37(B) AND 74-37(F), CROSS CONNECTIONS WITH PUBLIC WATER SUPPLY. (CLERK) Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to adopt the second reading of the amendment to the Code of Ordinances, Canton Charter Township, Michigan, Chapter 74 Section 74-37(b) and 74-37(f) Cross Connections with Public Water Supply with effective date and publication of July 6, 2006. Motion carried by all members present. STATE OF MICHIGAN COUNTY OF WAYNE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON AMENDMENT TO SECTIONS 74-37(b) AND 74-37(f) OF CHAPTER 74, UTILITIES AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTIONS 74-37(b) AND 74-37(f) OF CHAPTER 74, UTILITIES OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON; PROVIDING FOR COMPLIANCE WITH THE WATER SUPPLY CROSS CONNECTION RULES OF THE MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY, THE STATE PLUMBING CODE AND THE WAYNE COUNTY ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH CODE; PROVIDING FOR BACKFLOW PREVENTION DEVICES AND THE TESTING THEREOF; PROVIDING FOR PENALTIES; PROVIDING FOR REPEAL OR EVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION AND EFFECTIVE DATE. THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON ORDAINS: SECTION 1. AMENDMENTS TO THE CODE. Sections 74-37(b) and 74-37(f) of Chapter 74, Utilities of the Code of Ordinances of the Charter Township of Canton are hereby amended to read in pertinent part as follows: Sec. 74.37. Cross connection with public water supply. (b) Compliance with applicable regulations, statutes and administrative rules adopted. A connection with a public water supply system shall comply with the following which are hereby adopted by reference: (1) The Water Supply Cross Connection Rules of the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality being R325.11401 to R325.11407 of the Michigan Administrative Code, and (2) The State Plumbing Code, and (3) The Wayne County Environmental Health Code, Articles I, II and IX, effective September 1, 1977, as amended. (f) Corrections; testing of backflow prevention devices. (3) All testable backflow prevention devices shall be tested upon installation to be sure that the device is working properly. Subsequent testing of devices shall be conducted on an annual basis as required by the water utility in accordance with the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality requirements. Only individuals that are approved and State of Michigan certified shall be qualified to perform such testing. The individual conducting such testing shall certify the results of his/her testing, SECTION 2. VIOLATION AND PENALTY. Any person or entity that violates any provision of this Ordinance may, upon conviction, be fined not more than Five Hundred (\$500.00) Dollars or imprisoned not more than Ninety (90) days, or both, in the discretion of the court. SECTION 3. SEVERABILITY. If any clause, sentence, section, paragraph or part of this Ordinance, or the application thereof to any person, firm, corporation, legal entity or circumstances, shall be for any reason adjudged by a court of competent jurisdiction to be unconstitutional or invalid, said judgment shall not affect, impair or invalid the remainder of this Ordinance. It is hereby declared to the legislative intent of this body that the Ordinance is severable. and that the Ordinance would have been adopted had such invalid or unconstitutional provision not have been included in this Ordinance. SECTION 4. REPEAL OF CONFLICTING ORDINANCES. All Ordinance or parts of Ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed only to the extent necessary to give this Ordinance full force and effect. SECTION 5. SAVINGS CLAUSE. All rights and duties which have matured, penalties which have been incurred, proceedings which have begun and prosecution for violations of law occurring before the effective date of this Ordinance are not affected or abated by this Ordinance. SECTION 6. PUBLICATION. The Clerk for the Charter Township of Canton shall cause this Ordinance to be published in the manner required by law. SECTION 7. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Ordinance, as amended, shall take full force and effect upon publication as required by law. CERTIFICATION The foregoing Ordinance was duly adopted by the Township Board Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton at its regular meeting called and held on the 27th day of June, 2006, and was ordered to be given publication in the manner required by law. TERRY BENNETT, Clerk Introduced: June 13, 2006 Adopted: June 27, 2006 Published: July 6, 2006 Effective: July 6, 2006 Item 7. CANTON FINANCE POLICY AMENDMENTS. (FBD) Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to approve the following amendments to Policy F:06. Motion carried by all members present. Item 8. SPECIAL EVENT STATUS FOR CANTON LEISURE SERVICES/DDA EVENTS. (LSD) Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to approve the special event status and placement of signs along Ford Rd. for Canton Leisure Services/DDA events occurring July 7 -September 30, 2006. Motion carried by all members present. GENERAL CALENDAR: Item 1. 2005 AUDIT PRESENTATION. (FBD) Motion by Bennett, supported by Zarbo to accept the 2005 financial reports for the Charter Township of Motion carried by all members present. Item 2. CONSIDER SITE PLAN FOR APPLEGATE PRIVATE DRIVE. (MSD) Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to adopt the

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resolution for the site plan for Applegate Private Drive. Motion carried by all members present. RESOLUTION OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON Site Plan for Applegate Private Drive WHEREAS, the Project Sponsor, Mr. William Applegate, has requested site plan approval for Applegate Private Drive to be located on Hanford Road between Napier and Ridge Roads, identified as tax EDP # 027-99-0005-009 and, WHEREAS, the Planning Commission reviewed the site plan and made a recommendation to approve the request to grant site plan approval, as summarized in the attached written analysis and recommendation. NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton, Michigan does hereby approve the request of the petitioner, Mr. William Applegate, to approve the site plan for the proposed Applegate Private Drive subject to any and all state and local development regulations and further subject to any conditions recommended by the Planning Commission and staff, as described in the analysis and recommendation attached hereto and made a part hereof. Item 3. CONSIDER FINAL PLANNED DEVELOPMENT AND PRELIMINARY SITE PLAN PHASE 1 OF GRANDVIEW ESTATES SITE CONDOMINIUM. (MSD) Motion by Bennett, supported by Zarbo to adopt the resolution for the final PDD and Phase 1 Preliminary Site Plan for Grandview Estates. Motion carried by all members present. RESOLUTION OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON Final PDD and Phase 1 Preliminary Site Plan for Grandview Estates WHEREAS, the Project Sponsors have requested Final Planned Development District approval for Grandview Estates located on 166.5 acres located south of Geddes Road between Denton and Barr Roads; and, WHEREAS, the project Sponsors have also requested Preliminary Site Plan approval for 99 units on 56.45 acres for Phase 1 of Grandview Estates Site Condominiums: and; WHEREAS, the Planning Commission found the Final PDD and Preliminary Site Plan for Phase 1 of Grandview Estates to be CONSISTENT with the development objectives of the Township and recommended APPROVAL; and, WHEREAS, the Board has reviewed the proposed Final PDD and Preliminary Site Plan for Phase 1 of Grandview Estates and determines the proposals to be CONSISTENT with the Zoning Ordinance regulations and development objectives subject to the conditions described in the analysis and recommendation form attached hereto and made a part hereof. NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton, Michigan does hereby APPROVE the Final Planned Development District for Grandview Estates located south of Geddes Road between Denton and Barr Roads on Parcel Nos. 121 99 0012 000, 121 99 0013 000, 121 99 0014 000, 121 99 0015 001, 121 99 0015 002, 121 99 0024 002, 121 99 0025 000, 121 99 0026 000, 121 99 0027 000, 121 99 0028 000, 121 99 0029 000, 121 99 0030 000, 121 99 0032 000, 121 99 0033 000, 121 99 0034 000, 121 99 0038 000, 124 99 0001 000, 124 99 0002 000, 124 99 0003 005, 124 99 0004 000, 124 99 0010 000, subject to completion and approval of the sewer remediation agreement; and furthermore does hereby approve the Preliminary Site Plan for Phase 1 of Grandview Estates Site Condominium on 56.45 acres of the above described land; subject to all other regulations of the Township. Item 4. CONSIDER SITE PLAN FOR HERITAGE PARK MAINTENANCE BUILDING ADDITION. (MSD) Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to adopt the resolution for the site plan for Heritage Park Maintenance Facility Addition. Motion carried by all members present. RESOLUTION OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON Site Plan for Heritage Park Maintenance Facility Addition WHEREAS, the Leisure Services Department has requested site plan approval for the addition to the Heritage Park Maintenance Facility located at the west end of Heritage Park Drive (Tax EDP#: 083-99-0004-707); and, WHEREAS, the Planning Commission found the proposed site plan to be CONSISTENT with the development objectives of the Township and recommended APPROVAL, and, WHEREAS, the Board has reviewed the proposed site plan and determines the proposal to be CONSISTENT with the Zoning Ordinance regulations and development objectives subject to the conditions described in the analysis and recommendation form attached hereto and made a part hereof. NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton, Michigan does hereby APPROVE the site plan for the Heritage Park Maintenance Facility Addition; and also subject to all other regulations of the Township. Item 5. CONSIDER SITE PLAN FOR HIDDEN COVE CONDOMINIUMS. (MSD) Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to adopt the resolution for the site plan for Hidden Cove Condominiums. Motion carried by all members present. RESOLUTION OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON Site Plan for Hidden Cove Condominiums WHEREAS, the Project Sponsor, Mr. Michael Furnari, has requested site plan approval for Hidden Cove Condominiums to be located on Lotz Road between Cherry Hill and Ford Roads, identified as tax EDP # 052-99-0016-708, 052-99-0016-709 and 052-99-0016-710; and, WHEREAS, the Planning Commission reviewed the site plan and made a recommendation to approve the request to grant site plan approval, as summarized in the attached written analysis and recommendation. NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton, Michigan does hereby approve the request of the petitioner, Mr. Michael Furnari, to approve the site plan for the ed Hidden Cove Condominiums su viect to any and all state and local development regulations and further subject to any conditions recommended by the Planning Commission and staff, as described in the analysis and recommendation attached hereto and made a part hereof. Item 6. CONSIDER DEDICATION OF RIGHT-OF-WAY TO WAYNE COUNTY FOR THE DENTON ROAD EXTENSION, NORTH OF CHERRY HILL AND EAST OF RIDGE ROAD AND FOR ONE PARCEL ON CHERRY HILL ROAD. (MSD) Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to approve the dedication of road right-of-way from the following Tax Numbers: 71-072-99-0006-700, (parts of) 71-072-99-0003-702 & fka 71-067-99-0011-701 fka 71-072-99-0022-000 & 71-067-99-0011-000, and (part of) 71-071-99-0002-701 and authorize the Township Supervisor and Clerk to sign the waivers and quit claim deeds. Motion carried by all members present. Item 7. FIRST READING OF REPEAL OF CHAPTER 94, ARTICLE II, FOREST PRESERVATION, SECTION 94-31 THROUGH 94-38. (MSD) Motion by Zarbo, supported by McLaughlin to introduce, table and publish the first reading of the repeal of Chapter 94, Article II Forest Preservation, Section 94-31 through 94-38. Motion carried by all members present. STATE OF MICHIGAN COUNTY OF WAYNE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON REPEAL OF FOREST PRESERVATION ORDINANCE CHAPTER 94, ARTICLE II FOREST PRESERVATION SECTION 94-31 THROUGH 94-38. AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF OR DINANCES OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON BY REPEALING THE FOREST PRESERVATION ORDINANCE, ORDINANCE NO. 124; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVI DING FOR REPEAL OF INCONSISTENT PROVISIONS; PROVIDING FOR PUBL ICATION AND EFFECTIVE DATE. THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON ORDAINS: Section 1. Repeal Of The Ordinance. That the Forest Preservation Ordinance, Chapter 94, Article II Forest Preservation, Section 94-31 through 94-38 be and is hereby repealed. Section 2. Violation And Penalty. Any person or entity that violates any provision of this Ordinance may, upon conviction, be fined not more than Five Hundred (\$500.00) Dollars or imprisoned not more than Ninety (90) days, or both, in the discretion of the court. Section 3. Severability. If any clause, sentence, section, paragraph or part of this Ordinance, or the application thereof to any person, firm, corporation, legal entity or circumstances, shall be for any reason adjudged by a court of competent jurisdiction to be unconstitutional or invalid, said judgment shall not affect, impair or invalid the remainder of this Ordinance. It is hereby declared to the legislative intent of this body that the Ordinance is severable, and that the Ordinance would have been adopted had such invalid or unconstitutional provision not have been included in this Ordinance. Section 4. Repeal Of Conflicting Ordinances. All Ordinance or parts of Ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed only to the extent necessary to give this Ordinance full force and effect. Section 5. Savings Clause. The repeal or amendment herein shall not abrogate or affect any offense or act committed or done, or any penalty or forfeiture incurred, or any pending litigation or prosecution of any right established or occurring prior to the effective date of this Ordinance, as amended. Section 6. Publication. The Clerk for the Charter Township of Canton shall cause this Ordinance to be published in the manner required by law. Section 7. Effective Date. This Ordinance, as amended, shall take full force and effect upon publication as required by law. Introduced: June 27, 2006 Item 8. APPROVE PURCHASE OF PENSION SERVICE CREDIT. (SUPERVISOR) Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to approve Canton Township's purchase of up to five years of service time in the Municipal Employees Retirement System of Michigan (MERS) pension program for Dan Durack. Motion carried by all members present. Item. 9. APPROVE LEASE AGREEMENT FOR FELLOWS CREEK GOLF COURSE. (LSD) Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to authorize the Lease Agreement for the management of Fellows Creek Golf Course to Fellows Creek Golf Club, Inc., 2936 S. Lotz Road, Canton, MI 48188. Motion carried by all members present. Item 10. AMEND MERS RETIREMENT WINDOW. (ACSD) Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to amend the MERS Retirement Window for the Non-Union employee group establishing the window period of January 1, 2006 to June 30, 2006 during which time eligible employees would be able to retire with a 2.8 pension multiplier. Motion carried by all members present. Item 11. BUDGET AMENDMENT - TRANSFER OF POSITION FROM ACSD BUDGET TO CLERK'S OFFICE BUDGET. (ACSD) Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to approve the following General Fund budget amendment for the transfer of the Clerk Typist II position in the

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Department to the Clerk's Office effective July 1, 2006: Increase (Decrease) Appropriations:

Admin Services Salaries #101-175-705-0000 \$(16,250)

Fringe Benefits-Admin Services 101-175-720-0000 (6,500)

Salaries-Clerical-Clerk's Office 101-215-705-0000 16,250
Fringe Benefits-Clerk's Office 101-215-720-0000 6,500

Total Item 12. APPROVAL OF BID TO PRINT THE FOCUS NEWSLETTER. (ACSD) Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to approve the bid for printing the monthly Focus newsletter with Kimcraft Printers, Inc. for a twelve month period, for \$21,252, and further, that pursuant to the bid specifications, the bid may be extended for an additional two year period upon mutual agreement of Kimcraft Printers, Inc. and Canton Township. Motion carried by all members present. Item 13. APPROVE TRANSFER OF FUNDS FROM PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT FUND TO COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT FUND FOR PARKS/GOLF MAINTENANCE FACILITY EXPANSION PROJECT. (FBD) Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to approve the transfer of \$1,000,000 from the Public Improvement Fund to the Community Improvement Fund for the Parks/Golf Maintenance Facility Expansion project. Motion carried by all members present. Item 14. BUDGET AMENDMENT - GENERAL FUND - WAYNE COUNTY ASSESSMENT

EQUALIZATION BILLS 2003 AND 2004. (FBD) Deleted from the agenda. Item 15. NOTICE OF INTENT RESOLUTION-GENERAL OBLIGATION CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT BONDS-WATER AND SEWER PROJECTS. (FBSD) Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to approve the attached resolution authorizing the Township Clerk to publish a notice of intent to issue General Obligation Capital Improvement bonds not to exceed \$40,000,000. Motion carried by all members present. NOTICE OF INTENT RESOLUTION GENERAL OBLIGATION CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT BONDS (Water and Sewer) Charter Township of Canton, County of Wayne, State of Michigan Minutes of a regular meeting of the Township Board of the Charter Township of Canton, County of Wayne, State of Michigan (the "Township") held on the 27th day of June, 2006, at 7:00 o'clock p.m. Eastern Daylight Savings Time. PRESENT: Members Bennett, LaJoy, Kirchgatter, McLaughlin, Yack, Zarbo ABSENT: Members Caccamo The following preamble and resolution were offered by Member Clerk Bennett and supported by Member Kirchgatter: WHEREAS, the Township intends to issue and sell general obligation capital improvement bonds, pursuant to Act 34, Public Acts of Michigan, 2001, as amended, in an amount not to exceed Forty Million Dollars (\$40,000,000) for the purpose of paying the cost of acquiring and constructing certain capital improvement items consisting of improvements to the Township's water and sewer systems; and WHEREAS, a notice of intent to issue bonds must be published before the issuance of the aforesaid bonds in order to comply with the

requirements of Section 517 of Act 34, Public Acts of Michigan, 2001, as amended. NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT: 1. The Township Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to publish a notice of intent to issue bonds in the Observer and Eccentric Newspapers, a newspaper of general circulation in the Township. 2. Said notice of intent shall be published as a one-quarter (1/4) page display advertisement in substantially the following form: NOTICE TO ELECTORS OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON OF INTENT TO ISSUE BONDS SECURED BY THE TAXING POWER OF THE TOWNSHIP AND THE RIGHT OF REFERENDUM THEREON. PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Township Board of the Charter Township of Canton, Wayne County, Michigan, intends to issue and sell general obligation capital improvement bonds, pursuant to Act 34, Public Acts of Michigan, 2001, as amended, in an amount not to exceed Forty Million Dollars (\$40,000,000) for the purpose of paying the cost of acquiring and constructing water and sewer improvements in the Township. Said bonds will mature in annual installments not to exceed thirty (30) in number, with interest rates to be determined at sale but in no event to exceed such rates as may be permitted by law on the unpaid balance from time to time remaining outstanding on said bonds. The bonds may be issued in one or more series as shall be determined by the Township Board. SOURCE OF PAYMENT OF BONDS THE PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST OF THE BONDS shall be payable from the general funds of the Township lawfully available for such purposes including water and sewer rates and charges, and if necessary, property taxes levied within applicable charter, statutory and constitutional limitations. RIGHT OF REFERENDUM THE BONDS WILL BE ISSUED WITHOUT A VOTE OF THE ELECTORS UNLESS A PETITION REQUESTING SUCH A VOTE SIGNED BY NOT LESS THAN 10% OF THE REGISTERED ELECTORS OF THE TOWNSHIP IS FILED WITH THE TOWNSHIP CLERK WITHIN FORTY-FIVE (45) DAYS AFTER PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE. IF SUCH PETITION IS FILED, THE BONDS MAY NOT BE ISSUED WITHOUT AN APPROVING VOTE OF A MAJORITY OF THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE TOWNSHIP VOTING THEREON. THIS NOTICE is given pursuant to the requirements of Section 517, Act 34, Public Acts of Michigan, 2001, as amended. Terry G. Bennett Clerk, Charter Township of Canton 3. The Township Board does hereby determine that the foregoing form of Notice of Intent to Issue Bonds and the manner of publication directed is the method best calculated to give notice to the Township's taxpavers and electors of this Board's intent to issue the bonds, the purpose of the bonds, the security for the bonds, and the right of referendum relating thereto, and the newspaper named for publication is hereby determined to reach the largest number of persons to whom the notice is directed. 4. The firm of Bendzinski & Co., Detroit, Michigan be and is hereby retained as financial advisor to the Township for this bond issue. The firm of Miller, Canfield, Paddock and Stone, P.L.C.. Detroit. Michigan be and is hereby retained as bond counsel for this bond issue. 5. All resolutions and parts of resolutions insofar as they conflict with the provisions of this resolution be and the same hereby are rescinded. AYES: Member Bennett, LaJoy, Kirchgatter, McLaughlin, Yack, Zarbo NAYS: Member None RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED. Township Clerk Item 16. NOTICE OF INTENT **OBLIGATION** RESOLUTION-GENERAL CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT BONDS-RECREATIONAL IMPROVEMENTS. (FBD) Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to move to approve the resolution authorizing the Township Clerk to publish a notice of intent to issue General Obligation Capital Improvement bonds not to exceed \$1,500,000. Motion carried by all members present. NOTICE OF INTENT RESOLUTION GENERAL OBLIGATION CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT BONDS (Recreational Improvements) Charter Township of Canton County of Wayne, State of Michigan Minutes of a regular meeting of the Township Board of the Charter Township of Canton, County of Wayne, State of Michigan (the "Township") held on the 27th day of June, 2006, at 7:00 o'clock p.m. Eastern Daylight Savings Time. PRESENT: Members Bennett, Kirchgatter, LaJoy, McLaughlin, Yack, Zarbo ABSENT: Members Caccamo The following preamble and resolution were offered by Member Clerk Bennett and supported by Member LaJoy: WHEREAS, the Township intends to issue and sell general obligation capital improvement bonds, pursuant to Act 34, Public Acts of Michigan, 2001, as amended, in an amount not to exceed One Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$1,500,000) for the purpose of paying the cost of acquiring and constructing certain capital improvement items consisting of improvements to the Township's Fellows Creek Golf Course; and WHEREAS, a notice of intent to issue bonds must be published before the issuance of the aforesaid bonds in order to comply with the requirements of Section 517 of Act 34, Public Acts of Michigan, 2001, as amended. NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT: 1. The Township Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to publish a notice of intent to issue bonds in the Observer and Eccentric Newspapers, a newspaper of general circulation in the Township. 2. Said notice of intent shall be published as a one-quarter (1/ 4) page display advertisement in substantially the following form: NOTICE TO ELECTORS OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON OF INTENT TO ISSUE BONDS SECURED BY THE TAXING POWER OF THE TOWNSHIP AND THE RIGHT OF REFERENDUM THEREON PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Township Board of the Charter Township of Canton, Wayne County, Michigan, intends to issue and sell general obligation capital improvement bonds, pursuant to Act 34, Public Acts of Michigan, 2001, as amended, in an amount not to exceed One Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$1,500,000) for the purpose of paying the cost of acquiring and constructing improvements to the Fellows Creek Golf Course. Said bonds will mature in annual installments not to exceed thirty (30) in number, with interest rates to be determined at sale but in no event to exceed such rates as may be permitted by law on the unpaid balance from time to time remaining outstanding on said bonds. The bonds may be issued in one or more series as shall be determined by the Township Board. SOURCE OF PAYMENT OF BONDS THE PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST OF THE BONDS shall be payable from the general funds of the Township lawfully available for such purposes including golf course revenues, and if necessary, property taxes levied within applicable charter, statutory and constitutional limitations. RIGHT OF REFERENDUM THE BONDS WILL BE ISSUED WITHOUT A VOTE OF THE ELECTORS UNLESS A PETITION REQUESTING SUCH A VOTE SIGNED BY NOT LESS THAN 10% OF THE REGISTERED ELECTORS OF THE TOWNSHIP IS FILED WITH THE TOWNSHIP CLERK WITHIN FORTY-FIVE (45) DAYS AFTER PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE. IF SUCH PETITION IS FILED, THE BONDS MAY NOT BE ISSUED WITHOUT AN APPROVING VOTE OF A MAJORITY OF THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE TOWNSHIP VOTING THEREON. THIS NOTICE is given pursuant to the requirements of Section 517, Act 34, Public Acts of Michigan, 2001; as amended. Terry G. Bennett Clerk, Charter Township of Canton 3. The Township Board does hereby determine that the foregoing form of Notice of Intent to Issue Bonds and the manner of publication directed is the method best calculated to give notice to the Township's taxpayers and electors of this Board's intent to issue the bonds, the purpose of the

bonds, the security for the bonds, and the right of referendum relating

thereto, and the newspaper named for publication is hereby determined to reach the largest number of persons to whom the notice is directed. 4. The firm of Bendzinski & Co., Detroit, Michigan be and is hereby retained as financial advisor to the Township for this bond issue. The firm of Miller, Canfield, Paddock and Stone, P.L.C., Detroit, Michigan be and is hereby retained as bond counsel for this bond issue. 5. All resolutions and parts of resolutions insofar as they conflict with the provisions of this resolution be and the same hereby are rescinded. AYES: Member Bennett, Kirchgatter, LaJoy, McLaughlin, Yack, Zarbo NAYS: Member None RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED. Township Clerk Item 17. NOTICE OF INTENT RESOLUTION-GENERAL OBLIGATION CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT BONDS-DDA. (FBD) Motion by Bennett, supported by Zarbo to approve the resolution authorizing the Township Clerk to publish a notice of intent to issue General Obligation Capital Improvement bonds not to exceed \$8,500,000. Motion carried by all members present. NOTICE OF INTENT RESOLUTION GENERAL OBLIGATION CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT BONDS (DDA Project) Charter Township of Canton County of Wayne, State of Michigan Minutes of a regular meeting of the Township Board of the Charter Township of Canton, County of Wayne, State of Michigan (the "Township") held on the 27th day of June, 2006, at 7:00 o'clock p.m. Eastern Daylight Savings Time. PRESENT: Members Bennett, Kirchgatter, LaJoy, McLaughlin, Yack, Zarbo ABSENT: Members Caccamo The following preamble and resolution were offered by Member Clerk Bennett and supported by Member Zarbo: WHEREAS, the Township intends to issue and sell general obligation capital improvement bonds, pursuant to Act 34, Public Acts of Michigan, 2001, as amended, in an amount not to exceed 8.5 Million Dollars (\$8,500,000) for the purpose of paying the cost of acquiring and constructing certain capital improvement items consisting of various infrastructure and streetscape improvements in accordance with the Charter Township of Canton Downtown Development Authority's Development Plan; and WHEREAS, a notice of intent to issue bonds must be published before the issuance of the aforesaid bonds in order to comply with the requirements of Section 517 of Act 34, Public Acts of Michigan, 2001, as amended. NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT: 1. The Township Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to publish a notice of intent to issue bonds in the Observer and Eccentric Newspapers, a newspaper of general circulation in the Township. 2. Said notice of intent shall be published as a one-quarter (1/4) page display advertisement in substantially the following form: NOTICE TO ELECTORS OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON OF INTENT TO ISSUE BONDS SECURED BY THE TAXING POWER OF THE TOWNSHIP AND THE RIGHT OF REFERENDUM THEREON PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Township Board of the Charter Township of Canton, Wayne County, Michigan, intends to issue and sell general obligation capital improvement bonds, pursuant to Act 34, Public Acts of Michigan, 2001, as amended, in an amount not to exceed 8.5 Million Dollars (\$8,500,000) for the purpose of paying the cost of acquiring and constructing infrastructure and streetscape improvements in the Township's Downtown Development Authority Downtown District. Said bonds will mature in annual installments not to exceed thirty (30) in number, with interest rates to be determined at sale but in no event to exceed such rates as may be permitted by law on the unpaid balance from time to time remaining outstanding on said bonds. The bonds may be issued in one or more series as shall be determined by the Township Board. SOURCE OF PAYMENT OF BONDS THE PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST OF THE BONDS shall be payable primarily from tax increment revenues collected in the Charter Township of Canton Downtown Development Authority Downtown District and if necessary, the general funds of the Township lawfully available for such purposes including if necessary, property taxes levied within applicable charter, statutory and constitutional limitations. RIGHT OF REFERENDUM THE BONDS WILL BE ISSUED WITHOUT A VOTE OF THE ELECTORS UNLESS A PETITION REQUESTING SUCH A VOTE SIGNED BY NOT LESS THAN 10% OF THE REGISTERED ELECTORS OF THE TOWNSHIP IS FILED WITH THE TOWNSHIP CLERK WITHIN FORTY-FIVE (45) DAYS AFTER PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE. IF SUCH PETITION IS FILED, THE BONDS MAY NOT BE ISSUED WITHOUT AN APPROVING VOTE OF A MAJORITY OF THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE TOWNSHIP VOTING THEREON. THIS NOTICE is given pursuant to the requirements of Section 517, Act 34, Public Acts of Michigan, 2001, as amended. Terry G. Bennett Clerk, Charter Township of Canton 3. The Township Board does hereby determine that the foregoing form of Notice of Intent to Issue Bonds and the manner of publication directed is the method best calculated to give notice to the Township's taxpayers and electors of this Board's intent to issue the bonds, the purpose of the bonds, the security for the bonds, and the right of referendum relating thereto, and the newspaper named for publication is hereby determined to reach the largest number of persons to whom the notice is directed. 4. The firm of Bendzinski & Co., Detroit, Michigan be and is hereby retained as financial advisor to the Township for this bond issue. The firm of Miller, Canfield, Paddock and Stone, P.L.C., Detroit, Michigan be and is hereby retained as bond counsel for this bond issue. 5. All resolutions and parts of resolutions insofar as they conflict with the provisions of this resolution be and the same hereby are rescinded. AYES: Member Bennett, Kirchgatter, LaJoy, McLaughlin, Yack, Zarbo NAYS: Member None RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED. Township Clerk I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of a resolution adopted by the Township Board of the Charter Township of Canton, County of Wayne, State of Michigan, at a regular meeting held on June 27, 2006, and that said meeting was conducted and public notice of said meeting was given pursuant to and in full compliance with the Open Meetings Act, being Act 267, Public Acts of Michigan, 1976, and that the minutes of said meeting were kept and will be or have been made available as required by said Act. Township Clerk Item 18. CONSIDER GIS STREET MAPPING UPDATE AND LAYER CREATION - CLEMIS. (PSD) Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to approve the GIS street information update through North Arrow Technologies, 12272 N. Fenton Rd. Suite #5, Fenton, MI 48430 in the amount of \$1,120 FY 2006 Police Budget Capital Outlay Computers #207 301 977 2580 (Cost Center P000049 0192 0000). Further, to approve the following budget transfer for the GIS Layer creation for Common Places through North Arrow Technologies, 12272 N. Fenton Rd., Suite #5, Fenton, MI 48430 in the amount of \$8540 Transfer to Fund Balance #261 346 999 0000 (\$8540) Contracted Services Account #261 346 818 0000 \$8540. This budget transfer will neither increase nor decrease the FY2006 911-Emergency Services Fund. Motion carried by all members present. Item 19. CONSIDER PURCHASE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT LAPTOP COMPUTER-HOMELAND SECURITY GRANT. (PSD) Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to approve the purchase of the Panasonic CF-74 Toughbook, from Tough Solutions 39 Park Place, Suite 300, Appleton, WI, 54914 in the amount of \$3133. Additionally to approve the purchase of a Sierra MP775 modem and annual wireless fee in the amount of \$1231. Total cost not to exceed \$4364, reimbursable through the Wayne County Homeland Security Grant. Further, to approve following budget transfer for this purchase in the amount of \$2780 from 911 Service Funds (Cost Center P00049 0216 0000) Transfer to Fund Balance #261 346 999 0000 (\$4364) #261 346 977 0000 \$4364 This budget Capital Outlay Account transfer will neither increase nor decrease the FY2006 911-Emergency Services Fund. Motion carried by all members present Item 20. CONSIDER PURCHASE OF VHF RADIO FOR THE COMMAND POST-HOMELAND SECURITY GRANT. (PSD) Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to approve the purchase of Motorola VHF CDM-1250 and JPS interface for the command post from ComSource Inc., 2130 Austin Dr., Rochester Hills, MI 48309 in the amount of \$3243.65, reimbursable through Wayne County Homeland Security Grant. Further, to approve following budget transfer for this purchase in the amount from 911 Service Funds (Cost Center P00049 0216 0000) #261 346 999 0000 (\$3244) Transfer to Fund Balance #261 346 977 0000 \$3244 Capital Outlay Account This budget transfer will neither increase nor decrease the FY2006 911-Emergency Services Fund. Motion carried by all members present. Item 21. CONSIDER UPGRADE TO LINE CONNECTIVITY FOR VIDEO ARRAIGNMENT. (PSD) Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to approve an upgrade of a 3-year internet access service

\$3243.65, reimbursable through Wayne County Homeland Security Grant. Further, to approve following budget transfer for this purchase in the amount from 911 Service Funds (Cost Center P00049 0216 0000)

Transfer to Fund Balance #261 346 999 0000 (\$3244)
Capital Outlay Account #261 346 977 0000 \$3244

This budget transfer will neither increase nor decrease the FY2006 911Emergency Services Fund. Motion carried by all members present.

Item 21. CONSIDER UPGRADE TO LINE CONNECTIVITY FOR VIDEO ARRAIGNMENT. (PSD) Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to approve an upgrade of a 3-year internet access service agreement with Telesthetic, LLC, 3422 N. Tipsico Lake Rd., Hartland, MI 48353 in the amount of \$495/month. FY 2006 911 Service Fund Contracted Services 261 346 818 0000. (Cost Center P00049 0216 0000). Motion carried by all members present. Item 22. APPROVE REAL ESTATE COMMISSION FOR DEARBORN REALTY. Motion by Bennett, seconded by Zarbo that the Canton Board of Trustees approve a \$41,040 (3%) real estate commission (Water and Sewer Fund) to Dearborn Realty for real estate services rendered in the purchase of the 6.615 acres (north of the Lower Rouge Pump Station) from Frankel and Associates. Motion carried by all members present. OTHER: Trustee LaJoy wishes to thank the volunteer/staff/residents for a great Liberty Fest. Supervisor Yack stated there will be a regular Board meeting on

Board Room, 1150 Canton Center S., Canton, Michigan, 48188. There will be a Joint Study Session on July 17, 2006 at 7:00 p.m. at the Administration Building, First Floor, Board Room, 1150 Canton Center S., Canton, Michigan, 48188. There will be a Regular Study Session on July 18, 2006 at 7:00 p.m. at the Administration Building, First Floor, Board Room, 1150 Canton Center S., Canton, Michigan 48188. ADJOURN: Motion by Bennett, supported by Zarbo to adjourn at 9:25 p.m. Motion carried by all members present. – Thomas J. Yack, Supervisor – Terry G. Bennett, Clerk –

July 11, 2006 at 7:00 p.m. at the Administration Building, First Floor,

Copies of the complete text of the Board Minutes are available at the office of the Charter Township of Canton, 1150 S. Canton Center Rd., Canton, MI 48188, during regular business hours and can also be accessed through our web site www.canton-mi.org after Board Approval.

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RELIGION CALENDAR

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

JULY

Movie Night

Presented by Ward Presbyterian Church's Single Point Ministries Friday, July 7, bus leaves parking lot F (40000 Six Mile in Northville) at 6:45 p.m. for the Historical Redford

Theater, pipe organ mini concert at 7:30 p.m. before film It's a Mad, Mad, Mad, World begins. Call (248) 374-5920.

Classic car show

Livonia Church of Christ will hold its 5th Annual Classic Car Show 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, July 8, rain or shine. Classic car enthusiasts are invited to attend this event benefiting Angela Hospice in Livonia, with programs serving terminally ill patients and their families.

Spectators can attend the car show for free and participants can enter a car for \$15, includes a meal ticket. The first 100 entrants will receive a dash plaque and goodie bag. Entrants will also have the chance to vote for class awards. Judging will take place from noon to 2 p.m., with the presentation of class trophies, Best of Show, and People's Choice at 3 p.m. The event will also feature a DJ, refreshments and door prizes. Livonia Church of Christ is at 15431 Merriman Road, north of 5 Mile in Livonia. For more information, contact Mike Bennett at (248) 380-8078 or visit www.angela-

hospice.org. **Bicycling group**

10 a.m. Saturday, July 8, at Nankin Mills Administration Office parking lot, Hines Drive, east of Farmington Road,

DALE A. NYHUS

Age 69, of Gladwin, formerly of Canton passed away July 1, 2006.

Loving father of Lori (Kurt) Cassidy, Tina (Steven) Provot, Renee (Lee)Cochran and Ronnie Horvath. Grandfather of ten and great grandfa-

(Frank) Tillotson-Krohn and Kitty

survived by numerous nieces and

nephews. Preceded in death by broth-

er Ron and by long time companion

Dolores Horvath. Funeral service

Thursday 11:00 a.m. at the Schrader-

Howell Funeral Home, 280 South

Main, Plymouth. Visitation Thursday

DOROTHY CONLEY

(LEEDER)

9a.m.until time of service.

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one. Dear brother of Becky

Tillotson-Smallwood. Also

Westland. Single Point bike rides are geared to the tourist level rider but riders of all ability levels are welcome. All riders must wear a helmet. For more information, call Ward Presbyterian Church (248) 374-5920.

Salad potluck luncheon

Women's Fellowship hat Day 12:45 p.m. Sunday, July 9, at Ward Presbyterian Church, 40000 Six Mile, Northville. Call (248) 374-5920.

Blood drive

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2-8 p.m. Monday, July 10, at St. John's Episcopal Church, 574 S. Sheldon, Plymouth. Call Carolyn Libeau to make an appointment at (734) 455-5395, or just drop in.

Fiesta

Vacation Bible School 9 a.m. to noon Monday-Friday, July 10-14, at Prince of Peace Lutheran Church, 37775 Palmer, west of Newburgh, Westland. Cost is \$15 per child, \$30 family maximum. Scholarships available. Each participating family will receive a Sing & Play Ole CD which includes all of the songs learned during VBS. Call (734) 722-1735 to register.

Arctic Edge

Adventures in Courage Vacation Bible School 6:30-9 p.m. Monday-Friday, July 10-14, at Merriman Road Baptist Church, 2055 Merriman, second block south of Ford, Garden City. All ages welcome, preschoolers must have an adult stay on site. Call (734) 421-0472 for more information.

Vacation Bible school Faith Covenant Church in Farmington Hills invites all children ages 3 through grade five to join in at SonTreasure Island VBS 9 a.m. to noon Monday-Friday, July 10-14, at 35415 W. 14 Mile at Drake. For more information or to pre-register, visit www.4fcc.org

call (248) 661-9191. Meditation classes

Begins 7-9 p.m. Monday, July 10, and continues to Aug. 7, Elizabeth

Cleeland will lead the class on various meditation practices at Renaissance Unity, 11200 E. 11 Mile, Warren. No preregistration necessary. A freewill offering will be taken at each class. For more information, call (586) 353-2300, or visit

www.renaissanceunity.org. **Farmington Women Aglow**

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

Concert

Bethany Suburban West, a Catholic organization for divorced and separated of all faiths, gathers to hear Air Margaritaville 6 p.m. Thursday, July 13, at Heritage Park, 1010 S. Canton Center Road, Canton. Call (734) 519479.

Breakfast meeting

For Bethany Suburban West, a Catholic organization providing peer support to the divorced and separated of all Christian denominations, 9:30 a.m. Saturday, July 15, at Leon's, 30149 Ford, across from Kmart, Garden City. All separated, divorced and singles welcome. Call (734) 513-

Detroit River Cruise

Bethany Suburban West is supporting First Presbyterian Church of Northville's Single Place Hawaiian-Portafino Cruise Saturday, July 15, 8 p.m. to midnight on the Detroit River. All aboard is 7:30 p.m. Cost is \$30 and includes pizza and dancing. Call (248) 349-0911.

Blood drive

8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Sunday, July 16, at St. Edith Catholic Church, 15089 Newburgh, Livonia. Walk-ins welcome. Call (734) 464-1222, Ext. 309.

Polish American picnic Join us for mass with Polonaise Chorale at 11 a.m., rain or shine, live music at picnic, at Historic St.

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Albertus, 4231 St. Aubin, corner of East Canfield, Detroit. Cost is \$8 per plate for polish dinner and dessert, includes beverages. If you ever attended St. Albertus School, come and see your classmates and have fun. For information, call Emelie at (586) 294-5245.

Family Bible school

Family Vacation Bible School for age 4 to 14-year -olds plus their parents 7-9 p.m. Monday-Thursday, July 17-20, enjoy music, crafts, games, snacks and bible lessons. This is an enjoyable activity for you to do with your children at First United Methodist Church, 6448 Merriman, Garden City. For more information, call (734) 421-8628.

Vacation Bible School

Fiesta: Where kids are fired up about Jesus 9 a.m. to noon Monday-Friday, July 17-21, at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, 39020 Five Mile, Livonia. Cost is \$18 for first child, \$15 each additional child. A CD of the week's music may be purchased for \$6. Call (734) 464-0211.

Bible and playtime

For moms and tots 10-11 a.m. Wednesdays beginning July 19, at Vineyard Church of Farmington Hills 29200 Shiawassee (by Middlebelt and Nine Mile). No charge, For information, call (248) 766-0143.

Free event

For students entering fifth through seventh grade, meet new friends. bring old friends, games, ice cream, make no-sew blankets for charity 7-10 p.m. Friday, July 21, at St. Aidan Catholic Church, 17500 Farmington Road, Livonia. RSVP to (734) 425-9333.

Rummage sale

9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday, July 21, and 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, July 22, at St. Innocent Orthodox Church, 23300 W. Chicago, Redford. Call (313) 538-1142.

Christian writer workshops

Taught by Donna Clark Goodrich of Arizona, author of 19 books and 700 published fiction and non-fiction pieces, Friday-Saturday, July 21-22 at Spring Arbor Free Methodist Church, 120 East Main, Spring Arbor, and Saturday, July 29, at Via Dolorosa Gospel Tabernacle, 8300 Fenkell, Detroit. For information about Spring Arbor workshop, contact Linda Gallaway at (517) 547-6261 or send email to llgallaway@dmci.net, for Detroit contact Wanda Burnside at (313) 491-3504 or send e-mail to wtvision@hotmail.com.

Feast day service

7 p.m. Thursday, July 22, at S.S. Simon & Jude Catholic Church, 32500 Palmer, Westland, For more information, call (734) 722-1343 or send e-mail to em2bott@att.net.

RiverStone worship service

Presented by Calvary Baptist Church in Canton 10:45 a.m. Sunday, July 23, at the Heritage Park Amphitheater, Canton. Call (734) 455-0022. Take a vacation from over-commitment and enjoy some family-time. At RiverStone worship service you'll find friendly people who care about building relationships, raising strong families and staving connected to the community. During the service your children will enjoy our kid-sized fun events.

UPCOMING

Church tour

reside in.

Did you know that less than a half hour's drive are three relics of 19th century Catholic imprint on Detroit? Would you like to visit them and learn about their history? These three Tributes to a working-class society's Faith - St. Joseph, St. Josephat and Sweetest Heart of Mary, are all unique to the ethnic neighborhoods they

The Education Commission of St. Aidan Parish is organizing a tour guided by their pastor Saturday, August 5, departing from St. Aidan parking lot at 10:30 a.m. Approximately 45-minutes will be spent at each location. Following the tour, we will enjoy a delicious traditional Polish meal in Hamtramck late in the afternoon before returning to St. Aidan. For information or to make a reservation, call Debbie Dufour (248) 719-2535, or the St. Aidan Parish office

(734) 425-5950. **Vacation Bible School**

For ages 4-12, kids travel to Mexico, Brazil, Poland, China and Kenya to trade places with children from other countries and learn about biblical heroes who traded one place in life for another 6:30-9 p.m. Monday-Friday, Aug. 7-11, at Redford Aldersgate United Methodist Church, 10000 Beech Daly, between Plymouth and West Chicago. Call (313) 937-3170 to pre-register.

Crafters wanted

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

7-8:30 p.m. Mondays in the lower level

of Our Lady of Loretto Church, Six Mile and Beech Daly, Redford. Call (313) 534-9000.

Fall registration

Spiritus Sanctus Academy is accepting registration for fall for its academies in Plymouth and Ann Arbor, The private, Catholic schools grades K-8, are run by the

Dominican Sisters of Mary, Mother of the Eucharist at 10450 Joy, Plymouth, call (734) 414-8430, and 4101 E. Joy, Ann Arbor, call (734) 996-3855.

Worship schedule

New schedule continues to Sept. 3, 10:30 a.m. Sunday summer worship, coffee hour follows in Fellowship Hall, Sunday school has been canceled for the summer, nursery is still available for infant through 2-years old, at St. Matthew's United Methodist Church, 30900 W. Six Mile, between Middlebelt and Merriman, Livonia. Call (734) 422-6038.

TOPS

Stands for Take Off Pounds Sensibly, the group meets 7 p.m. every Thursday evening at St. Thomas a' Becket Church, 555 S. Lilley, Canton. Weigh-in is 6:15-6:55 p.m. We are a weight support group that encourages members to lose weight sensibly and keep it off. For more information, call Mary at (734) 394-1328.

Learner's Bible study

7 p.m. Mondays, in Room A101, at Ward Presbyterian Church, 40000 W. Six Mile, Northville. Call (248) 374-5920.

Church service

Loving God by loving people, meets 10 a.m. Sunday, at Westwood Community Church, 1119 Newburgh, Westland. Doughnuts and coffee served. Call (734) 254-0093.

Bible study

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

Hosanna-Tabor Lutheran School is accepting applications for grades PK-8 for the 2006-07 school year, at 9600 Leverne, Redford. After school care 3-6 p.m. Call (734) 937-2233 for information.

Bible study

Classes 9:30 a.m. Sunday, and 7 p.m. Wednesday, at Riverside Park Church of God, 11771 Newburgh, Livonia. Call (734) 464-0990. On Sunday Family Worship begins at 10:45 a.m.

Senior activities Gathering for seniors 50 years and older 11:30 a.m. on the third Friday of every month at Riverside Park Church ot 60a, 11771 Newburgh at Plymouth, Livonia. Any questions, call (734) 464-0990. Put together a salad dish and come out and meet other seniors. Lunch is served followed by fellow-

ship with some games and stories. Bible study groups

The Wednesday group meets 10 a.m. to noon on the first and third Wednesday of each month, the Thursday group 7-9 p.m. on the first and third Thursday of each month in the rectory at St. Michael's the Archangel Catholic Church, Plymouth and Hubbard, Livonia. The Wednesday group is studying Women of Courage in the Bible, the Thursday group The Letters of St. Paul from Prison. Classes are small and informal and based on the Little Rock Scripture Series. For information, call (734) 261-1455.

Church activities

St. James Presbyterian Church offers a Wednesday luncheon every other Wednesday at noon; Thursday dinner at 6 p.m. for \$4 followed by Bible study at 7 p.m. and Chancel Choir rehearsal at 8 p.m.; Thrift store is open 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. every Saturday; 10 a.m. women's study group second Saturday of the month, and Sunday worship at 10 a.m. (nursery available) and children's class at 10:15 a.m., at 25350 W. Six Mile, Redford. Call (313) 534-7730.

Eucharistic adoration

The monthly program of Parish Prayer and Eucharistic Adoration continues the third Wednesday of each month at St. Michael's Church of Livonia, corner of Plymouth and Hubbard roads. The church will open for worship from 10 a.m. until the 7 p.m. Benediction service. For information, call (734) 261-

Worship services

All are welcome to attend worship service at St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, Five Mile and Inkster roads, Livonia, Service is held at 10 a.m. every Sunday with an education hour all for ages at 9 a.m. Call (734) 422-1470.

Unity of Livonia Services 9:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. Sundays, at 28660 Five Mile, between Middlebelt and Inkster roads. Call (734) 421-1760.

Shabbat services The doors of Congregation Beit

Kodesh, a Conservative synagogue located at 31840 W. Seven Mile, between Farmington and Merriman, Livonia, are open to the Jewish community of southeastern Michigan. Call

(248) 477-8974.

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Trinity Episcopal Church

Sunday Services 8 a.m. and 10 a.m., Wednesday service 6:15 p.m. - Bible Studies and Worship Center for all ages, at 11575 Belleville Road, (four miles south of Michigan Avenue), Belleville. Parents with Young Children Bible Study 6 p.m. Sundays, includes dinner and child care. Call (734) 699-3361

Shabbat Rocks

A musical celebration precedes traditional Shabbat service once a month at Adat Shalom Synagogue, 29901 Middlebelt in Farmington Hills. For more information, call (248) 851-5100 or visit the Web site at www.adatshalom.org.

English classes

Conversational English as a Second Language classes are being offered for adults of all ages and backgrounds 7 p.m. Monday and Tuesday, at Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church, 14175 Farmington Road, Livonia. Tutors will work on a one-to-one ratio to help students better understand and speak the English language. No charge. To register, call (734) 525-0191 or (734) 522-6830.

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If you've always wanted to learn about the Bible from square one, here's square one 7-8:30 p.m. Thursdays in the Activity Center at St. Aidan Catholic Church, 17500 Farmington Road, Livonia. Call (734) 425-5950 to register.

Sunday school

Congregation Beit Kodesh (31840 Seven Mile, between Farmington and Merriman, Livonia) is registering children, age 4 and up, for Sunday school. Financial assistance available. Special discounts for new members. For more information, call (248) 477-8974.

Services

St. John Lutheran Church (23225 Gill Road, Farmington Hills) invites the community to a new worship service 5:30 p.m. Saturdays. Also, Sunday traditional worship services are 8:30 a.m. and 11 a.m.; contemporary service is at 9:50-a.m.; and Sunday school hour for all ages is at 9:45 a.m. Call (248) 474-

0584 for more information. **Single Point Ministries**

For ages 30 and older, join more than 350 single adults 11:30 a.m. Sundays for fellowship and related topics in Knox Hall at Ward Evangelical Presbyterian Church, 40000 Six Mile, Northville. Coffee, doughnuts, conversations are present. Call (248) 374-5920. Tennis continues 1-5 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays, and 4-7 p.m. weekdays any time the weather is above 45 degrees, at Rotary Park, Six Mile and Hubbard, Livonia.

Bible talks

4 p.m. Sundays, at the Friendship Center, 1119 Newburgh, Westland. Call (734) 728-9157.

Worship services

All are welcome to attend worship services 10 a.m. Sundays at St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, Five Mile and Inkster roads, Livonia. For more information, call (734) 422-1470.

The Gap A new youth Sunday School (God

Always Present) at Garden City Presbyterian Church, 1841 Middlebelt, south of Ford Road. Lessons are taught using various media, computers, storytelling, games, cooking, music and art, and a small theater complete with popcorn making machine. Adult Bible study at 8:30 a.m. with a traditional service and The Gap at 10 a.m. Child care available. Mustard Seed contemporary service at 6 p.m. with refreshments served afterward. Call (734) 421-7620.

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\Longrightarrow MARY STEWART COATSWORTH

message to the family, visit

at Woodmere Cemetery, Detroit, MI

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Died July 4, 2006 at Wm. Beaumont Hospital at the age of 83. She was born in Pontiac, Michigan, November 14, 1922. She grew up in Huntington Woods and attended St. Mary's School of Royal Oak. After high school, Mary went on the Michigan State University and then transferred to Beloit College in Beloit, Wisconsin to earn her Bachelors of Science Degree where she was a member of the Tri Delta sorority. Over the last 42 years she has been a resident of Beverly Hills. Mary is survived by her loving husband William. Dear mother of Greg, Sandy (Michael) Burke, Mary Sue Coatsworth, and preceded in death by her son William "Skip" Coatsworth. She is the proud grand-mother of Brittany and Christopher. Funeral from St. Ives Church, 29400 Lahser Road, Southfield, Friday 10 am. Friends may visit at church beginning at 9:30 am. Visitation at Lynch & Sons Funeral Home, 1368 N. Crooks Road (between 14-15 Mile, Roads), Thursday 2-8 pm. Prayers Thursday 7pm. Memorials to the Church or Lions Club of Rochester appreciated.

PAUL H. BINNS

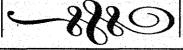
The Memorial Service for Mr. Binns. who died June 28, 2006, will be held Sunday, July 9, 2006 at 2:00 PM from the Birmingham Unitarian Universalist Church. Friends may meet the family one hour prior to the service at the church. Memorial contributions may be given to the charity of your choice.



KATHERINE BRUK PEARCE

of Bloomfield Hills

Age 66, of Bloomneiu mis, Michigan died Sunday, July 2, 2006 at her home. Katherine was born October 28, 1939 to Paul and Mary Bruk in Greenwich, Connecticut. She grew up in Greenwich and graduated from Greenwich High School in 1957 In 1961 she graduated from Central Age 85 of Dayton, formerly of Connecticut State College and taught Birmingham, MI, passed away Friday, June 9, 2006 at Walnut Creek Suites elementary school for five years in Greenwich. She then traveled to She then traveled to in Dayton, OH. She was preceded in death by her husband Edward C. Japan and taught in the U.S. Armed Forces school system for one year. She returned to Chicago, Illinois in 1966 and taught school in Glenview, a Conley. She is survived by her daughter Mary and husband Brian Kosmal of Dayton and her son John and wife Chicago suburb. The following year she married Lieutenant Harry J. Lois Conley of Atlanta, GA; grandchildren Rachel Kosmal McCart and Pearce. They moved to Chanute AFB Ryan Conley. Dorothy attended where Harry was a JAG officer and Stephens College in Columbia, MO and Michigan State University. She Kathy taught elementary school in Gifford, Illinois. The following two years they lived in England and was very active in St. James Episcopal Church in Birmingham, MI. Interment Holland where their first child was born. After Harry's service they moved to Bismarck, North Dakota In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the Stephens College where they raised their three children, Alumnae Scholarship Fund 1200 East Shannon, Susan, and Harry Mark. In Broadway, Columbia, MO 65215, in 1986 Harry and Kathy and family moved to Bloomfield Hills, Michigan Dorothy's memory. To send a special where Harry worked as a General Motors executive, retiring as Vice Chairman in 2001. In 1998 Kathy became her husband's primary care giver through a long tough battle with leukemia. Kathy was a long time member of Goodwill and past president of Questers. She enjoyed decorating her homes with fine antique fur-niture and designing beautiful flower gardens. She was a skilled knitter and an avid reader of English history. She also enjoyed boating with her family on Gull Lake in Minnesota and the Great Lakes. However, most importantly Kathy was a kind and loving wife, mother, and grandmother. Her family was her reason for being. She gave more to her family than could ever be recounted. Her cheerful giving spirit befriended all who met her. She was truly an extraordinary lady loved by all. Kathy is survived by her husband Harry J. Pearce; daughters, Shannon Paula (George) Baker and Drs. Susan Pearce (Robert) Pikal; son, Harry Mark (Katie) Pearce; three grandchildren: Hal, Pearce, and Jack Baker. She was preceded in death by her parents, Paul and Mary Bruk and her brother, Paul Bruk Jr. Funeral from First United Methodist Church, 1589 W. Maple, Birmingham, Saturday 11am. Visitation at Lynch & Sons Funeral Home, 1368 N. Crooks Rd. (Between 14-15 Mile Rds.) Friday 3-9pm. Interment in Acacia Park



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PHYLLIS GLEE BOUFFARD

On June, 30 2006 with her son Tom by her side, in her 81st year, our dear mother and grandmother passed away. Of classic grace and beauty, she laughed, loved, gave, played, ave more, danced, forgave, trusted judged not; was rightly stubborn, loyal, strong, proper, compassionate and witty. She knew struggle and was a survivor. Memories of her dancing to the music of Tony Bennett and Al Hibler, of her incomparable spaghetti sauce, of her dear friends and love of Oakville, of shelling on the beach, of her joy in living simple pleasures, these and so much more all live on. In her life she left much more than she took. Thanks Mom for always being there- Peter, Tom, Barb, Liane and Betsy. She also left 9 grandchildren: Brandon, Joe, Crystal, Jamie, Matt, John, Andy, Rick, Siobhan, and Shannon and 2 great-grandchildren: Mia and Caden. Memorial service will be held in Westland, Michigan, Friday, July 7th.

SARAH JANE EVERY

Age 87, July 1, 2006. Wife of Peter Dear mother of Pauline Hina and Jacqueline Gillahan. Dear sister of Peter Cummings. Dearest grandmother of 4 & great grandmother of 4. Services were held R.G. & G. R. Harris Funeral Home (734-422-6720) in charge of arrangements.



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n Cranbrook Art Museum. Call (248) 645-3320: www.cranbrookart.edu/museum; \$6 for adults, \$4 for seniors (65-plus) and students; free for members and children 12 and under. Wednesday Sunday 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Fourth Fridays open until 9

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Exhibit: "Think Again! Presence of the Past in Contemporary Art," through Sept. 17

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Cranbrook Institute of Science, (248) 645-3200; science.cranbrook.edu. \$7 for adults, \$5 for children 2-12 and seniors (65 plus); free for members and children under 2

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Up to the 'Challenge'

Little League provides special time and place for special kids to play baseball

BY TIM SMITH STAFF WRITER

The balls are rubber-coated and fluorescent yellow, bases are flat and players have "Buddies" who make sure they don't fall on their way around the field at Claude Allison in Redford Township.

But Saturday mornings in the Challenger Little League are like the All-Star Game and Game 7 of the World Series combined for the young boys and girls who play despite physical or learning disabilities. Simply put, it's their time to shine.

"The kids enjoy every minute of being out here," said Ruth Wood, a Livonia resident and bench

coach for the Red

Sox, one of two

teams in the

'It's open to everybody, in all the school districts. It's not just open to the Redford kids.' **Ruth Wood**

Challenger division of North Redford Central Little League. "Whether they're kids in wheelchairs or walkers, they feed off each other and it Livonia really seems to get them to experience

something they can't experience any other time." Ruth has a personal knowledge of that.

Her son, Daniel, 9, gets pumped up to play every Saturday despite having Down syndrome.

"I know my kid loves it," she said during a recent contest between the Red Sox and Marlins. "He wakes up on Saturday and goes 'It's baseball day, it's baseball day!

Baseball days open with the pledge of allegiance followed by shouts of "play ball" from Challenger division vice-president Darrell Hively of Redford.

Coaches pitch to kids or help the moredisabled youngsters hit off a tee.

Then there is the sheer exuberance of wheelchair-bound Danny Latour, one of the Marlins. His soon-to-be-stepdad (Redford's Tom Soukup) puts his arms around 13-year-old Danny - afflicted at

PLEASE SEE CHALLENGERS, B5



Bridget Johnson of Westland walks her son, 10year-old Troy, back to second base so he can throw the ball back to the pitcher.



Deborah Marlow of Wayne helps her son Denver, who is visually impaired, swing at the fluorescent yellow rubber-coated baseball.



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During a break in the action, Westland's Patrick Brennan, 7, tells his dad, John, that he wants a snack.

Undefeated Demolition drives into playoffs

BY BRAD EMONS STAFF WRITER

The Drive For Five is already in full swing as the undefeated **Detroit Demolition will face** the Chicago Force in the opening round of the Independent Women's Football League playoffs, 7 p.m. Saturday at Livonia Churchill High School.

Boxing legend Roy Jones, Jr. will take part in the pre-game coin flip festivities and will be available for autographs. The National Anthem will be sung by local R&B star J-Renee Stevenson, A halftime show will be performed by Bodyhead Entertainment's 3-D.

The Demolition, led by captains Kim Grodus and Bridget Porter, went undefeated in the Midwest Division of the IWFL's Western Conference, while outscoring their opponents 373-21 this season

They are working on a 50game winning streak, a record for any football organization, professional, collegiate or semi-pro.

(including five shutouts).

Under the leadership of head coach Tony Blankenship, the Demolition have compiled a record of 54-1 since their inaugural season in 2002. Blankenship, an All-State defensive back at Detroit

Murray-Wright H.S., lettered three seasons in football and graduated from the University of Michigan.

The Demolition, owned and managed by Mitch Rosen, kicked off their 2006 season. their first in the IWFL, on April 29, in search of their fifth national title and fourth straight undefeated season. Their first four home regular season games were played at Detroit Redford High's Huskies Stadium.

A victory over Chicago (6-2) would insure a second-round playoff matchup scheduled for Saturday, July 15 at Churchill.

The IWFL championship

game will be played Saturday,

July 29 in Long Beach, Calif. The IWFL was founded in 2000 by a group dedicated to making women's football household name. The IWFL currently consists of 31 teams across North American from Montreal, Quebec, south Florida and Oregon.

Tickets for Saturday's Demolition-Force playoff game are available by calling (866) 794-DEMO. You can can also visit the Web Site at www.detdemolition.com. (Ticket prices vary with special early purchase and group rates avail-



Division champ

The 13-and-under Thunderbird Volleyball Organization took a gold medal in the Silver Division at the state AAU volleyball tournament held June 3-4 at Aquinas College in Grand Rapids. Members of TVO, based out of Livonia St. Edith Church, include (from left) Becca Rizzolo, club coordinator Gary Smart, Hollie Anderson, Caitlyn Willyard, Rachel Heath, Monika Rudis, Jackie Dolmetsch, Carly Stevenson, Reina Tyl, coaches Theresa and Amanda Hamilton.

Late rally sends Rams to defeat, 5-3

The Michigan Rams couldn't close the deal Friday night in Livonia Michigan Collegiate Baseball League action at Ford

After scoring twice in the bottom of the sixth to knot the game at 3-all, the Rams gave up two runs in the top of the seventh as the Michigan Monarchs pulled out a 5-3 victory.

The loss drops the Rams to 12-7, while the Monarchs improved to 6-13.

Cody Johnson was the culprit for the Monarchs, going 3-for-4 with a single, double, triple and three RBI. He also scored a run. Mickey White went 2-for-4 with an RBI, while Xander Younce scored twice.

The Rams, outhit 10-5, got an RBI from Wayne's Eric Vojtkofsky. Other hits were collected by Scott Cain, Matt Nickels, Rob Campbell and Kyle Hurtt. Nickels scored twice runs, while Cain also had a run scored.

Eastern Michigan University's Bobby Henderson, in relief of starter Steve Karchefske, took the loss. Henderson went the final 2.1 innings, allowing two runs on three hits and two walks. He fanned three.

Kevin Alland, who pitched a scoreless seven, allowing one hit to go along with a strikeout, got the victory in relief for the Monarchs.

Hall to Henry Ford

Second-team All-Observer boys basketball selection Joel Hall of Livonia Churchill will play next season at Henry Ford Community College.

Hall, a 5-foot-11 guard, averaged 18 points per game as a senior for the Chargers, while hitting 35 percent from threepoint range (40-for-114) and 46.6 percent overall from the field (134-for-287). He also made 80 percent of his free throws (60-of-75).

MIAA scholars

The Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic **Association recently** announced its list of Scholar-Athletes for the 2005-06 sports season.

Among those achieving a minimum 3.5 gradepoint average include Hope College track and field athlete Laura Borovsky (Livonia Churchill) and St. Mary's (Ind.) College senior ten nis player Kristen Palombo (Livonia-Farmington Hills Mercy), both four-time recipients.

Also honored was Albion College junior football player Pete Shaw (Livonia Clarenceville).

MU golf tryouts Tryouts for the

Madonna University men's and women's golf teams will be at 6:30 p.m. Thursday, July 13, at Whispering Willows Golf Course in Livonia.

Scholarships are available. You must pre-register

for the nine-hole round. (Driving range will be available.) For more information.

call MU golf coach Scott Marzolino at (734) 432-5670; or e-mail smarzolino@madonna.edu.

O&E golf tourney

The annual Men's and Women's Observer & Eccentric Open golf tournament will be Saturday, and Sunday, Aug. 12-13, at Whispering Willows and Fox Creek golf courses in'Livonia.

The men's event is 36hole medal play at Whispering Willows (Aug. 12) and Fox Creek (Aug. 13). The fee is \$95 (cart not included). You must have a maximum of handicap of 20. The women's tourney is

18-hole medal play Aug. 12 at Whispering Willows. The entry fee is \$50 (does not include cart). You must have a current U.S.G.A. index to participate.

Entries close at 6 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 5. It will be limited to the first 200 golfers.

For more information, call Whispering Willows at (248) 476-4493.

Junior golf divot

Livonia's Ryan Alger shot 80-73-153 to win the Boys 11-15 age division on the Power-Bilt Junior Tour event (No. 7), June 28-29, at The Fortress in Frankenmuth.

Former champs return for shot at shootout

couple of world famous golfers with Michigan and Detroit-area ties were back in Michigan this week, and though they are senior players, ...



On the Links

Michael Patrick Shiels

Stadler joined Fred Couples and Chris DiMarco, who stood in for Phil Mickleson, at Treetops Resort in Gaylord to compete in the annual ING Par-3 Shootout, which aired on ESPN Monday and Tuesday nights on

they were still battling

Andy North and Craig

in a youthful fashion.

PGA Tour players

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The foursome played a skins game

on Treetops Resort's "Threetops Course" - a stunning, award-winning collection of nine dramatic par-3 holes on which the players had a chance to win \$1 million for a hole-in-one.

Detroit area ties, you ask? To use a phrase in Skins game parlance, "you bet!"

Andy North is well-known around Oakland Hills Country Club in Bloomfield Township because he won the United States Open held there on a rainy weekend in 1985. That was North's second U.S. Open title - a remarkable feat in an otherwise unremarkable career in professional golf. He won two U.S. Opens (1978 Cherry Hills and '85 Oakland Hills), but only one other PGA Tour event - the Westchester Classic.

And though North won that U.S. Open at Oakland Hills, most people who attended or watched that championship on ABC don't associate the tournament with North as much as they remember the little-known Chinese player Tze-Chiang (known as T.C.) Chen, who dominated the leader board - at one point opening up a fiveshot lead.

Chen electrified the field with two shots - a double eagle and a double hit! Chen made the only double-eagle in U.S. Open history by holing his second shot on the par-5 second hole, but in the final round double-hit a wedge shot from deep, wet and tangled

greenside rough at the fifth hole.

"I guess most people will remember that U.S. Open for T.C.'s shot, but that's okay with me. I got my name on the trophy for a second time and they can't take that away from me. To win a U.S. Open under any circumstances is a very satisfying accomplishment," North told me this week. "What most people don't remember about that week is what I remember - how hard the golf course was and how tough the rainy, blustery conditions were during Saturday's third round. I was very proud of the way I hung in there and kept myself in the championship."

North won only \$20,000 in this week's ING Par-3 Shootout, but he was a winner when he returned to Michigan last June for his first appearance in the event. The tall, slender, gray-haired fellow pocketed \$350,000 for winning the skins game, an amount that exceeded the combined winnings of both his U.S. Open victories!

One of only 19 players in history with multiple U.S. Open wins, North occasionally plays in Champions Tour events, but makes his living as a television golf analyst for ABC and ESPN. Past Masters winner Craig Stadler's tie to Michigan is fairly recent. You know Stadler, the eternally frumpy and

fuzzy one known as 'The Walrus' because he literally resembles one. Unlike North, Stadler's posture as he carries his belly around the golf course is a permanent slouch. But on the golf course, he is any-

thing but a slouch. Oh, sure, like many of us, 'Stads' always appears to be disgusted with his own play, but he can be very proud of his 21 career PGA Tour wins, including that 1981 Masters victory, and his Michigan connection: a 2003 triumph in the Ford Senior Players Championship at the Tournament Players Club of Michigan

Two years ago, he became the first player to win an event on the PGA Tour and the over-50 circuit known as the Champions Tour.

in Dearborn.

The \$2.5 million Ford Senior Players Championship, incidentally, is leaving us after 26 years. The Champions Tour major event will be staged July 13-16 for the final time at the Jack Nicklausdesigned TPC.

The event, which was founded in 1983, moved to our area in 1990, when Jack Nicklaus outraced Lee Trevino at Dearborn Country Club. The next year the event moved down the road to the brand new TPC on Rotunda Blvd.

The list of players who have won there include the likes of Raymond Floyd, past Ryder Cup captain Dave Stockton, Gil Morgan, Hale Irwin, Stadler, and defending champion Peter Jacobson. Nicklaus, Arnold Palmer, Chi Chi Rodriguez, Gary Player, Curtis Strange, Tom Kite and so many of the greats joined us here over the years for the championship - the tournament deserves a well-attended, warm send

For ticket information, call (866) FSPC-TIX or visit www.PGATour.com. Proceeds benefit southeast Michigan charities. The Ford Senior Players Championship will also be shown on CBS Television.

(Michael Patrick Shiels is the golf columnist for the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers. He may be contacted at MShiels@aol.com.)

Pistons summer league team beckons for Borgess alum

BY BRAD EMONS STAFF WRITER

Hoskin was an All-Stater at Redford Bishop Borgess who helped the Spartans win the 1997 Class D state championship before going to Eastern Kentucky University where he averaged double figures and led the Colonels in scoring.

After coach Scott Perry left, Hoskin returned home and played one season at Schoolcraft College where he earned NJCAA All-America honors and helped the Ocelots to their first-ever trip to the Division I Nationals.

Hoskin then headed to DePaul University where he played one season under Pat Kennedy as a junior before finishing up with Dave Leito, averaging 15.6 points and 7.6 rebounds while hitting 54.1

percent of his shots from the

Hoskin earned an invite to the Seattle Sonics' training camp in 2003 and has played in Russia ever since, including stints with Ural Great Perm and Moscow Dynamo.

This past season, the 26year-old Hoskin averaged 13.1 points, 6.3 rebounds and 1.3 assists per game.

The Pistons summer league team consisting of current team roster players, draft picks and free agents left yesterday for Las Vegas and will begin play Saturday. They will play a total of five games with the summer league ending July 14.

"He's been over the last couple of years and has been playing pretty well from what I understand," said Pistons Director of Player Personnel Scott Perry, who coached

Hoskin his freshman year at Eastern Kentucky University. "He's lost weight and he says he's in good shape. We'll see how he functions on our summer league roster. We tried to add some pieces around some of the guys we had last year like Jason Maxiel, Amir Johnson and Alex Acker. It's a chance to give those guys an opportunity to play and learn a

little more about them and see

what improvement they've

made. "When I first saw Sam I thought he was tough and had a good skill set for a big man who is 6-8 and 6-9, but obviously there's a difference in our league. I always like the fact that he the ability to use both hands and the more he's played, the better he can face up and shoot the basketball. It will be fun to see how he plays.'

British soccer camp

The Garden City-based area chapter of the Christian Youth Soccer League is hosting the upcoming Challenger British Soccer Camp, slated from Monday, July 31 through Friday, Aug. 4.

British coaches will teach the various half- and full-day sessions, available to kids ages 4-18 throughout the Observerland area.To sign up, go to the Web site, challengersports.com.

Call (734) 513-7844 for more information. The deadline to register without a late fee is Friday, July 21.

Camp for Champs

Carlos Briggs' Basketball Camp for Champs will be from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., Monday through Friday, July 31 through Aug. 4 at a new location, Basketball Planet in Canton.

The cost is \$150 per camper. (Checks should be made payable to: Basketball Planet, 7171 N. Haggerty Road, Canton, Mi. 48187.

The air-conditioned facility features five full regulation-size courts, weight training equipment and concessions. For more information, call

coach Briggs at (248) 497-8406. Whaler Hockey School

The Plymouth Whalers of the Ontario Hockey League will be offering a pair of hockey schools at Compuware Sports Arena including an all-day school for ages 7-9 (Session A) and 10-12 (Session B for intermediate skill level) from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, July

The cost is \$450 (includes

There will also be a power-

skating school for ages 7-10 (beginning to intermediate skill level) from 9-11:50 a.m., Monday through Friday, July 17-21. The cost is \$325 (includes goalies).

SPORTS CAMPS

All camp participants will receive a Whalers camp jersey and T-shirt. There will also be a Jet's Pizza party on Friday. (Lunch will not be provided Monday through Thursday).

For more information, including the new high school camp (Aug. 14-18), call (734) 453-6400 or visit www.compuwarehockey.com.

MU All-Star Hoops

The Madonna University All-Star Basketball Camp (ages 8-15), directed by men's coach Chuck Henry, features one more session for boys: 8 a.m. to noon, July 31-Aug. 4 (cost \$130). There will also be a session for girls from 1-5 p.m. that same week, also with a fee of \$130.

For more information, call coach Henry at (734) 398-5973; or MU at (734) 432-5591.

Ladywood volleyball

The Livonia Ladywood High School summer volleyball camp will be from 9 a.m. until noon (grades 3-6) and 6-9 p.m. (grades 7-9), Monday through Thursday, June 26-29.

To obtain a camp registration, call the Ladywood athletic office at (734) 591-2323; or Cameron Kompoltowicz at (734) 637-5479.

Cross country camp

Madonna University will stage a camps for cross country including a base camp for serious high school runners from 8 a.m. to 10:30 a.m., Monday through Friday, July 31-Aug. 4 (cost \$95); and series of long

runs from 7:30-9 a.m. Saturdays, July 15, 22, 29; Aug. 5 and 13 (\$2 each day) - at Cass Benton Park.

For more information, or to obtain a registration form, call camp director and MU head cross country coach Pat Daugherty evenings at (734) 658-0226, or the MU cross country office at (734) 432-5634. You can also e-mail pdaugherty@madonna.edu.

Bullpen Academy

The Bullpen Baseball Academy will stage a camp, Tuesday through Thursday, July 25-27, at the Motor City Chiefs Baseball Park in Canton.

Players will receive group and individual instruction.

For more information, call the Bullpen at (248) 427-1819; or visit www.bullpenbaseball.com.

Cheer/Pom Pon

Registration is underway for The City of Livonia Department of Parks and Recreation's cheer and pom pon camp (ages 7-andup), which will be from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., Monday through Friday, Aug. 7-11, at the LCRC, located at 15100 Hubbard.

holders); \$130 (Livonia residents); and \$140 (non-residents). Pom pons are available for purchase the first day of camp of \$19.99.

For more information, call (734) 981-9900.

St. Michael Hoops

The St. Michael Boys Basketball Camp will be from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., Monday through Thursday, July 10-13, for boys entering grades 5-8.

For more information, call Jim Fisher at (734) 261-9706; or visit www.livoniastmichael.org.

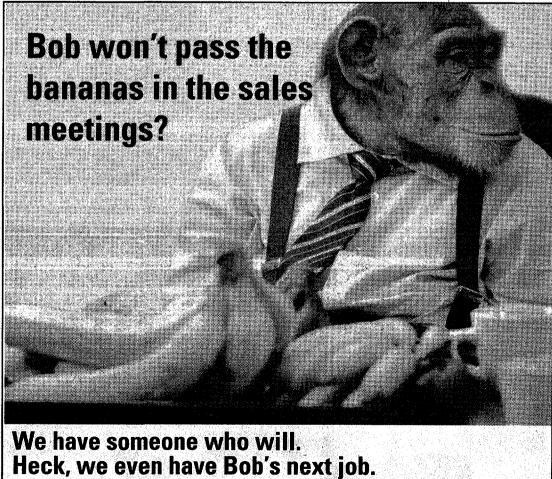


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Jeff Petry's NHL future pointing toward Edmonton

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the draft. That ranking

* "He always tells me that it's

sports, Jeff says. "To get to your

Jeff is home for the summer,

where he's skating in a league

that features junior and college

Des Moines for the next USHL

players. He'll then return to

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hockey.

work for it."

The Edmonton Oilers aren't the most popular hockey team among Detroit-area fans, after the eighth-seeded squad ousted the top-ranked Red Wings in the first round of the Stanley Cup playoffs in April. But the Oilers gained a few area fans June 24 when they selected Jeff Petry in the second round of the NHL's Entry Draft.

The former Orchard Lake St. Mary's defenseman was Edmonton's first selection in the draft, and the 45th player taken overall.

"It was a shock more than anything," said the 18-year-old Petry, because several other teams - but not Edmonton expressed strong interest in him prior to the draft.

He barely heard from the Oilers after the draft, either. Due to a poor cell phone connection, he understood very little of his conversation with an Edmonton official following his selection. Petry doesn't even know who he spoke with.

But the Oilers clearly know him.

"We had him rated in our top 15 on our list," said Edmonton's vice president of hockey operations, Kevin Prendergast, in a June 24 statement. "Our scouts really, really liked him only because of the upside. We're a little thin on defense within the organization and we think he's going to be able to play for us in four or five years.

That timetable agrees with Petry's own schedule.

Petry will return to Iowa for

a second season with the U.S. Hockey League's Des Moines Buccaneers this fall. Then he'll enter Michigan State on a hockey scholarship in 2007. He plans to play at least three years at MSU, at which point he says he'll be open to trying pro hockey.

Petry played two varsity seasons with St. Mary's, where he helped the Eaglets win the 2005 Division 3 state championship.

PERFECT PRIMER

Playing at St. Mary's, Petry says, helped prepare him for junior hockev.

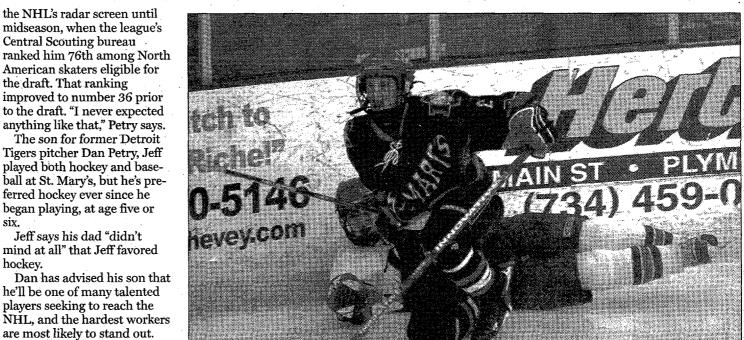
"The coaches at St. Mary's helped me a lot," Petry says. "Especially Ray Markham," an assistant coach who worked with Petry on the finer points of defensive play.

Petry left St. Mary's after his junior season to play for the Buccaneers. The move paid off, as his stellar play in the top U.S. junior league drew the attention of NHL scouts.

"I played with older guys and stronger guys," Petry explains. "The speed of the game is a lot quicker. You couldn't get away with things you could get away with" in high school hockey.

Petry started slowly in Des Moines, but his ice time and his play picked up as the season progressed. A swift-skating defenseman who handles the puck well, the 6-feet-2 1/2, 176-pound Petry was plus-6 this season. He scored one goal and added 14 assists in 48 games and helped the Buccaneers win the USHL's Clark Cup championship.

Petry didn't know he was on



Former Orchard Lake St. Mary's defenseman Jeff Petry was a second-round selection of the Edmonton Oilers in the recent National Hockey League Entry Draft.

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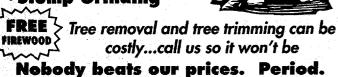
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Changes in store for hunters of anterless deer

t seems a little early to be talking about hunting seasons, but that's exactly what has taken place recently in Lansing between the DNR and the state Natural Resources Commission, which sets the regulations that the DNR pro-

In order for new regulations to be in place by the time hunting starts in the fall, the NRC must approve any changes early in the summer so hunt-



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ing guides will be printed in time to reflect those changes. This year, the major changes have to do with antlerless deer hunting permits.

In recent years, the DNR has made no bones about its desire to reduce the deer herd, statewide. To accomplish that goal — against the wishes of many hunters - liberal numbers of antlerless permits have been issued. The state is finally starting to back off on that plan, noting that the deer herd in most of the Upper Peninsula and northern Lower Peninsula is at or near the desired goal.

In the southern L.P., the number is still higher than desired, so liberal numbers of antlerless permits will again be available in Zone 3.

Changes in store for hunters this fall include a slight reduction in the overall number of permits issued, specifically in the northern Lower and Upper Peninsula; closing several DMU's to antlerless hunting with a firearm; requiring proof of access for private land per-

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mits; and a later application period.

For starters, don't try to apply for a public land antlerless permit on July 1. The application period has been July 1-Aug. 1 for many years, but was moved back two weeks this year (July 15-Aug. 15) to enable the NRC to set the number of antlerless permits that will be available in each of the state's 97 deer management units at its July 6 meet-

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One big change that has already been approved is an increase in the number of DMU's that will not have any antlerless permits available. No antlerless permits will be issued in nine DMU's in the U.P. (042, 131, 066, 027, 036, 007, 152, 021 and 048) and five in the northern Lower Peninsula (010, 028, 040, 083, and 043). Bowhunters will be able to harvest an antlerless deer in these DMU's with an archery or combination license. In addition, four DMU's in the Upper (127, 031, 049 and 017) and 15 in the Lower (245, 145, 045,051,053,063,064,062, 054, 067, 057, 018, 026, 006 and 025) will have only private land antlerless licenses available. Again, bowhunters will still be able to harvest an antlerless deer on public land in these DMU's with an archery or combination

license. Other regulations approved by the NRC include:

■ A limit of three antlerless permits statewide, per hunter. No more than two of those permits can be for DMU's in the U.P and northern L.P.

■ Hunters must provide the phone number of the landowner on whose property they have permission to hunt. The number will be printed on the license so it can be used by CO's in the field who stop hunters on private property. The idea is that it will crack down of trespassers.

■ Hunters in the Upper and northern Lower will need permission to hunt at least 40 continuous acres of land in order to qualify for a private land permit.

The 40-acre requirement and the three-permit limit will not be in affect in the TB Zone in northeastern Lower Michigan.

HUNTING BILLS MOVE IN LEGISLATURE

Additional changes could be in store for hunters this fall, especially young hunters.

Two bills, one that would reduce the minimum age required to hunt in Michigan, and one that would set up an apprentice hunting license, are

on the move in Lansing. The state Senate recently passed HB 5192, which would lower the age for hunting big game with a firearm from 14 to 12, and lower the age for hunt-

ing smallgame from 12 to 10. The Senate also approved SB 1105, which would allow new hunters to temporarily bypass the required hunter education class and hunt with experi-

enced mentors. Under HB 5192, 12- and 13year-olds would be limited to hunting on private property hunting for white-tailed deer, bear or elk. They would still have to be with a parent or

guardian. SB 1105 would allow individuals who have never had a hunting license to hunt for two years, when accompanied by a licensed hunter, without taking the hunter education class required to purchase a license.

Proponents of SB 1105 say the legislation would allow potential new hunters to experience hunting without forcing them to take a timely hunter education course. Many people don't know if they will enjoy the hunting experience and don't want to waste their time on a weekend class if they don't know if they'll continue to hunt. The apprentice license will allow them to get a taste of hunting, under direct supervision of an experienced hunter, before investing in a hunter education class.

The bills were sent to the House for approval.

(Bill Parker covers the outdoors for the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers. Hunters and anglers are urged to report their success. Questions and comments are also encouraged. Send information to: Bill Parker, c/o Outdoors, 805 E. Maple, Birmingham, MI 48009.)

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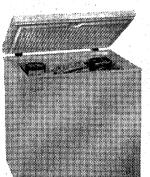
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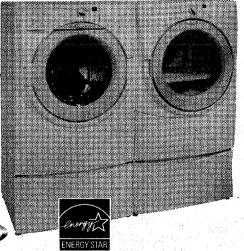
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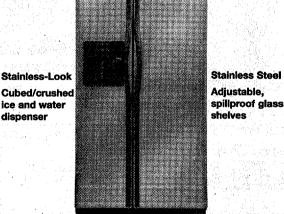
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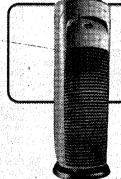
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birth with cerebral palsy - and helps him swing the bat and make

JUST BEAMING

From that point, Soukup wheels Danny around the basepaths and as they reach home plate, the kid's unbridled joy is palpable.

"Do you see him smiling out there?" said Danny's grandfather, Cliff Latour of Dearborn Heights. "He just loves this, thank God they've got this. ... He can't talk, walk or anything but he's aware of everything, okay? He knows exactly what he's doing."

Redford Township's Melissa Collard shakes her head and smiles when she talks about Danny or thinks about the incredible physical and/or social gains the fourth-year league has resulted in for other kids, who are eligible to play in the division regardless of what towns they live in.

The North Redford Central Little League board member actually spearheaded the venture in 2003, after reading about the success of Little League Baseball's national Challenger division (which has grown to about 22,000 players since it was launched in

Collard - then and now - realized how such an opportunity would be priceless to kids who otherwise would be shut out from playing organized ball. One of those kids is her 9-year-old son Jacob, who doesn't let Down syndrome stop him from eating, sleeping or drinking the sport.

In 2003, she approached NRCLL president Robert Mockeridge about starting up the

"He said 'If you can get kids to play you can have the division," Collard said. "It's a different division, just like the Minors, Majors, T-ball and girls softball. It's just a division for mentally and physically impaired kids."

Originally, enough players signed up to fill four teams. But enrollment since has declined to the point where the division only has two squads.

"The majority of players have come back," Collard said. "Others have left to try swimming, or different things. I'd like to expand it and get it back up to four teams again. That way, they're not playing the same team each week,



Everybody connected with the North Redford Central Little League Challenger division - including the woman who started it four years ago, Melissa Collard (sitting, far right) - enjoys a moment together following a recent Saturday morning game at Claude Allison Field.

which makes it a lot more fun for them."

This season began April 22 following the NRCLL opening day parade (where the Challenger kids proudly participated right next to kids from all of the other divisions) and concluded July 1, after which efforts will continue to drum up new players, funding and awareness for the 2007 season.

PLENTY TO SEE

According to Ruth Wood, that means there is one more chance this season to check it out.

"It's open to everybody, in all the school districts," Ruth Wood said. "It's not just open to the Redford kids. It's open to Livonia, Garden City, kids from all over, and that's the biggest thing, getting the word out there that this league exists and what we do."

If people come out to watch, they will see plenty to be amazed about:

Livonia's Zachary Francis, 9, jumping on home plate after scoring a run with plenty of encouragement from Nikki Owens - a 7year-old Westland girl who volunteers to catch and be a "Buddy."

"He's always had a talent for hitting the ball," said the autistic boy's dad, John Francis. "It's fantastic for him to get out here. It helps him with his social skills, he's not a very social kid.'

Daniel Wood sliding home and high-fiving his Buddy, 11-

year-old Zak Wilson of Redford. Livonia's Dale Edwards, a fourth-year player from Livoniabased Webster Elementary (one of the centers where many Challengers attend school), crouching in the field ready to

make a play. Standing next to him to lend support is his Buddy, 10vear-old Jake Tudor. Or just watching 12-year-old

David Schultz of Redford as he stands out in the field, quite a feat

David, in his third year with the Challengers, lost his vision in 1994 when he was diagnosed with brain cancer. He had surgery and did get his sight back, but he could barely walk when he first joined the league. These days, he is cancer free and able to slowly move around in the field.

"By the end of (last) season he could get his mitt on the ground," Melissa Collard said. "He doesn't give up."

🖪 After scoring, Jacob Collard does a little dance near the plate; after the four-inning game, in which everybody played and nobody kept score (per national Challenger rules), Wayne resident Denver Marlow enthusiastically bumped chests with anybody he could.

BUDDY SYSTEM

"They're out there to have fun," Collard said. "We try to get the basics down. A lot of kids don't even know where to run. So vou have Buddies that are there to help the kids with whatever they need.

"They are there to direct them, like after they hit the ball off the

tee. Direct them to go to first. Some kids don't stop and get home runs every time, they just run around all of the bases."

Collard's 13-year-old daughter. Mallory, is a Buddy and so are their neighbors, Keith and Kurt Wahlers.

"I like helping them, so they can have fun without getting hurt," Mallory said. "At the end of the game, everybody will come up and give you a hug.'

One of the veteran Buddies is 11-year-old Zak Wilson, the first to sign up for the important job when the Redford division got started.

"He loves being out here and I've always encouraged my sons to do volunteer work," said his mom, Robin Wilson. "... He loves the kids out here, it's his favorite time of the week."

Zak, who has a speech impediment himself, said he loves being a Buddy because it is good 'karma" to help others who need

"It makes him feel good inside," Robin Wilson said.

The selflessness of Zak and all of the Buddies is essential to Challenger players enjoying positive experiences each week.

"They're so happy, they (Challenger players) come out here for the pure fun of it," Robin said. "Their faces light up every time they catch the ball or make a play. It helps the heart. Everybody should come and watch and be a Buddy. It's good for the soul." tsmith@hometownlife.com | (734) 953-2106

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Any child can join Challengers

BY TIM SMITH STAFF WRITER

It takes money to run a Little League, even something as wonderful as the Challenger division.

But even though the division is operated by the North Redford Central Little League, it is not restricted to Redford Township residents. It also is a welcoming place for children in walkers and wheelchairs to play baseball, too.

Those messages need to get through to families, said Challenger vice-president Darrell Hively. Otherwise, a league that shrank from four teams in 2003 to two this spring could be in some jeopardy.

"There's no exception," said Hively, a Redford Township resident. "Every child can play and have a good time and intermingle, be with other kids and learn team play and have a good time for two hours every Saturday morning."

Those kids can live in Livonia, Garden City, Westland, Plymouth, Canton or anywhere else in the vicinity. It doesn't matter what school district they attend.

"We turn no child down at all," Hively added. "We turn no child down at all."

With a band of dedicated parents leading the charge with various fund-raisers and other awareness-building efforts, hopes are for the division to keep on rolling into a fifth year in 2007.

To find out more about Challenger, go to the North Redford Central Little League's Web site (www.nrcll.com) or contact NRCLL board member Melissa Collard at (313) 531-3845. Collard founded the local division in 2003.

IN THE SPOTLIGHT

Following is a who's who of the North Redford Central Little League Challenger program: Red Sox: (managers, Dan and Ruth Wood, Livonia; coach, Jim McKernan, Westland; team mom. Cathy Mertz, Livonia); players, Daniel Wood, Livonia; Justin McKernan, Westland; Jacob Collard, Redford Township; Michael Antieau, Plymouth; Chloe Mertz, Livonia; Patrick Brennan, Westland; Ryan Kujawa, Redford Township; Zachary Francis, Livonia; David Schultz, Redford Township; Rachel Song, Garden City.

Martins: (managers, Cliff and Andrea Latour, Dearborn Heights; coach, Deborah Marlow, Wayne; team moms, Sue Owens, Westland and Abby Edwards, Livonia); players, Danny Latour, Dearborn Heights; Denver Marlow, Wayne; Adam Owens, Westland; John Sondergaard, Livonia; Dale Edwards, Livonia; Troy Johnson, Westland; Lucas Edgeworth, Livonia; Nate Urban, Redford Township: Nicole Buczkowski, Canton: Andrew Meeker, Livonia.







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Platinum champs

The 12-and-under Thunderbird Volleyball Organization (TVO), based out of St. Edith Church in Livonia, took the silver medal platinum division at the AAU state tournament, June 3, at the University of Michigan-Dearborn. Members of the TVO squad include (from left) Miranda Bator, Ashley Kaminski, coach Theresa MacDonald, Courtney Crowley, Shanyn Rapson, Katie Groechel, Erica DeSmedt and Katie Koehler. (Not pictured are Katie Gubachy and Kayce Nieto.)

SPORTS ROUNDUP

SOCCER WORKOUTS

The Salem boys soccer team will begin optional summer conditioning sessions soon for all players who plan on playing on one of the Rocks' three teams in the fall.

Sessions began 6-8 p.m. July 5 and continue every Monday, Wednesday and Friday through July 21. The workouts will be held in front of Canton High School's Phase III facility. Players should bring soccer shoes, shin guards and water.

For more information, contact Salem soccer coach Ed McCarthy at (248) 561-2846.

CANTON X-COUNTRY

Nonmandatory summer conditioning sessions have begun for anyone interested in trying out for the Canton boys cross country team in the fall. The team will meet at 8 a.m. on weekday mornings outside Canton High School's Phase III facility.

Training sessions will consist of a warmup run, stretching, workout run, cool down and more stretching. Runners are encouraged to bring their own water.

For more information, contact one of the team's captains: David Catalan at (734) 455-3045, Derek Hoerman at (734) 454-5746 or Aaron McClellan at (734) 981-7438. Interested participants are encouraged to

send an e-mail to mcclellan1982@wowway.com with their name, phone number and e-mail address so that they can be kept updated on any changes to the summer running schedule.

SUMMER CAMPS

Canton Leisure Services will be offering three summer sports camps:

A lacrosse camp for boys and girls between the ages of 4 and 18 will be held Monday through Thursday, July 10-13 at Heritage Park in Canton. The sessions will run from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. and 2:30-5:30 p.m.

To register, visit

www.americanlacrosse.com or call (248) 333-3929.

A baseball camp will be held 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. July 17-21 at Heritage Park. The camp is for kids between the ages of 7 and 14.

The camp will be run by Pat Watson, who offers instruction, games, videos and guests. For more information, call (734) 483-5600.

A basketball camp will be held Aug. 21-25 at the Summit on the Park in Canton. For more information, call (734) 483-5600.

YMCA HOOP

The Plymouth Family YMCA will be hosting a basketball camp the week of July 24-28. The camp, which will be run by a former collegiate basketball player and current high school coach, will help players become familiar with the ball and develop a love for the game. The camp will run from 9 a.m. to noon for 6- to 8-year-olds and from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. for kids between the ages of 9 and 11.

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by Jeff Lesson

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Although no one would confirm it, it is hard to imagine that they have been able to make much of a profit in recent years. The gate has been dwindling with very poor attendance.

In recent years, they have had to offer a free concert on the final day just to get people there (Huey Lewis, Hootie and the Blowfish, The Goo Goo Dolls). Sometimes it seemed there were more people to see the concert than the tournament. That was embarrassing.

The real problem has been the lack of star power on the Champions Tour. Since Jack Nicklaus, Arnold Palmer, Lee Trevino, Gary Player and company committed the cardinal sin of getting old, crowds have been minimal.

The Jack Nicklaus designed TPC of Michigan may still get another event on the Champions Tour, perhaps as early as next

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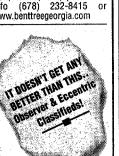
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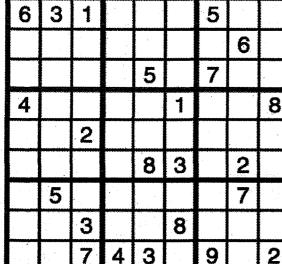
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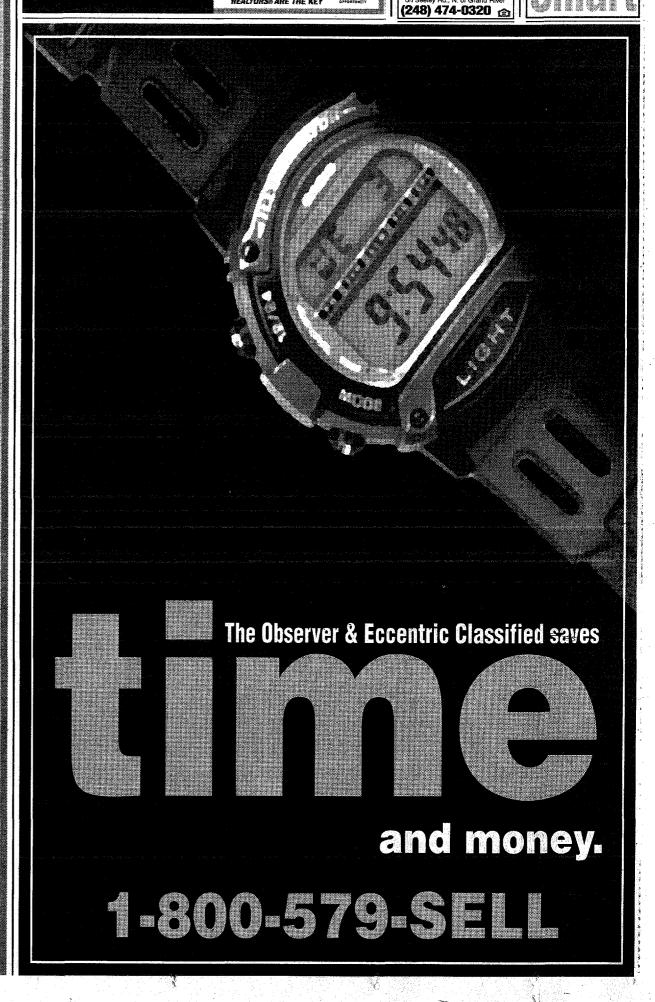
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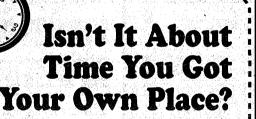
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enormous industry of products and services has emerged as employers attempt to make the best

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hiring decisions for their companies. Polygraph testing for employment was banned in 1988, according to attorney Joseph Schmitt in Legal Report, a professional journal. He co-chairs the Labor and Employment Practice at Halleland, Lewis, Nilan & Johnson P.A., in Minneapolis. However, he cites statistics of 2.5 million to 12 million people taking "honesty testing."

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Schmitt identifies two kinds of nonskill-based tests ferreting out undesirable applicants. "Overt integrity tests purport to communicate on their face what they are measuring ...," he explains. "Covert integrity tests (sometimes called 'personality-based tests') attempt to measure 'general psychological' characteristics," indicating how truthful a person is.

Assessment tools come in many guises, measuring integrity, personality, character, psychological profile or skills. Massachusetts disallows integrity tools, while Rhode Island does not allow them to be the sole deciding factor in a hiring decision, according to Schmitt. HR consultant Leslie Samet of The Human

Approach in Raleigh, N.C., clarifies that integrity tests measure morals and honesty.

You may not like assessment tools of any kind, whether they measure skills, integrity, personality, character or psychological profile, because of potential privacy invasion. You may also think that an employer is abrogating responsibility by paying for test-taking rather than conducting in-depth interviews.

Jon Simmons, president of Denver's Cardo Inc., which develops characterbased assessment tools, comments, "It's hard to hire people. . . (Employers might think,) 'Now that I have that, I don't have to worry about it." Samet offers another reason: "Sometimes it's difficult to define what we're looking for. So we hope for an assessment tool as a panacea."In other words, tests may well signify an employer's failure to think. Schmitt prices these products at \$25 and up.

'OPPORTUNITY TO RESPOND' Simmons predicts that as companies move toward a search for excellence in character, more tools measuring character will be developed. He views assessment tools of this kind as "an opportunity to respond," part of "a standardized set of (best) practices.'

He promotes taking the tests with the attitude that "even if I don't get the job, I have a chance to sharpen myself. We teach that even the smallest inconveniences are an opportunity to become better. Look at it as running toward. If people slough it off, that's a

character issue. It's not even so much about the questions."

If Simmons' perspective inspires you but you still have your doubts, take a few more steps:

- "Ask the employer if the tool is a disqualifier or merely one of many factors." (Schmitt)

- Request the weighting of each of the multiple factors used. (Samet)

- Find out whether the employer or a vendor developed the test. If the latter, how much does he know about the particular position? (Samet)

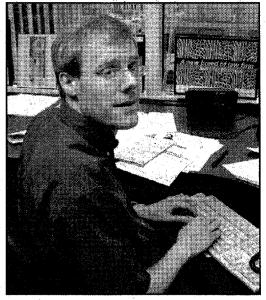
- "Research the tool, which is probably discussed on the company's website. A Google search can yield amazing results." (Schmitt)

- Ask how the person administering it can be certain that the tool is both valid and reliable. (Samet)

The last "is a legal requirement under federal law," Samet mentions. She says to ask for statistics pointing to accuracy in measurement and predictive outcomes. "Otherwise, it's useless," she adds. "The tool must help identify the perfect person without discrimination, so that (for example) it doesn't rule out all blacks. everyone over 40 or all women.'

Simmons asserts that "the true purpose of the test should be just this: how will the person respond to having to take it?" He further represents an employer's

dilemma when he comments, "In all of my hiring over the years, even now, what I am looking for are people that act. Start



Attorney Joseph Schmitt identifies two kinds of non-skill-based tests. Overt integrity tests and covert integrity tests.

it with whatever the company throws at you."

If you're still not convinced, consider what Schmitt says. Beware of questions about medical condition or disabilities. He further states, "If you strongly dislike these tests, and the company bases all of its decisions on the tests, then you probably should take that into account when assessing where you want to

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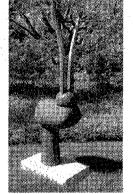
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7100 7100 Estate Sales **ESTATE SALE SOUTHFIELD**

Thurs- Sat; July 6-8; 10-5 Dining room set, table, chairs china cabinet buffet bdrm set w/ king size bed, end tables coffee tables, antiques, collectibles, depression glass glassware, household items Christmas items power tool samples, and much more. 29284 Murray Crescen (N. of 12 mile E. of Lahser).

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OAK PARK Thomasville dining set, china, Lladro, Hummel,& Swarovski figurines, Fri.-Sàt., 9:30-4. 13031 Rosemary, N. of 9, E./ Coolidge By Sunshine

PONTIAC Fri-Sat. 9-5, 1121 Dover, near Telegraph and Orchard Lake Rd., New washer/dryer, dining table w/6 chairs, sofa set, dressers, shelves, flatware, dishes, art books, paintings, frames, pottery, lamps, collectibles men's clothes, & much more

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3pc sectional, 5pc bedroom set, toys, clothing, bikes Playhouse, china, housewares You Name It! 4105 Meadow Way (Quarton & Telegraph) Julý 7, 8, 9; 9am-5pm **CANTON** Coves of Canton

July 7-8. 8am-4pm. House-hold items and misc. CANTON HUGE SALE July 6-7-8-9, 6460 Beck Rd at Hanford. 8:30am-? Collectibles, glass, antiques, furni-ture, dolls, toys, etc. CANTON Multi-family

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Garage Sales

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Furniture, 2 wheelchairs, nice

children & men's clothing art work, antique mirror. 4321 Westminster Way 7/6-8. N. of Ford, E. of Sheldon. CANTON 41657 Greenwood. right behind IKEA, July 7-8, 9-4, HUGE SALE! Boys clothes

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FARMINGTON - Fri.-Sun, July

7-9, 10-4pm. Baby & chil-dren's clothes & toys, hand

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7110 Garage Sales

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of Newburgh, N. of 96. July 7-9, 9-4pm. Girls & adult's clothes & misc. LIVONIA - Huge Garage Sale, July 7-8-9, 9AM-6PM. Merriman & Five Mile Rd.

Mile). Automotive tools, furni-

LIVONIA - 13980 Richfield, W

ture, household items.

30909 Roycroft. LIVONIA Four family Sale! July 7-8 9-5; 34738 St. Martins S (off Gill between 7 & 8 Mile) Baby equipment and clothes home safe, antique trunk, 2 room A/C, desk, area rugs golf clubs and sports equip ment, household items.

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LIVONIA - July 7-9, 9-6pm

Furniture, antiques, house-hold items, sports equipment, misc. 33940 Carl Dr., W. of

Farmington, N. of 7 Mile.

Garage Sales

LIVONIA 15108 Country Club, S of 5 & E of Levan, Thurs. & & lots of misc. items! 6679 Buckhorn Lake Rd., Milford Rd N. to Clyde, left 1/4 mile to Fri, 8am-4pm & Sat., 8am-noon. Baby/Kids' clothes & toys, household items, patio Buckhorn. July 6-8th, 9-3pm LIVONIA 37654 Margareta Di LIVONIA - Multi-family, July

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household, children's & misc LIVONIA - Furniture, toys clothes, kids' items & teacher items, misc., Fri & Sat., July 7-8, 9-4, 34190 Bretton W. of Farmington, N. of 7 off Gill Rd.

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MILFORD - Lifetime of accu-

mulation! Collectibles, elec-tronics, household items, furniture. & more! July 6-8 9am-4pm 2884 Central Blvd. NORTHVILLE Brighton Gardens Assisted Living, 15870 Haggerty, between, 5 & 6 Mile, July 8th, 9-3, Benefits

Alzheimer's Association

NORTHVILLE July 6-8 9-4; 336 Ely dr. North (8 mile and Novi) Tools, toys, small appliances, clothes, home interior and furnishings. NORTHVILLE DOWNTOWN Huge Garage/ Estate Sale 100s of vintage linens, furni ture, pottery/ glass, artwork, antiques, & other collectibles. July 6-8, 9am-5pm, 114 West

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St., 3 blks. off Main St.

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antiques, tools, some garder & household items. July 992 Palmer, corner of Harvey REDFORD July 8-9; 9-5. 19168 Lexington (7 Mile between Inkster and Beech Daly). All proceeds go to Breast Cancer, 3 day walk

REDFORD 14133 Norborne off Beach Daly & Lydon, Fri. & Sat., 9am-5pm. Plus size-women's clothing, home appliances, household items, florist supplies. Christmas decora tions, a little bit of everything!

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ture & clothing, washer/drver

women's plus size clothing

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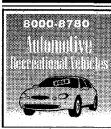
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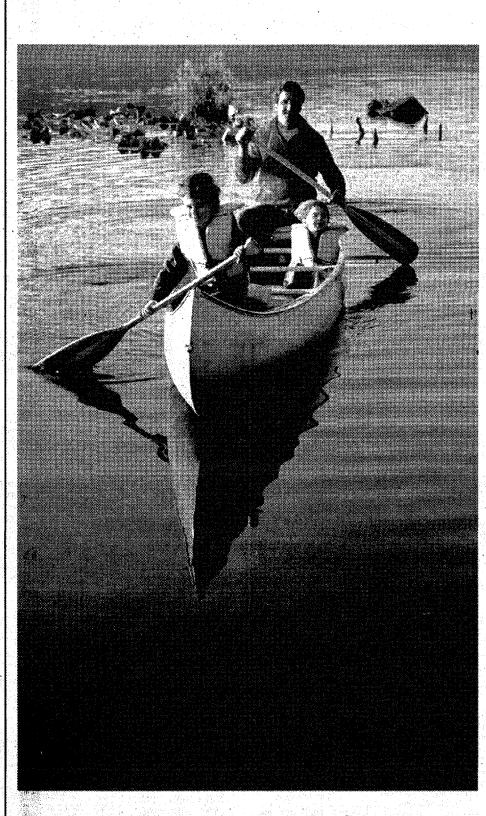
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With its rugged, pickup truck platform, it s easy to mistake the 2007 Lincoln Mark LT as a spiffier version of its cousin, the popular-selling Ford F-150. But the Lincoln Mark LT built on the same platform as the F-150 is much more.

It's a stylish luxury truck packed with features that discriminating buyers have come to expect, not only from their luxury sedans but from their pickup trucks as well. The luxe touches you dexpect to find in a Lincoln are all here: chrome accents on the front and rear bumpers, side mirrors, door handles, running boards and parts of the tail pipe. Revised headlamps and waterfall grille further distinguish this luxury truck.

Launched in 2005, the Mark LT was Fords answer to critics of its maligned 2002 Lincoln Blackwood Ford's attempt at a luxury pickup truck that was quickly shelved after being critics lampooned its small bed and lack of 4-wheel drive.

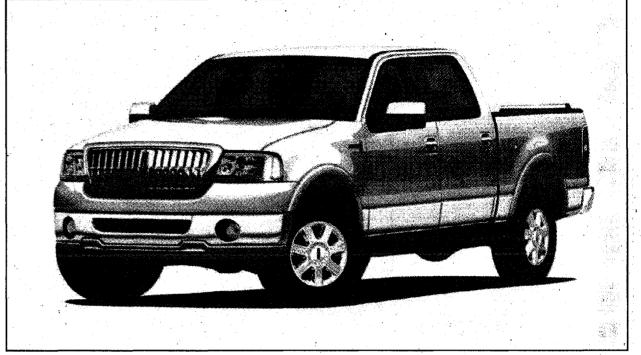
The Mark LT is built on the same chassis, body and powertrain as the F-150, but that's where the similarities end. Make no mistake: This is nothing like the F-150, and that s exactly how Ford wants it.

Ford ratcheted up the 2007 Mark LTs panache, adding ebony wood trim on the steering wheel, ebony wood accents on door handles, chrome surrounds on the rear tail lamps and new chrome Lincoln stars on the back of the seats and console

Also new is an optional monochrome package on the body grille, bumpers, mirror caps, as well as chrome step bars and power folding heated mirrors with chrome caps a headturner with a more stylish, refined look than the 2006 model.

The inside looks just as good as the outside, with three new interior combinations: premium leather ebony seats with black trim; dove gray seats with black trim; and light parchment seats with pebble

With an optional DVD navigation system, Sirius



2007 Lincoln Mark LT Vehicle class: Luxury pickup truck. Power: V-8 engine. Mileage: 2WD. 4-speed automatic, 15 city /19 highway: 4WD, 4-speed automatic, 14 city / 18 highway. Where built: Dearborn, Mich. Base price: \$39,555-\$43,110, depending on the version.

satellite radio, reverse sensing system and power adjustable pedals, the Mark LT combines nearly all of the features of a luxury sedan into a pickup truck.

But with a longer, 6.5—foot cargo bed, this truck isn t only for those that want to style and profile. It s got heft, too. A larger wheelbase on the 4X4 and 4X2 versions of the Lincoln Mark LT give the longbed Marx LT an additional 10-feet of cargo space perfect for transporting that extra dresser or loft

Its a comfortable, nimble ride, thanks to a Hotchkiss-design rear suspension system with rear shock absorbers on the frame rails like the F-150, and smooth rack and pinion steering system.

A 5.4 liter V-8 engine and a towing capacity of 8,900 pounds gives the Mark LT the ability to tow a horse trailer or small yacht in style.

And there's still enough room inside, with enough room to carry five adults comfortably with heated front captain's chairs and rear bench seats.

With all these luxury features, the Mark LT isn t exactly the kind of truck you d want to use to lug your kids stuff to their dorm rooms. Not because it can t, but because it s just too darn pretty. But for discriminating pickup truck lovers who want a step above the Ford F-150, the Mark LT is



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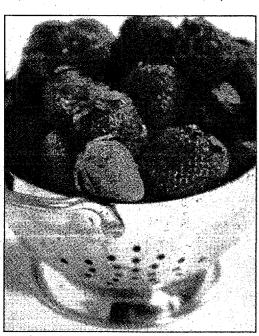
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By Nicole Stafford staff writer



The pies

Simple summer recipes make them berry good

e put them in jellies and jams, can and jar them, and even freeze them - all in an effort to preserve their summertime flavor.

But summer is here, and the sweetest of all fruit - strawberries, raspberries, blueberries, cherries and other berries - are fresh from the vine and in season (and if they aren't, they will be shortly).

The truth is summer berries taste divine all by themselves in a bowl with a dash of sugar and a splash of milk or cream. The berries alone make for feast of the senses.

That's why the best berry pie recipes keep it simple. Minimal ingredients honor the integrity of the fruit and do nothing but showcase the sweet flavor of the berries.

With the simplicity principle in mind, we selected three berry pie recipes submitted by our readers to share. Enjoy!

BERRIES BY THE SEASON

- **Blueberries:** Start appearing as early as May in some growing regions, but peak in July.
- **Strawberries:** Garden strawberries, the type sold in commercial markets, are grown in greenhouses offseason, explaining their availability in colder months. But the plant's true growing season is June.
- I Raspberries: Late sum mer and early autumn with some technology-enhanced cultivation outside the natural growing season.
- Blackberries: Appear and ripen May to August
- Cherries: Their season starts to peak in June.



The blueberry season typically peaks in July.



STRAWBERRY PIE

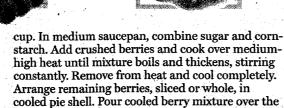
- 1 baked pie shell 1 quart strawberries
- 1 cup plus 1 tablespoon sugar
- 3 tablespoons cornstarch ½ pint whipping cream

Clean strawberries. Cook half of the berries with cornstarch and 1 cup of sugar until clear and thick. Whip cream with about 1 tablespoon sugar, added halfway through whipping. To assemble pie, put cooked berries on bottom of crust then cover with uncooked berries. Top with whipped cream. Serve. Submitted by Jane Hoyle of Rochester.

EASY AND FRESH STRAWBERRY PIE *

- 9-inch pie shell (store-bought or homemade), baked and
- 3 pints (approximately 6 cups) strawberries, washed and
- 1 cup sugar
- 3 tablespoons cornstarch

In small bowl, crush enough berries to make 1



top. Refrigerate at least three hours. Serve with whipped cream or vanilla ice cream. Submitted by Tammy Moore of Birmingham.

BLUEBERRY NECTAR PIE

- 1 quart blueberries
- 9-inch pie shell 3 tablespoons quick-cooking tapioca
- ²/₃ cup granulated sugar °¼ teaspoon salt
- 1 tablespoon vinegar or lemon juice 1/2 cup brown sugar, firmly packed

Mix all together and set aside while pastry is being made. Line a 9-inch pie pan with pastry. Add berries and top crust. Bake at 425º for 30-40 minutes. Note: Brown sugar and vinegar add zestful flavor to the berries.

Submitted by Karen Buddenborg.

Cherry crazy? Then head to Traverse City

If cherries make your tongue tingle with sweet delight, don't overlook the fact you can go cherry-wild in your own back

The National Cherry Festival is held in Traverse City every year. This year's festival has already begun, but it continues through July 8.

Founded in 1926, the festival's mission is to celebrate and promote cherries and community involvement in the Grand Traverse region.

More than 500,000 attendees annually partake in the National Cherry Festival, now in its 80th year, and boasts all things cherry, from cherry pit spitting to the crowning of the new Cherry

For information, call (800) 968-3380 or visit www.cherryfestival.org.

Find right PC, accessories for fall freshmen

I know it seems like school just got out, but it's also just around the corner.

If your resident student is starting high school or college this fall, start shopping now for a new computer - and everything that goes with it.

What does a student really need from a PC? In most cases, just the basics: word processing, Web browsing, e-mail, and the like.

That makes the case for buying a bargain-basement system like the eMachines T3504 desktop (emachines.com), which currently sells for \$319.99 (after a \$50 mail-in rebate), monitor not included.

But with its Intel Celeron D processor and paltry 256 megabytes (MB) of RAM, the T3504 is snailpowered right out of the box, and illequipped to handle four years of schooling. A better deal is the \$449.99 (again,

after rebate) T6534, which features a robust AMD processor, 512MB of RAM, a DVD burner and a media card reader. It's also Windows Vista capable, according to eMachines.

(Speaking of Vista, I'll have some hands-on coverage of Microsoft's next operating system in the coming weeks.)

A NOTEBOOK INSTEAD?

Savvy

Rick

Broida

Desktops are fine for high schoolers, but college students - who are nomadic by nature - will definitely prefer the portability of a notebook.

The same recommendations apply: Look for at least 512MB of RAM, and avoid horse-and-buggy

PLEASE SEE BROIDA, D4

OFF THE AIR WITH DICK PURTAN & **PURTAN'S PEOPLE**

What's in a name? It could be money

On a recent radio show we talked about a sports-loving couple who named their child "Espen" as a

tribute to ESPN. A study of data from the Social Security Administration reveals that there is a growing trend

in so-called "Brand Named Babies." The data list newborns who were christened with such names as Armani, Cartier, Delmonte, Harley, Chanel, Dodge, Polo and Dior. Some parents are actually receiving endorsement money from manu-

facturers. (If I had known this years ago, it would have dras-



Dick Purtan

tically affected what I named my six daughters. Sure, Jackie's a nice name, but Geico Purtan could have paid for college and saved me a ton of money on my car insurance.)

This week, we've invited one of
Purtan's People — Big Al Muskavito
— to weigh in with his opinion regarding this alarming trend. Take it

away, Al. "Thanks, Dick. Brand named

babies? I don't think so! I mean, isn't it enough that we've had to put up with celebrities like Demi Moore naming her children 'Rumor,' 'Scout' and 'Tallulah Belle'? Daman

Wayans naming his son 'Fuddy'? Gwyneth Paltrow naming her daughter 'Apple'? Or John Cougar Mellencamp naming his son 'Speck Wildhorse'?
"Well, don't look now. We've got 'everyday' citizens

succumbing to something as hideous as naming their kids after products, and for money no less. 'I can see it now: If the right endorsement deal is

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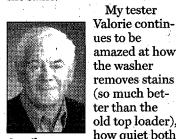
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products are Doctor during operation, and how wrinkle-free the garments Gagnon are when coming out of the

I can report no trace of odors near the front boot assembly, which was a major problem for Maytag during the first production of these washers some eight years ago.

I will continue to let you know any new discoveries on these appliances, good or bad. **WASHER SEARCH**

E-mail from Peter: "I've been following your column in the OಆE paper very closely, espe-

cially about your experience with the Neptune washer.

"Our washer gave up the ghost last week (15 years old, a Whirlpool/Estate model), and now I'm considering a new washer - but I refuse to pay \$800 for one.

"So I'm looking at some of the top loaders and I'm wondering if you can share your advice on brand names. Who is making a reliable unit these

days?
"I had a good experience with my Whirlpool, but I'm not sure if that will carry over again. And I have lingering doubts about GE. Can you

Take the expected life span of appliances today, which is much shorter than predicted some 10 years ago, and we have a whole new wave of consumer complaints about the quality of these expensive products.

share your experiences with these brands?

"And didn't you write about a not-so-familiar brand in your column that had rock-solid reliability? Thanks for any advice.

"P.S. You probably don't remember, but I wrote you about a Hotpoint refrigerator from the '50s at my Up North cabin that my mother wanted to scrap. Well, I have prevailed! We are going to relocate that good ol' fridge to the basement and it will be our 'beer' cooler."

You are correct, Peter. I did write about a washer built in Ohio and at the time available from Hawthorne Appliance in Birmingham. I still believe it to be rock solid in construction with a long life span and simplicity in operation.

It has been bought and used by several of our U.S. Navy ships, but the company is having troubles with marketing the product to the general pub-

I would bet that Hawthorne could put you in contact with the company or possibly order the washer for you.

Only one problem though: I believe it sells for \$1,000, which is \$200 over the price of \$800 that you refuse to pay.

Now Peter, you seem to be someone who has read this column for quite some time. Do you remember when I used to write about the changes coming up in clothes washers? With the changes would come prices that would be sky-high.

I explained that there is little profit in selling a washing machine; they've been the same for 50 years and manufacturers are going out of business right and left.

The mandate issued to increase energy efficiency and decrease water consumption was all that was needed to spur the price to consumers to the level of today.

Take the expected life span of appliances today, which is much shorter than predicted some 10 years ago, and we have a whole new wave of consumer complaints about the quality of these expensive products. Enough already, I've said all this before.

As for Whirlpool products, I think they are well made and reliable and still stamped as Made in America.

I've seen an advertisement recently for a new washer that sells for \$167. No kidding! I saw it on television! As my son Andrew likes to say, "I'm going to buy five of those and store them in a warehouse and I should be good for life."

All this makes me think of the refrigerator you have from the '50s. Today's refrigerator has a life span of 12 to 14 years! Stay tuned.

Joe Gagnon can be heard on Talk Radio WAAM 1600 at 8 a.m. Saturdays. He is a board member of Spectrum Human Services and the Society of Consumer Affairs Professionals (SOCAP). His phone number is (734) 971-1600, Ext. 28. Do you have a question about an appliance or a problem you have with an appliance? E-mail your question to mklemic@hometownlife.com and it will be forwarded to Joe Gagnon.

Beetle control

Roger and Nancy Lindley, owners of Great Lakes Roses, present a series of educational programs for the public. The popular programs are at the historic 1890s barn and display garden at Great Lakes Roses, 49875 Willow Road in Sumpter Township.

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Each presentation lasts about 1-1/2 hours. Dress for the weather. For information, visit www.GreatLakesRoses.com or call (734) 461-1230.

The schedule includes Japanese Beetle Control for Roses (1 p.m. Sunday, July 9, repeated 11 a.m. Monday, July 10), which will feature a lecture and hands-on demonstration by Roger Lindley.

Hosta show

The Michigan Hosta Society will conduct a Hosta Show, accredited by the American Hosta Society, 1-4 p.m. Saturday, July 8, at the Plant and Soil Science Building on the Michigan State University campus in East

Admission is free. There is no charge to enter leaves.

The Plant and Soil Science Building is on the southwest corner of Bogue and Wilson, immediately adjacent to the Children's Garden and the Perennial Display beds. For a campus map, visit http://www.msu.edu/maps. Hundreds of hosta leaves will be on display, ranging in size from less than an inch to more than 15 inches, as well as miniature container gardens fea-

turing hosta. A large collection of hostas will be available for sale, from classic hostas to the newest introductions, including. Hosta 'Spartan Glory.'

Hydrangea Fest! Goldner Walsh Nursery, 559 Orchard Lake Road in Pontiac, will present Hydrangea Fest! 1 p.m. Saturday, July

Admission is \$15. Call (248) 332-6430 for reservations.

Discover exciting new and colorful hydrangeas with Goldner Walsh man-

GARDEN CALENDAR

ager Joel Miller. Register to win a Big Daddy hydrangea that is valued at \$50. Refreshments will be served. Miller will review effective techniques for successfully growing hydrangeas, and dispel myths. Goldner Walsh carries more than 20 different varieties of hydrangeas.

Cactus and Succulent Society

The Michigan Cactus and Succulent Society will meet at 2 p.m. Sunday, July 16, at a member's home. Ferocactus: Sons of the Desert will be the featured program. Guests are welcome. Admission is

Call (248) 524-0227 for information. Rose propagation

Rose Propagation Workshop will take place 1 p.m. Sunday, July 16, at Great Lakes Roses, 49875 Willow Road in Sumpter Township. The hands-on workshop will be repeated 11 a.m. Monday, July 17.

Reservations are required. There is a \$25 material fee. Call (734) 461-1230. Participants will prepare and root roses from cuttings, and learn other techniques for easy at-home propagation.

Master gardener

The Michigan State University **Extension-Oakland County Master** Gardener Training Program will begin Aug. 22 and run through Nov. 14. Seats will be offered on a first comefirst served basis. The application fee is \$25 and the class fee is \$300. For an application, call MSUE-Oakland County at (248) 858-0887, or go to the MSUE Web site at www.msue.msu.edu/oakland and look under horticulture and gardening.

The 13-week class will meet 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Tuesdays in the MSUE offices in the Oakland County Service Center, 1200 N. Telegraph in Pontiac. Each session will focus on a different horticultural topic that will prepare participants to fulfill a 40-hour community service commitment to earn master gardener certification.

Shade gardening

English Gardens hosts free seminars 7 p.m. Wednesdays in July at all six

stores, including locations in West Bloomfield (phone (248) 851-7506), Royal Oak-Troy (phone (248) 280-9500), Dearborn Heights (phone (313) 278-4433) and Ann Arbor (phone (734)

332-7900). Gardening in the Shade will be the topic July 12. Basic information on planning, planting and maintaining flowers and plants in the shade will be covered. Special emphasis will be given on perennials that thrive in low-

light conditions. Water gardening will be the topic July

Hidden Lake Gardens

The Royal Oak Garden Club will go on a field trip to Hidden Lake Gardens in the Irish Hills 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 2. The tour bus will leave from the Mahany/Meininger Community Center, 3500 Marais in Royal Oak. Cost is \$7, which includes the tour bus, admission and boxed lunch. Space is limited, so register early. Call Sherry Jurva at (248) 280-2540. The 755-acre botanical garden features a greenhouse complex, a lake, a picnic area, a 6-mile, paved scenic drive, and thousands of labeled trees, shrubs and flowers. Indoor plants include bamboo, banana, cocoa, coffee, sugarcane, tapioca and vanilla. A visitor center

has informative exhibits. Volunteers sought

Do you live in a condo or apartment and miss gardening? The Royal Oak Garden Club is seeking volunteers (club members only) to tend these Royal Oak community gardens now to October: Gilda's Garden, Community Center Garden, Community Center Iris Garden, Cemetery Garden and the Zoo Garden. Club membership is \$10 per year. Call Sherry Jurva at (248) 280-2540. Send calendar items at least two weeks ahead of the event to Mary Klemic, At Home Editor, Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 805 E. Maple, Birmingham 48009, e-mail

mklemic@hometownlife.com, fax

(734) 591-7279 or (248) 644-1314.

HOME CALENDAR

Bolster, triangle pillows

Haberman Fabrics, 905 S. Main in Royal Oak, offers a variety of home decor classes for different sewing skill Call (248) 541-0010, e-mail

ContactUs@HabermanFabrics.com or visit www.HabermanFabrics.com. The schedule includes Bolster and Triangle Pillows, Mondays, July 10-24 (fee is \$60).

Interior design

Learn how to create a harmonious home environment in The Do's and Don'ts of interior Design, a class at The Community House in Birmingham Wednesday, July 12.

Cost is \$25, plus a \$2 material fee payable in class. Bring 1/4-inchigraph paper, a No. 2 pencil with eraser, a ruler, and some inspirational design photos to discuss.

To register and for more information, call The Community House at (248) 644-5832 or visit www.community-

Instructor is interior designer Mary

Antenucci, a founding member of the Designer On Call program of the Michigan Design Center.

Home staging Learn how to view your home through

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the eyes of a potential buyer and highlight the positives of each room in Stage Your Home to Sell or Live, a class at The Community House in Birmingham Monday, July 17. Cost is \$25, plus a \$5 material fee payable in class. Pictures of problem areas are welcome.

To register and for more information, call The Community House at (248) 644-5832 or visit www.community-

house.com. Instructor is Heather Durren, owner of Staging Places in Beverly Hills and a board member of the Great Lakes chapter of the International Association of Home Staging

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Detroit walking tours

Preservation Wayne presents quided walking tours of five historical areas of Detroit (downtown, Eastern Market, Midtown, Auto Heritage and the Cultural Center), 10 a.m. Saturdays now through September. It also presents Tuesday After Work tours in downtown Detroit 5:30 p.m. every week.

Tours of the New Center area are available by appointment. Each tour offers a blend of the history of the area and what is happening now. Cost is \$10. Visit www.preserva tionwayne.org or call (313) 577-7674.

Send calendar items at least two weeks ahead of the event to Mary Klemic, At Home Editor, Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 805 E. Maple, Birmingham 48009, e-mail mklemic@hometownlife.com, fax (734) 591-7279 or (248) 644-1314.

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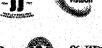






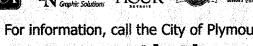


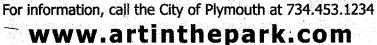




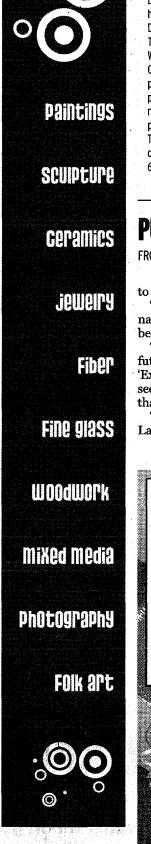








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Kitchen budget gives idea of cost range

BY MARYBETH WILSON **ALLIED MEMBER ASID**

Kitchen remodeling remains one of the most popular home improvements in the United

Most everyone would agree that the kitchen is the heart of the home.

Kitchens, for the most part, aren't just for food preparation. They are a multi-functioning room where the activities vary from chopping vegetables to paying bills.

Non-cooking electronics such as flat-screen televisions, computers and even shredders have made their way into the kitchen.

The important things to keep in mind when remodeling are function, value and making sure the end result is a kitchen that works for you and your family.

Everyone has different needs, and a cookie cutter approach to kitchens will generally not give the best result.

It is important that the homeowner and the designer look at both short-term and long-term needs for the space.

Aging and health concerns should be taken into account, as should the increasing awareness of green design. Products that are "environmentally friendly" are being sought after by the educated consumer.

There are many factors that play into the cost of a kitchen remodel. Some of the major factors are appliances, cabinets and countertops.

While these are the major expenses, there are often many smaller expenses that homeowners forget about or underestimate when budgeting for a new kitchen.

The following is a budget that I typically give to my clients. It serves to show the range of costs associated with various items.

This budget DOESN'T include labor or design time. For those items an individual bid is best.

This budget is for a kitchen that is approximately 10 feet by 14 feet, with no added space or windows.

APPLIANCES

Dishwasher: \$350 (low), \$1,500 (high) Cooktop: \$250 (low), \$1,500

(high) Double ovens (30 inches): \$1,400 (low), \$3,500 (high) Refrigerator: \$1,000 (low),

\$7,000 (high) Vent hood: \$250 (low), \$2,500 (high)

Microwave: \$100 (low), \$800 (high) Garbage disposal: \$100

(low), \$300 (high) **PLUMBING**

Stainless sink: \$275 (low),

\$1,200 (high) Faucet: \$250 (low), \$1,100 (high)

OTHER Countertops: \$1,700 (low),

\$7,500 (high) Cabinets: \$12,000 (low), \$45,000 (high)

Cabinet hardware: \$400 (low), \$2,000 (high) Backsplash tile: \$400 (low),

\$1,800 (high) Paint: \$400 (low), \$800

(high)

Flooring: \$1,400 (low), \$2,800 (high)

Lighting: \$600 (low), \$1,550

SUBTOTALS

\$20,875 (low), \$80,850 (high)

Keep in mind that two kitchens with identical cabinet layouts from the same cabinet company can be very different in price.

The door style, wood species, cabinet construction and finish impact the price significantly. A painted cabinet with a glazed finish will be significantly more expensive than a stained oak cabinet.

Talk with your designer about your budget, and he or she should be able to guide you to selections that will fit within

MaryBeth Wilson's business, MB Wilson Interior Design, is based in Plymouth. Phone (734) 459-8025.

GARDEN WALK CALENDAR

Daylily Heaven The Southern Michigan Hemerocallis Society will host its first Daylily Heaven Garden Walk Sunday, July 9. The walk will feature 12 fabulous private gardens in Davisburg, Dearborn Heights, Rochester Hills, Shelby Township, Warren, West Bloomfield and Belle River, Ontario (15 minutes east of Windsor). Start at any garden. Hours vary

Tickets are \$10. Garden descriptions, maps and directions are available at

Buy tickets 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday at the SMHS Event Booth at Bordine Nursery in Rochester Hills, Tickets may be bought Sunday at any garden on the walk

For more information, call (248) 739-9006 or (586) 786-0563, or e-mail smhsdaylily@ispwest.com.

Northville

The 13th annual Gardens of Northville Garden Walk will take place 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Wednesday, July 12. The Country Garden Club of Northville, a member of the Woman's National Farm and Garden Association, is sponsoring the event.

Tickets are \$10 in advance, available at Gardenviews, 202 W. Main in

Five gardens will be featured. Cady Inn at Mill Race Village will be transformed into The Potting Shed, where complimentary, homemade sweets and lemonade will be served. Music will be played as local vendors offer a selection of plants and garden items. Raffle tickets will be available at Mill Race Village only on the day of the

event. Water gardens

The Southeast Michigan Koi and Pond Club's ninth annual Pond Tour will take place 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday,

For information and tickets, call Bruce E. Modetz at (734) 425-7490 or visit www.mkpc-se.com. Ten ponds clustered in the Milford and

Highland Township area will be featured. Partial proceeds from the event will be donated to local charities. The Michigan Koi and Pond Club is a notfor-profit organization.

Northville and Novi

The Gardeners of Northville & Novi will present The NO-NO's Gardening

Adventure 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, July 15.

Tickets are \$10 in advance. They are available at www.gardenersnorthvillenovi.org, Anglin Nursery in Novi. Backyard Birds in Plymouth,

Gardenviews and Water Wheel Health Club in Northville, Bordine Nursery in Brighton and Saguaro in Whitmore Lake. They are also available by mail: Gardeners of Northville & Novi. P.O. Box 344, Northville 48167.

The event will feature six exceptional home gardens and 17 individual gardens at the Tollgate Education Center. Gardening lectures and demonstrations will take place throughout the day (the ticket booklet lists the time for each session).

Plant and garden art vendors, gardenrelated displays from local organizations and artisans, a quilt exhibit, a raffle of garden-related items, and homemade refreshments will also be featured.

The plant vendors will have a selection of the plants shown in the gardens.

South Lyon

The Four Seasons Garden Club of South Lyon is sponsoring the eighth annual South Lyon Garden Walk 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, July 15. Tickets are \$10 and will be available the day of the event at McHattie Park, off Pontiac Trail south of 10 Mile, starting at 10 a.m.

For information, call (248) 437-8751 or visit www.homestead.com/fsgc/gardenwalk.html.

Six private country gardens will be featured, and garden treasures and plants will be sold in the park. Proceeds will be used for community beautification and horticultural edu-

Canton

The Canton Garden Club's eighth annual Garden Walk will take place 1-6 p.m. Sunday, July 16, rain or shine. Visit beautiful private gardens in the Canton area. Shop for garden-related items from vendors at the Garden Market on the grounds of the Canton Historical Museum, where the Country Lines Michigan Heritage Quilt is displayed.

Free admittance to the Garden Market and the museum.

\$7 the day of the event. They are available at Backyard Birds, Graye's Greenhouse, and Plymouth Nursery Home & Garden Showplace, all in Plymouth: Crimboli Nursery & Sweetwater Village, Keller & Stein Florist and Greenhouse, and Mary's Farm Market, all in Canton; and Feather Your Nest Antiques in Superior Township.

Tickets will also be available July 16 only at the museum and each garden location.

For more information, call Dianne at (734) 254-1023.

Shelby Township

Garden Walk 2006, sponsored by Shelby Gardeners Club, will take place noon to 8:30 n.m. Thursday July 20 Tickets are \$8 in advance (available from club members, Shelby Parks and Recreation and Shelby Library), and \$10 the day of the event at Heritage Gardens, 52700 Van Dyke (Jack Millard Boulevard), south of 24 Mile. Advance tickets are also available by

mail (send check before Monday, July 10, to: Shelby Gardeners Club, P.O. Box 183324, Shelby Township 48318). For ticket information, call Ivy Schwartz at (586) 781-6742 or Pat Franks at (586) 781-4151.

Visit eight beautiful Shelby Township gardens. See artists painting on site, then participate in a silent auction at Shelby Library from July 24 to Aug. 13.

Garden City The Garden City Garden Club will host its 13th annual Garden Walk 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, July 22, rain or shine. Tickets are \$8 each and available at Barson's Greenhouse, 6414 Merriman; at Garden City City Hall, 6000 Middlebelt; at the Straight Farm House, 6221 Merriman (open Wednesdays and Fridays); and from club members.

For information, call Paula Relich at (734) 525-2524. Tickets will be sold at each home the day of the walk. At the Straight Farm House, the country store will be open and restrooms will be available. The self-guided tour will present seven private gardens and one business. A bake sale, a lily sale and a fund-raiser of spring flowering bulbs will be featured, and refreshments will

Garden Walk tickets are \$6 in advance, Practical Gardening Institute has help online

The Practical Gardening Institute offers a variety of gardening help.

It's the new home of Janet Macúnovich's Growing Concerns™ column, which is now sent weekly via e-mail.

And through its Gardeners' Forum, members can upload photos, post their most perplexing questions, and get answers from a diverse team of

experts. Twelve years of column archives are also featured. These archives and the Forum

can be searched by keyword. The Practical Gardening Institute also publishes its own series of books. Its first is Macunovich's 8 Months of Color TM

The book is for people who want great gardens but don't know where to start.

It is set up by month and week in a quick-read format, where readers can select the perfect plant by type, height and week of peak color.

Then readers can go to the back and read detailed descrip-

tions of the plants, or look them up in the detailed index that lists plants by both common and scientific names.

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FROM PAGE D1 processors like the AMD Sempron and

Intel Celeron. There's a Dell Inspiron B130 configuration (dell.com), currently priced at \$599,

that includes good basic specs. But a little poking around reveals an Inspiron E1505 with more RAM (1GB), a bigger hard drive and a newer processor for just \$50 more (after a \$250 mail-in

rebate). Plus, the E1505 comes with Microsoft's Windows Media Center operating system, which makes it ideal for non-scholarly pursuits like watching movies and listening to music. Add an optional TV tuner

and it can even record TV shows. I also recommend poking around the Bargain Countdown section at eCost.com, where you can find great deals on closeout and refurbished notebooks. Just be sure to note the warranty, as it may be shorter than usual. Should you consider a Mac?

By all means, yes - but only if your kid already has experi-

For transporting files and making on-the-fly backups, nothing beats a USB flash drive.

with one. Changing platforms at the start of a school year isn't my idea of a smart

OTHER GEAR

Observer & Eccentric | Thursday, July 6, 2006

Although many teachers and professors now accept assignments electronically, paper still plays a role in student life - and that means a printer.

An inkjet may seem like the obvious choice - and it is for printing photos or color documents - but don't overlook laser printers.

I like lasers because they produce razorsharp text on plain paper, and their toner cartridges (which, admittedly, often cost as much as the printer itself) last for thousands of pages.

Inkjets, conversely, tend to output blotchy text unless you use coated paper, and they burn through ink cartridges.

There are several laser printers available for under \$100, including the Dell Laser 1110, Samsung ML-2010 and Brother HL-2040. Next, no student should be without a USB flash drive. About the size of your thumb (hence their "thumb drive" nickname), these little gizmos are ideal for moving files from one PC to another and making fast, easy backups of school

papers. Look for deals from sites like eCost.com and Newegg.com. I recently found a 1GB Verbatim flash drive for \$17 after rebate. I checked Best Buy for drives with the same capacity and found them selling for \$70.

SOFTWARE

Finally, don't forget the software. Many new PCs come with a productivity

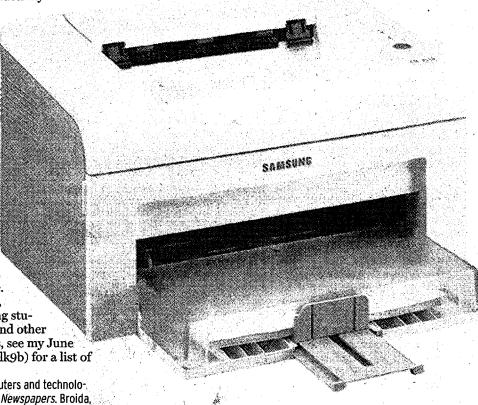
suite like Microsoft Works 8, which offers a good set of tools (including a word processor) for students.

If Works wasn't included, you can pick it up from Newegg.com for \$12.99 - a big savings off the \$50 list price (but be warned: This "OEM" edition doesn't include a manu-

You can save even bigger by downloading OpenOffice (openoffice.org), an incredible freeware suite that matches Microsoft Office almost feature-for-feature.

As for security software, which is crucial for keeping students safe from spyware and other ate-my-homework threats, see my June 22 column (tinyurl.com/klk9b) for a list of free utilities.

Rick Broida writes about computers and technology for the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers. Broida, of Commerce Township, is the co-author of numerous books, including How To Do Everything with for Pocket PC. He welcomes questions sent to rick.broida@amail.com.



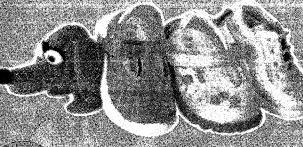
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Living in the northeast, learning about foods south of our southern border has been challenging for me. I have, however, eaten enough great meals while traveling in the Southwest and California that I now can even appreciate the differences between Mexican food and the popular versions of it found in Texas, southern California and New Mexico.

Having heard numerous arguments about what is or is not authentic, I have no doubt about the origins of one dish, fajitas. By now so popular in the United States that they are almost as ubiquitously as pizza, fajitas originated in northern Mexico and were brought by Mexican cowboys to south Texas. Authentic fajitas consist of flank steak marinated in lime juice, grilled, thinly sliced, and served with refried beans, guacamole and salsa in a flour tortilla.

There are many versions of fajitas, but I think the most simplymade fajitas are the best. I prefer those made using meat marinated in lime juice and a touch of oregano, especially when it is epazote, the Mexican oregano.

Fajitas made with chicken or shrimp instead of beef are not unusual. Grilled vegetables are often added to fajitas these days, a good way to include a serving of vegetables in the meal. Recently, helping a hostess at a cookout, I created meatless fajitas for her vegetarian guests. Made with refried beans and grilled veggies, they taste as good as those made with steak.

BLACK BEAN FAJITAS

4 8-inch reduced-fat whole-

wheat tortillas 1 green bell pepper, cut into //4-

inch strips 1 medium red onion, cut into/4-

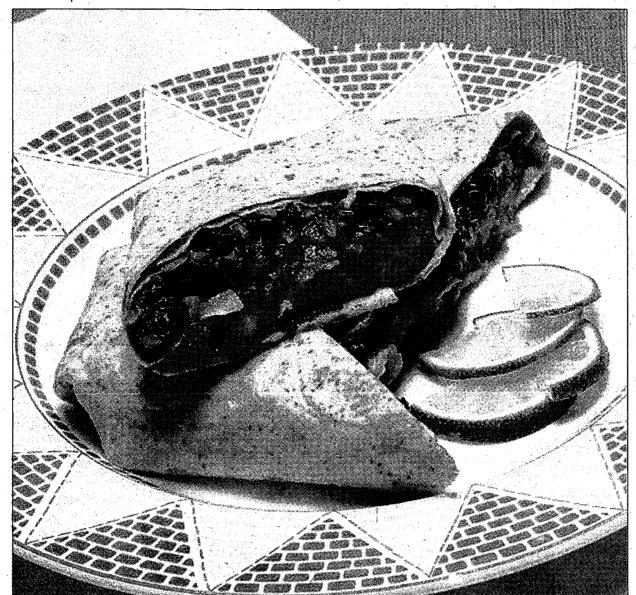
inch slices 1 large tomato, cut crosswise

into\/2-inch slices 1 tablespoon canola oil

1 (15 ounce) can black beans, rinsed and drained*

1 teaspoon ground cumin 1 teaspoon dried epazote or

oregano** 1 tablespoon lime juice



Made with refried beans and grilled veggies, these fajitas taste as good as those made with steak.

Salt and ground pepper ½ cup salsa, drained ½ cup (packed) cilantro leaves

Heat a medium iron skillet or ridged grill pan over high heat until hot. Add the tortillas and heat until hot. Wrap them in foil to keep warm. and set aside.

Add the peppers and cook until they are blistered in many places, about eight minutes, turning them three or four times. Transfer them to a serving plate. Add the onion to the pan in one layer. When lightly blackened in places, about one minute, turn and grill until they are limp, one minute more.

Add them to the plate with the

Coat the pan with cooking spray. Add the tomato in one layer and grill one minute. Turn and grill one minute longer. Transfer to the plate of vegetables. Wipe the pan and return to the heat.

Add oil to the pan. Add the beans, cumin and epazote. Cook, mashing the beans until they are as creamy as you wish, one to two minutes. Mix in the lime juice. Season to taste with salt and pep-

Divide the beans among the tortillas. To each, add 6 green pepper strips, 4 cup onions, 1 tablespoon salsa, a tomato slice and 2 table-

spoons cilantro. Fold the tortilla over the filling and serve.

Makes 4 servings.

Do not use canned refried black beans, which are too soft and will leak from fajitas.

** Epazote is a strongly pungent Latin American herb (also called wormweed, pigweed, or Mexican tea) that is usually sold in its dried form in the Hispanic or foreign foods sections of supermarkets, or in Hispanic grocery stores. Epazote is popular in many bean dishes because it's believed to reduce gas.

Per serving: 194 calories, 5 g. total fat (less than 1 g. saturated fat), 44 g. carbohydrate, 8 g. protein, 9 g. dietary fiber, 574 mg. sodium.

TASTE CALENDAR

If you have an item for the Taste calendar, please submit at least two weeks prior to your event to Ken Abramczyk, Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI 48150, e-mail kabramcz@hometownlife.com or fax (734)

Wine dinner

St. Supery of Napa Valley wine dinner, 7 p.m. Tuesday, July 11, 200 \$55, Giulio's, 31735 Plymouth, Livonia, (734) 427-9500.

The schedule of classes from the Grapevine School of Wine. includes Cabernet Sauvignon: The Velvet Hammer, 7 p.m. July 10, Royal Park Hotel, 600 E. University Dr., Rochester, \$32; Wonderful Red Under \$15, 7 p.m. July 11, Big Rock Chop House, 245 S. Eton Street, Birmingham (includes valet parking), \$35: Pinot Noir: The Seductress of Red Wine, 7 p.m. July 25, Quarter Bistro & Tayern, 300 S. Maple, Ann Arbor, \$35, register online at www.grapevineschoolofwine.com. For additional information, call (248) 990-4613.

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You'll even get the behind-the-scenes scoop on the National Cherry Festival's official pit spitting contest. Recipes range from a cherry margarita to ginger-spiced cherries to a delicious cherry pie. Available for \$17.95 at local bookstores or online at www.mayapplepress.com or www.ama-

Enjoy a quick and light version of crab salad

BY J.M. HIRSCH ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

CONCORD, N.H. (AP) -Navigating potato salad prep is a nightmare in my family.

It's a case of everyone demanding it their own way (and it baffles me that such an innocuous dish can elicit such strong feelings).

Our solution? Boil tons of potatoes together, then divide them into as many as a half dozen varieties of salad.

I'm easy. Heaps of crunchy vegetables, hard cooked eggs and gobs of mayonnaise make my perfect potato salad. My wife, however, prefers hers without the crunch. Her version loses the celery, but keeps the onion.

My father-in-law won't eat vegetables, so his has just mayo and eggs. My mother's versions keeps the vegetables, but ditches the egg and substitutes soy mayonnaise (she's vegan). My father will eat anything, as long as the mayo is low-fat.

This year, I don't want to deal with any of that. It becomes impossible to keep track of which bowl is which salad and I'm convinced I've accidentally given my mother the wrong version several years in a row.

So I started looking for some sort of salad everyone (or at least a majority) could settle on. I wanted something light and barbecue-friendly, but without the mayo-vegetableegg baggage that causes so

much trouble.

Crab salad provided the perfect answer. Most seafood salads call for mayonnaise, but I find these cloying. Mayo works in potato salad because the starch of the potatoes offsets the fat. Seafood can't pull it off

This meant the dressing would be oil-based.

A little olive oil, lemon juice, salt and pepper made a simple "vinaigrette" that nicely seasons but doesn't overpower crab meat.

For texture and a bit of bite, I also tossed the crab with red radishes cut into thin matchsticks and just a bit of garlic.

The result was outstanding. The flavor is light, but the salad, like the potato salad I

was working to replace, is substantial. The prep also is much faster than potato salad. I used canned lump crab meat and made the salad in minutes.

For an attractive presentation, I serve the salad in hollowed-out heads of iceberg lettuce. This looks refreshing, and gives the diner the option of adding greens to each bite. Of course, a bowl works just as

CRAB SALAD VINAIGRETTE

2 heads iceberg lettuce 1/4 cup extra-virgin olive oil Juice of 1 lemon

2 cloves garlic, finely minced 1 teaspoon kosher salt 1/2 teaspoon freshly ground black

1 scallion, finely sliced 4 red radishes, cut into fine matchsticks

4 cups lump crab meat 4 cherry tomatoes, cut into **quarters**

Cut each head of lettuce in half across the center. Lightly trim the rounded end of each half to create a flat surface for the bowl to stand on. Carefully remove the core of each half to create four bowls. Put each on a plate and set aside. In a medium bowl, whisk

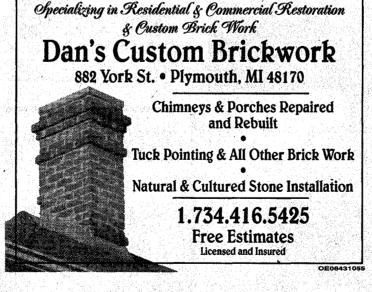
together the olive oil, lemon juice, garlic, salt and pepper. Add the scallion and radish and mix to combine.

Add the crab meat and gently toss to coat evenly with vinaigrette. Mound a fourth of the crab salad in the center of each lettuce leaf. Garnish with toma-

The salad can be refrigerated for up to a day. Makes 4 serv-



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Love your garlic? Try it in chilled soup recipe

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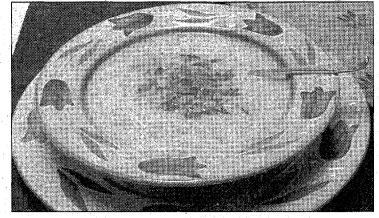
Do you have a food obsession? I have an addiction to dark chocolate and share another passion enjoyed by many: I adore garlic.

I love eating garlic to the point of mashing roasted cloves into baked potatoes, steamed broccoli and even scrambled eggs. This passion springs from more than a taste for garlic's flavor.

Food and emotions, as we all know, can be strongly linked. For me, garlic has that association because my grandmother fed me black pumpernickel bread slathered with sweet butter and dotted with thin slivers of raw garlic. Like many of her generation, she believed this would keep me well and cure me if I did get sick, a practice to keep in mind if you are in the throes of a

summer cold. Eventually, studying garlic's health benefits, I learned that it is anti-bacterial, and much of its power is lost in cooking. So Gran was right feeding it to me raw, although, frankly, I





In summer, when many reject even the thought of turning on the oven, this cold soup is another way to get a good garlic fix. Salt and ground pepper, prefer-

ably white

for garnish

1/4 cup chopped flat-leaf parsley,

Let the bread cubes stand

overnight so they are stale and

oven for about 15 minutes, stir-

In a deep, heavy pot, heat the

heat. Add the onions, and sauté

until they start to color, 10 min-

utes. Add the garlic and cook

until the onions are deep gold,

with dark brown edges, 15-20

Add the broth, parsley, thyme

and bay leaf. (To make the later

them in a large mesh teaball, or

one made specifically for holding

herbs.) Increase the heat. When

the soup comes to a boil, reduce

cook 10 minutes. Remove from

heat and let stand 20 minutes to

Remove the parsley, thyme

and the bay leaf. Purée the soup

in a blender until smooth. Blend

in the milk. Season to taste with

salt and pepper. (Refrigeration

soups need more than the usual

Before serving, adjust the sea-

Makes 4-6 servings. Per serv-

ing: 125 calories, 6 g. total fat (2

g. saturated fat), 14 g. carbohy-

drate, 5 g. protein, 2 g. dietary

Dana Jacobi is author of The Joy of

Soy and recipe creator for American

soning. Divide the chilled soup

among 4 bowls and serve gar-

dampens the flavor, so chilled

amount of seasoning.) Chill

completely, 4 to 24 hours.

nished with the parsley.

fiber, 438 mg. sodium.

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minutes. Add the bread and

the heat and simmer 10

cool slightly.

removal of the herbs easier, place

minutes.

ring them once or twice. Cool

butter and oil over medium

until the bread is hard.

hard, or dry them in 300° F.

think that helped more by keeping people at such a distance any germs they carried did not reach me.

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For social reasons, I stopped eating raw garlic in high school. By college, cooking for myself, I switched to my current preference for roasted garlic. It has a milder flavor since cooking gentles the pungent substances in this potent allium. But I confess that when sick, I go back to eating raw garlic even though I suspect that the comforting ritual of eating Gran's cure is as effective as the garlic itself.

In summer, when I reject even the thought of turning on the oven, this cold soup is another way I get a good garlic fix. Bread thickens the soup, giving it a pleasing body, the way it does in gazpacho. But instead of balancing the garlic with sharp-tasting vinegar and olive oil, as gazpacho does, caramelized onions and milk round off the edges of this soup's sautéed garlic kick. Not for the faint-hearted, this soup should be served ice cold, garnished with a sprinkling of fresh parsley to compliment its cool beige color.

CHILLED GARLIC AND ONION SOUP

1/2 cups cubed whole-wheat Italian bread, without crust

1 tablespoon unsalted butter 1 tablespoon canola oi

3 cups chopped onions 6 large garlic cloves, chopped 4 cups fat-free, reduced sodium chicken broth

4 parsley sprigs (see note) 4 fresh thyme sprigs, or 1 tsp. dried

1 bay leaf 1 cup whole milk

Beating heat with slightly sweet From andouille sausage, Thai red curry with beef, Indian cur-

ried rabbit to Jamaican jerk chicken, today's foodies love spicy dishes.

Sushi bars have popped up in every major U.S. city and fiery wasabi and pickled ginger accompany nearly every dish.

If you have discovered that many of these foods are poor matches for dry wines, try meeting the challenge with a semi-dry wine such as muscat, riesling, chenin blanc or gewurztraminer. Seek out a German or Alsace riesling or gewurztraminer that is slightly sweet. These wines pair well with today's trend for more culinary heat. Just remember "sweet beats heat."

ASIAN EMPHASIS

The spice-tempering sweetness, bright fruit, and floral flavors of muscat-style wines in particular do wonders for hot and spicy ethnic foods. These foods differ greatly from Western cuisine and can often be better enjoyed when properly understood and matched with a

Served slightly chilled, muscats are refreshing, and their fruit sugars balance even the most tonsil-tingling chilies and spices. Chinese cuisine can be divided into four cooking styles: Canton, Peking, Szechuan, and Shanghai. Of these, Szechuan depends on strong flavors and hot spices such as chilies, peppercorns, ginger, and garlic. Nuts add richness to these dish-

Thailand's culinary heritage is strongest in its use of spices and herbs. Curry pastes are descendants of the wet masalas of India. An affection for chilies, coconut milk, tamarind, ginger and cilantro is apparent in most

The Korean table always has an assortment of side dishes, such as hot sauces, kimchi, dips, pickled fish, and soups. With these, versatile muscat scores

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Today, curry has come to mean nearly any dish with a spicy sauce. Panchphoran in Indian cuisine is a popular and zesty five-spice mixture of. cumin, fennel, nigella, fenugreek and black mustard seeds.

Sobon Estate's Orange Muscat is a hands-down winner with sushi. Amazingly it clears the palate after the wasabi and pickled ginger.

For the same reason, Sobon Orange Muscat and Quady Essensia are good matches for tuna with wasabi and sesami aioli. Sweet and sour chicken, always a tricky match, is also best paired with Sobon Orange Muscat. Although fortified muscats work with some dishes, they also tend to mask the flavor of others. Lower alcohol muscats are more refreshing against, not only spiciness, but food richness.

WHAT TO BUY TO BEAT THE HEAT

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Marinated artichokes fit for a star

BY DANA JACOBI AMERICAN INSTITUTE FOR CANCER RESEARCH

In a country obsessed with celebrity. New York and Los Angeles are two of the best places for seeing stars in person. In both cities, food markets and restaurants are choice spots for running into someone famous. Besides overhearing a personal conversation, you can also see what the glitterati like to eat.

While at a Whole Foods Market in Manhattan, I once had a chance to watch Clint Eastwood and his wife as they unloaded quarts of soy milk from their cart while talking about their daughter's soccer league. At a pizzeria in New York, I heard Paul Newman order spinach pizza with whole-wheat crust, an impressively healthy choice. Best of all, one afternoon in Hollywood, I was seated at a table next to Uma Thurman's. Observing what she ordered, I chose the same dish, marinated fresh artichokes. They were so good that afterwards I persuaded the chef to share his recipe. If you have only experienced bottled or canned artichokes, you must try the fresh version at least

Understanding that you may hesitate to wrestle with fresh artichokes, I've created directions that simplify trimming away their tough outer leaves and spiky tips. Scooping out the fibrous choke in the center is easy because the artichokes are first boiled, then halved lengthwise, exposing a heart so soft all you need is a teaspoon to lift out the choke.

These marinated artichokes are worth the effort to prepare because they absorb the sweet tarragon flavor of their light coating of lemon and olive oil marinade. Their firm texture will be a revelation if you have eaten only commercially-prepared artichoke hearts, which are often mushy as well as vinegary. Marinating fresh artichokes for an extra day or two intensifies their flavor, so I frequently make them well in advance.

For an extra finishing touch, during the summer, just before serving, I like to set the halved marinated artichokes, cut-side down on a hot grill for three or four minutes. This is just long enough to mark them and to warm them slightly, which brings out their flavor even more.

MARINATED ARTICHOKES

4 medium artichokes 1 tablespoon chopped fresh tarragon, or 1 tsp. dried

2 tablespoons lemon juice ½ teaspoon salt and freshly ground black

1 tablespoon extra virgin olive oil 1 lemon, cut lengthwise into 4 wedges, for

Pull off the tough outer leaves of the

artichokes just above the stem. With a knife, trim away remaining tough parts. Using scissors, cut off thorny leaf-tips. Laying each artichoke on its side on a cutting board, cut off the top about 1 inch down from the tip, and, from the bottom, all but 1 inch of the stem.

Boil the artichokes until a knife inserted just above the stem meets only slight resistance, about 15 minutes. Drain the artichokes in a colander, turning them upside down with tongs. When cool enough to handle, halve the artichokes lengthwise. Using a teaspoon, scrape out the fluffy choke, leaving an open cavity in the center of each artichoke half.

Place the tarragon, lemon juice, salt and a generous pinch of pepper in a large resealable plastic bag. Add the oil, and shake the bag. Add the artichokes and turn bag several times to coat them. Refrigerate the artichokes for 24 hours, turning the bag 3 or 4 times.

Heat a gas or charcoal grill until very hot. Grill the artichokes, cut side down, until grill marks appear, about 2 minutes. Rotate artichokes 90 degrees, and grill 2 minutes more. Place the artichokes on a serving plate, add the lemon wedges, and serve. Makes 4 servings. Per serving: 37

rated fat), 2 g. carbohydrate, less than 1 g. protein, less than 1 g. dietary fiber, 151 mg. sodium. Dana Jacobi is author of The Joy of Soy and

recipe creator for the American Institute for

These marinated artichokes absorb the sweet tarragon flavor of a light coating of lemon and



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Grilled chicken takes to lemon and oregano

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Chicken takes to the grill as tastily as just about anything else that people love to cook out. Happily, it's easy to find ways to make mouthwatering dishes that are healthy for the family, too - recipes are avail-

For example: Cooking Light magazine's Chicken cookbook (Oxmoor, 2006, \$17.95) packages 58 recipes, with a defined focus: "To eat

smart, be fit, live well." Among the offerings is this lemon and oregano-rubbed chicken recipe. As with all the recipes in this orderly book, it's laid out on one page, along with notes on techpiques, nutrition details an a small photo; a full-page photo runs on the facing

For this recipe, the editors recommend pounding the chicken breasts with a meat mallet or rolling pin until they're thin, because the increased surface allows you to use even more of the flavorful rub. Using the pounding technique on the chicken not only tenderizes the meat but also shortens the cooking time and gives the appear-

ance of a heartier portion. Don't use more than the amount of lemon rind called for, they warn: It can make the dish bitter instead of tart. One medium lemon will yield at least 1 teaspoon grated rind.

LEMON AND OREGANO-RUBBED GRILLED CHICKEN

Four 6-ounce skinless, boneless chicken breast halves

5 teaspoons grated lemon rind

1 tablespoon olive oil 1/2 teaspoons dried oregano

3/4 teaspoon kosher salt ½ teaspoon freshly ground

black pepper ¼ teaspoon water

2 garlic cloves, minced

Cooking spray 4 lemon wedges

2 tablespoons chopped fresh parsley

Prepare grill.

Place each chicken breast neavy-duty plastic wrap; pound to //4-inch thickness using a meat mallet or rolling

Combine lemon rind and next six ingredients, and rub evenly over both sides of chicken. Place chicken on a grill rack coated with cooking spray, and grill three minutes on each side or until done. Remove from heat. Squeeze one lemon wedge evenly over each chicken breast half. Sprinkle parsley evenly over chicken.

Makes four servings (serving size 1 chicken breast half).

Nutrition information per serving: 226 cal., 5.6 g total fat (1 g saturated), 39.6 g pro., 2.2 g carbo., 0.7 g fiber, 99 mg chol., 465 mg sodium.

Refreshing: Add lime to coconut custard pie

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Limeade and coconut milk may not be your mother's traditional blend for a custard pie, but this one turns out creamy and refreshing and she'll enjoy it as much as the rest of the family for a summer party special.

Serve it on paper plates for a backyard picnic, or a porch snack. Strawberries make a bright, sweet garnish, or the luscious mangoes now available, recipe developer Pam Simmons says. Later, she expects peaches to be equally attractive matches

for the pie. A tip from this experienced cook for when you are combining several eggs with other ingredients in a blender, as here: You may wish to break each egg into a small measuring cup first, as Simmons does, in case there's a fragment of shell or a speck of blood to remove before adding it to your mixture.

Shortcuts for the cook on a hot day: Use a frozen pie shell. With a blender, these ingredients mix in a few minutes to conjure up your pie.

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LIME IN COCONUT CUSTARD PIE 13.5-ounce can coconut milk (reg-

ular, not lite)

1 cup sweetened coconut flakes

4 eggs 1/2 cup frozen limeade, thawed

½ cup sugar 1/4 cup flour

1/2 teaspoon coconut extract 1/4 teaspoon salt 9-inch deep-dish pie shell, frozen

of choice.

or homemade Optional garnishes: Whipped cream, curls of lime peel, fruit

Preheat oven to 400 F. Adjust rack to lowest level for baking.

Combine coconut milk, coconut flakes, eggs, limeade, sugar, flour, coconut extract and salt in a blender. Blend until mixed, and pour into pie shell.

Bake for 15 minutes. Reduce oven to 350 F and bake for 40 to 45 more minutes or until set. Cool on rack for 1/2 hour and refrigerate until cold before cutting. If desired, serve garnished with sweetened whipped cream, limepeel curls or fruit of choice.

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Even the devil can't upstage the fabulous wardrobe in 'Prada'

By Samantha Critchell AP Fashion Writer

NEW YORK — Miranda Priestly, Meryl Streep's character in "The Devil Wears Prada," is fashion's queen bee and an ice princess to boot. The only time anyone recalls her smiling was when she previewed Tom Ford's 2001 collection. Must have been that updated Yves Saint Laurent smoking jacket that

pushed her over the edge.

Streep, with a chic silver haircut and baring what has to be one of Hollywood's finest sets of shoulders, gets top billing in the movie version of Lauren Weisberger's best-selling book about the catty fashion world that's filled with "clackers" — skinny young things who teeter on high heels that sound like a typing pool as they scurry around the office.

Streep, though, really has a supporting role. This movie is all about fashion and no single person — not even multiple Oscar winner Meryl - has the star power to compete with racks full of Chanel, Bill Blass, Valentino and, of course, Prada.

It seems that there are more handbags, shoes and earrings in this movie than all the other summer releases combined. Superman only gets to wear a glorified unitard; Streep's Priestly gets to wear hundreds of thousands of

dollars worth of Fred Leighton diamonds. The sheer volume of garments required costume designer Patricia Field and her team of assistants to be on the set each day of 14 weeks of shooting - and that's after eight weeks of

Miranda is the editor in chief of the world's endall, be-all fashion magazine, Runway. Her signature style is "expensive," says Field. "She is first and foremost an executive, so she might wear a iewel-encrusted sweater but with a pinstripe skirt and a white blouse. There's always a pinch of glamour but

no trends." Field knows a thing or two about trends:

She's the one who dressed Sarah Jessica Parker and her pals on "Sex and the City," making Manolo Blahnik and Jimmy Choo "celebrities" and convincing countless women to wear their own names around their necks.

But fashion insiders know the top figures in the industry mostly wear timeless styles — things that won't become dated from one year to the next and, more importantly, one photograph to another. It's why Field chose several of Bill Blass' perfectly fitted jackets for Miranda's work wardrobe and a custom-made Valentino gown with an oversized bow for the film's biggest fashion scene, a huge charity gala at a museum.



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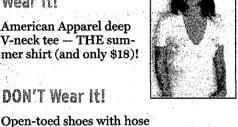
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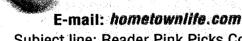
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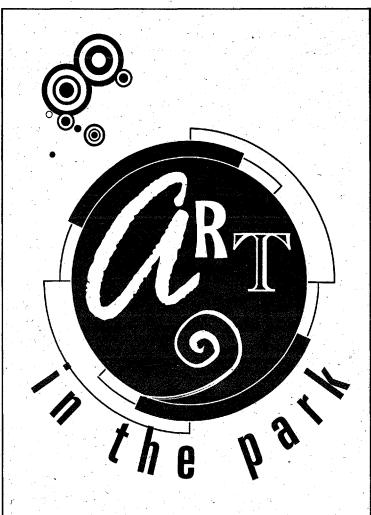


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But tours of grand houses bring together art, architecture, history and culture.

While the Edsel & Eleanor Ford House in **Grosse Pointe Shores offers** several specialized history and

culture tours, Cranbrook House and tours of the museum and surrounding grounds in Bloomfield Hills emphasize the campus's unique architecture and outdoor art.

Since summer is the height of the season for house tours, consider making it an extended visit. Take a spin through the grounds and gardens at the Ford House, book a tea party at Meadow Brook, or head inside Cranbrook's art museum.

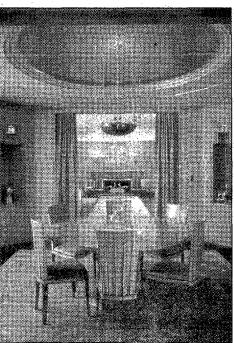


Cranbrook Art Museum

- Tour season runs through Oct. 29. Private tours are available. For reservations, call (248) 645-3361 or visit www.cranbrook.edu.
- Located at 39221 Woodward, Bloomfield Hills.
- Saarinen House and Garden tour: 90-minute guided, 1 p.m. Thursday-Friday and 1 p.m. and 3 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, 6:30 p.m. every fourth Friday of the month, \$6-\$8.
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- The First Great Modern American
- Landscape, 11 a.m. July 7, 2 p.m. July 29. Modernism Style, 7 p.m. July 12, 2 p.m. Aug. 19.
- Staff Life on the Estate, 11 a.m. July 14, 2 p.m. Aug. 10.
- Cotswold Architecture, 7 p.m. July 19, 2 p.m. Aug. 26.
- Secrets Behind the Paintings, 11 a.m. July 21, 2 p.m. Aug. 12.

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- Group tours of 20 or more may be arranged, call (248) 364-6224 or e-mail kskucher@oakland.edu.

Special events

Jazz in the Garden, \$30 includes one drink, light hors d'oeuvres and a mini tour of the hall, cash bar, 7 p.m. Thursday, July 13, 20 and 27. Reservations required, call (248) 364-6263.

■ Tea on Tuesday: In garden, 3-4:30 p.m. July 18; in Christopher Wren Dining Room with tour, Aug. 22. Both priced \$45 and include accompaniments. Reservations required, call (248) 364-6263.

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Music and Art in the Park

Plymouth features fair, and a variety of entertainment

Jazz and Caribbean sounds will fill the air at the 27th annual Plymouth Art in the Park festival Friday, July 7 through Sunday,

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also rock,

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27TH ANNUAL PLYMOUTH ART IN THE PARK

When: Noon-8 p.m. Friday, July 7: 10 a.m.-7 p.m., Saturday, July 8; 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Sunday, July 9 Where: In and around Kellogg Park, downtown Plymouth. Party Pavilion hours: Noon-11

p.m. Friday, July 7; noon- 11 p.m. Saturday, July 8; noon-4 p.m. Sunday, July 9.

Free shuttle service: Visitors coming to Art in the Park are encouraged to park at the Visteon Plant located at 14425 Sheldon Road, just off of M-14 in Plymouth and take the free round-trip shuttle service.

Details: www.artinthepark.com or call the Plymouth Chamber of Commerce at (734) 453-1540.

beverages available too.

On Saturday afternoon you can dance to the steel drum sounds of Night Flight. Later that night, get heavy with rockers Damage Control, a band that's played at the Roxy in Hollywood and The Vic in Chicago.

On Saturday, ease into the afternoon with Reggae by Universal Xpression, a



Universal Xpression

seven-member band with a loyal following and 12 albums. The band is popular in the Virgin Islands, is often featured on BBC radio and has played with Shaggy, Burning Spear and other Caribbean greats.

Later that day is the jazz sounds of Meri Slaven. End the evening with the saucy, spicy sounds of Saoco, a popular salsa/Cuban/ Caribbean band in the Detroit area.

The Patin Trio plays music of the 1930s and '40s on Sunday and the festival ends with Bus Stop, R&B sounds with Julia Ingalls. "It's going to be a big party," said Dianne Quinn, founder and director of the fair. It's complete with cocktail party tables and party decorations, said Quinn, a Plymouth resident and artist.

What started as a small group of 30 artists sharing a passion of art 27 years ago has since grown to attract more than 400 artists from North America. Mediums include paintings, sculpture, ceramics, jewelry, fiber, fine glass, woodwork, mixed media, photography, and folk art.

2006 PLYMOUTH ART IN THE PARK ENTERTAINMENT

Friday, July 7

12-3 p.m., Nite Flight, steel drum, calypso and reggae 3:30-5:30 p.m., Ben Cyllus, pop, folk, www.bencyllus.com 6-7:30 p.m., Phoenix, rock, jazz, R&B, http://phoenixband.mine.nu/ 8-11 p.m., Damage Control, rock, www.damagecontrolband.net

Saturday, July 8

12-3 p.m., Universal Xpression, reggae, soca, zouk, www.universalxpression.net 3-5 p.m., Meri Slaven, jazz, www.merislaven.com 6-7:30 p.m., Phoenix, rock, jazz, R&B, http://phoenixband.mine.nu/ 8-11 p.m., Saoco, salsa, Cuban, and Caribbean, http://www.saoco.com/saoco

Sunday, July 9

12-2 p.m., The Patin Trio, music of the 1930s and 1940s. www.patintrio.com 2-4 p.m., Julia Ingalls & Bus Stop, R&B, rock

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Enjoy handcrafted beers with a dish of Shrimp Provençal and Pork Medallions Dijon at Bastone in Royal Oak.

Al fresco

Enjoy summer outdoor spots with good eats

BY ELEANOR HEALD

CORRESPONDENT

In Italy, eating outdoors is dubbed al fresco, but this once European penchant for Americans while on vacation has become a Michigan passion when the weather is warm.

Just as its bar area is packed five deep from Thursday to Saturday evenings, 220 in Birmingham has an equally crowded outdoor eating area. Seats are at a premium for one of the first eateries to feature outdoor eating. Pastas and salads are the fare that satisfies in warm weather here.

Red umbrellas on the terrace at **Big Rock Chop House**, also in Birmingham, are among the first signs that warm weather is here. The umbrellas have been up for months, even while we were freezing in mid-May. This spot specializes in hand-cut, aged steaks and chops. From 7-11 p.m. every Wednesday, either the Warren Commission or the Royce Band make this a happening place.

Nearly every restaurant in Royal Oak that

can squeeze sidewalk eating space does. Look hard and long at three spots there: Mr. B's Pub, with generous portions and an impressive beer collection; Tom's Oyster Bar, where anything with fins or born in a shell are the

items to order; and **Bastone**, where Belgian and French-inspired dishes can be washed down with handcrafted beers made onsite.

On a first-come, first-served basis, Five Lakes Grill in Milford accommodates 20 people at sidewalk tables to eat from chef/owner Brian Polcyn's decidedly bistro-style menu. If you're into

charcuterie, this is the place to order it. Just down the way at Gravity Bar & Grill, seating is limited to three tables of four, also on a first-come, first-served basis.

Josephine in Ferndale can also accommodate only 12 people on the sidewalk in front, yet the pleasure of reserving one "weather pending" is rewarded on the plate with some delicious crepes, an enduring symbol of sophisticated yet simple French cuisine.

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There's also a bistro side to the menu.

Formerly, it was that way at Assaggi Mediterranean Bistro until a Tuscan-style patio accommodating 50 was constructed

At a table near the fountain, you may just think you're in Italy — for an evening. Assaggi has not only a most imaginative Euro-style menu, but entertainment. Tuesday is dinner and a movie, shown on a screen (new this year) attached to the rear wall of the restaurant and easily viewed from all tables.

Wednesday is Italian night, when Pino Marelli plays guitar. Wine tasting with appetizers is the Thursday specialty at \$25 per person.

The covered patio at Bacco Ristorante in Southfield is another spot with a distinct and upscale Euro feel, specializing in the finest a la carte Italian on the planet. Even when it's warm, I prefer hot appetizers (antipasti) and two at Bacco are sensational: Capesante Dorate al Profumo di Tartufo (pan-roasted day boat scallops with porcini and truffle cream sauce); and Salsiccia e Cipolla con Gorgonzola (Italian sausage, caramelized onions, balsamic vinegar and Gorgonzola). For pasta, order

Cavatelli ai Porcini (fresh porcini, white wine and cream). For a main, try Lombata di Vitello alla Brace (grilled prime veal chop with porcini truffle sauce). An Italian wine list is second to none.

There's no more scenic spot for outdoor eating than It's A Matter of Taste, with its view of Union Lake off the terrace.

If you can't get a seat on the terrace, glass walls are opened, creating the feel of being outside for every table.

Moderate prices for such dishes as roasted chili-lime halibut or Thai-spiced walleye make a drive to Union Lake well worth it.

For an Up North feel, the deck at **Europa Bistro** in Rochester is special. Top that with the most moderately-priced and delicious French and Italian main courses, with choice of soup or dinner salad all under \$20, and you'll want to return for both the ambience and the food.

The new Kruse & Muer in Troy has one of the largest covered patio areas. Order seafood. Jimmy's Pile of Perch is my favorite and tangerine shrimp is not a distant No. 2. Tommy Bahama crabcakes have a Caribbean ring and taste to match.

Mesa grill sirloin is a meat-lovers delight, as are the overall prices (\$8-\$25) at dinner.

Compari's on the Park and Fiamma Grille in Plymouth are side-by-side and

GOOD EATS OUTDOORS

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220, 220 Merrill St., Birmingham (248) 645-2150. **Assaggi Mediterranean Bistro**, 330 W. Nine Mile Rd., Ferndale (248) 584-3499.

Bacco Ristorante, 29410 Northwestern Hwy., Southfield (248) 356-6600.

Bastone, 419 S. Main (at Fifth), Royal Oak (248) 544-6250.

Big Rock Chop House, 245 S. Eton, Birmingham (248) 647-7774.

Europa Bistro, 543 N. Main St., in River Square Center, Rochester (248) 650-1390.

Five Lakes Grill, 424 N. Main St., Milford (248) 684-7455.

Gravity Bar & Grill, 340 N. Main St., Milford (248) 684-4223.

It's A Matter of Taste, 2323 Union Lake Rd., Commerce Township (248) 360-6650. Jösephine, 241 W. Nine Mile Rd., Ferndale (248)

Kruse & Muer, 911 Wilshire Drive (off Crooks Road), Troy (248) 362-2700.

Mr. B's Pub, 215 S Main St., Royal Oak (248) 399-0017.

Tom's Oyster Bar, 318 S Main St., Royal Oak (248) 541-1186.

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Bahama Breeze, 19600 Haggerty, Livonia (734) 542-8162

Beaver Creek, 1609 N. Wayne, Westland (734) 722-5330

Bravo Italian Cuccina, 17700 Haggerty, Livonia (734) 591-5600

Boulder's Restaurant & Lounge, 1020 Ann Arbor Road W., Plymouth (734) 459-4190 Buffalo Wild Wings, 6677 N. Wayne, Westland (734) 641-4000

Central City Diner, 6600 N. Canton Center, Canton (734) 354-9312

Compari's on the Park and Fiamma Grill, 350-380 S. Main Street, Plymouth (734) 416-0100 and (734) 416-9340

Doyle's Tavern, 860 Fralick, Plymouth (734) 207-9656

East Side Mario's, 31630 Plymouth, Livonia (734) 513-8803

Garden City Cafe, 5662 Middlebelt, Garden City (734) 427-5338

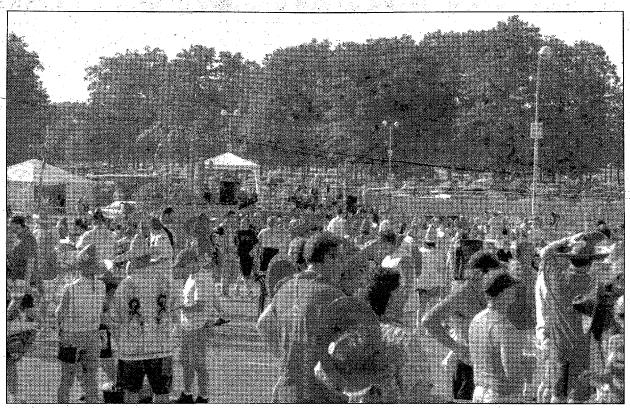
Kicker's All American Grill, 36071 Plymouth, Livonia (734) 261-5500

Plymouth Fish Seafood Market, 578 Starkweather, Plymouth (734) 455-2630 Red Robin, 36350 Warren, Westland (734) 421-

together also offer a larger outdoor, but uncovered, eating area. Compari's is Italian-themed, while Fiamma is an Italian-accented steak and seafood grill. Eleanor Heald is a nationally-published writer and Troy resident who writes about restaurants, food, wine and spirits for the *Observer & Eccentric Newspapers*. Contact her by e-mail at focusonwine@aol.com.







Colorful sombreros, volleyball and more are part of Sammy Hagar's concert.

Jimmy Buffett, he isn't

Sammy Hagar brings his Cabo Wabo beach party to town

BY LANA MINI STAFF WRITER

Don't get us wrong. We are not saying that Sammy Hagar is copying or trying to imitate Jimmy Buffett.

Two musicians, two different styles.

When Jimmy Buffett tours the country he brings with him an ambiance of life in the Florida Keys, laid back with margaritas.

When Sammy Hagar tours, he brings with him a Cabo Mexico vibe, wild with beer and tequila.

Both attract different types of partiers, but both host concerts with a beach-style vibe. Maybe Hagar is the "blue collar" man's Jimmy Buffett.

Hagar's Livin' It Up Tour is coming to DTE on Saturday, July 8.

The tour creates an outdoor Cabo Wabo experience with a village set-up including bikini-clad girls, male body builders, Mariachi bands and the Waborita bar. There will be sand and volleyball nets, food vendors and more. The goal is to get people partying the moment they arrive in the



Sammy Hagar keeps the party going all day.

DTE lot as they're greeted by "Sambassadors."

Ticket prices are a lower \$20 pavilion and \$10 lawn. There's also \$50 pavilion tickets available. "The tequila made me do it!!!" said Hagar of the lower ticketed price.

Doors open at 3 p.m. for the 7:30 p.m. performance.

And did we mention, that after Hagar and the Wabos perform, he and Michael Anthony will do a show called The Other Half (of Van Halen)?

Cabo Wabo is Hagar's popular nightclub in Mexico. It's also a brand name of tequila.

Hagar said he likes to see how many truck loads of tequila are consumed at the different venues along the tour route. Last year at DTE, 15,000 people consumed 88 cases or about 13,200 shots of Cabo Wabo. (Drink sales stop well before the show ends, giving partiers time to sober up.)

Hagar's latest single Sam I Am from his forthcoming CD Livin' It Up debuted at No. 2 on classic rock charts across the country.

The single, which wasn't even officially released, was picked up by stations across the country as an MP3.

For tickets, visit Palacenet.com or call (248) 645-6666 or visit any Ticketmaster outlet.

Classic rock bands remain popular shows

BY LANA MINI STAFF WRITER

Journey, Def Leppard, Heart, REO Speedwagon.

Bands that were at their prime in the early days of MTV are some of the best-selling concert tours this summer.

One of the in-demand tickets is for the

IF YOU DIG JOURNEY, YOU MIGHT ALSO LIKE AT DTE ...

- 7:30 p.m. Friday, July 7, Steve Miller Band with World Party
- 8 p.m. Sunday, July 9, The Music of Led Zeppelin: A Rock Symphony
- 7:30 p.m. Thursday, July 13 and 14, Creedence Clearwater Revisited
- 7:30 p.m. Monday, July 17, Heart
- 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, July 18, REO Speedwagon
- 7 p.m. Friday, July 28, Poison with guests Cinderella

For tickets, visit www.palacenet.com or call Ticketmaster at (248) 645-6666. Journey and Def Leppard show at DTE on Monday,

July 24. Journey will perform again this year minus vocalist Steve Perry - and once again vocalist Steve Augeri, a sound-alike of Perry, joins the band that includes founder Neal Schon, guitar; Ross Valory, bass and Jonathan Cain, keyboards. The tour

with Def Leppard is an exciting one for Journey, the multi-platinum band who hasn't had a hit in years, but can still be heard often on classic

rock stations with songs like Wheel in the Sky and the ballad Open Arms.

"(Def Leppard) is a band I've admired for a long time," Cain said. "We're honored to be performing with a band that received their Diamond Award (an award given for 10 million albums sold) at the same ceremony when we received our Diamond Award ... so it seems fitting that we go out together after all these years and celebrate a lot of good years of rock and roll."

Journey's legacy has spanned more than 30 years and four albums landed in the Top Ten of Billboard's including 1981's *Escape* that hit No. 1. The band has sold more than 65 million albums making them the 29th "best selling band." Last year, they were honored with a star on the Hollywood Walk of Fame.

Journey was founded in 1973 in San Francisco by Santana members Neal Schon and Gregg Rolie, with the assistance of Ross

PLEASE SEE **Journey, E**



Journey is bringing its classics like "Feelin' that Way" to DTE Music Energy Theatre.

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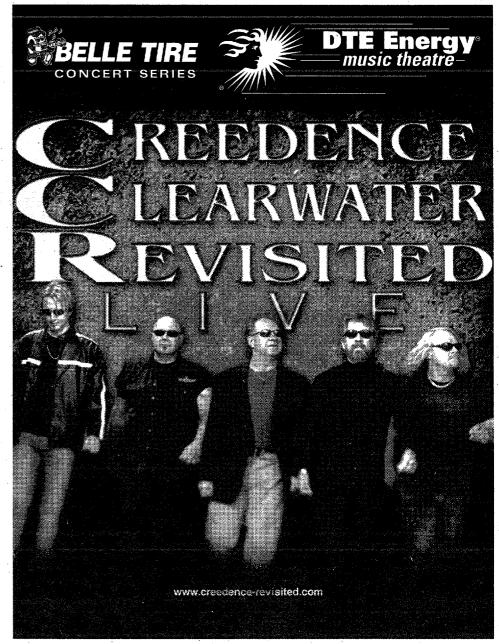
"We're glad that our fans are excited about this tour," Schon said. "And I think both Journey and Def Leppard will gain some new fans. I'm especially looking forward to playing guitar with my good buddy Vivian Campbell."

Def Leppard also has a star on the Walk

Its VH-1 biopic, *Hysteria*, the Def Leppard Story was one of the highest watched productions on the popular station as it told the story of the band's wild sexual escapades, problems with drugs and alcohol and of course the triumphant survival story of drummer Rick Allen who lost his arm in a 1984 car crash and still continues in the band.

Expect to hear hits like Pour Some Sugar, Photograph and Rock of Ages.





\$10 Lawn Tickets



Get your name in the credits of 'Clerks II'

BY LANA MINI STAFF WRITER

Kevin Smith isn't afraid to admit to that he's a comic book "nerd," and a MySpace.com junkie and sets the bar low for himself.

He's a slacker, he says, despite the success of films such as Clerks and Dogma (we don't even need to talk about the Jersey Girl failure right now, but

writer/director/actor Smith stands firm that he's proud of the film).

And if you're a "slacker" film junkie who loves movies, but doesn't really have the energy, nor means, to make a film, you can still have your name in a movie's credits ... you and 10,000 others.

Go to MySpace.com today and hurry, because the first 10,000 people to add Mooby's Presents: Clerks II to their MySpace friend's list will automatically be permanently added to the ending credits of the upcoming Clerks II in theaters and on DVD.

"I've been a total MySpace junkie since March of this year, and have given up countless hours to the 10-at-a-time art of friend-approving," Smith said. "For MySpace to let *Clerks II* into their *Top 8* (friends list) is not only a major coup for



Jason Mewes (left) and Kevin Smith return as Jay and Silent Bob.

the movie — it's like being able to say that I know Tom personally. Even though, y'know, I don't."

For those who don't know about MySpace.com, Tom is the hipster founder of the Web site. Once you establish a MySpace page, you can rank your *Top 8* friends. Tom's friend list includes all 89 million plus members. And *Clerks II* is in his *Top 8*, get it?

Clerks II is the sequel to the 1994 Sundance hit Clerks and again stars Jason Mewes, Kevin Smith and the whole Clerks crew. The film, a Weinstein Co. presentation, will be released July 21.

The first *Clerks*, a low-budget film about a couple guys with dead-end jobs at a party store, was a surprising success for movie moguls Bob and Harvey Weinstein, co-founders of Miramax films.

"MySpace is the perfect partner for this innovative and exciting outreach that gives thousands of people the chance to have their name in the credits of a feature film," Harvey Weinstein said. "We cannot think of a better way to get Kevin's long-standing fan base excited about the sequel."

Clerks II continues the story of Dante Hicks and Randal Graves and explores where they are in life 10 years later.

The film features cameos by Jason Lee, Ben Affleck, Kevin Weisman (*Alias*) and comedians Wanda Sykes and Earthquake. It also features the triumphant return of Leonardo, New Jersey's inimitable duo, Jay and Silent Bob (Mewes and Smith).

To get listed in the credits get details at www.clerks2.com or www.myspace.com/therealkevinsmith

And don't be a slacker, you need to hurry for this one.

Read Lana Mini's interview with Kevin Smith in an upcoming issue of *Filter*.

Opening Friday

In the Heart of the Game

Opens exclusively at the Birmingham 8, 211 S. Woodward, (248) 644-3456

When Seattle filmmaker Ward Serrill met Bill Resler, a college tax professor who moonlights as a girls basketball coach, he didn't realize that he was about to embark on a seven-year journey. Serrill, camera in hand, followed Resler into the Roosevelt High School gym and soon discovered a group of girls whose unbri-

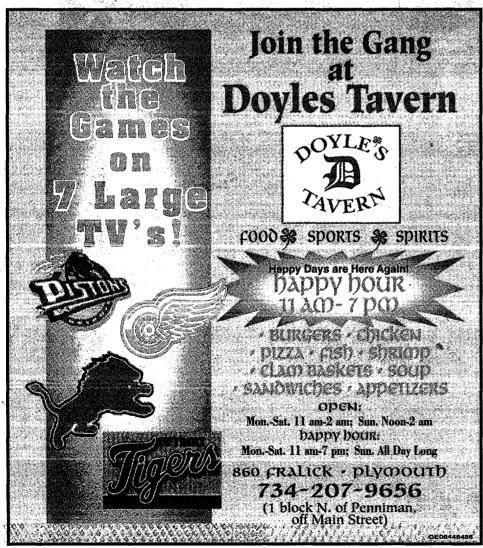
dled toughness, passion and energy he came to call The Heart of the Game. In-depth documentary. (Miramax Films) This film is rated PG-13.

Pirates of the Caribbean: Dead Man's Chest

Captain Jack Sparrow (Johnny Depp) owes a debt to the ghostly Davey Jones (Bill Nighy), and it's a bloody one. In the meantime, Will Turner (Orlando Bloom) and Elizabeth Swann (Keira Knightley), are forced to join Sparrow in yet another one of his misadventures. Also starring Geoffrey Rush, Stellan Skarsgård, Jack Davenport, Kevin McNally, Naomi Harris, Jonathan Pryce, Mackenzie Crook, Tom Hollander, and Lee Arenberg; Directed by Gore Verbinski and written by Ted Elliott and Terry Rossio. (Walt Disney Pictures) This film is rated PG-13.

Who Killed the Electric Car?

Opens exclusively in at the Landmark Main Art Theater, 118 N. Main, Royal Oak (248) 263-2111. With gasoline prices approaching \$4 a gallon, fossil fuel shortages, unrest in oil producing regions around the globe and mainstream consumer adoption and adoption of the hybrid electric car (more than 140,000 Prius' sold this year), this story couldn't be more timely. Documentary investigates the death and resurrection of the electric car. Written and directed by Chris Paine. (Sony Picture Classics) This film is rated PG.





Video games & violins

DSO's 'got game'

BY NICOLE STAFFORD

Come next Wednesday, the interior of Detroit's regal Orchestra Hall will probably

look and feel unusual.

That's because the
Detroit Symphony
Orchestra will be
performing video
game music from
such gamer
favorites as

Super Mario Bros., Battlefield 1942 and Sonic the Hedgehog.

That's right, the sounds of those video games that keep young and old gamers alike occupied for hours on end will come to life in Play! A Video Game Symphony.

The July 12 concert begins at 8 p.m. at the Max M. Fisher Center in downtown Detroit.

"You have young to old and you have families. It's pretty

GAMERS MUSIC

What: "Play! A Video Game Symphony," a concert of video game music with the Detroit Symphony Orchestra and Stoney Creek High School Chorus,

When: 8 p.m. Wednesday, Júly 12. Where: Orchestra Hall at Max M. Fisher Music Center, 3711 Woodward, Detroit.

Tickets: \$24-\$60, call (313) 576-5111 or visit www.detroitsymphony.com. For more information about the concert tour, visit www.play-symphony.com.

much anywhere from age 7 to age 70 in the audience," said Jason Michael Paul, the program's producer.

The audience will likely be a strange mix of video gamers who've never attended a classical concert before, fans of soundtracks and the typical symphonic concert-goer, said Paul, who also produced Dear Friends: Music From Final

Fantasy, which the DSO performed last summer.

Both Dear Friends and Play! have enjoyed tremendous attendance and critical success. Tickets for Play! in Stockholm sold out.

Arnie Roth, a member of the group Mannheim Steamroller, is set to conduct the concert, which includes music from 20 video games, epic video graphics on a large screen and several orchestral arrangements for Nintendo's Super Mario Bros. and The Legend of Zelda never presented live.

The Stoney Creek High School Chorus also will join the DSO during the concert.

Nobuo Uematsu, the Japanese composer who created the soundtrack for the video game Final Fantasy, has scored an opening fanfare specifically for Play!

Several Japanese composers of video game music likely will attend the concert, partly because "they get treated like rocks stars," Paul said.

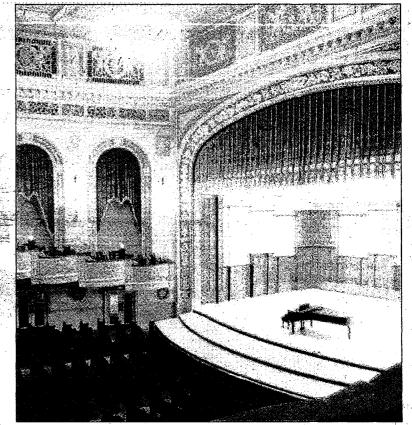


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The Detroit Symphony Orchestra will perform a concert of video game music in Orchestra Hall at the Max M. Fisher Music Center in Detroit.

That's right, don't expect Play! to be cultured and con-

This is symphonic music

with rock-star status.

nstaffor@hometownlife.com (248) 901-2567



Send fax or e-mail items for consideration in Get Out! at least two weeks in advance to Ken Abramczyk, Observer & Eccentric Newspapers. 805 E. Maple, Birmingham, MI 48009, fax (248) 644-1314 or e-mail

kabramcz@hometownlife.com.

ART EXHIBITS

Detroit Institute of Arts

The Art of Screenprint, at the Detroit Institute of Arts, 5200 Woodward, Detroit, \$3-\$6, (313) 833-7900 or visit www.dia.org.

Cranbrook Art Museum

An exhibit of Philip Treacy's hats for muse Isabella Blow, runs through Aug. 27, 39221 Woodward, Bloomfield Hills, \$4-\$6, call (877) GO-CRANBROOK or visit www.cranbrookart.edu.

Kresge Art Museum

Summer hours in July, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday-Friday, noon to 5 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, closed August, first floor of the Kresge Art Center, on Michigan State University campus, www.artmuseum.msu.edu, (517) 353-9834

Metalsmithing

Critical Mass: Metalsmithing at Cranbrook under Gary Griffin, through Oct. 15, 39221 Woodward, Bloomfield Hills, \$4-\$6, call (877) GO-CRANBROOK or visit www.cranbrookart.edu.

Pewabic Pottery

Teapots: Universal Adoration, through July 14, east and west galleries, 10125 E. Cadillac, Detroit, call (313) 822-0954 or visit www. pewabic.org.

Moving Sculpture

Time and Transformation, through Sept. 17, University of Michigan Museum of Art's temporary space, 1301 S. University, U-M campus, Ann Arbor, (734) 763-UMMA or visit www.umma.umich.edu.

More DIA

Annie Leibovitz: American Music, intimate portraits of those influenced by American roots music, Sept. 24 through Jan. 7, visit www.dia.org

ART GALLERIES

Sherry Gallery

Abstractions of life paintings, through Aug. 26, 1274 Library St. at Grand River, Detroit, (313) 961-4500.

Artful Framer

Bid on a Steven Mitchell piece until June 30 to benefit Debbie Schell, daughter of an Artful Framer employee who needs a heart transplant, 6525 Sashabaw Road, (248) 620-9724.

Arnold Klein

Gallery's 35th anniversary celebration, urban views exhibition with Arms, Christo, Mershimer, Murphy and others, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday, 32782 Woodward, Royal Oak, (248) 647-7709.

Cameron Scott Gallery

Rolls Royce and Bentley, 10 local artists paint Rolls Royce or Bentley, display open through July 8, 167 Townsend, Birmingham, (248) 203-7167

Cary Gallery

Dorothea Krieg's print selections, through July 8, 226 Walnut Blvd., Rochester, (248) 651-

Meadow Brook Art Gallery

Oakland University, 208 Wilson Hall, Rochester Hills, free, call (248) 370-3005 or visit www.oakland.edu/mbag.

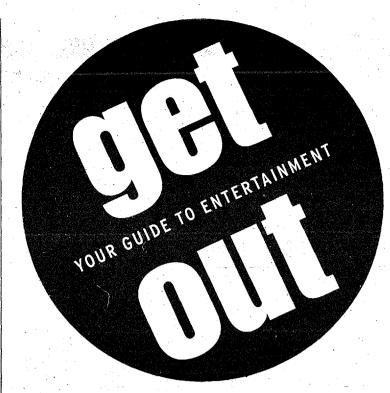
Orchard Lake Art Gallery

4301 Orchard Lake Road, West Bloomfield, (248) 538-9021.

Oakland Community College

Student Art Show at the Highland Lakes Campus, Woodland Hall Library, 7300 Cooley Lake Road, Waterford. 8 a.m. to 10 p.m. Monday-Friday, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Friday, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday.

Paint Creek Center for the Arts



Artists' exchange show with Oasis Gallery from Upper Peninsula, opening reception 6-8 p.m. Friday, July 7, show runs until Aug. 5, PCCA Main Gallery, 407 Pine Street (at Fourth) in Rochester, (248) 651-4110, www.pccart.org

Plymouth Community Arts Council

Work of the Hand - Clay and Fiber, exhibit fea-turing clay artist Carolyn Dulin and the Cross Borders Weavers Guild, through July 7, 774 N. eldon, Plymouth, (734) 416-4278.

ART. ETC.

Birmingham Bloomfield Art Center

Summer Solstice artworks, through July 21, featuring "40 Years of Separation" fiber exhibition, "Vanishing Landscapes" by Artists Alliance of Spring Lake, Mich., and BBAC student exhibition, free, open to public, 1516 S. Cranbrook, Birmingham, (248) 644-0866 or visit www.bbartcenter.org.

Michigan Watercolor Society

59th Annual Exhibition Travel Show, through July 23, 217 Farnsworth, Detroit, mwcsart.com,

CAR EVENTS

Classic cars in Dearborn

The Dearborn Inn's 75th Anniversary Classic Car Show & Old Fashioned Ice Cream Social, Saturday, July 8, 20301 Oakwood Boulevard, (313) 271-2700 or

www.dearborninnmarriott.com.

CLASSICAL

Kirk in the Hills

2006 Carillon Series, Suzanne Magassy, 10 a.m. and noon, July 9; Charles Dairay, July 23; 1340 W. Long Lake Road, Bloomfield Hills, www.kirkinthehills.org, (248) 626-2515.

Orchestra Canton

Summer Sounds: A Pops Picnic, 8 p.m., Saturday, July 15, Village Theater at Cherry Hill, \$11-\$20 tickets, order box lunch at 7 p.m. and have picnic for \$10, www.orchestracanton.org, (734) 394-5460.

CLUBS

220 Merrill Street & Edison Lounge

Extensive drink menu, live music, dancing, eclectic and American nouveau cuisine, 220 E. Merrill, Birmingham, (248) 645-2150.

313.Jac's

Located upstairs at Jacoby's, 624 Brush in Bricktown, (313) 962-7067, 21 and over, doors open 10 p.m., cover \$5, www.staticrecords.com/shows.htm.

The Ark

316 S. Main, Ann Arbor, (734) 761-1451,

www.theark.org.

Bachelor's One

1967 Cass Lake Road, Keego Harbor, (248) 682-

Belmont Bar

Mademoiselle Mondays, \$10, for martini and manicure, therapeutic massage \$1 minute, punk nights Tuesdays, live rock Wednesdays, DJs and local bands on weekends. 10215 Joseph Campau, Hamtramck, (313) 871-1966.

Blind Pig

Longtime, hip music spot, 208 S. First St., Ann Arbor, (734) 996-8555.

www.blindpigmusic.com.

Blue Martini

Live music 8-11 p.m. Tuesdays through Thursdays, and Saturdays and Sundays, 201 Hamilton, between Woodward and Old Woodward, one block north of Maple, (248) 258-3005.

Bosco

Enjoy noWax nights at 7 p.m. every Wednesday, download music into your MP3 Player, take a number and wait your turn to be DJ and spin three songs, no cover, 21 and over only, 22930 Woodward in Ferndale, www.thebosco.com, (248) 541-8818.

Buddha Lounge

Thursday, DJ Shug plays super sonic smooth music and beer pong tournament. Saturdays DJ Terrence Parker & Mo Reese; Sundays, Karaoke; Tuesdays, Deep House; Wednesdays Jamtramck jazz band. www.gobuddha.net. (313) 535-4664.

Club Bart

21 and over only, 22726 Woodward, Ferndale, (248) 548-8746

Club 2000

Fat Twosdays with D I Carl the Invisible Man 9 p.m. Tuesdays, hip-hop, 18 and over, 299 E. Woodbridge, Detroit, (313) 235-2233.

Crazv Moe's Cafe

Food, dancing, music, 2 N. Saginaw St., Pontiac, (248) 322-5550.

Danny's Irish Pub

Laid-back, small, friendly, 22824 Woodward, Ferndale, (248) 546-8331.

Dino's Lounge

Live bands on weekends, football specials on Sundays, hip, laid back, friendly, 22740 Woodward, just south of Nine Mile in Ferndale, (248) 591-DINO

Edison's

220 E. Merrill, Birmingham, (248) 645-2150.

Elvsium

Lounge, dance and happy hour 3-9 p.m. Tuesdays-Fridays, nightclub hours Fridays and Saturdays, 9 p.m. to 2 a.m., (313) 962-2244, 625 Shelby, Detroit. www.elysium-lounge.com.

Emerald Theatre

Concert house, dancing, 32 N. Walnut, Mount Clemens, (586) 913-1920.

Fiamma Grille

Roy Scoutz, 7-10 p.m. Tuesdays and Wednesdays, George "The Kat" plays saxophone, 7-10 p.m. Thursdays, 380 Main, Plymouth, (734) 416-0100.

Ginopolis on the Grill

Don Swindell and Shuffle Play, with Swindell, Sheila Brown, Mike Lorenz and Jake Reichhart, 7:30-11:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday, 27851 Middlebelt (at 12 Mile) in Farmington Hills, no cover, (248) 851-8222.

John Cowley & Sons Irish Tavern

33338 Grand River Avenue, downtown Farmington, call (248) 474-5941 for more infor-

Leland City Club

Avant garde, open until 4 a.m., access through unmarked door on the First Street side of the Ramada Hotel building, 400 Bagley, Detroit, www.lelandcityclub.com.

The Locker Room Saloon

Wild Wednesdays with DJ Oz, Trivia Night and Ladies Night Thursdays, Funky Fridays with DJ Paul, Insane Saturdays with DJ Oz, 7790 Auburn, Utica (586) 731-3323, www.locker roomsaloon.com, www.ckpep.com

Rainbow Room

Laid-back atmosphere, dancing, 6640 E. Eight Mile, Detroit, (313) 891-1020.

X/S

High-energy dance club, 1500 Woodward, northeast corner at John R, Detroit, (313) 963-

Seldom Blues

Big Band Wednesdays with Johnny Trudell and his 18-piece band, 7-11 p.m., playing a mix of

The restaurant also features live jazz every night of the week, located in Tower 400, Level 1 of the GM Renaissance Center next to the Marriott, call (313) 567-7301.

Sky Club

Tango, salsa, and Latin dancing every Wednesday beginning at 8 p.m., located above Sangria's Restaurant, 401 S. Lafayette, Royal 0ak, (248) 543-1964.

Token Lounge

28949 Joy, Westland, (734) 513-5030.

COMEDY

Ann Arbor Comedy Showcase

Comedy Jamm, open mic night Thursday. nights, starting 8 p.m. through October, Becky Blaney, July 7 and 8; Chili's Comedy Dojo Graduation Show, July 12; Boston International Comedy Festival auditions, July 13, Jim McCue, July 14 and 15, (closed for Ann Arbor Art Fair, July 20-22), Tony Rock, July 28 and 29, 314 E. Liberty, Ann Arbor, (734) 996-

Larco's Italian Chophouse

Night of comedy, magic and improv with Rick Sherman and The Cheeky Monkeys, 7:30 p.m., Saturday, July 8, 645 E. Big Beaver Rd., Troy, (248) 399-1101.

JD's House of Comedy

Stand-up shows, 8 p.m. Thursday and 8 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday; Apollo amateur night, 8 p.m. Wednesday, \$10-\$15, 25333 W. 12 Mile, inside Star Theatre complex, Southfield, (248) 348-2420 or www.ticketmas tercom

Second City

Bobble Heads of State, performances are Wednesday-Sunday, \$15-\$20, 42705 Grand River, Novi, call (248) 348-4448. For tickets, call (248) 645-5555 or www.ticketmaster.com.

Wise Guys Comedy Club

40380 Grand River, Novi, (248) 919-3216. Mark Ridley's Comedy Castle

Stand-up, 269 E. Fourth, Royal Oak, (248) 542-9900, www.comedycastle.com.

Joey's Comedy Club

Stand-up at two locations: 36071 Plymouth Road, Livonia, (734) 261-0555, and 5070 Schaefer, Dearborn, (313) 584-8885; www.ioevscomedv.com.

COUNTRY

Country '06 Concert

Alan Jackson, Montgomery Gentry, Martina McBride, Carrie Underwood, Dierko Bentley, Lonestar, July 6-9, Hickory Hills Lakes, Ft. Loramie, Ohio, www.countryconcert.com, (937) 295-3000.

DANCE

Michigan Swing Dance Association

Workshop 2 p.m., lesson 3 p.m., dance 4-8 p.m. July 16, fees, Rhythm-N-Shoes Dance Studio, 2172 Franklin, Bloomfield Hills, visit DanceMichigan@aol.com for information.

Tango for Two

Argentine tango by "I Tango," with attendance by Argentine ambassador to benefit DSO and Michigan Opera Theatre, July 29, Lutz Farm. Ann Arbor, (313) 237-3425 or www.MichiganOpera.org.

Performance Network Theatre

Dancing in Summer, dance works by choreographers, July 6-9, \$17-\$25, 120 E. Huron, Ann Arbor, (734) 663-0681, www.performancenetwork.org.

DOWNTOWN DISTRICTS

Chelsea

Sounds & Sights through Sept. 7, live entertainment, carriage rides, kids activities, art market, (734)475-1145 or www.chelseafestivals.com.

Ferndale

3rd Thursdays on the Nine, live entertainment, third Thursday July and August, Nine Mile www.downtownferndale.com

FAMILY

Children's theater

Hilberry Theatre presents Oz, through July 8. 4743 Cass Avenue, at the corner of Hancock, (313) 577-2972 or www.hilberry.com.

Robot exhibit

Robot City, new interactive exhibit, continues through Sept. 17, 5020 John R. Detroit, \$6-\$7, call (313) 577-8400 or visit

www.detroitsciencecenter.org. Cranbrook Institute of Science

Playing With Time, runs through Sept. 4, 39221 Woodward, Bloomfield Hills, \$5-\$7, call (877) GO-CRANBROOK or visit www.cranbrook.edu.

Detroit Science Center

Exhibits include As Time Goes By, new exhibit about the aging process, and A Journey to Our Future, now open to accompany center's new permanent Space Laboratory exhibit, 5020 John R. Detroit, \$6-\$7, call (313) 577-8400 or visit www.detroitsciencecenter.org.

Detroit 700

The Peregrine Falcon: Return of an Endangered Species exhibit with photos, interactive displays and videos, runs through Sept. 8, open daily during regular zoo hours, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., at no additional charge, zoo admission \$7-\$11, (248) 398-0900, www.detroitzoo.org

FARMERS MARKETS

Farmington Farmers & Artisans Market

9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturdays through Nov. 18. live music from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. and a market basket giveaway, Walter Sundquist Pavilion & Riley Park, Farmington Road and Grand River, visit www.downtownfarmington.org for more

FESTIVALS

Melon Festival

47th Annual Howell Jaycees Melon Festival, Aug. 18-20, historic downtown Howell, (517) 546-7477, jcmelonfestival.com

FILM

Top of the Park

Free films running nightly through July 9, outdoors in Ingalls Mall, Washington by Rackham School of Graduate Studies, U-M campus, Ann Arbor, free, entertainment, 7 p.m., films, 10 p.m., www.annarborsummerfestival.org.

Comcast Summer Film Series

Free films, through Aug. 26, every Saturday at Campus Martius Park, downtown Detroit, entertainment starts at 8 p.m., films show at about 9 p.m. For information, go to www.com-castfilmseries.com.

FIREWORKS

Michigan 50's Festival

Friday, July 28, Novi Town Center, across from the former Novi Expo Center, Novi Road and Grand River, live music, food, a cruise on Saturday. (248) 349-1950, http://www.michiganfiftiesfestival.com/events.html

JAZZ

Larcos Italian Chop House

Expedition performs, Fridays are also Date Night, 645 E. Big Beaver (between Livernois and Rochester Road, just east of I-75 and on the north side of Big Beaver), in Troy, (248) 680-0066

Windsor Detroit Jazz Club

Chuck Moss and the Paint Creek Jazz Society Band, 1-4 p.m. first and third Saturday of every month, Shield's Pizza, 25101 Telegraph (northwest corner of 10 Mile and Telegraph), Southfield, \$8 cover, (248) 478-0172.

Jazz and dinner

"Kind of Blue Tuesdays," at Lola's, Harmonie Park. Led by the Gerard Evans Quartet, the shows help musicians play with the core group at 9 p.m. every Tuesday, 1427 Randolph St. in Detroit's Harmonie Park, (313) 962-0483.

Jazz in the Garden

Shahida Nurullah, July 13; Alma Smith, July 20, and George "Sax" Benson, July 27, shows 7-10 p.m., \$30, includes main floor tour, hors d'oeuvres and one drink ticket, cash bar available, on campus of Oakland University in Rochester, (248) 364-6263, www.meadow-brookhall.org.

MORE MUSIC

Doors Open Detroit

All-day party at Campus Martius Park with national music acts, food, art market, June 23, downtown Detroit, www.campusmartiuspark.org.

Oakland Community College

The Blue Water Ramblers (folk), 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, July 11, free, bring lawn chairs or blankets, if rain, show moves to Student Center Arena, Highland Lakes Campus, 7350 Cooley Lake Road, Waterford, (248) 341-2270.

KerryTown

415 N. Fourth Ave., Ann Arbor, reservations recommended, (734) 769-2999, www.kerrytownconcerthouse.com.

Station 885

Tony Ruda and Pat Smith play jazz 7-10 p.m. every Thursday (bass and piano), 885 Starkweather, Plymouth, (734) 459-0885.

Trinity House

Reservations recommended for 87-seat concert house, 38840 W. Six Mile (just west of I-275), Livonia, shows 8 p.m., No alcohol, no smoking, (734) 464-6302,

www.trinityhouse.org. Plymouth Coffee Bean

Victoria Zande, 8 p.m., Friday, July 21, 884 Penniman, in Plymouth, (734) 454-0178, www.victoriazande.com.

MUSEUMS

Henry Ford Museum

20900 Oakwood Blvd., west of the Southfield Freeway and south of Michigan Avenue, Dearborn. Additional charges and varying hours for entry to Greenfield Village, Ford



MUSIC

Chevrolet presents Dickey Betts & Great Southern at the GM Renaissance Center Plaza stage at 8 p.m. Thursday, July 6 to continue the "Rockin' On The Riverfront." Betts is a founding member of The Allman Brothers Band and hailed as an influential guitar player. Admission is free. Parking is \$10 per vehicle at the surface lot at the intersection of St. Antoine and Atwater, adjacent to the GM Renaissance Center.

Rouge Factory Tour and IMAX Theatre. For more information, call (313) 982-6001 or visit www.hfmqv.org.

Cranbrook Science Museum

Featured exhibit is It's a Nano World.
Permanent exhibits include planetarium,
nature center and Bat Zone Conservatory,
39221 Woodward, Bloomfield Hills, general
admission is \$5-\$7, planetarium, \$1-\$3, (248)
645-3200 or www.cranbrook.edu.

Detroit Science Center

Premiere of Magnificent Desolation: Walking on the Moon narrated by Tom Hanks and new planetarium show, Journey to the Edge of Space and Time, \$6, shows run indefinitely, 5020 John R, Detroit, \$6-\$7, (313) 577-8400, www.detroitsciencecenter.org.

Rochester Hills Museum at Van Hoosen Farm

1927 Dairy Barn, 1850 and 1840 furnished farmhouses with permanent and temporary exhibits about regional history. General admission \$5 adults, \$3 seniors and students, (248) 656-4663, www.rochesterhills.org.

SOMETHING DIFFERENT

Big Screen Concert

Phish: Live in Brooklyn, 9 p.m. Monday, July 10, Livonia 20, 19500 Haggerty, and Commerce Township Stadium 14, 3033 Springvale Drive, Walled Lake, \$12.50, www.BigScreenConcerts.com

Cranbrook Academy of Art

Avant-garde hair designs of Seven Deadly Sins, Serious Moonlight fund-raiser, dancing, entertainment, strolling supper, silent auction, July 15, \$85-\$175, Cranbrook Art Museum, www.cranbrookart.edu/moonlight, (248) 645-3312.

Drive-In movies

Compuware Sports Arena, double features, through Sept. 3, \$6-\$8, 14900 Beck, Plymouth Township, (734) 927-3284.

Meadow Brook Hall and Garden

Tea on Tuesday, 3 p.m. July 18, special Little Ladies Tea, Aug. 22, \$45 per person, reservations required, on campus of Oakland University in Rochester, (248) 364-6263, www.meadowbrookhall.org

Library of Michigan

Genealogy experts from libraries introduces family historians to collections at seminar, July 21-22, Michigan Library and Historical Center, 702 W. Kalamazoo St., two blocks west of the State Capitol in downtown Lansing, visit www.michigan.gov/lma, (517) 373-1300.

Ballroom dancing

8-11 p.m., third Friday each month, Costick Center, 28600 11 Mile, Farmington Hills, (248) 473-1830.

Rochester Hills Museum

Fun Friday events, bring picnic lunch, swimsuit and watershoes to enjoy entertainment noon to 2 p.m. and 100-foot Slip & Slide, \$2, 1005 Van Hoosen, Rochester Hills, (248) 608-8261, www.rochesterhills.org.

Great Lakes Bat Festival

Saturday, Aug. 5, Cranbrook Institute of Science, 39221 Woodward, Bloomfield Hills, \$5-\$7, www.batconservation.org.

St. Joseph Mercy Health Exploration Station

Free Family Fun Days, fourth Thursday of each month, 10 a.m. to 8 p.m., inside the St. Joseph Mercy Canton Health Building at 1600 S Canton Center Road, Canton, (734) 398-7518

www.healthexplorationstation.com.

Preservation Wayne

Walking tours offered of five historic areas of Detroit (downtown, Eastern Market, Midtown, Auto Heritage and the Cultural Center), Saturdays at 10 a.m. or Tuesdays after work, through September, \$10 per person, visit www.preservationwayne.org or call (313) 577-7674.

Movies at the Redford Theatre

Located at 17360 Lahser, Detroit. Visit www.redfordtheatre.com or call (313) 537-2560.

Wyandotte Waterside Concerts

7-8:30 p.m. at Bishop Park, Danceland, July 19; Reel Happy String Band, Aug. 2; Pelts and Company, Aug. 16; (734) 324-4506.

Mosaic Youth Theatre of Detroit

Purlie!, Detroit Film Theatre, Detroit Institute of Arts, Aug. 18-27, \$12-\$18, children 5 and

under not permitted in theater, www.mosaicdetroit.org, call DIA to charge by phone (313) 833-4005.

Heritage Park

Rock and Soul will perform at Heritage Park in Farmington Hills 7:30 p.m. Thursday, July 6, as part of the "Stars in the Park" free summer concert series. Bring a blanket or lawn chair and a picnic dinner, 24915 Farmington Road between 10 Mile and 11 Mile roads in Farmington Hills. (248) 473-1857.

SUMMER SERIES

Detroit Zoo

Wild Summer Nights at the Detroit Zoological Institute featuring live entertainment and extended hours, Wednesdays, through Aug. 30, 10 Mile and Woodward, Royal Oak, (248) 398-0900 or www.detroitzoo.org.

THEATER - COMMUNITY

Oxford Performing Arts Center

A Midsummer Night's Dream performed by Karl Kaiser Theatre Group from Itzehoe, Germany, 8 p.m. Tuesday, July 11, Oxford High School Performing Arts Center, 745 N. Oxford Road, (248) 693-4986

DreamPlayers Productions

The Wizard of Oz, July 13-16, Groves High School, 20500 W. 13 Mile, Beverly Hills, \$12-\$15, www.projectdaydream.com:

THEATER - PROFESSIONAL

Michigan Shakespeare Festival

July 18 to Aug. 6, Potter Center at the Jackson Community College, Jackson, \$8-\$26, (866) 705-2636 or www.michshakefest.org.

Fisher Theatre

3011 W. Grand Blvd., Detroit, \$28-\$69, call (248) 645-6666 or visit www.NederlanderDetroit.com or www.ticket-

master.com. Breathe Art Theatre

Call (519) 980-0607 in Windsor or (313) 965-1515 in Detroit.

Menopause the Musical

Celebrate the longest running professional production in Detroit history at the Gem Theatre. Show times are 8 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday and also 4 p.m. Saturday and 2 p.m. Sunday, \$39.50, (313) 963-9800, or Ticketmaster charge by phone, (248) 645-6666, and online at www.ticketmaster.com.

TICKETS ON SALE

DTE Energy Music Theatre:

Meadow Brook Music Festival: 1964 The Tribute, 8 p.m. Thursday, July 6. For DTE, Meadow Brook Music Festival and Palace shows, visit www.palacenet.com or call Ticketmaster at (248) 645-6666 or visit any Ticketmaster location.

Fisher Theatre

Tickets for 2006-07 subscription series, five shows, \$199-\$346, call the Fisher Theatre at (313) 872-1000, Ext. 0, or visit www.NederlanderDetroit.com.

Royal Oak Music Theatre

Tickets may be purchased at The Royal Oak Music Theatre box , or call (800) 919-6272 or online at www.tickets.com or 8 p.m. Saturday, July 22, Johnny Cash's The Tennessee Three (The Men Behind The Man In Black) wsg Catfish Mafia, tickets \$22.50 7 p.m. Saturday, July 8. 4th Annual Reggae

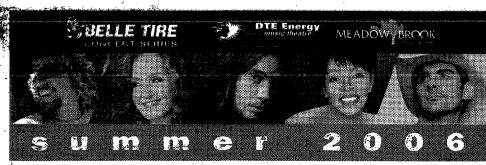
7 p.m. Saturday, July 8. 4th Annual Reggae SumFest featuring Beanie Man & Lady Saw, tickets \$33-\$68

8 p.m., Saturday, Aug. 5, ticket sales date TBA, "Marijuanalogues" featuring **Tommy Chong**.

The Magic Bag

Bob Schneider, July 12, \$12; Leon Russell, July 14, \$23; The Headhunters (George Porter Jr., Fred Wesley, Mike Clark & Bill Summers), July 21, \$20; Gary Hoey, Aug. 4, \$15; The Church, Aug. 13, \$25; 2920 Woodward Ave., Ferndale, (248) 544-1991, www.themagicbag.com.

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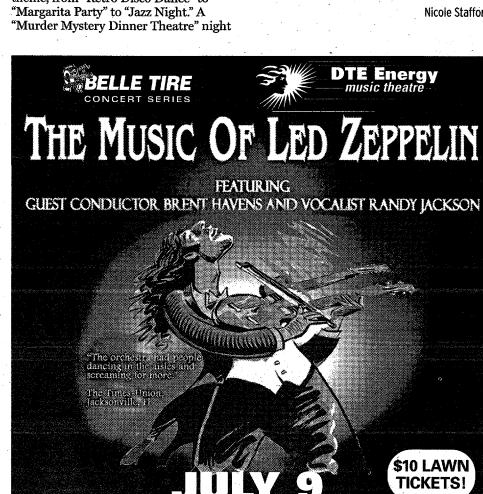
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- 1. Click \$40 million
- 2. Cars \$23.3 million
- 3. Nacho Libre \$12.7 million
- 4. The Fast and the Furious: Tokyo Drift \$9.8 million
- 5. Waist Deep \$9.4 million
- 6. The Lake House \$8.83 million
- 7. The Break-Up \$6.6 million
- 8. Garfield: A Tail of Two Kitties \$5.21
- 9. X-Men: The Last Stand \$4.84 million

10. The Da Vinci Code \$4.05 million

Here is a list of top DVDs as of June

- 1. Syriana \$10.2 million
- 2. The Hills Have Eyes \$9.35 million
- 3. The Pink Panther \$8.6 million
- 4. 16 Blocks \$8.2 million
- 5. Eight Below \$8 million
- 6. Firewall \$7.01 million
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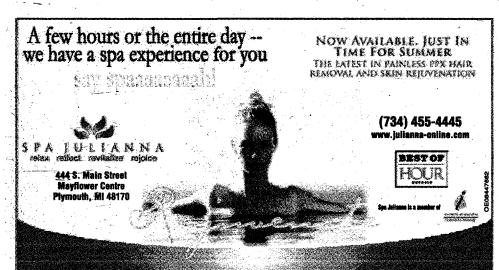
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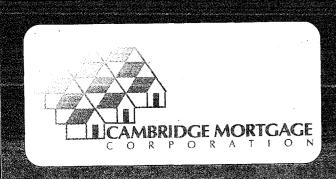
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Beacon Hills Golf Community Formal LR/OR W/crown Molding, Foyer W/ hdwd Fir, Open kit Wh/dwd Fir, Eat-in Nock W/doorwall To Deck, FR W/ wauthd Celling, Pkulutet Mst EB, Over 2700 Sqft W/finished LL For Entertaining! MLS# 26108007 248-347-3050



Stunning Home w/Fin Bsntt W/lav. Kit W/mapie Cabs,New Carpet & Paint T/o.1.5 Car Gar,Maint. Free Ed.Mstr Ste Wibl In Dressers. Move in Cond.Newer Firs In Dr. Updated BA. New Cament Patios Front & Back New Wood Dack. MLS# 26101656 248-347-3050



Hickory Oaks Cotonial nestled among towering trees, sits on tranquil 1 acre lot. 4BR.4.1BA boasts over 5000 sqft wifinished walkout basement. Huge gournet maple kit opens to a 2 story GR. Formal LR & DR. Must see! MLS# 26099334 734-455-6800



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Dramatic 2 Story Foyer, Open Floor Plan Vaulted DR, Spacious Kitcher Wroversized Center Island, All Appliances Included, Howd Firs Thru-oul Mstr Ste wphrivate Bath, New Windows, New Roof, Freshly Painted Inside & Out. MLS# 26108002 248-347-3050



2 Story W/Formal LR W/bay Window,formal DR W/crown Molding,Lr Kit W/Bat-in Nock,Howd Firs Under Carpet,Fin Bemnt,new Windows,new Ac,New Carpet,Neutral T/O,New Doorwalls To Deck W/built-in Benches i Fenced in Yard. MLS# 26110144 248-347-3050



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Brick home w/cak cabs in kit & nook. Updates inc: furnace, a windows, alarm, elec, opper plmb, carpet, HWH, dishwasher, garba disp & ceiling Ian. New roof on home & gar w/new door. Paints security lights & fenced. MLS# 26081912 248-347-3050



Four Bedroom Brick Bungalow, Full Basement, 2 Bedrooms Down & 2 Bedrooms Up. Eat In Kitchen With Stove & Refrigerator, Large Living Room With Open Stair Case To Upper Level, 2.5 Car Garage, MLS# 26100991 734-591-0333



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ZOOPSTU Ranch wCathedrai Cellings, remod kit.hdwd firs,& fin bemt wflrg we bar,full BA,FP & 4th BR/office.Fence.sprinklers.gool & deck.2nd gar vo own dr.Lndry in bemt.originally on 1st fir & will convert back if desired MLS# 25101570 248-347-3050



Colonial backing to woods w/new root shingles,deck,1st floor laundry,fidwd floors in foyer & haif bathnew HWH,C/A,family room off kitchen w/natural fireplace, full front porch spacious master suite w/ updated bath. MLS# 26107503 248-347-3050



LIVONIA

Pride In Ownership Really Shows Here. 3 Bdrm, 1 1/2 Ba Ranch
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Screened Porch. MLS# 26091873744-591-0333.



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3 BR Brick Bungalow. This Home Has Been Remodelad From Top To Bottom, Hdwd Firs T/o Have Been Completely Redore, New Carpet in FR W/FP, New Kit & countertops, Mstr Ste W/Hdwd Firs,Part fin Bsmt, Sun Rm, & Fenced-in Yard. MLS* 25100028 248-347-3050



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Lovely 3BR colonial on 2.47 acres. FR w/FP, Form LR & DR. Mstr BR w/ balcony, Fin walkout w/wet bar, full BA & office. Paver patio, w/kwy & 2ther deck. Move-in condition for fussiest buyers. Home war & appl. MLS# 26105211

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100 yr. old colonial w/carriage house. New win t/o, granite t/o, cherry cabe, hwd firs in DR, study, 2nd fir laundry,mst ste w/FP, lacuzzi in mstr BA, 2 garages, Kolhter Kotures t/o, belcony off mstr ste, & fully landscaped. MLS# 26094768 248-347-3050



Colonial On A Quiet Ct Of 6 Properties w/A Lg Office/den,Lg Fla Rm,Fil Bamt W/sep rec/study Rms, Side Entry Gar W/added Driveway Parking,Jlyddates Inc:Some Windows, Furn, Ac, Disp, Front Door 8 Lights: 300 5q Fl dext. MLSP 26104583 248-347-3050



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Colonial in Northville Cojony Estates w/great proximity to Northville elementary & middle schools.Never roof, furnace, c/a & windows. Kit uonatade inc.; grafine counterloops, caramic tile & cabs. Deck opening to backyard. MLS# 25095314 248-347-3050



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On a Private street w/Modw firs in foyes/half batth,hallway.kft & FR.Pawer patio, c/a, alarm, p. fin. bemt. w/rec rm, cathedral celling in FR w/FP, jacuzzi & shower in mstr suite, Corian counters in kit, 3 bay windows. MLS# 26103813 248-347-3050



5 Acre Park Wiwaiking Trails, GR WiBrick FP, French Doors To sun rm/ FR,Mstr BR Wiprivate BA,Kit Wieat-in Nook, All Appliances Inc. 1st Fir Laundry, Updates Inc. Newer Windows, Roof, Carpet, Nearly 3 Car Garane & Morgill Mis Se 6010790 048-347-3050



Golf Course Views, Foyer Open To Yaulted GR W/Staircase, FP W/marble Surround, 1st Fir Mstr W/dual Closets & Mstr BA, 2nd BR W/private BA, Lib/Zrd BR,Kit W/cooktop, All Kit appl Stay. Attached Garage, Pool & Clubhouse! Ms/2 96104056 248-347-3050



New Jacuzzi Tub in Mbr,New Pergo Firing,New leaded Entry Door,New Ling T/O. Kit Cabs Winew Brushed Nickel Pulls. Newer Appis, New Firg in Kit & Entry. 3 Balconies11 Balcony Off Mbr,Newer Int Doors. Neutral Winewer Carpet. MLSP 26099624 249-347-3050



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igantic light.hright Kit-Nk w/pergo fir.Open GR w/gas FP. Lux Mst Stel
//dash BA. 1st fir Indry. Frnt covered porch w/views. MLS# 26093162
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BY JULIE BROWN STAFF WRITER

Many enjoy shopping for flowers and shrubs, and a visit to your local nursery can help you sell a home.

"We get people looking to try to enhance the curb appeal," said Tim Parker, general manager of Plymouth Nursery and Garden Center. He recommends sellers give the home a facelift, including taking out overgrown shrubs.

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"A nominal investment sometimes pays off greater," said Parker, who noted a homeowner with a neat lawn is probably diligent about household maintenance in general. Mowing and edging definitely pay off.

Plymouth Nursery has new compact dwarf shrubs. "It really just gives it pret ty much a whole new facelift," Parker said. His nursery and others offer design services in which pros can help you plant what's best for that space.

"There are a lot of people that make mistakes with plant selection." Parker said container gardening is popular now, with some gardeners making up combinations in their own planters.

"There are some new plants that are noteworthy." Parker cited the Knockout disease-resistant rose that blooms all summer long. Planted en masse, it makes a statement.

"Today it's more of a style choice," Parker said of landscaping at a home. "A new buyer just might have different tastes."

Ed Rager, landscape designer at Bordine Nursery in Rochester Hills, also gets requests from homeowners "to add some color and that." Sometimes,



new owners have taken out overgrown shrub and are unsure of what to put in.

Rager recalled one seller who wanted some color. "We relied more on leaf color than flower color."

He's found perennial grasses are currently popular and help make a yard look better. He's seeing more annual pots as a trend, and agreed containers are good especially for around an entrance.

"It just draws the eye right to that entrance," Rager said.

Some customers come to Bordine Nursery with a photo of the home and seek advice. They can get "little ideas here or there," even if it's not an extensive landscaping job.

Rager had one customer who wanted a bed divided into four areas, one for

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GREAT LOCATION Great home offers fresh paint, updated windows, roof, carpet, granite counters, granite w/pool & huge yard v (C-846CH)

AFFORDABLE RANCH Many updates in this home inc roof, siding, Pergo, fresh paint, deck, 2 way fireplace, partially finished bsmt, & home warranty. (P-645GR) \$209,990

GREAT COLONIAL Beautiful Colonial in a great location. Open floor plan, large yard & too many updates to name. mediate occupancy (P-736MO) \$209,900

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OPEN & SPACIOUS 3 bd, 2 bath home w/ newer kitchen, oak flooring, ceramic foyer, finished bsmt, updated windows, furnace, C/A, carpet & a nice deck. (P-1225T)

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A JEWEL OF A HOME Updated t/o, hwd floors, 3 bd, new kitchen w/ granite, finished bsmt, new roof, furnace, C/A, windows, elec, plumbing, bath, 2 level deck yard. (P-887AR) \$155,000

CUTE STARTER Good sized bds, large lot w/ detached garage, maintenance free w/ newer siding, roof & windows. A great start! (P-461DO) \$108,900

AFFORDABLE Bring your own plans or Jasmund construction will provide them for you! Great location to build you dream home. Close to downtown South Lyon. (C-12BUR) \$97,000

CORNER LOT Nice 3 bd brick Ranch w/ full bsmt, 2 car garage, dining room, covered patio & more. (C-208BA) \$139,900

PERFECT BEGINNING Updated 3 bd Ranch w/ new carpet, oak kitchen, updated baths, master w/ half bath, newer roof, 2 car garage, full bsmt & deck in fenced yard.

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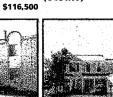
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BRICK BUNGALOW. Nice 3 bd DESIRABLE CAPE COD. Find GORGEOUS LOT. Walk to INCREDIBLE FIND. Location, PERFECT CONDO. Great for EXCELLENT CONDITION. 4 bd bungalow w/updated roof, yourself the owner of the town from this updated price, & condition! 2 story 1st timers! Crown moldings, Canton colonial near golf thermal windows, glass most desirable floor plan in Plymouth Ranch on 1.17 home w/bright Kitchen, decorator paint, Pergo, course & the Summit block, furnace, hwh, security Eagle Gardens Sub! 5 minute acres. 3 bd, 2 baths, large ceramic counters, new neutral carpet, all appliances Gournet Kitchen, huge BRICK BUNGALOW. Nice 3 bd DESIRABLE CAPE COD. Find GORGEOUS LOT. Walk to INCREDIBLE FIND. Location, PERFECT CONDO. Great for EXCELLENT CONDITION. 4 bungalow w/updated roof, yourself the owner of the town from this updated price, & condition! 2 story 1st timers! Crown moldings, Canton colonial near got on 1.17 home w/bright Kitchen, decorator paint, Pergo, course & the Summi block, furnace, hwh, security Eagle Gardens Sub! 5 minute acres. 3 bd, 2 baths, large ceramic counters, new neutral carpet, all appliances Gournet Kitchen, hug considered appliances, new flooring t/o, stây, balcony, spacious Walk to lake, stunning t/o, Family Room, Updated appliances, new flooring t/o, stây, balcony, spacious Walk to lake, stunning t/o, Family Room, updated appliances, new flooring t/o, stây, balcony, spacious bath, Family Room, beautif Deck, & too much more to Dining, newer windows, updated furnace & C/A, & (C-4195A) state w/vaulted ceilings bath, Family Room, beautif paver patio, 2 car garage, close to neighborhood park. (C-022PO) state of the town from this updated price, & condition! 2 story 1st timers! Crown moldings, Canton colonial near got on 1.17 home w/bright Kitchen, decorator paint, Pergo, course & the Summi will prove the counters, new flooring t/o, stây, balcony, spacious bath, Family Room, beautif paver patio, 2 car garage, close to neighborhood park. (C-285ST) state (C-285ST) state of the town from this updated price, & condition! 2 story 1st timers! Crown moldings, Canton colonial near got on 1.17 home w/bright Kitchen, decorator paint, Pergo, course & the Summi will prove will paint to the counters, new flooring t/o, stây, balcony, spacious bath, Family Room, beautif paver patio, 2 car garage, close to neighborhood park. (C-285ST) state of the town from this paint p bath, Family Room, beautiful

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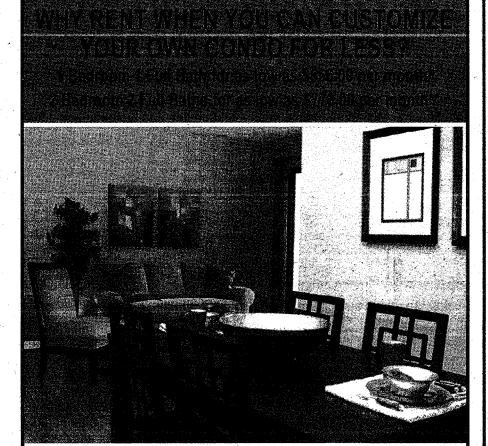
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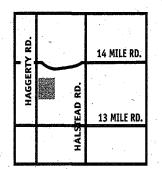
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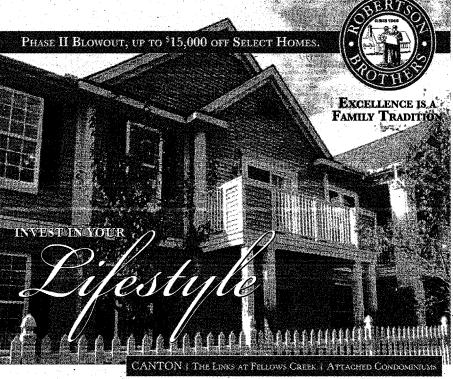


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LINDEN

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LIVONIA

4 bedrooms 2.1 bathrooms \$349,900 New roof, new hwh, new gar door windows (repaired/replaced). Foye w/Italian marble tile, crown molding study w/French door, gourmet kit, formal DR & LR, deck w/hot tub, gar Seller relocating, present all offers. HNO.com ID#20749



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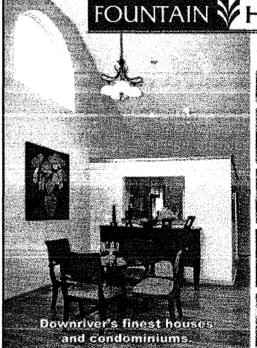
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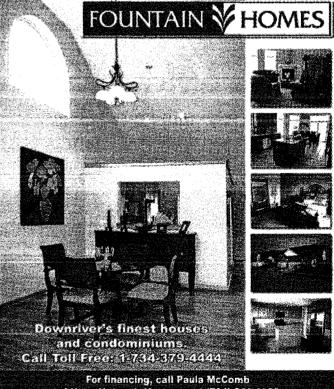
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bedroom 2.1 bathrooms \$419,900 Popular sub w/nature preserve, & sidewalks. Cer tile in foyer, hdwds in kit w/gran top island, open flr plan to FR w/crwn mldng & marb nat. FP, fin bsmt, & mstr suite w/WIC & BA w/jacuzzi tub! Cul-de-sac location. HNO.com ID#20773



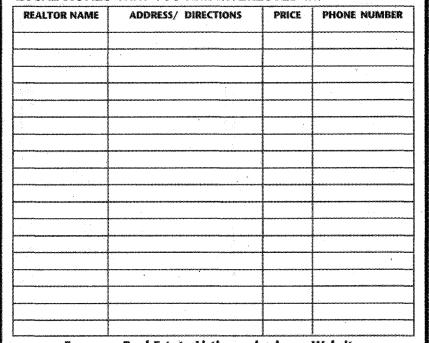
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NOVI - Beautiful updated 4 bdrm, 2 bath home on large corner lot. Updates inc: windows, roof, kitchen & baths. Fireplaces in both living rm and fmly rm. Attached 2 car garage & Novi schools. Subdivision club house & pool! \$229,900 (D09Fra)

NORTHVILLE - Stunning 4 bdrm, 3.5 bath home lovingly cared for! Offers granite counters & hrdwd fir in ktchn, fmly rm w/frplc & ice cream parlor, fin'd basement w/full bath, "Trex" deck w/retractable awnings overlooking beautiful private yard! \$389,900 (1.33Pon) (L33Pon)

REDFORD - This beautiful, custom built ranch is a must see! Offers many updates including ktchn w/oak cabinets. Hardwd flooring in dining rm & hallway. Gas frplc in living rm. Coved ceilings. Very well maintained & landscaped to perfection! \$226,900 (L42W.Ch)

WOLVERINE LAKE - Sprawling 3 bdrm ranch offering many updates inc: roof, furnace, wndws, C/A, flooring, water softener, ktchn, bath & many more. All appliances states Fin'd basement w/2 bdrms & loads of storage. Large lot & lake privileges. Home Warr. \$214,900 (L65Los)



WEST BLOOMFIELD - Like "new construction"! This 3 bdrm, 2 bath ranch offers new hardwood firs in liv rm, great rm & ktchn, double French drs to great rm w/skylite, full stone frpic & doorwall to huge patio & large yard, 2 car garage + more! \$188,888 (L10Dep)

NOVI - Warm & appealing colonial backing to woods & private commons. 2 story foyer, hardwood floors, custom cherry cabinets in library, 3 season Florida room, fin'd basement & new roof. Walk to elem & high school! \$359,999 (L39Sul)

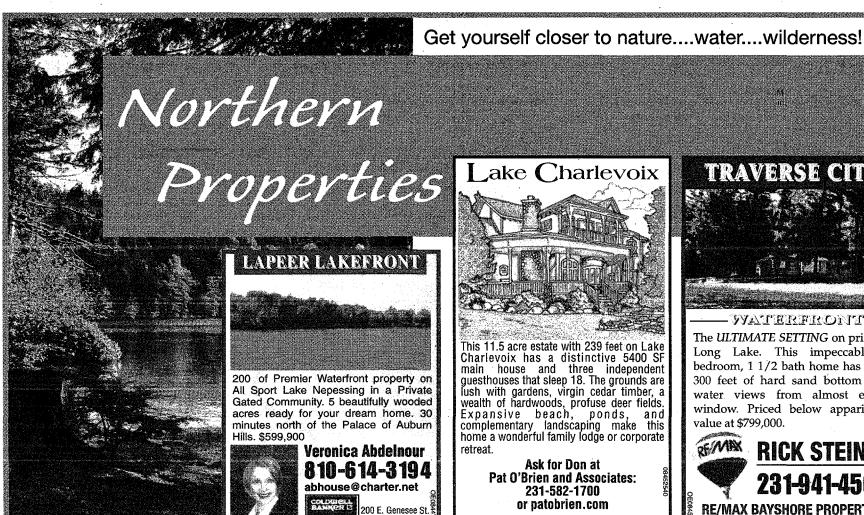
CANTON - Enjoy this charming 4 bedrm, 2.5 bath colonial in Sunflower Village Sub w/ tennis cts, pool & club house. 2 tier deck overlooking professionally landscaped yard. Many updates + beautifully fin'd basement w/ office space. \$299,900 I(L75Han)

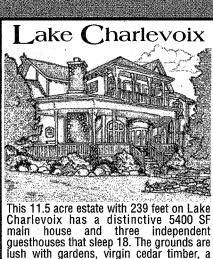
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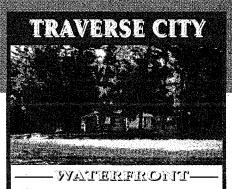




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Should be on a magazine cover, 4BR, 4,5BA 2 sty foyer, 2-sty FR w/gas frpic, kit wisland, lib, Jack-N-Jill BA, MBR retreat, fin bsmt w/wet bar, 3 car side entry gar & updates. 248-349-5600 \$570,000 (T50ROX)



LIVONIA

Well maintained 4BR, 2BA quad on park-like setting ravine lot. 2 car att garage. FR w/frplc, fin LL w/2nd kit. All appliances stay. Updated kitchen w/ceramic floor (T16BUR) 248-349-5600 \$300,000



LIVONIA

LIVONIA
On a court. Charming 4BR col close to neighborhood park. Updated BA & Kit. Hrdwd floors. Great yard w/2 tier deck. New furnace-05 & C/A-06. West of Newburgh. This one s nice. \$249,900 (T21LAD) 248-349-5600



LIVONIA

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GARDEN CITY

Great opportunity to own a new construction ranch condo. Choose cabs, floors & carpet 2BR, 2 full bA s. 50+ adult complex. Open floor plan w ceilings. 1 car att gar. (T09MEA) cathedral \$137,900



NORTHVILLE

Open floor plan, wrap around deck off kit, fin LL W/O has FR w/gas frplc, rec rm, BA & kit. Dual entrances to LL (in-law pvt entry), granite T/O, 3 frplcs, 3.5 car gar are prefered. , 3.5 car gar, paver patio. 500 (T10MER)



LIVONIA

Spacious col backing to woods & creek. Large kit w/plank board ceiling, formal DR & LR, sunroom w/doors leading to gazebo & deck. Sep rm for lib/home office. Hdwd floors in foyer. \$419,900 (T29STA) 248-349-5600



COMMERCE

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LIVONIA

Stunning "01" built 4BR, 2.5BA cape cod. 1ST floor master ste, FFL, extra deep bsmt w/ daylight windows, 3 car gar, 2 level deck, prem elevation & oversized lot backing to woods. \$399,900 (T70PIC) 248-349-5600



CLARKSTON
Stunning ranch w/4BR, 2.5BA in great sub.
Numerous updates, finished LL w/fireplace & W/ O to yard w/wooded commons. Hitloors in kit & entry. New roof-04.. Must s \$249,000 (T93TIM) 248-3



NORTHVILLE

delight approx 2 acre estate w/ 4.5BA, 4 car garage, hot tub, stamped concrete terrace. W/O pond. 5BR, exterior froic as frplc. Fabulous MBR suite (TOOTIM) 248-349-5600



PLYMOUTH

City charmer-recently rebuilt in 2005 from the foundation up. 3BR, 2.5BA, 2-story w/fin bsmt & newer 2 car garage. Awesome amenities and super master suite. Walk to town. (T87ADA)



This Spectacular 4BR ranch sits high on a hil on over 1 acre. Tons of Updates, newe windows, roof, furn s & more. Car lovers dream 2nd 4 car heated gar. A must see. \$549,900 (T48ANN) 248-349-5600



SALEM

Wonderful brick ranch on just under 2 acres that s been lovingly cared for by original owners Spacious BR s, large LR, 1 car att gar & 2nd ga w/workshop. 3 out buildings. \$249.900 (TO7CHU)



NOVI

Unique 4BR, 2.5BA ranch on just under one acre. Spectacular wooded lot. Newer custom kit w/upgraded appls. Ceramic & hardwood T/O. Private wooded setting w/fabulous views. \$429,777 (T28COT) 248-349-5600



Lovely brick front ranch w/3 large bedrooms & 2 updated full baths. Kitchen w/new maple cabs-05. Large FR w/natural fireplace & beautiful stone mantle. Full basement. 248-349-5600 \$218,900 (T34HER)



WHITMORE LAKE

2.5BA colonial in Wildwood sub. Open floor plan, private yard. Master suite with sitting room. Walk to elementary school & short commute to US-23. Must see. \$295,000 (T25LAK) 248-349-5600



FARMINGTON HILLS

Awesome architectural delight. Custom ranch w/ 3BR, 2.5BA, DR, den and FFL. Fin bsmt, tree lined approximately 2/3 acre lot. Oversized garage. Upgraded to the max. Must see. \$421,900 (T51OLD) 248-349-5600



COMMERCE TWP

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Great party kitchen with island and plenty of cabinets. 3 BR, 3 BA. Gently curved staircase to upper BR s. Walled Lake Schools, deck off kitchen, gas frplc and wet bar in family room. (T31ANN) \$269,900 248-363-1200



HIGHLAND approx. 10 acre estate inside approx. 6000 acre state park. New equestrian stables & paddocks, direct access to snowmobile & horse trails. 248-363-1200 \$1,300,000



WHITE LAKE

WHITE LAKE
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FR w/plasma TV, 3 car gar. Trex deck, serene
setting in prestigious neighborhood.
(T96KEN) \$398,000 248-363-1200



FARMINGTON HILLS

Golf course community. Exquisite 3 BR, 2.5 BA condo built in 04. Interior inclu gour kit SS appls, Corian c-tops, FF MBR jet tub & sep shower. Hdwd firs T/O. Formal DR & ffpci in LR. (T11BER) \$430,000 248-626-8800



Breathtaking hilltop view features living room with fireplace & library. Hard Incredible in ground pool TR3.IFF)



WEST BLOOMFIELD

Gorgeous brick & limestone home in Southwyck sub. 4 BR, 2.5 BA, 3 car gar. Custom kitchen wy granite counters, cherry cabinets, see thru frplc. Cul-de-sac, natural area location.

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MILFORD

Exquisitely finished Stoneridge lakefront. Defining features include conservatory, island kitchen, deck with screened gazebo. Deluxe tite. Beautifully land: landscaped.



WATERFORD

Creatively rebuilt ranch. The entire home is brand new. 2 car att gar., 1.5 BA, 2 BR. Great spacious rooms, nt Lake. Come see it. nt Lake. Cor 248-363-1200 \$185,000



FARMINGTON HILLS

Large colonial on approx 3/4 acre. 4 BR, 2.5 BA. Entertain in the family room w/wet bar and fireplace. FFL. All appliances stay. Don't miss this opportunity. this opportunity. (T25DOH)



FARMING

BR, 2 BA remodeled kit w/appls included. S frplc. FFL. Newer windd lot. Full bsmt. Att garage (T86LAM) \$269.9



WATERFORD

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BLOOMFIELD TOWNSHIP

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WHITE LAKE

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New construction, 4 BF

fireplace. Kitchen w/isla MBR suite has super s floor laundry. (T15OXF)



COMMERCE

ely 3 bedroom with lake priv. On all sports lk Well maintained gorgeous yard & gardens, mature trees, patio, acclaimed Walled Lk mature trees, patio, Schools. A must see. I (T46BOG) \$198 t see. Hurry won t last \$195,000 24



WHITE LAKE

Million dollar White Lake front sunsets here Older home with contemp flair. Great weekend retreat or build VIP parking for 9 cars, roll in/ou dock, 540 acres all sports lake fun. (T38JAC) \$255,000 248-363-1200



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HIGHLAND

Exceptional 3 BR, 3 BA ranch on 1/2 + acre. Fin w/o nearly doubles the living space. MBR w/BA 2 frplc, hdwd firs. 2+ car gar. w/workshop. Elevated decking w/lovely views. Lake privileges (T78TAG) \$240,000 248-363-1200



FARMINGTON HILLS

4 BR, 2.5 BA ranch. Full basement. Located in north Farmington Hills. Clean and ready for new owner. Slate and hardwood floors. Newer white



kitchen. Large windox T31GLE) \$25



\$599,9



WEST BLOOMFIELD

3 wooded lots, lake priv. at 3 beaches avail.
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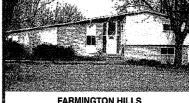
COMMERCE

The ideal home with the ideal location impeccable 3 BR, 2 BA ranch on large wooder cul-de-sac lot. Finished bsmt, family room w doorwall to deck. City water, Walled Lake Schls. (T35JEN) \$269,900 248-363-1200



WHITE LAKE

WHITE LAKE
Great 4 BR, 3 BA condo 2005 built w/upgrades
galore. 4th BR/lib office. Grt rm w/frplc. Mstr BR
w/wic, 42" kitchen cabinets, 1st fl lau, full bsmt.
This is an end unit w/nice location.
(T18TIM) \$239,900 248-363-1200



Country mood wicity attitude. Soft contemp w/ vaulted clngs upon entry. Wd firs, main fir deck w/view of almost an acre. Updated kit w/brkfst area. Comfy FR w/w/o to patio. Updated MBR. (T50HIG) \$350,000 248-626-8800



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DETROIT
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PLYMOUTH Private treed inter lot in Ridgewood Hills! Hrdwd flrs in LR, DR, kit & lib. Newer kit w/counter & sink, cherry dabs, DR w/newer Andersen wndw, FR w/frplc, tiered deck, bsmt & 2.5 car att gar. (T86WOO) \$349,500 734-455-5600



CANTON
Gorgeous 4 BR, 2.5 BA cape cod w/neu elegant decor. Large kit w/brkfst rm, see thru frplc, mstr ste w/bow window & BA w/jetted tub. Extreme professional landscaping & large deck.
(T21RED) \$424,900 248-349-5600



LIVONIA
Super sharp. Spacious 3 BR, 1.5 BA brick ranch w/great floor plan. Beautiful hrdwd floors, country kit w/oak cabs, FR w/frplc & huge fin bsmt. Quick occ & 1 year home warranty.

(T28BAI) \$209,900 248-349-5600



HILLS ch. Huge lot. Newer cious FR w/natura & roof 05. Fenced w maint intenance. 248-626-8800



PLYMOUTH Charming brick ranch. Sitting on corner lot we remodeled kitchen w/cabinets, Coriar countertops & Pergo firing. 2 car att gar, part fir bsmt w/2 additional rms. Mature trees lot. 734-455-5600 (T75LAK) \$219.900



NORTHVILLE TOWNSHIP Elegance at its best. Gallery foyer, music conservatory, mstr suite, kit w/volume ceilings, crown moldings & granite T/O. Hrdwd flrs. 5 BR, 4.2 BA, fabulous custom LL w/walk-out. fabulous cu \$999,999 734-455-5600



NORTHVILLE Almost new home-2005. 4BR, 3.5BA colonial. 3 car gar, FFL, 2-way frpic w/hearth. Master suite with double WIC, vanities & jet tub. Lease available. (T40RIC) \$441,900 248-349-5600



FARMINGTON HILLS
3 BR, 3 BA end unit condo with full finished W/
O, 3 fireplaces, master BA with 2 person jetted tub, 3 skylights, hardwood in kitchen and foyer, garage and more. MEA) \$289,900 (T47MEA) 248-349-5600



BA. Great room w and hardwood floors.

I walk in closet. 2nd

248-626-8800



WESTLAND You must see this beauty. Wonderful price for this up to date beautiful condo. Open fir plan, all major appls, 2 car att gar, part fin bsmt, snack bar off kit & very large rooms.

(T81AMH) \$164,900 734-455-5600



REDFORD Cozy Ranch. 3 BR, 2 BA w/great curb appeal. Lg backyard, Florida rm, patio & gar. Bsmt is finished w/wet bar, hrdwd flrs, some appls & freshly painted & updates T/O. (T50BRA) 734-455-5600 \$168,900



NORTHVILLE Historic district. Yesterdays home for today & tomorrow. Charming Victorian featuring 4 BR, 2 BA, high ceilings, wood floors and first floor (T59ROG) \$380,000 248-349-5600



Picture perfect colonial w/spacious floor plan or quiet cul-de-sac. Home w/2-story GR, kit w/WI pantry, brkfst nook, HW firs, profes landscaped w/brick paver patio, fin LL. Must see (T19PHE) \$289,900 24 248-349-5600



Hrdwd & ceramic Dual staircases. Lg
-size walk-in closet.
-ar gar. Comm pool. 248-626-8800

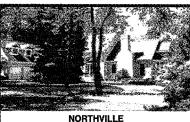


Lovely home on a little land. Spacious 4 bdrm, 2 bath tri-level w/att 2 car gar, 2 full kitns & 2 frplcs, private back door entry & updated hrdwd firs, fresh paint & newer roof. (T20FAI) \$249,900



BRIGHTON
Absolutely a 10+. 2 BR, 3.5 BA end unit condo w/spacious GR w/frplc, extra wide stairs to LL fam rm w/daylight windows, + all sports lake priv, att gar. Bit in 2002.

(T61WOO) \$199,900 734-455-5600



Private estate on approx 2 acres recently rebuilt & added on home. Beautiful GR overlooks pond. 4 BR, 4.5 BA, 4 frplcs, 3+ car gar. Meets all your needs. Very secluded & walk to town. 248-349-5600 (T05SPR) \$1,189,000



REDFORD Exceptional brick home. 3 BR, 2 BA ranch w library or 4th BR. 4 car garage. Finished bsmt w/partial kitchen. Hardwood floors. Eat-in kitchen. Newer wood burner for energy saving. (T61BRA) \$179,900 248-349-5600



, backing to creek. 4 res renovation.

248-626-8800



SCIO TOWNSHIP Stunning colonial! Fantastic 4 bdrm, 2.5 bath colonial offering cathedral ceiling in GR + frplc, DR w/doorwall to deck, full bsmt, 2 car att gar. You will love the open fir plan. (T76TIM) \$319,990



PLYMOUTH Located in downtown Plymouth. 2 BR, 2 BA ground floor condo has it all. Large rooms, gas frplc in lg LR, heated att gar with elevator to all flrs. Lg kit w/appls opens to DR. (177DEE) \$215,900 734-455-5600



SOUTH LYON Incredible custom built showplace is offered in Tanglewood Golf Comm. Marble entry, dual staircase, 3 frpics. Brazilian cherry floors, master ste w/balcony, 2 WIC & granite BA. (T78POI) \$719,900 248-349-5600



Stunning ranch on approx 100 ft on all sports
Crescent Lake. Remodeled in 2003. Neutral
decor T/O. Extra large deck, heated 3+ car gar,
large island in kit w/slate flooring.
(T29REY) \$285,000 248-349-5600



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LIVONIA

A dream come true. Charming 3 bdrm, 2.5 bath brick cape cod built in 1999 offering 2 car garage, bsmt, huge 1st flr mstr suite, great rm w/frplc, and lovely deck. A great deal. (T44SAN) \$275,000 734-455-5600



WESTI AND

listoric farm home. This 4 bdrm, 2 bath, update kit, newer elec, roof, plumbing, windows & outbuilding.Hrdwd firs, crown molding & orig woodwork. Approx 2.5 acres (T57VEN) \$275,000 734-455-5600



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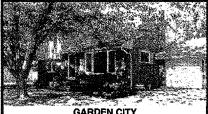
Gorgeous historic home. Walk to downtown Plymouth. 3 bdrm colonial w/updated kit, bath roof, elec, & crown molding. Daylight windows in part fin bsmt, garage, newer deck.
(T02MIL) \$239,900 734-455-5600



PLYMOUTH

Why rent! You could own this charming 2 brdm ranch in Plymouth that will capture your heart. Full bsmt, 2 car gar, patio in the backyard. You love this one.

\$169,900



Spacious tri-level with updated eat-in kit w/ appls, cathedral ceiling in liv rm, crown molding in mstr bdrm, att gar, Florida rm & patio. This is one you won t want to miss.

(T45FAI) \$167,000 734-455-5600



PLYMOUTH

Charming bungalow. 4 bdrm home sitting on approx 1/2 an acre lot walking distance to downtown Plymouth. Many updates and repainted interior & exterior. A real find. (82MIL) \$189,900 734-455-5600



DEARBORN HGTS

Beautiful brick ranch. Well cared for 3 bdrm 1.5 beth ranch in desirable area.Newer windows doors, water heater, central air & hardwood floors. Patio area for your summer enjoyment. (76AMB) \$164,900 734-455-5600



FARMINGTON HILLS

Fabulous yet casual. 4 bdrm, 3.5 bath colonial sitting on corner lot. Many upgrades, hrdwd firs, wood windows, 2 c att gar, fin bsmt, tiered deck overlooking wooded ravine.



Informal elegance, Beautiful 4 bdrm, 2.5 batt colonial w/wonderful kit w/island & doorwall to vinyl deck, mstr ste w/WIC, 3 car att gar & a lg ull bsmt. All appls. (T18RIV) \$354,900 734-455-5600



PLYMOUTH
Pinewood firs in foyer, LR, FR & bdrms. FR has gas frplc opens to dining area. Kitchen w/loads of cabinets, & island. Loft, full bath on 1st & 2nd firs 2 c gar. (T48BEE) \$257.900 734-455-5600



HURON TWP
An enchanted life. 3 bdrm, 2.5 bath custom ranch sitting on approx 5 acres offering 3 c at gar & pole barn, hickory kit w/island, vaulted ceiling in GR w/frplc, door wall to deck. (T26SIB) \$429,900 734-455-5600



WESTLAND

This home shines! 3 spacious brdm/2 baths Mstr suite wfull bath. Soaring vaulted ceilings. Newer carpet and freshly painted T/O. Family room w/doorwall to beautiful yard. 734-455-5600 (T20BUC) \$174,900



WESTLAND
Gorgeous colonial on huge lot W/4 BR, 2BA, 2 c gar, FR w/frplc, mstr ste w/frplc, WIC & bath, eat in kit wloads of cabs, beautiful deck & updated roof, HWT, & marble sills.

(T04SYB) \$209 900



PLYMOUTH

Deck out & ready to go 4 bdrm, 2 bath quad has it all. New cpt in 1-06, neutral paint t/o, newer roof, windows, entry and garage doors. Hrdwofir & 2 car att garage.

(T36ASP) \$205,000 734-455-5600



PLYMOUTH

Fabulous yet casual. Spacious split-level home in desired sub offers numerous updates, fam rm w/brick frplc & Liv rm w/frplc & flr to ceiling windows. 2 c att gar & part fin bsmt (T32TRA) \$329,900 7



CANTON

Meticulously cared for 2 bdrm, 2.5 bath townhouse watt gar, fantastic GR w/gas frplc, hrdwd flrs, din rm, spacious kit w/snack bar, all appliances. Located deep in complex.

(T18ELI) \$167,900 734-455-5600



HUNTINGTON WOODS

Your gonna love it. 3 bdrm stone & brick bungalow w/frplc, hrdwd firs, bsmt, 4 seasons rm, formal din rm w/French doors to paver patio



PLYMOUTH

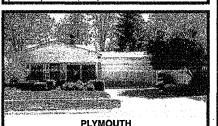
Downtown Plymouth acreage. This charming updated 4 bdrm, 2 bath ranch presenting a 2 ca att gar, walk-out bsmt, gourmet kit, spacious deck to enjoy the scenic setting. (T85PEN) \$520,000 734-455-5600



CANTON

This is the one. Great opportunity to buy this 1998, 3 bdrm, 1.5 bath colonial offering finished bsmt, 2 car att gar, cathedral ceiling in fam rm w/frplc, formal din rm & more.

(T22WES) \$245,000 734-455-5600



Lake Pointe sub. Lovely 4 bdrm, 2 bath quad level offering 2 car att gar, part fin bsmt, fam rm w/frplc, large eat-in kitchen. Wonderful private yard w/arbor to patio. (T49IVY) \$219,900 734-455-5600

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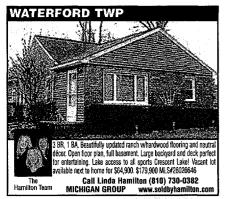
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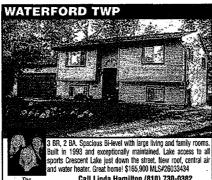
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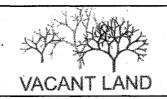
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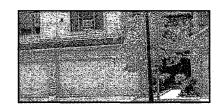
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SHELBY TOWNSHIP. Incredible Colonial w/ fin bsmt, inground pool & 3 car garage. Master bathroom w/ FP! Beautiful view. Utica schools, Bsmt w/ wet bar, bath & exits to pool. 2 year home warranty. \$499,900. View it on the web: www.gmackee.com/mls#30377737. Or call: GMAC Real Estate / The Kee Group 586-566-2200

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PLANT

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each season. "I got to suggest certain annuals for that space, too."

He and others can find plants that will bloom continuously throughout the summer. "I get a lot of questions about maintenance, too," said Rager, who uses a series of helpful books specific to Michigan.

He added that first impressions count

with potential homebuyers, even during the winter and all year long. Rager will look at homes to see how many evergreens there are, and his wife has to remind him it's his day off.

"She says, 'Ed, you're not at work right now."

GMAC Real Estate offers these tips on curb appeal:

Painting pays off. A lot of scraping and a little paint go along way in beau-

tifying the outside of your home. Choose colors that are neutral and consistent with the style of your home and neighborhood. And be sure to consider the color of your roof. A top quality painting job is a sure way to increase the value of your home.

■ Enhance the landscape and spruce up the lawn. A well-manicured lawn and attractive garden also enhance your home's curb appeal. Simple, inexpensive planting projects and regular lawn maintenance are often all it takes to perk up a landscape.

■ Both interior and exterior remodeling add beauty and value to your home. If you don't have the time or money for large-scale improvements, general upkeep will maintain the splendor of your home. And it will require a much smaller commitment.





BRIEFS

Homebuver's Seminar

There will be free a Homebuyer's Seminar 11 to 3 p.m. Saturday, July 8, at Century 21 Today, one block west of Beech Daly at 26000 Five Mile in Redford. There will be door prizes and giveaways. Speakers include: real estate attorney, title company, mortgage lender, home inspector, certified public accountant and others.

Attendees will get answers to these questions: Why do buyers receive free buyer agency representation and why do they need it? What is the difference

between a private inspection and a required municipal inspection? How much home can I afford and how do I protect my credit score while shopping for a loan? How can buying a home actually save me money? How do I get seller concessions to cover my costs?

For details, contact Mel Haggood at (313) 538-2000 or e-mail pisanhart@aol.com.

Homebuyer class

A free Homebuyer's Class will be 6:30

p.m. Tuesday, July 11, at Fidelity
National Title at Six Mile and I-275. It
is put on by Rosemary Firestone of
RE/MAX 100 and Michael Firestone of
Golden Mortgage. There will be a home
inspector present. Attendees are both
first-time buyers and experienced buyers. The class will cover why it is important to be pre-approved and what that
entails; what kinds of mortgages are
available and to whom; how to avoid a
"lemon" and have the house inspected
professionally; have a buyer's agent
working only for you – not the seller;

how to get seller's concessions to help cover your costs; how to decide on a good offering price; what are all the papers involved in writing an offer.

Call for reservations (24 hours) at (734) 420-9600 or e-mail at: info@rfirestone-team.com.

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Commercial Real Estate Women-Detroit will hold a summer networking

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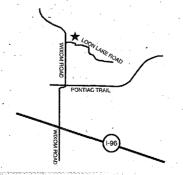
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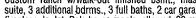
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STICK BUILT CONSTRUCTION! This beauti baths, first floor laundry and attached 2 car garage with door opener. Full basement with blocked walls and large daylight windows. All this located on a paved road in quiet neighborhood with natural gas and only 3 miles from town. Fowlerville Schools \$180,000



BRAND NEW CONSTRUCTION! Banch on 2 acres home features 3 bedrooms, 2 full baths, cathedra ceilings, first floor laundry and walk-in closet. Oversized 2 car garage with door opener. Beautiful country setting with mature trees and pines. Still time to pick some of your colors and is located on a blacktop road. Fowlerville Schools \$184,900



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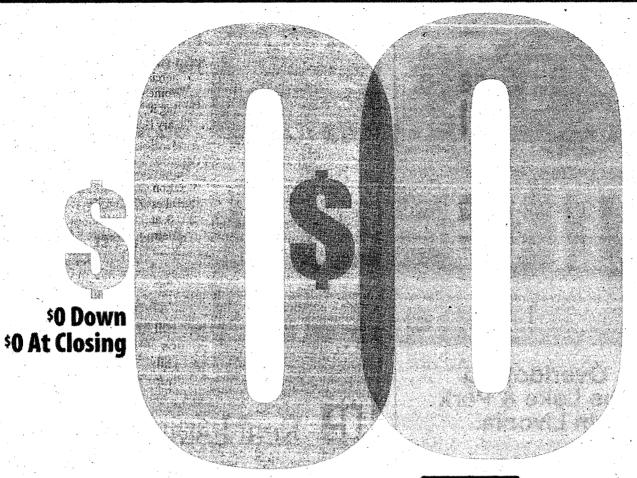
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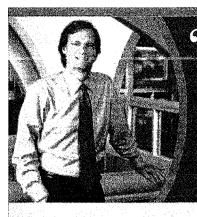
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6321 Mead St. 141 Nightingale	4BR/2BA/2car/2-stry 3BR/1BA/1car/bnglw			realestateone.com/26101641 realestateone.com/26070936	41284 Lehigh Ct.	4BR/1.1BA/car/condo			realestateone.com/26082200	2319/23 Stieber	2BR/1BA/car/condo			realestateone.com/25049490
DEARBORN HEIGHTS	Join ton tearings	71,193	737 320 2000	Tealestateorie.com/20070330	16743 Carriage Way	2BR/2BA/1car/condo			realestateone.com/26067350 realestateone.com/25114288	27660 Trailbrooke	2BR/2BA/car/condo			realestateone.com/26021486
26713 Ann Arbor Trl.	2BR/2BA/2car/condo	\$215,000	734-591-9200	realestateone.com/26066652	19486 Inlet Ct. 525 Fairbrook 102	2BR/1BA/car/ 2BR/1BA/car/condo			realestateone.com/26024405	1254 Shoemaker 48	2BR/2BA/car/condo	\$109,900	734-326-2000	realestateone.com/26039892
7351 Plainfield	3BR/1.1BA/car/bsmnt			realestateone.com/26092479	NOVI	LOW YORK CON CONTRO	7,00,000	2:0 200000000	rearcontecturing 2002/1903	35844 Booth St.	2BR/1BA/1car/ranch			realestateone.com/26069976
5642 Polk	3BR/1BA/2car/ranch			realestateone.com/26074280	49345 Albatross Dr.	5BR/3.1BA/3car/hrdwd	\$550.000	248-348-6430	realestateone.com/26068974	2342 Stieber # 47	2BR/1BA/car/ranch			realestateone.com/26080860
DETROIT ·					22280 Barclay Dr.	4BR/3.2BA/3car/lib			realestateone.com/26017113	2289 Stieber	2BR/1BA/car/duplx	\$72,900	734-455-7000	realestateone.com/26080184
1110 Ferdinand	4BR/1.1BA/car/col			realestateone.com/26094609	42864 Ashbury Dr.	4BR/3.2BA/3car/lib			realestateone.com/26041506	WHITE LAKE	(00/2 204/2 ·	/gge	340 (44 :===	
7730 Navy	3BR/1BA/car/2-stry	\$94,900	734-326-2000	realestateone.com/26078121	25778 Arcadia Dr.	4BR/2.5BA/3car/deck	\$482,900	248-348-6430	realestateone.com/26057895	551 Hill Top Dr.	6BR/3.2BA/2car/ranch	\$//5,000	∠48-644-4700	realestateone.com/26003621
FARMINGTON HILLS					45459 Addington Ln.	4BR/2.5BA/3car/lib			realestateone.com/26073774	WIXOM 1995 Chantedair	28D/3 1DA/3/51	tasa ann	240-240 <200	regionate com/20040222
29918 Eldred	3BR/3BA/1car/updtd			realestateone.com/26019600	43029 Emerson Way	3BR/2.1BA/2car/col			realestateone.com/26079591	1555 Chanteclair	JORYZ. IDAYZCZI/FL MI	\$4234,900	Z40-349-0ZUÜ	realestateone.com/26010323
34815 Bridgeman	3BR/1BA/2car/brick			realestateone.com/26011623	23084 Balcombe Drive	4BR/2.1BA/2car/deck			realestateone.com/26082255	WOODNAVEN 24032 Juniper Dr.	3RR/2 1RA/2car/condo	¢ንብሩ ሐበባ	734-455-7000	realestateone.com/26090478
30594 Orchard Lake 49	2BR/2BA/2car/brick	\$145,000	240-044-4/00	realestateone.com/26086596	43490 Algonquin 43841 Algonquin	3BR/2.2BA/2car/condo			realestateone.com/26054011 realestateone.com/26094949	YPSILANTI	SUNTE IDM/ZCGI/COILUO	7500,400	, JUL TUD 1000	reacondecond.com/200704/0
FERNDALE 2851 Burdette	3BR/1BA/2car/fence	\$150 000	734-455-7000	realestateone.com/26043649	PLYMOUTH	2BR/2BA/2car/deck	4207,YUU	270-240-043U	rearestateorie.com/20094949	7494 Meadow Lane	3BR/2.1BA/2car/new	\$189,900	734-455-7000	realestateone.com/26053352
GARDEN CITY	Som towardividue	7130,000	. 5	rearcateteoricacolly 20043047	668 S. Harvey St.	4BR/3.1BA/2car/wow!	\$549 9 00	734-455-7000	realestateone.com/26086986	7498 Red Bird Dr.	3BR/2.1BA/2car/new!			realestateone.com/26053753
6064 Lathers	3BR/1BA/2car/bnolw	\$149.900	734-326-2000	realestateone.com/26081962	48434 Hilltop Dr.	4BR/3.1BA/3car/updtd			realestateone.com/26038850	327 Miles	3BR/2BA/car/updtd			realestateone.com/26058154
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